

# LICENSING COMMITTEE

DATE: 16<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2015

**SUBJECT:**  
**GAMBLING ACT 2005**  
**GAMBLING COMMISSION TRAINING SESSION**

**Recommendations / key decisions required:**

That members receive guidance and training from the Gambling Commission in relation to the Gambling Act 2005 and recent changes to the Gambling Commission codes of practice and guidance to licensing authorities.

**Reasons:**

- To provide members of the Licensing Committee with updated training in relation to changes in gambling regulation and guidance.

Relevant scrutiny committee to be consulted : NA

EXECUTIVE BOARD / COUNCIL / COMMITTEE:  
Scrutiny Committee recommendations / comments:

Exec Board Decision Required NA

Council Decision Required NA

**EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER PORTFOLIO HOLDER:-**

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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY  
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The Gambling Act 2005 came into force in 2007 and brought in a new comprehensive system for gambling regulation in Great Britain. The Act established a dedicated regulator at national level, in the form of the Gambling Commission. It also gave responsibility to local authorities for regulating gambling at a local level.

Licensing Authorities have responsibility for licensing gambling premises within their area, as well as undertaking functions in relation to lower stake gaming machines and processing temporary and occasional use notices.

The Gambling Commission has responsibility for granting operating and personal licences for commercial gambling operators. The legislation also provides scope for the Commission to set an overall direction at national level, which includes producing The Guidance to Licensing Authorities, to which licensing authorities must have regard.

This guidance document as well as the Licence Conditions and Codes of Practice have both recently been updated by the Commission. This training session will provide an update regarding the Gambling Act and the recent changes to guidance documents.

**DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED ?**

**NO**

## IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report :

Signed: Robin Staines

Head of Housing and Public Protection

Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities <b>NONE</b>	Legal <b>NONE</b>	Finance <b>NONE</b>	ICT <b>NONE</b>	Risk Management Issues <b>NONE</b>	Staffing Implications <b>NONE</b>	Physical Assets <b>NONE</b>
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## CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below

Signed: Robin Staines

Head of Housing and Public Protection

**1. Scrutiny Committee**

N/A

**2. Local Member(s)**

N/A

**3. Community / Town Council**

N/A

**4. Relevant Partners**

N/A

**5. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations**

N/A

**Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information**

List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

**THESE ARE DETAILED BELOW**

Title of Document	File Ref No.	Locations that the papers are available for public inspection
Gambling Commission Presentation	Gambling Act 2005	3, Spilman Street, Carmarthen