



17 January 2022

LICENSING AND SAFETY COMMITTEE – 25 JANUARY 2022

A meeting of the Licensing and Safety Committee will be held at 6pm on Tuesday 25 January 2022 in the Council Chamber at the Town Hall, Rugby.

Members of the public may view the meeting via the livestream from the Council's website.

Mannie Ketley
Executive Director

Note: Members are reminded that they should declare the existence and nature of their non-pecuniary interests at the commencement of the meeting (or as soon as the interest becomes apparent). If that interest is a prejudicial interest the Member must withdraw from the room unless one of the exceptions applies.

Membership of Warwickshire County Council or any Parish Council is classed as a non-pecuniary interest under the Code of Conduct. A Member does not need to declare this interest unless the Member chooses to speak on a matter relating to their membership. If the Member does not wish to speak on the matter, the Member may still vote on the matter without making a declaration.

A G E N D A

PART 1 – PUBLIC BUSINESS

1. Minutes.

To confirm the minutes of the:

Licensing and Safety Committee held on 13 October 2020 and 20 May 2021;
Licensing Sub Committees (General) held on 14 July 2021, 9 September 2021, 22 September 2021; and 4 November 2021
Licensing Sub Committee (Alcohol and Regulated Entertainment) held on 8 December 2020.

2. Apologies.

To receive apologies for absence from the meeting.

3. Declarations of Interest.

To receive declarations of –

(a) non-pecuniary interests as defined by the Council's Code of Conduct for Councillors;

(b) pecuniary interests as defined by the Council's Code of Conduct for Councillors; and

(c) notice under Section 106 Local Government Finance Act 1992 – non-payment of Community Charge or Council Tax.

4. Review of Hackney Carriage Fares

5. Statutory Review of Gambling Policy - Statement of Principles

PART 2 – EXEMPT INFORMATION

There is no business involving exempt information to be transacted.

The Reports of Officers are attached.

Membership of the Committee: Councillors Mrs A'Barrow (Chairman), Bearne, Brader, Cade, Douglas, Miss Dumbleton, Ellis, Mrs Garcia, Keeling, Mrs Roodhouse, Mrs Timms and Dr Williams

If you have any general queries with regard to this agenda please contact Linn Ashmore, Democratic Services Officer (01788 533522 or e-mail Linn.Ashmore@rugby.gov.uk). Any specific queries concerning reports should be directed to the listed contact officer.

AGENDA MANAGEMENT SHEET

Report Title: Review of Hackney Carriage Fares

Name of Committee: Licensing and Safety Committee

Date of Meeting: 25 January 2022

Report Director: Chief Officer - Regulation and Safety

Portfolio: Regulation and Safety

Ward Relevance: All

Prior Consultation: All licensed drivers, proprietors and operators and representatives from the Rugby Hackney Owner Driver Association (RHODA) and the (UDHAR).

Contact Officer: Emma Payne, Licensing Officer, x.3855

Public or Private: Public

Report Subject to Call-In: Please select

Report En-Bloc: Please select

Forward Plan: Please select

Corporate Priorities: This report relates to the following priority(ies):
 Rugby is an environmentally sustainable place, where we work together to reduce and mitigate the effects of climate change. (C)
 Rugby has a diverse and resilient economy that benefits and enables opportunities for all residents. (E)
 Residents live healthy, independent lives, with the most vulnerable protected. (HC)
 Rugby Borough Council is a responsible, effective and efficient organisation. (O)
[Corporate Strategy 2021-2024](#)
 This report does not specifically relate to any Council priorities but

(C) Climate
(E) Economy
(HC) Health and Communities
(O) Organisation

Summary: In line with the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976, the Council holds the power to set the maximum hackney carriage fare. The current hackney carriage fares were set in 2018. A copy of the current fare chart is attached at **Appendix A.**

Financial Implications: None

Risk Management/Health and Safety Implications: None

Environmental Implications: None

Legal Implications: None

Equality and Diversity: None

Options: Having considered the contents of the report, the representations from the Hackney Carriage Licensees and any public representations, the Committee may:

- a. approve the proposed tariff for consultation, or
- b. make modifications/amendments to, and approve this tariff for consultation, or
- c. approve an alternative tariff for consultation, or
- d. make no change to the current tariff.

Recommendation: That members consider the information in this report and make a decision whether to increase the existing Hackney Carriage fares or not. If a fare increase is decided, it is recommended that the proposed fares be approved for advertisement for a period of not less than 14 days as required by section 65 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976.

Reasons for Recommendation: A period of almost four years has passed since the last tariff review and a fare increase is appropriate at this time.

Licensing and Safety Committee - 25 January 2022

Review of Hackney Carriage Fares

Public Report of the Chief Officer - Regulation and Safety

Recommendation

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1. Background

The Council have the power to set fares for hackney carriages under section 65 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976. This fare review relates only to Hackney Carriage Vehicles, not Private Hire Vehicles. Private Hire fares are set by Private hire Operators. Hackney Carriage fares were last increased in March 2018. Since then, fares have remained at their present level. A copy of the current fare card can be found at **Appendix A**.

Tariff rates differ according to the time of day, the day of the week, and whether or not the journey takes place on public or bank holidays. These tariffs directly relate to the unsociable hours worked by drivers, therefore ensuring the provision of hackney carriage transport is always available.

It is important to find a balance between income generated by taxi drivers to cover their day-to-day costs and costs associated with licensing processes as well as setting fares which meet the needs of visitors and residents to the borough. Members should note that the fares prescribed by the council are maximum fares. Taxi fares are calculated using a taxi meter. The metre shows the maximum fare that can be charged at the end of a journey drivers may charge a lower fare and offer a discount if they wish. This charge is based upon the time of day, distance travelled, and time taken.

A consultation was carried out with the taxi trade from the 1st October 2021 and ended on the 29th October 2021, the results of this consultation are set out in this report for consideration by the committee. The consultation was in the form of a paper questionnaire sent to licence holders, a copy of the questionnaire can be seen at **Appendix B**. The questionnaire responses can be seen at **Appendix C**, a combined response from one of the trade associations can also be seen at **Appendix C**.

A proposed fare chart has also been circulated to licence holders; the comments received can be seen at **Appendix D**, a copy of the proposed fare chart can be seen at **Appendix F**. Following this circulation, the following feedback was received.

2. Consultation Responses

Table 1 – Percentage Increase

OPTION	INCREASE	NUMBER
A	No increase	6
B	Increase by 1-5%	2
C	Increase by 6-10%	5
D	Increase by 10-15%	5
E	Increase by 15%+	12

Table 2 – Type of Increase

TYPE OF INCREASE	NUMBER
INITIAL STARTING RATE INCREASE	24
WAITING TIME COST INCREASE	15
DISTANCE COST INCREASE	22

Table 3 – Effect of different increases

Tariff	Current Fare Price (2-mile journey)	Proposed Fare Price (2-mile journey)
Tariff 1	£5.80	£7.00
Tariff 2	£8.70	£10.35
Tariff 3	£11.60	£13.80

3. National Context

Neighbouring Authorities Comparison tables of national tariffs are compiled monthly by Private Hire & Taxi Monthly (PHTM) and are available for anyone to view online. This chart can be viewed at **Appendix E**. The latest report, published in November 2021, shows that, with 1 being highest and 359 being the lowest, Rugby is currently 233rd in the country out of a total of 359 Councils.

A general comparison of Rugby with the surrounding boroughs/districts is provided below showing the 2-mile cost in the licensing areas in the region.

Table 4 – Authorities Local to Rugby

Local Authority	Ranking	Charge (2-mile fare)
Coventry	120	£6.30
Daventry	135	£6.20
Northampton	141	£6.20
Stratford on Avon	150	£6.10
North Warwick	162	£6.10
Warwick	198	£6.00

Rugby	233	£5.80
Leicester	225	£5.80
Hinckley & Bosworth	259	£5.60

If the proposed fare rates were introduced, Rugby would rank 32 in the National Hackney Carriage Fare Table. The feedback from the Hackney Carriage drivers and proprietors clearly showed that the majority requested an increase in the initial starting rate and an increase in the distance cost by 15%+. Increasing tariff 1 from £5.80 for a 2-mile journey to £7.00 is an increase of 21%.

4. Other Considerations

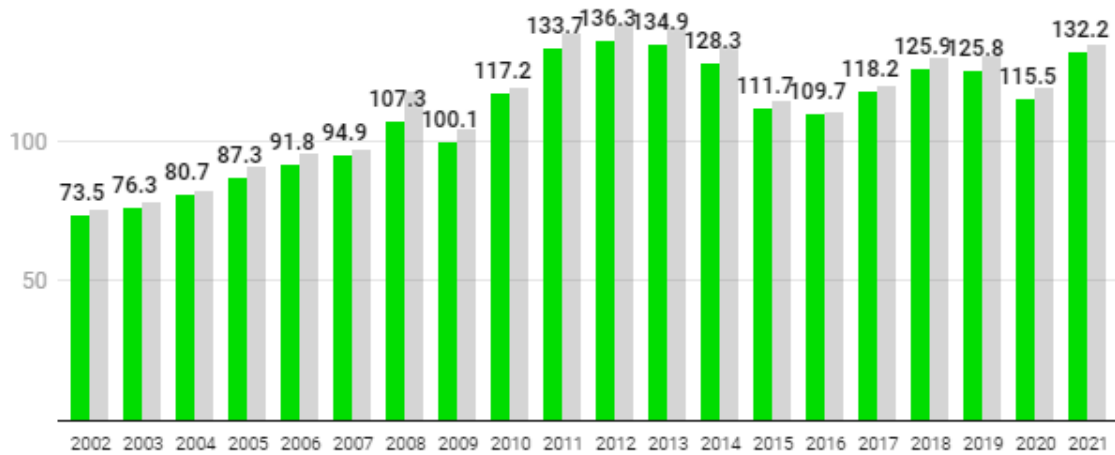
Table 5 - Fuel Price Report (RAC)

The RAC track average annual fuel prices. According to the fuel price data for 2018 to 2020, after peaking in 2018, petrol and diesel fuel prices gradually fell until 2020. Prices rose again in 2021 and have rose well above the 2018 peak. The average annual fuel costs are shown below.

Average UK petrol and diesel prices by year

Current year's averages are for the year to-date

■ Unleaded ■ Diesel



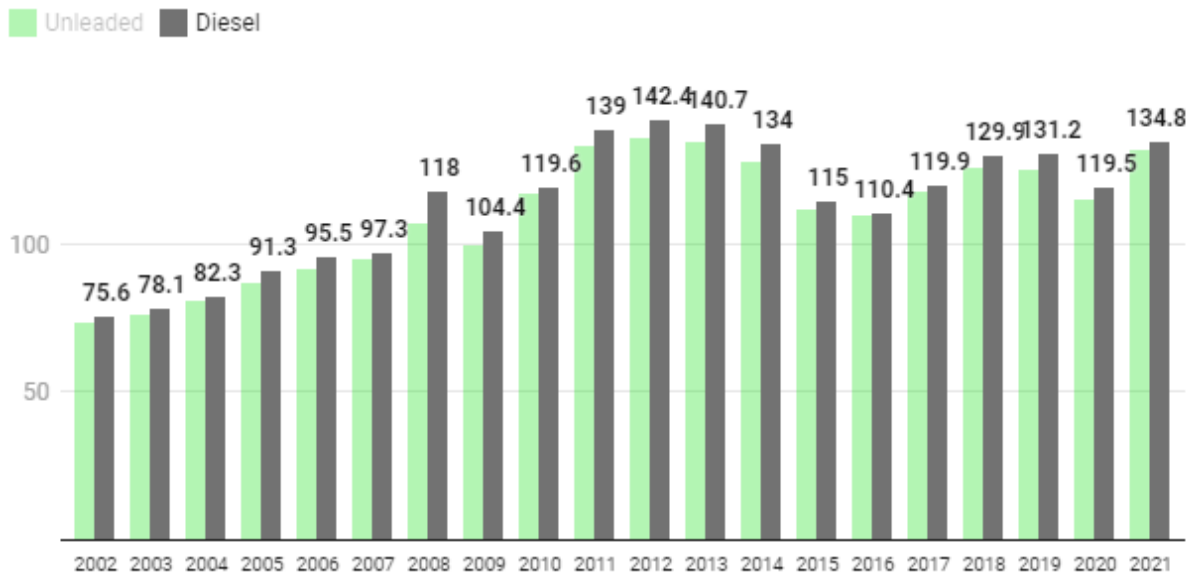
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Source: [RAC Fuel Watch](#) - Embed



Average UK petrol and diesel prices by year

Current year's averages are for the year to-date



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The AA have reported that as of 30 November 2021, unleaded prices have increased from 141.4 p/litre in October 2021 to 146.9 p/litre in November 2021 and diesel prices have risen from 144.9 p/litre to 150.5 p/litre.

Tariff rates are the maximum that can be charged for a journey. Drivers have the option to charge less than the metered fare.

The law requires that:

- A licensed hackney carriage must be fitted with a taxi meter;
- The taxi meter must be programmed with the approved fare, set by the licensing authority;
- The taxi meter must be sealed so as to ensure it is tamper-proof;
- The taxi meter must be turned on at the beginning of a journey and must be stopped at the end of the journey and
- The maximum fee that can be charged is that shown on the face of the meter.

So long as the above requirements are all met, the driver may, if he/she wishes, charge less than the metered fare. The purpose of the meter being activated is to ensure the customer can see that they are not being over-charged.

The Council has a duty to advertise any variation in fares and publish a date by which any objections must be received.

5. Timetable for implementation

The 1976 Act requires any proposed increase to be advertised in a minimum of one local paper and the public notice must list the expiry date of the consultation period,

which must be a minimum of fourteen days from the date of publication. A copy of the Notice must also be displayed on Council premises.

With this in mind, if no objections were to be received, the suggested implementation date would be around 1st March 2022. This would depend upon newspaper publication days and the availability of taximeter fitters/programmers.

Should objections be received then consideration of those objections, prior to any implementation, would delay the implementation until the report could be re-considered, in light of representations, by the Licensing and Safety Committee at its next meeting.

6. Conclusion

In conclusion, should the proposed fare chart be approved for consultation, following the consultation process with drivers the council can either reject the proposed fare increase or alternatively approve the fare increase recommended in this report. Provided no objections are received, the proposed fares can be introduced on 1st March 2022.

7. Table of Appendices

Appendix	Description
A	Current Fare Chart
B	Blank questionnaire
C	Questionnaire responses
D	Comments on proposed fare chart
E	National Hackney Carriage Fares table – November 2021
F	Proposed Fare Chart 2022

Name of Meeting: Licensing and Safety Committee
Date of Meeting: 25 January 2022
Subject Matter: Review of Hackney Carriage Fares
Originating Department: Regulation and Safety

DO ANY BACKGROUND PAPERS APPLY **YES** **NO**

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

Doc No	Title of Document and Hyperlink
1	AA fuel price report - https://www.theaa.com/driving-advice/driving-costs/fuel-prices

The background papers relating to reports on planning applications and which are open to public inspection under Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972, consist of the planning applications, referred to in the reports, and all written responses to consultations made by the Local Planning Authority, in connection with those applications.

Exempt information is contained in the following documents:

Doc No	Relevant Paragraph of Schedule 12A

Rugby Borough Council Hackney Carriage Tariff

TARIFF 1 applies daily between 6am and midnight	£3.20
First 1232 yards (0.7 mile) or 280 seconds or part thereof.	
Each subsequent 176 yards or part thereof or 40 seconds waiting time.	£0.20
TARIFF 2 applies daily between midnight and 6am	
For a hiring between midnight and 6am and Public Holidays (except Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Years' Day).	
First 1232 yards (0.7 mile) or 280 seconds or part thereof	£4.80
Each subsequent 117.3 yards of part thereof or 27 seconds waiting time	£0.20
TARIFF 3 applies from 6pm Christmas Eve all the way through to 6am on 27 December (including all of Christmas Day and Boxing Day), and from 6pm New Years' Eve to 6am on 2 January (including the whole of New Year's Day), annually.	£6.40
First 1232 yards (0.7 mile) or 280 seconds or part thereof	
Each subsequent 176 yards or part thereof or 40 seconds waiting time	£0.40
Soiling Charge	
A soiling charge, if soiled by the action of a passenger, to cover the loss of income due to the vehicle being cleaned.	£100

IMPORTANT

If the journey takes the taxi outside the borough of Rugby, the driver must still charge in accordance with the above tariff.

REQUIREMENT TO USE TAXI METER

For a hiring starting and ending inside the borough, the meter must be started at the beginning of the journey and stopped at the end of the journey. The maximum fare the driver may charge is the fare shown on the meter.

ANY COMMENTS OR CONCERNS should be reported immediately to the Licensing Team. Please make a note of the taxi licence plate number which is displayed on the rear of the Taxi and on the windscreen, or the number of the driver's ID badge.

Licensing Team

Email: licensing@rugby.gov.uk

Telephone: 01788 533667

Please ask for Emma Payne
Direct Line (01788) 533533
E-mail Address Licensing@rugby.gov.uk
Our ref EP/ZR/CM
Date 1 October 2021

Review of Rugby Hackney Carriage Fare Tariff

The Licensing Team is preparing to conduct a full review of the hackney carriage tariff fare.

The review must consider all relevant factors; the local economy, the needs of the public, and of course the opinions of licensed drivers, vehicle proprietors, licensed operators.

The last fare review was conducted in 2018. This is the opportunity for every licensed driver to offer their views on the proposed review, all relevant views will be considered.

Information provided must be relevant. To assist you with providing your view, a short questionnaire is enclosed. The attached questionnaire has also been sent to the Chair of RHODA and the Chair of UDHAR.

I would be grateful if you could please complete and return the questionnaire via email to the licensing team on the email above by 17:00 on the 29th October 2021. Please note we will only accept written responses. On receipt of the information, the Licensing Team will take all responses in to consideration and develop a tariff proposal.

The Licensing Team values your opinion and your taking part in the review process is appreciated.

Yours sincerely

Emma Payne
Licensing Officer

Review of Rugby Hackney Carriage Fare Tariff
Consultation Questionnaire – please complete digitally and return via email to
licensing@rugby.gov.uk.

Name: **Licence Number:**

1. Do you support a review of the hackney carriage fare tariff? (*Please highlight your answer, If answering no, please go to question 5*)

Yes

No

2. What percentage increase would you consider most appropriate (*please highlight*)?

1-5%

6-10%

10-15%

15%+

3. Which parts of the tariff do you suggest need reviewing (*please highlight*)?

Initial starting rate increase

Waiting time cost increase

Distance cost increase

4. Do you wish to see the 'extras' charges reviewed/changed? (*Please comment below*):

5. Any other comment relating to the fare review. (*Please comment below, continue overleaf if necessary*):

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Name:

Licence Number:

1. Do you support a review of the hackney carriage fare tariff? *(Please highlight your answer, If answering no, please go to question 5)*

Yes ✓

No

2. What percentage increase would you consider most appropriate *(please highlight)?*

1-5%

6-10% ✓

10-15%

15%+

3. Which parts of the tariff do you suggest need reviewing *(please highlight)?*

Initial starting rate increase ✓

Waiting time cost increase

Distance cost increase ✓

4. Do you wish to see the 'extras' charges reviewed/changed? *(Please comment below):*

Extra charges should be reviewed.

There should be strict rule for soiling charges as well.

5. Any other comment relating to the fare review. *(Please comment below, continue overleaf if necessary):*

During lockdown period more than 80% customer are moved on to contactless payments. Fare increase is necessary because drivers are paying hefty amounts to card machine providers.

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~~No~~

No

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Distance cost increase

4. Do you wish to see the 'extras' charges reviewed/changed? *(Please comment below):*

5. Any other comment relating to the fare review. *(Please comment below, continue overleaf*

if necessary): JUST NOW DOES NOT SEEM THE RIGHT TIME TO BE INCREASING TARIFFS. WITH WHAT EVERYBODY BEEN THROUGH.

Name: [redacted]

Licence Number: [redacted]

1. Do you support a review of the hackney carriage fare tariff? (Please highlight your answer, If answering no, please go to question 5)

Yes

No

2. What percentage increase would you consider most appropriate (please highlight)?

1-5%

6-10%

10-15%

15%+

3. Which parts of the tariff do you suggest need reviewing (please highlight)?

Initial starting rate increase

Waiting time cost increase

Distance cost increase

4. Do you wish to see the 'extras' charges reviewed/changed? (Please comment below):

I'd like for the waiting time cost and distance cost to be reviewed and increased too.

5. Any other comment relating to the fare review. (Please comment below, continue overleaf if necessary):

I would suggest to introduce a third tariff instead of the two currently.

- One tariff from 6AM to 6PM
- Second tariff from 6PM to 12AM
- Third tariff from 12AM to 6AM

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Licence Number:

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Yes

No

2. What percentage increase would you consider most appropriate (*please highlight*)?

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6-10%

10-15%

15%+

3. Which parts of the tariff do you suggest need reviewing (*please highlight*)?

Initial starting rate increase

Waiting time cost increase

Distance cost increase

4. Do you wish to see the 'extras' charges reviewed/changed? (*Please comment below*):

5. Any other comment relating to the fare review. (*Please comment below, continue overleaf if necessary*):



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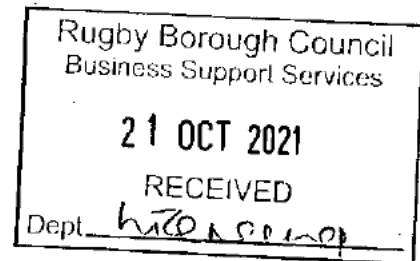
Licence Number:

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Yes
 No

2. What percentage increase would you consider most appropriate (please highlight)?

1-5%
 6-10%
 10-15%
 15%+



3. Which parts of the tariff do you suggest need reviewing (please highlight)?

Initial starting rate increase
 Waiting time cost increase
 Distance cost increase

4. Do you wish to see the 'extras' charges reviewed/changed? (Please comment below):

5. Any other comment relating to the fare review. (Please comment below, continue overleaf if necessary):

I feel the fares should reflect on the basis of the petrol prices going up, ~~the~~ cost of living car expenses are increasing, etc.
 Everything should be considered when reviewing. Many Thanks.

Review of Rugby Hackney Carriage Fare Tariff
Consultation Questionnaire – *please complete digitally and return via email to licensing@rugby.gov.uk.*

Name: _____

Licence Number: _____

1. Do you support a review of the hackney carriage fare tariff? *(Please highlight your answer, if answering no, please go to question 5)*

Yes
 No

2. What percentage increase would you consider most appropriate *(please highlight)?*

1-5%
 6-10%
 10-15%
 15%+

3. Which parts of the tariff do you suggest need reviewing *(please highlight)?*

Initial starting rate increase
 Waiting time cost increase
 Distance cost increase

4. Do you wish to see the 'extras' charges reviewed/changed? *(Please comment below):*

No

5. Any other comment relating to the fare review. *(Please comment below, continue overleaf if necessary):*

No

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Name: [REDACTED]

Licence Number: [REDACTED]

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Yes
 No

2. What percentage increase would you consider most appropriate (*please highlight*)?

1-5%

 6-10%

10-15%

15%+

3. Which parts of the tariff do you suggest need reviewing (*please highlight*)?

Initial starting rate increase ✓

Waiting time cost increase

Distance cost increase ✓

4. Do you wish to see the 'extras' charges reviewed/changed? (*Please comment below*):

N/A

5. Any other comment relating to the fare review. (*Please comment below, continue overleaf if necessary*):

INCREASE OF FUEL & INSURANCE COSTS
 AND THE COST OF LIVING.

Review of Rugby Hackney Carriage Fare Tariff
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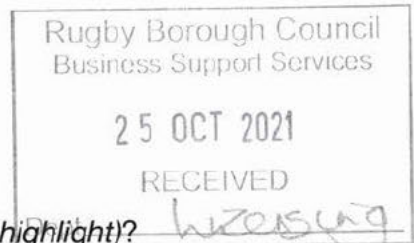
Licence Number:

1. Do you support a review of the hackney carriage fare tariff? (Please highlight your answer, If answering no, please go to question 5)

Yes **YES.**
 No

2. What percentage increase would you consider most appropriate (please highlight)?

1-5% **3.20 TO 3.60**
 6-10%
 10-15%
 15%+



3. Which parts of the tariff do you suggest need reviewing (please highlight)?

Initial starting rate increase **FROM 3.20 TO 3.60.**
 Waiting time cost increase **NO**
 Distance cost increase **YES**

4. Do you wish to see the 'extras' charges reviewed/changed? (Please comment below):

**NO WISH TO BRING THE EXTRAS CHARGING BACK.
 AS THIS CAN BRING IN UNFAIR PRACTICES.**

5. Any other comment relating to the fare review. (Please comment below, continue overleaf if necessary):

I WOULD LIKE TAXI FARE INCREASES LINKED TO TOWN HALL WAGE INCREASES, AS WE ALL HAVE THE SAME DAILY COSTS OF LIVING. I.E. FUEL, COUNCIL TAX, GAS, ELECTRIC, FOOD, PHONE, ELECTRIC MOTOR EXPENSES TO COME. A SMALL INCREASE EVERY FOUR YEARS IS HARDLY ADEQUATE TO COVER ALL THE YEARLY EXPENSES. NOT TO MENTION COVID.

I LOOK FORWARD IN ANTICIPATION TO A REALISTIC DECISION ON THE TAXI FARE RATE RISE.

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Licence Number:

1. Do you support a review of the hackney carriage fare tariff? *(Please highlight your answer, If answering no, please go to question 5)*

 Yes

 No

2. What percentage increase would you consider most appropriate *(please highlight)?*

 1-5%

 6-10%

 10-15%

 15%+

3. Which parts of the tariff do you suggest need reviewing *(please highlight)?*

 Initial starting rate increase

 Waiting time cost increase

 Distance cost increase

4. Do you wish to see the 'extras' charges reviewed/changed? *(Please comment below):*

yes i believe it should be considered.

5. Any other comment relating to the fare review. *(Please comment below, continue overleaf*

if necessary): Not at moment. only thing it would be that with pandemic was very high impact for drivers with very little support

RE: Responder: Dual Drivers licence - Message (HTML)

File Message Help Tell me what you want to do

Ignore Delete Archive Reply Reply All Forward Meeting Share to Teams Hello Create New Move Move Actions Mark Unread Categorize Follow Up Find Related Select Read Aloud Immersive

RE: Responder: Dual Drivers licence



Reply Reply All



Dear Emma,

I hope you are well.

Please see attached as requested. Apologies I couldn't highlighted number 3 but my opinion would be initial starting rate increase and Distance costs increase.

Thanks

Regards

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Yes

No

2. What percentage increase would you consider most appropriate (*please highlight*)?

1-5%

6-10%

10-15%

15%+

3. Which parts of the tariff do you suggest need reviewing (*please highlight*)?

Initial starting rate increase

Waiting time cost increase

Distance cost increase

4. Do you wish to see the 'extras' charges reviewed/changed? (*Please comment below*):

Yes

5. Any other comment relating to the fare review. (*Please comment below, continue overleaf if necessary*):

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Appendix C

Review of Rugby Hackney Carriage Fare Tariff
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Name:

[REDACTED]

Licence Number:

[REDACTED]

1. Do you support a review of the hackney carriage fare tariff? (Please highlight your answer, If answering no, please go to question 5)

Yes

No

2. What percentage increase would you consider most appropriate (please highlight)?

1-5%

6-10%

10-15%

15%+

3. Which parts of the tariff do you suggest need reviewing (please highlight)?

Initial starting rate increase

Waiting time cost increase

Distance cost increase

4. Do you wish to see the 'extras' charges reviewed/changed? (Please comment below):

No

5. Any other comment relating to the fare review. (Please comment below, continue overleaf if necessary):

I SUGGEST A NEW STARTING RATE AT £3.80 AND NO OTHER INCREASES.

Review of Rugby Hackney Carriage Fare Tariff
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[*licensing@rugby.gov.uk.*](mailto:licensing@rugby.gov.uk)

Name: **Licence Number**

1. Do you support a review of the hackney carriage fare tariff? (*Please highlight your answer, If answering no, please go to question 5*)

No

2. What percentage increase would you consider most appropriate (*please highlight*)?

1-5% ✓

6-10%

10-15%

15%+

3. Which parts of the tariff do you suggest need reviewing (*please highlight*)?

Initial starting rate increase

Waiting time cost increase

Distance cost increase ✓

4. Do you wish to see the 'extras' charges reviewed/changed? (*Please comment below*):

NO

5. Any other comment relating to the fare review. (*Please comment below, continue overleaf if necessary*):

I don't like to see any price increases due to the fact that people are already struggling with essential price increase. We are still having problem and lot less jobs after midnight due to price increase on 2018.

We hardly go out of town due to price increase, customer use Uber to commute from out of town to rugby same with return journey. Price increase means killing the trade which is already struggling.

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Name: [redacted] Licence Number: [redacted]

1. Do you support a review of the hackney carriage fare tariff? (Please highlight your answer. If answering no, please go to question 5)

Yes
No

2. What percentage increase would you consider most appropriate (please highlight)?

1-5%
6-10%
10-15%
15%+

3. Which parts of the tariff do you suggest need reviewing (please highlight)?

Initial starting rate increase £5
Waiting time cost increase
Distance cost increase £2-10 per mile

4. Do you wish to see the 'extras' charges reviewed/changed? (Please comment below):

No I do not wish for extras to be changed

5. Any other comment relating to the fare review. (Please comment below, continue overleaf if necessary):

We need this increase:

- ① Fuel Prices keep going up
- ② Insurance
- ③ R.B.C Policy Having to Renew Vehicles ~~as~~ No more than 3 years old more "Experience" Replace with Electric cars after 2025 more "Experience"

Review of Rugby Hackney Carriage Fare Tariff
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licensing@rugby.gov.uk.

Name:

Licence Number:

1. Do you support a review of the hackney carriage fare tariff? (*Please highlight your answer, If answering no, please go to question 5*)

Yes X

No

2. What percentage increase would you consider most appropriate (*please highlight*)?

1-5% X

6-10%

10-15%

15%+

3. Which parts of the tariff do you suggest need reviewing (*please highlight*)?

Initial starting rate increase

Waiting time cost increase X

Distance cost increase

4. Do you wish to see the 'extras' charges reviewed/changed? (*Please comment below*):

No

5. Any other comment relating to the fare review. (*Please comment below, continue overleaf if necessary*):

From:
Subject: Fwd: Fare increase
Date: 18 October 2021 at 11:18:45 BST

Evening Emma,

See below the request tha the trade would like you to submit to the licencing committee councillors on our behalf. This has been requested by ALL the trade regardless of which group they belong to and have all agreed with this proposal being the best way forward. I have been very mindful of the customer base whilst requesting the changes.

I am aware that some do not want an increase and that is their choice as they do not have to. The law is as you are aware that they cannot charge more than the approved meter rate but less is permitted.If you have any concerns please call me

I have tried to keep the numbers inline with other authorities in the area

Hi all,

I have changed the overall milage from£2 per mile to £2.20 per mile to assist in covering the fuel costs whilst maintaining the increase in flag down hopefully not losing customers. I am changing these inline from various requests from the trade.

I think this should meet all needs and not appear greedy to the council who will tend to focus on the customer base and not the trade.

PROPOSAL sept 2021																		
Name :			TARIFF 1			Name :			TARIFF 2			Name :			TARIFF 3			
Soiling charge:			£100.00			Soiling charge:			£100.00			Soiling charge:			£100.00			
Wait:			36 (secs)			Wait:			24 (secs)			Wait:			20 (secs)			
Flag fall:			£3.60 A			Flag fall:			£5.40 A			Flag fall:			£7.20 A			
Initial yardage:			880 B			Initial yardage:			880 B			Initial yardage:			880 B			
Unit thereafter:			176			Unit thereafter:			176 C			Unit thereafter:			176 C			
Price unit :			0.22 D			Price unit :			0.34 D			Price unit :			0.44 D			
Initial Waiting Time (secs):			240			Initial Waiting Time (secs):			240			Initial Waiting Time (secs):			240			
			TARIFF 1						TARIFF 2						TARIFF 3			
Distance																		
(miles)	Current	Proposed	% Change		Current	Proposed	% Change		Current	Proposed	% Change		Current	Proposed	% Change			

Flag	£3.20	£3.60	12.50%	£4.80	£5.40	12.50%	£6.40	£7.20	12.50%	
1	£3.80	£4.70	23.68%	£5.80	£7.10	22.41%	£7.60	£9.40	23.68%	
2	£5.80	£6.90	18.97%	£8.80	£10.50	19.32%	£11.60	£13.80	18.97%	
3	£7.80	£9.10	16.67%	£11.80	£13.90	17.80%	£15.60	£18.20	16.67%	
4	£9.80	£11.30	15.31%	£14.80	£17.30	16.89%	£19.60	£22.60	15.31%	
5	£11.80	£13.50	14.41%	£17.80	£20.70	16.29%	£23.60	£27.00	14.41%	
6	£13.80	£15.70	13.77%	£20.80	£24.10	15.87%	£27.60	£31.40	13.77%	
7	£15.80	£17.90	13.29%	£23.80	£27.50	15.55%	£31.60	£35.80	13.29%	
8	£17.80	£20.10	12.92%	£26.80	£30.90	15.30%	£35.60	£40.20	12.92%	
9	£19.80	£22.30	12.63%	£29.80	£34.30	15.10%	£39.60	£44.60	12.63%	
10	£21.80	£24.50	12.39%	£32.80	£37.70	14.94%	£43.60	£49.00	12.39%	

Yours Sincerely

Review of Rugby Hackney Carriage Fare Tariff
Consultation Questionnaire – please complete digitally and return via email to
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Name: [REDACTED]

Licence Number: [REDACTED]

1. Do you support a review of the hackney carriage fare tariff? *(Please highlight your answer, If answering no, please go to question 5)*

 Yes No

2. What percentage increase would you consider most appropriate *(please highlight)?*

 1-5% 6-10% 10-15% 15%+

3. Which parts of the tariff do you suggest need reviewing *(please highlight)?*

 Initial starting rate increase Waiting time cost increase Distance cost increase

4. Do you wish to see the 'extras' charges reviewed/changed? *(Please comment below):*

5. Any other comment relating to the fare review. *(Please comment below, continue overleaf if necessary):*

**Review of Rugby Hackney
Carriage Fare Tariff
Consultation Questionnaire –
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Name:

Licence

Number:

1. Do you support a review of the hackney carriage fare tariff? (*Please highlight your answer, If answering no, please go to question 5*)

Yes

No

2. What percentage increase would you consider most appropriate (*please highlight*)?

1-5%

6-10%

10-15%

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Appendix C

Review of Rugby Hackney Carriage Fare Tariff
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Name:

[Redacted]

Licence Number:

[Redacted]

1. Do you support a review of the hackney carriage fare tariff? (Please highlight your answer, If answering no, please go to question 5)

Yes

No

2. What percentage increase would you consider most appropriate (please highlight)?

1-5%

6-10%

10-15%

15%+

3. Which parts of the tariff do you suggest need reviewing (please highlight)?

Initial starting rate increase

Waiting time cost increase

Distance cost increase

4. Do you wish to see the 'extras' charges reviewed/changed? (Please comment below):

NO.

5. Any other comment relating to the fare review. (Please comment below, continue overleaf if necessary):

NO.

Review of Rugby Hackney Carriage Fare Tariff
Consultation Questionnaire – please complete digitally and return via email to licensing@rugby.gov.uk.

Name: [redacted] Licence Number: [redacted]

1. Do you support a review of the hackney carriage fare tariff? *(Please highlight your answer, if answering no, please go to question 5)*

- Yes
- No**

2. What percentage increase would you consider most appropriate *(please highlight)?*

- 1-5%
- 6-10%
- 10-15%
- 15%+

3. Which parts of the tariff do you suggest need reviewing *(please highlight)?*

- Initial starting rate increase
- Waiting time cost increase
- Distance cost increase

4. Do you wish to see the 'extras' charges reviewed/changed? *(Please comment below):*

5. Any other comment relating to the fare review. *(Please comment below, continue overleaf if necessary):*

NONE.

Review of Rugby Hackney Carriage Fare Tariff
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Name: [redacted] **Licence Number:** [redacted]

1. Do you support a review of the hackney carriage fare tariff? (*Please highlight your answer, If answering no, please go to question 5*)

- Yes
- No

2. What percentage increase would you consider most appropriate (*please highlight*)?

- 1-5%
- 6-10%
- 10-15%
- 15%+

3. Which parts of the tariff do you suggest need reviewing (*please highlight*)?

- Initial starting rate increase
- Waiting time cost increase
- Distance cost increase

4. Do you wish to see the 'extras' charges reviewed/changed? (*Please comment below*):

Increase 6 seater fare price

5. Any other comment relating to the fare review. (*Please comment below, continue overleaf if necessary*):

Hello evening Emma , please find attached OUDHAR Committee members signature's list from the meeting 10th October,Thanks.

Kind regards

----- Forwarded message -----

From:

Date: Wed, 27 Oct 2021, 18:19

Subject: Fare Review of Rugby Hackney Carriage

To: Rugby Borough Council Licensing <licensing@rugby.gov.uk>

To whom it may concern,

This email is in regards to the fare Review of the rugby hackney carriage.

We called a UHDAR members meeting on the 10th October 2021.

We carried out a survey before the meeting. The survey results came in and all drivers requested a price increase.

In the meeting that took place on the 10th October all members agreed on the amount of each fare. I have attached a copy of the list that we have all agreed to. We have decided this based on fuel consumption, taxi maintenance and inflation.

I would also like to take this opportunity to ask if possible you could raise the fare for all 6 seater taxis?

We have not requested a large increase, please could you consider the attached

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards

PROPOSAL
sept 2021

Name :

TARIFF 1

Name :

TARIFF 2

Name :

TARIFF 3

Soiling
charge:

£100.00

Soiling
charge:

£100.00

Soiling charge:

£100.00

Wait:

36 (secs)

Wait:

24 (secs)

Wait:

20 (secs)

Flag fall:

£3.60

A

Flag fall:

£5.40

A

Flag fall:

£7.20

A

Initial
yardage:

880

B

Initial
yardage:

880

B

Initial yardage:

880

B

Unit
thereafter:

176

Unit
thereafter:

176

C

Unit
thereafter:

176

C

Price unit :

0.22

D

Price unit :

0.34

D

Price unit :

0.44

D

Initial Waiting
Time (secs):

240

Initial Waiting
Time (secs):

240

Initial Waiting
Time (secs):

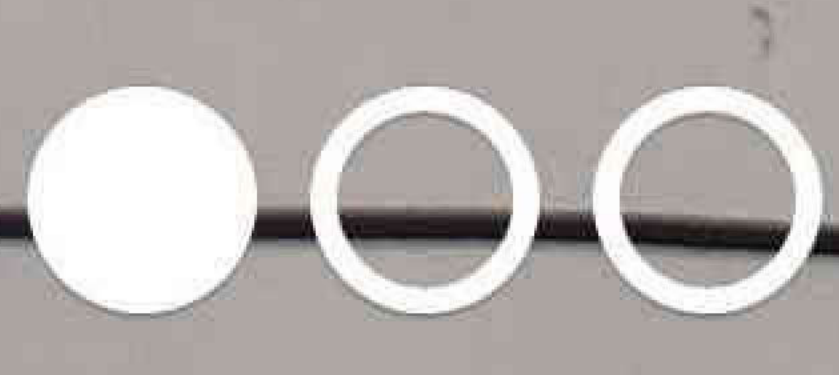
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MEETING 10TH OCTOBER 2021 UDHAR PRICE INCREASE. ALL MEMBERS
HAVE AGREED TO THE ATTACHED PRICE INCREASE

Member Name	Badge & Plate No:	Signature
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED] [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED] [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
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[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]



1. Do you support a review of the Hackney carriage fare tariff? (Please highlight your answer, if answering no, please go to question 5)

~~Yes~~

No

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3. Which parts of the tariff do you suggest need reviewing (please highlight)?

Initial starting rate increase

Waiting time cost increase

Distance cost increase

4. Do you wish to see the 'extras' charges reviewed/changed? (Please comment below):

5. Any other comment relating to the fare review. (Please comment below, continue overleaf if necessary):



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Name:

Licence Number:

1. Do you support a review of the hackney carriage fare tariff? (Please highlight your answer, If answering no, please go to question 5)

Yes

No

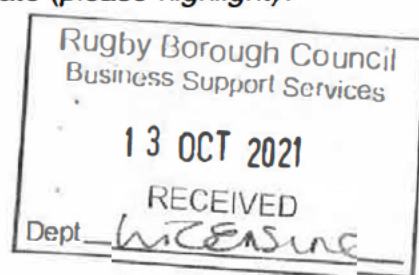
2. What percentage increase would you consider most appropriate (please highlight)?

1-5%

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10-15%

15%+



3. Which parts of the tariff do you suggest need reviewing (please highlight)?

Initial starting rate increase **£5 START**

Waiting time cost increase

Distance cost increase

4. Do you wish to see the 'extras' charges reviewed/changed? (Please comment below):

NO

5. Any other comment relating to the fare review. (Please comment below, continue overleaf if necessary):

I WOULD LIKE Rate 1 **£5 START** inc. 1ST Mile
 all other miles **£2**

Rate 2 **£5 START** inc 1ST Mile
 all other miles **£3**

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Yes

No

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I now drive a private hire vehicle number so hackney price increases are irrelevant.

From:
Sent: 01 January 2022 12:57
To: Rugby Borough Council Licensing
Subject: Drafted Fare Card

Dear Emma

My views on drafted fare card is it would be expensive for customers. No customers would come in the taxi when they look on the meter and see starting rate for example on bank holidays if customers need taxi and starting rate is 5.10 and it goes up 30p a mile they would have to pay a lot and customers wont be happy.

Yours Sincerely

From:
Sent: 29 December 2021 10:59
To: Emma Payne;
Subject: Fare increase

Good day Emma hope you had a nice xmas and I wish you well for the new year.

Emma I don't appear to have received the new proposed fare tariff card I have also asked and he doesn't appear to have received one neither, but I'm sure it must be an oversight somewhere down the line, however we have now received a copy from numerous taxi drivers. we have also been asked by Rhoda members through the committee to ask the licensing committee at the council when considering the new proposed rate to lower the waiting time which I believe now is 20pence for every 40 seconds waiting to 20 pence for every 30 seconds waiting, the reasons for this is the increase in road and traffic congestions in and around the borough.

Also would it be possible to send a copy of any correspondence relating to this as he has to inform all our members and committee of any progress made on this.

May I thank you in advance for any cooperation given on this matter.

Regards

Sent from my iPhone

From:
Sent: 26 December 2021 14:00
To: Rugby Borough Council Licensing
Subject: Hackney Carriage Tariff.

My opinion is just change only tariff one. If you change tariff two it's might be affected our business.

From:
Sent: 02 January 2022 12:46
To: Rugby Borough Council Licensing
Subject: Hackney carriage tariff

Hi Emma

It's me

My badge no .

I am agree with decision for taxi tariff made by you and your team Thanks 😊

Kind regards

From:
Sent: 01 January 2022 20:09
To: Rugby Borough Council Licensing
Subject: Re: Proposal to fare change

Hi,
Just emailing in regards to the proposed fare changes and my response. I'm pleased with the starting rate change however, the distance rate should benefit from the change aswell, For instance I may make an additional £1 for a 1 mile job however if I did a 20 mile job I would also make an additional £1 extra and nothing else, therefore longer distance jobs aren't benefitting from the change especially when factoring in fuel prices and other expenses.

Kind regards

From:
Sent: 30 December 2021 08:20
To: Emma Payne
Subject: Re: Rugby Borough Council Licensing

Hi Emma
I hope you had a good Xmas and I hope you a very happy new year
This fare increase tariff is not enough
We need more especially with your new taxi policy stating cars to be less then 3 year old electric cars from 2024 all this extra expense where is the money going to come from ?
I did put my figures for the increase on your survey which makes it viable to have electric car on finance
If you look at any business , it runs on viability , your policy and current rate makes it unviable
How can you offer us your tariff not knowing our running expenses
Please consider us individual owners as we are majority of Hackney owners
Thank you

Sent from my iPhone

On 21 Dec 2021, at 15:27, wrote:

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Emma Payne <Emma.Payne@rugby.gov.uk>
Date: 21 December 2021 at 12:56:54 GMT
To: Rugby Borough Council Licensing <licensing@rugby.gov.uk>
Subject: Rugby Borough Council Licensing

Good afternoon,
I hope you are well,
Please find attached draft Fare Card following the recent review survey. Please send all comments to licensing@rugby.gov.uk by Monday 3rd January 2022.
Kind Regards,

Emma Payne

<image001.png> Licensing Officer
Regulatory Services
Regulation and Safety
Rugby Borough Council
Tel: 01788 533884
Mail: licensing@rugby.gov.uk

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From:
Sent: 23 December 2021 08:29
To: Emma Payne
Subject: Re: Rugby Borough Council Licensing

Hi emma hope you are well. Unfortunately its always the odd few that give us a bad representation. If only customers got the details of the drivers that spoil it for everyone else. It can only be the independent drivers. As if your working with an app. The meter is synchronised to the sum up machine. There is no way you can make the adjustment in the fare. Also the fares are ok as they are. Starting at 3.20 is in my opinion to much anyways. They should be left as they are. Thank you. Have a good xmas.

On Tue, 21 Dec 2021, 13:42 wrote:
Received, thank you.

On Tue, 21 Dec 2021, 12:56 Emma Payne, <Emma.Payne@rugby.gov.uk> wrote:

Good afternoon,

I hope you are well,

Please find attached draft Fare Card following the recent review survey. Please send all comments to licensing@rugby.gov.uk by Monday 3rd January 2022.

Kind Regards,

Emma Payne

Licensing Officer
Regulatory Services
Regulation and Safety
Rugby Borough Council
Tel: 01788 533884
Mail: licensing@rugby.gov.uk



From:
Sent: 22 December 2021 12:46
To: Rugby Borough Council Licensing

I agreed with the new fares increase proposal I think it is reasonable.
Kind regards

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TABLE
COLOUR CODE

RISE IN 2021
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RISE IN 2010
RISE IN 2009
RISE IN 2008
NO SET FARE

The Bryan Roland Memorial

NATIONAL HACKNEY FARES TABLE NOVEMBER 2021

POSITION	TARIFF ONE COUNCIL/AIRPORT	TWO MILE FARE	POSITION	TARIFF ONE COUNCIL	TWO MILE FARE	POSITION	TARIFF ONE COUNCIL	TWO MILE FARE
1	LONDON (HEATHROW)	£11.40	66	BRACKNELL FOREST	£6.60	131	BIRMINGHAM	£6.20
2	LUTON AIRPORT	£9.70	67	BRENTWOOD	£6.60	132	BRAINTREE	£6.20
3	EPSOM & EWELL	£8.60	68	CAMBRIDGE CITY	£6.60	133	CARMARTHENSHIRE	£6.20
4	LONDON	£8.60	69	EAST DORSET	£6.60	134	CHICHESTER	£6.20
5	WATFORD (x)	£8.40	70	EAST SUFFOLK (NORTH)	£6.60	135	DAVENTRY	£6.20
6	UTTLESFORD	£8.30	71	EXETER	£6.60	136	DERBY	£6.20
7	READING	£8.00	72	HARLOW	£6.60	137	EAST CAMBRIDGESHIRE	£6.20
8	GUILDFORD	£7.60	73	HIGH PEAK	£6.60	138	EAST SUFFOLK (SOUTH)	£6.20
9	KERRIER	£7.60	74	MEDWAY	£6.60	139	FOLKESTONE & HYTHE	£6.20
10	OXFORD CITY	£7.60	75	MORAY (x)	£6.60	140	HORSHAM	£6.20
11	JERSEY	£7.43	76	NORTH HERTS	£6.60	141	NORTHAMPTON	£6.20
12	BCP	£7.20	77	NORWICH	£6.60	142	NORTH EAST LINCOLNSHIRE	£6.20
13	BRIGHTON & HOVE	£7.40	78	SCARBOROUGH	£6.60	143	PORTSMOUTH UA	£6.20
14	CHELTENHAM	£7.40	79	SHELDON ISLES	£6.60	144	ROCHFORD	£6.20
15	MAIDSTONE	£7.40	80	SOUTH CAMBRIDGE	£6.60	145	RUNNYMEDE	£6.20
16	MID SUSSEX	£7.40	81	SOUTH GLOUCESTER	£6.60	146	SOLIHULL	£6.20
17	CARRICK	£7.30	82	TEIGNBRIDGE	£6.60	147	SOUTHAMPTON	£6.20
18	BATH & NORTH EAST SOMERSET	£7.20	83	NORTH DEVON	£6.55	148	SPELTHORNE	£6.20
19	TORRIDGE	£7.20	84	ASHFORD	£6.50	149	ST ALBANS	£6.20
20	TUNBRIDGE WELLS	£7.20	85	DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL	£6.50	150	STRATFORD ON AVON	£6.20
21	YORK	£7.20	86	HUNTINGDONSHIRE	£6.50	151	TAUNTON DEANE	£6.20
22	CHELMSFORD	£7.10	87	LUTON	£6.50	152	WEST OXFORD	£6.20
23	DARTFORD	£7.10	88	SOUTH SOMERSET	£6.50	153	WINCHESTER	£6.20
24	DOVER	£7.10	89	WORTHING	£6.50	154	CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE	£6.13
25	GUERNSEY	£7.10	90	BRISTOL	£6.40	155	ABERDEENSHIRE	£6.10
26	MOLE VALLEY	£7.10	91	CANTERBURY	£6.40	156	CARDIFF	£6.10
27	PENWITH	£7.10	92	COUNTY OF HEREFORD	£6.40	157	CLACKMANNAN	£6.10
28	SEVENOAKS	£7.06	93	CREWE & NANTWICH	£6.40	158	EAST HERTS	£6.10
29	EAST LOTHIAN	£7.00	94	EAST HAMPSHIRE	£6.40	159	ELMBRIDGE	£6.10
30	HARROGATE	£7.00	95	HASTINGS	£6.40	160	FYLDE	£6.10
31	HERTSMERE	£7.00	96	IPSWICH	£6.40	161	NEW FOREST	£6.10
32	STROUD	£7.00	97	LEEDS	£6.40	162	NORTH WARWICK	£6.10
33	TONBRIDGE & MALLING	£7.00	98	LINCOLN	£6.40	163	SOUTH AYRSHIRE	£6.10
34	WELWYN HATFIELD	£7.00	99	MALVERN HILLS	£6.40	164	TAMWORTH	£6.10
35	WILTSHIRE	£7.00	100	MELTON	£6.40	165	SELBY	£6.06
36	RESTORMEL	£6.95	101	MID SUFFOLK	£6.40	166	CHARNWOOD	£6.05
37	COLCHESTER	£6.90	102	NORTH KESTEVEN	£6.40	167	SCOTTISH BORDERS	£6.05
38	EASTBOURNE	£6.90	103	PURBECK	£6.40	168	ABERDEEN CITY	£6.00
39	VALE OF WHITE HORSE	£6.90	104	RUSHMOOR	£6.40	169	BASILDON	£6.00
40	WEALDON	£6.90	105	SHEFFIELD	£6.40	170	BLACKPOOL	£6.00
41	WEYMOUTH & PORTLAND	£6.90	106	SHROPSHIRE	£6.40	171	BOSTON	£6.00
42	ADUR	£6.80	107	SOUTHEND ON SEA	£6.40	172	BROXTOWE	£6.00
43	CARADON	£6.80	108	SOUTH LAKELAND	£6.40	173	BUCKINGHAMSHIRE	£6.00
44	EAST DEVON	£6.80	109	STEVENAGE	£6.40	174	CASTLE POINT	£6.00
45	FIFE	£6.80	110	SURREY HEATH	£6.40	175	CONWY	£6.00
46	GLASGOW	£6.80	111	TENDRING	£6.40	176	EAST AYRSHIRE	£6.00
47	GRAVESHAM	£6.80	112	WAYERLEY	£6.40	177	EAST LINDSEY	£6.00
48	HART (x)	£6.80	113	WINDSOR & MAIDENHEAD	£6.40	178	EAST STAFFORDSHIRE	£6.00
49	MENDIP	£6.80	114	WOKING	£6.40	179	GLOUCESTER	£6.00
50	NORTH CORNWALL	£6.80	115	WOKINGHAM	£6.40	180	GREAT YARMOUTH	£6.00
51	NOTTINGHAM	£6.80	116	NEWARK & SHERWOOD	£6.32	181	GWYNEDD	£6.00
52	SEDGEMOOR	£6.80	117	BLACKBURN	£6.30	182	ISLE OF WIGHT	£6.00
53	SWALE	£6.80	118	BURY	£6.30	183	KETTERING	£6.00
54	WEST BERKSHIRE	£6.80	119	COTSWOLD (y)	£6.30	184	KINGS LYNN & WEST NORFOLK	£6.00
55	EDINBURGH	£6.75	120	COVENTRY	£6.30	185	MILTON KEYNES	£6.00
56	NUNEATON & BEDWORTH	£6.75	121	DACORUM	£6.30	186	NORTH DORSET	£6.00
57	TORBAY	£6.75	122	ISLE OF MAN	£6.30	187	PRESTON	£6.00
58	CHESTER	£6.70	123	LEWES	£6.30	188	RYEDALE	£6.00
59	CRAWLEY	£6.70	124	PEMBROKESHIRE	£6.30	189	SLOUGH	£6.00
60	EASTLEIGH	£6.70	125	PLYMOUTH	£6.30	190	SOUTH HAMS	£6.00
61	ROTHER	£6.70	126	SOUTH HOLLAND	£6.30	191	SOUTH TYNESIDE	£6.00
62	SWINDON	£6.70	127	FOREST OF DEAN	£6.27	192	STOCKPORT	£6.00
63	HARBOROUGH	£6.68	128	BABERGH	£6.26	193	TAMESIDE	£6.00
64	ARUN	£6.60	129	MIDLOTHIAN	£6.22	194	TEST VALLEY (x)	£6.00
65	BASINGSTOKE & DEANE	£6.60	130	ARGYLL & BUTE	£6.20	195	THREE RIVERS	£6.00

POSITION	TARIFF ONE COUNCIL	TWO MILE FARE	POSITION	TARIFF ONE COUNCIL	TWO MILE FARE	POSITION	TARIFF ONE COUNCIL	TWO MILE FARE
196	THURROCK	£6.00	261	NEWPORT	£5.60	326	GATESHEAD	£5.10
197	VALE OF GLAMORGAN	£6.00	262	NORTH WEST LEICESTER	£5.60	327	SEFTON	£5.10
198	WARWICK	£6.00	263	RICHMONDSHIRE	£5.60	328	SOUTH STAFFORDSHIRE	£5.10
199	WEST DORSET	£6.00	264	RUSHCLIFFE	£5.60	329	COPELAND	£5.00
200	WEST LINDSEY	£6.00	265	SANDWELL	£5.60	330	EAST NORTHANTS	£5.00
201	WIRRAL	£6.00	266	SUNDERLAND	£5.60	331	KIRKLEES	£5.00
202	DARLINGTON	£5.95	267	WEST LOTHIAN (x)	£5.60	332	NORTH LANARKSHIRE	£5.00
203	BASSETLAW	£5.90	268	WOLVERHAMPTON (x)	£5.60	333	PETERBOROUGH	£5.00
204	BROXBOURNE	£5.90	269	WREXHAM	£5.60	334	ROCHDALE	£5.00
205	DUDLEY	£5.90	270	CHERWELL	£5.56	335	ROSSENDALE	£5.00
206	KINGSTON-UPON-HULL	£5.90	271	NEWCASTLE-UNDER-LYME	£5.55	336	SOUTH NORTHANTS	£5.00
207	MANCHESTER	£5.90	272	DUMFRIES & GALLOWAY	£5.50	337	STOKE-ON-TRENT UA	£4.95
208	NORTHUMBERLAND	£5.90	273	EAST DUNBARTONSHIRE	£5.50	338	CORBYP	£4.90
209	STAFFORD	£5.90	274	EDEN	£5.50	339	TELFORD & WREKIN	£4.90
210	TANDBRIDGE	£5.90	275	EPPING FOREST	£5.50	340	WELLINGBOROUGH	£4.90
211	WALSALL	£5.90	276	EREWASH	£5.50	341	WESTERN ISLES (x)	£4.85
212	CALDERDALE	£5.85	277	FALKIRK	£5.50	342	ASHFIELD	£4.80
213	TEWKESBURY	£5.85	278	HAMBLETON	£5.50	343	DERBYSHIRE DALES	£4.80
214	BARNSELY	£5.80	279	MERTHYR TYDFIL	£5.50	344	HARTLEPOOL	£4.80
215	BEDFORD	£5.80	280	OLDHAM	£5.50	345	HYNDBURN	£4.70
216	BRIDGEND	£5.80	281	TORFAEN	£5.50	346	WEST LANCASHIRE	£4.70
217	BROMSGROVE	£5.80	282	CEREDIGION	£5.46	347	BOLSOVER	£4.60
218	CARLISLE	£5.80	283	NEATH PORT TALBOT	£5.46	348	BURNLEY	£4.50
219	EAST KILBRIDE (x)	£5.80	284	SALFORD	£5.46	349	REDCAR & CLEVELAND	£4.50
220	FAREHAM	£5.80	285	ALLERDALE	£5.45	350	STOCKTON ON TEES	£4.50
221	FLINTSHIRE	£5.80	286	BARROW IN FURNESS	£5.40	351	OADBY & WIGSTON	£4.40
222	HAVANT	£5.80	287	CAERPHILLY	£5.40	352	PENDLE	£4.40
223	HIGHLAND (x)	£5.80	288	CLYDEBANK	£5.40	353	MIDDLESBROUGH	£4.30
224	LANCASTER	£5.80	289	DUNBARTON & VALE OF LEVEN (x)	£5.40	354	MALDON	£
225	LEICESTER	£5.80	290	ELLESMERE PORT	£5.40	355	RUTLAND	£
226	LICHFIELD	£5.80	291	MACCLESFIELD	£5.40	356	SOUTH DERBYSHIRE	£
227	NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE	£5.80	292	NORTHERN IRELAND	£5.40	357	SOUTH NORFOLK	£
228	NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE	£5.80	293	PERTH & KINROSS	£5.40	358	SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE	£
229	NORTH NORFOLK	£5.80	294	POWYS	£5.40	359	WEST DEVON	£
230	NORTH TYNESIDE	£5.80	295	ROTHERHAM	£5.40			
231	ORKNEY (x)	£5.80	296	THANET	£5.40			
232	REIGATE & BANSTEAD	£5.80	297	WYCHAVON	£5.40			
233	RUGBY	£5.80	298	MANSFIELD	£5.35			
234	RUTHERGLEN (x)	£5.80	299	INVERCLYDE	£5.34			
235	SOUTH RIBBLE	£5.80	300	BLABY	£5.30			
236	TRAFFORD	£5.80	301	BRADFORD	£5.30			
237	WEST SOMERSET	£5.80	302	CRAVEN (x)	£5.30			
238	WEST SUFFOLK	£5.80	303	EAST RENFREW	£5.30			
239	WORCESTER	£5.80	304	FENLAND (x)	£5.30			
240	WYRE	£5.80	305	NORTH AYRSHIRE	£5.30			
241	YNS MON	£5.80	306	REDDITCH	£5.30			
242	CHESTERFIELD	£5.75	307	RIBBLE VALLEY	£5.30			
243	DONCASTER	£5.75	308	SOUTH KESTEVEN	£5.30			
244	NORTH EAST DERBYSHIRE	£5.75	309	SOUTH LANARKSHIRE (Clydesdale)	£5.30			
245	ANGUS	£5.70	310	ST HELENS	£5.30			
246	CANNOCK CHASE	£5.70	311	VALE ROYAL	£5.30			
247	GEDLING	£5.70	312	WIGAN	£5.30			
248	MID DEVON	£5.70	313	WYRE FOREST	£5.30			
249	MONMOUTHSHIRE	£5.70	314	AMBER VALLEY	£5.20			
250	NORTH SOMERSET	£5.70	315	BLAENAU GWENT	£5.20			
251	RENFREWSHIRE	£5.70	316	BOLTON	£5.20			
252	STIRLING (x)	£5.70	317	EAST RIDING	£5.20			
253	SWANSEA	£5.70	318	HALTON	£5.20			
254	WARRINGTON	£5.70	319	HAMILTON (x)	£5.20			
255	DUNDEE CITY	£5.66	320	KNOWSLEY	£5.20			
256	BRECKLAND	£5.60	321	RHONDDA CYNON TAFF	£5.20			
257	DENBIGHSHIRE	£5.60	322	STAFFS MOORLANDS	£5.20			
258	GOSPORT	£5.60	323	WAKEFIELD	£5.20			
259	HINCKLEY & BOSWORTH	£5.60	324	CHORLEY	£5.10			
260	LIVERPOOL	£5.60	325	CONGLETON	£5.10			

TABLE
COLOUR CODE

RISE IN 2021

RISE IN 2020

RISE IN 2019

RISE IN 2018

RISE IN 2017

RISE IN 2016

RISE IN 2015

RISE IN 2014

RISE IN 2013

RISE IN 2012

RISE IN 2011

RISE IN 2010

RISE IN 2009

RISE IN 2008

NO SET FARE

The Bryan Roland Memorial

NATIONAL HACKNEY FARES TABLE

NOVEMBER 2021

Councils in positions 354-359 do not impose a tariff for their hackney carriages and instead the individual vehicle charges an agreed fare prior to the journey.

**NATIONAL AVERAGE
TWO MILE HACKNEY FARE
TARIFF ONE
IS NOW £6.06**

PLEASE NOTE

The councils of Aylesbury Vale, Chiltern, South Bucks and Wycombe have now amalgamated to form Buckinghamshire. This has resulted in our table being reduced to 359 councils.

The councils of Daventry, Northampton and South Northamptonshire have now merged to form a new administrative council of West Northamptonshire.

The councils of Corby, East Northants, Kettering and Wellingborough have now merged to form North Northants. However the original councils still retain their individual tariffs.

Where an (x) appears by a listing, a fare update has been passed by the council, but our fare has not increased.

In the case of Cotswold where a (y) appears alongside the listing, the (y) refers to a fare update but one in which the fare has decreased for a two mile tariff.

Rugby Borough Council Hackney Carriage Tariff

TARIFF 1 applies daily between 6am and midnight	
Flag fall for the first 440 yds or part thereof or 1 minute 38.70 seconds or a combination of both parts.	£3.50
Each subsequent 176 yards or part thereof or 39.24 seconds waiting time.	£0.20
TARIFF 2 applies daily between midnight and 6am	
For a hiring between midnight and 6am and Public Holidays (except Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Years' Day).	
Flag fall for the first 440 yds or part thereof or 1 minute 38.70 seconds or a combination of both parts	£5.10
Each subsequent 176 yards of part thereof or 39.24 seconds waiting time	£0.30
TARIFF 3 applies from 6pm Christmas Eve all the way through to 6am on 27 December (including all of Christmas Day and Boxing Day), and from 6pm New Years' Eve to 6am on 2 January (including the whole of New Year's Day), annually.	£6.80
Flag fall for the first 440 yds or part thereof or 1 minute 38.70 seconds or a combination of both parts	
Each subsequent 176 yards or part thereof or 38.70 seconds waiting time	£0.40
Soiling Charge	
A soiling charge, if soiled by the action of a passenger, to cover the loss of income due to the vehicle being cleaned.	£100
<u>IMPORTANT</u>	
If the journey takes the taxi outside the borough of Rugby, the driver must still charge in accordance with the above tariff.	
<u>REQUIREMENT TO USE TAXI METER</u>	
For a hiring starting and ending inside the borough, the meter must be started at the beginning of the journey and stopped at the end of the journey. The maximum fare the driver may charge is the fare shown on the meter.	
<u>ANY COMMENTS OR CONCERNS</u> should be reported immediately to the Licensing Team. Please make a note of the taxi licence plate number which is displayed on the rear of the Taxi and on the windscreen, or the number of the driver's ID badge.	
Licensing Team	
Email: licensing@rugby.gov.uk	
Telephone: 01788 533667 ZR (insert date)	

AGENDA MANAGEMENT SHEET

Report Title: Statutory Review of Gambling Policy - Statement of Principles

Name of Committee: Licensing and Safety Committee

Date of Meeting: 25 January 2022

Report Director: Chief Officer - Regulation and Safety

Portfolio: Regulation and Safety

Ward Relevance: All

Prior Consultation: A full public consultation on the draft policy has been carried out.

Contact Officer: Emma Payne x3855

Public or Private: Private

Report Subject to Call-In: No

Report En-Bloc: No

Forward Plan: No

Corporate Priorities: This report relates to the following priority(ies):
 Rugby is an environmentally sustainable place, where we work together to reduce and mitigate the effects of climate change. (C)
 Rugby has a diverse and resilient economy that benefits and enables opportunities for all residents. (E)
 Residents live healthy, independent lives, with the most vulnerable protected. (HC)
 Rugby Borough Council is a responsible, effective and efficient organisation. (O)
[Corporate Strategy 2021-2024](#)
 This report does not specifically relate to any Council priorities but

(C) Climate
(E) Economy
(HC) Health and Communities
(O) Organisation

Summary: The Gambling Act 2005 places a duty on the Council to publish a Gambling Policy - Statement of Principles on which licensing decisions will be based. The policy must be reviewed every 3 years. The Council's existing policy is now due for review and must be re-published by 31 January 2022. The policy has been reviewed and a consultation

exercise is taking place as required. This report asks the Committee to adopt the Draft Gambling Policy for the next 3-year period until 30 January 2025 as per the delegated decision.

Financial Implications:

None

Risk Management Implications:

There are no significant risk management implications arising from this decision.

Environmental Implications:

None

Legal Implications:

None

Equality and Diversity:

Please refer to the Equality Impact Assessment attached.

Options:

Not Applicable

Recommendation:

That the Gambling Policy be adopted with effect from 31 January 2022 for 3 years in line with the delegated decision.

Reasons for Recommendation:

The review and approval of the Gambling Policy is a statutory requirement, and it must be approved and published by 31 January 2022.

Licensing and Safety Committee - 25 January 2022

Review of Statement of Gambling Policy

Public Report of the Chief Officer - Regulation and Safety

Recommendation

That the Gambling Policy be adopted with effect from 31 January 2022 for 3 years in line with the delegated decision.

1. Background

1.1 Section 349 of the Gambling Act 2005 (the Act) requires the Council to review its Statement of Gambling Policy - Statement of Principles (the Policy) every 3 years. The current Policy has effect until 31 January 2022 and so the new Policy must be in place by this date.

1.2 This report provides an update on the outcome of the consultation and asks the Committee to approve the policy.

1.3 The principles of the Gambling Policy remain the same and the Policy document is centred around the 3 licensing objectives specified in the Act namely;

- Preventing gambling from being a source of crime or disorder, being associated with crime or disorder or being used to support crime;
- Ensuring that gambling is conducted in a fair and open way, and;
- Protecting children and other vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling.

1.4A 'vulnerable person' is defined by the Act as including people who gamble more than they want to, people who are gambling beyond their means, and people who may not be able to make informed or balanced decisions about gambling due to a mental impairment, alcohol or drugs.

2. The draft Policy and consultation

2.1 A copy of the draft Policy is attached at **Appendix A**. The Policy complies with the Gambling Commission's guidance and regulations, and was prepared in conjunction with the other Warwickshire District Councils and Coventry City Council to aim for greater consistency.

2.2 The consultation exercise ran from 12th November 2021 to 10th December 2021. After being approved under a decision of delegated power. A copy of the delegated power form can be found at **Appendix B**. The draft Policy was available on the Council’s website, and notification of the consultation was sent to a wide range of organisations including -

Responsible Authorities

- The Police
- Fire Service
- Environmental Health
- Planning
- Children’s Services
- HMRC
- Gambling Commission

Other interested parties

- Councillors
- Parish Councils
- Trade organisations
- Licensed premises in the area
- Organisations such as Gamcare and Gamblers Anonymous
- Rugby Disability Forum

2.3 We received a total of 2 comments surrounding the draft policy. These responses can be found at **Appendix C**. We have reviewed all comments, referred to the Gambling Act 2005 and Gambling Commission and have now reflected these comments in the draft policy.

3 Conclusion

3.1 This review is a statutory requirement, and the Committee is asked to approve the Gambling Policy for adoption by the 31 January 2022.

4. Table of Appendices

Appendix	Description
A	Draft Gambling Policy – tracked changes reflecting the consultation responses.
B	Completed decision under delegated powers form 12.11.2021
C	Consultation responses

Name of Meeting: Licensing and Safety Committee
Date of Meeting: 25 January 2022
Subject Matter: Review of Statement of Gambling Policy
Originating Department: Regulation and Safety

DO ANY BACKGROUND PAPERS APPLY **YES** **NO**

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

Doc No	Title of Document and Hyperlink

The background papers relating to reports on planning applications and which are open to public inspection under Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972, consist of the planning applications, referred to in the reports, and all written responses to consultations made by the Local Planning Authority, in connection with those applications.

Exempt information is contained in the following documents:

Doc No	Relevant Paragraph of Schedule 12A

EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EqIA)

Context

1. The Public Sector Equality Duty as set out under section 149 of the Equality Act 2010 requires Rugby Borough Council when making decisions to have due regard to the following:
 - eliminating unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation, and other conduct prohibited by the Act,
 - advancing equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not,
 - fostering good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not, including tackling prejudice and promoting understanding.
2. The characteristics protected by the Equality Act are:
 - age
 - disability
 - gender reassignment
 - marriage/civil partnership
 - pregnancy/maternity
 - race
 - religion/belief
 - sex/gender
 - sexual orientation
3. In addition to the above-protected characteristics, you should consider the crosscutting elements of the proposed policy, such as impact on social inequalities and impact on carers who look after older people or people with disabilities as part of this assessment.
4. The Equality Impact Assessment (EqIA) document is a tool that enables RBC to test and analyse the nature and impact of what it is currently doing or is planning to do in the future. It can be used flexibly for reviewing existing arrangements but in particular should enable identification where further consultation, engagement and data is required.
5. The questions will enable you to record your findings.
6. Where the EqIA relates to a continuing project, it must be reviewed and updated at each stage of the decision.
7. Once completed and signed off the EqIA will be published online.
8. An EqIA must accompany all **Key Decisions** and **Cabinet Reports**.
9. For further information, refer to the EqIA guidance for staff.
10. For advice and support, contact:
Minakshee Patel
Corporate Equality & Diversity Advisor
minakshee.patel@rugby.gov.uk
Tel: 01788 533509

Equality Impact Assessment

Service Area	Licensing – Regulation and Safety
Policy/Service being assessed	Gambling Policy
Is this is a new or existing policy/service? If existing policy/service please state date of last assessment	Existing Policy, 3 yearly statutory review
EqlA Review team – List of members	Emma Payne, Licensing Officer Minakshee Patel, Corporate Equality and Diversity Advisor
Date of this assessment	29/11/2021
Signature of responsible officer (to be signed after the EqlA has been completed)	EJPayne Emma Payne, Licensing Officer

A copy of this Equality Impact Assessment report, including relevant data and information to be forwarded to the Corporate Equality & Diversity Advisor.

If you require help, advice and support to complete the forms, please contact Minakshee Patel, Corporate Equality & Diversity Advisor via email: minakshee.patel@rugby.gov.uk or 01788 533509

Details of Strategy/ Service/ Policy to be analysed

<u>Stage 1 – Scoping and Defining</u>	
(1) Describe the main aims, objectives and purpose of the Strategy/Service/Policy (or decision)?	preventing gambling from being a source of crime and disorder, being associated with crime or disorder, or being used to support crime; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ensuring that gambling is conducted in a fair and open way; and • protecting children and other vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling.
(2) How does it fit with Rugby Borough Council’s Corporate priorities and your service area priorities?	Rugby Borough Council, as the Licensing Authority (referred to in this Statement as “the Authority”), makes this Statement of Principles in pursuance of its powers and duties under section 349 of the Gambling Act 2005 (referred to in this Statement as “the Act”) and sets out the Authority’s approach in dealing with its responsibilities under the Act. Residents live healthy, independent lives, with the most vulnerable protected.
(3) What are the expected outcomes you are hoping to achieve?	Residents live healthy, independent lives, with the most vulnerable protected.
(4) Does or will the policy or decision affect: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Customers • Employees • Wider community or groups 	All listed
<u>Stage 2 - Information Gathering</u>	
(1) What does the information tell you about those groups identified?	As a minimum you must consider what is known about the population likely to be affected which will support your understanding of the impact of the policy, eg service uptake/usage, customer satisfaction surveys, staffing data, performance data, research information (national, regional and local data sources). Technical Group meeting with neighbouring local authorities. Legislation – Gambling Act 2005

(2) Have you consulted or involved those groups that are likely to be affected by the strategy/ service/policy you want to implement? If yes, what were their views and how have their views influenced your decision?

4 week consultation period for;

- Responsible Authorities
- Holders of existing licences, permits and registrations
- Councillors and Parish Councils
- Representatives of businesses
- Representatives of persons carrying on gambling businesses in Rugby
- Local bodies representing consumers and tourism
- Local bodies representing vulnerable persons
- Departments within the Council with an interest in the licensing of gambling

(3) If you have not consulted or engaged with communities that are likely to be affected by the policy or decision, give details about when you intend to carry out consultation or provide reasons for why you feel this is not necessary.

N/A

Stage 3 – Analysis of impact

<p><u>(1)Protected Characteristics</u> From your data and consultations is there any positive, adverse or negative impact identified for any particular group, which could amount to discrimination?</p> <p>If yes, identify the groups and how they are affected.</p>	RACE	DISABILITY yes	GENDER yes
	MARRIAGE/CIVIL PARTNERSHIP	AGE yes	GENDER REASSIGNMENT
	RELIGION/BELIEF	PREGNANCY MATERNITY	SEXUAL ORIENTATION

(2) Cross cutting themes

(a) Are your proposals likely to impact on social inequalities e.g. child poverty, geographically disadvantaged communities? If yes, please explain how?

Yes – because one of the licensing objectives in the regulatory regime is about protecting children and other vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling.

(b) Are your proposals likely to impact on a carer who looks after older people or people with disabilities? If yes, please explain how?

No

(3) If there is an adverse impact, can this be justified?

(4)What actions are going to be taken to reduce or eliminate negative or adverse impact? (this should form part of your action plan under Stage 4.)

Protecting children and other vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling - The Gambling Commission's Guidance states that one of the aims of this objective means preventing children from taking part in gambling (as well as restricting advertising so that gambling products are not aimed at or are, particularly attractive to children). The Authority will apply the following criteria and take into account the following considerations, where relevant, in determining applications and reviews.

Criteria:

Whether there are appropriate measures in place to protect children and other vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling.

Considerations:

- Whether the operator has a specific training programme for staff to ensure that they are able to identify children and vulnerable people and take appropriate action to promote this objective to exclude them from the premises or parts of the premises.
- If the premises is an adult only environment, whether the operator has taken effective measures to implement an appropriate proof of age scheme to ensure that no one under the age of 18 is admitted to the premises or restricted areas.
- Whether there is provision for self-barring schemes and provision of information leaflets/helpline numbers for organisations such as GamCare.
- Whether the layout, lighting and fitting out of the premises have been designed so as to not attract children and other vulnerable persons who might be harmed or exploited by gambling.
- Whether sufficient management measures are proposed or are in place to protect children and other vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling.
- Whether any promotional material associated with the premises could encourage the use of the premises by children or young people.
- The Authority will also consider the location of the premises in the context of this licensing objective. If an application for a gambling premises is received for a location within a sensitive area or in close proximity to what are considered to be sensitive areas the Authority will expect applicants to demonstrate that they have sufficient and suitable control measures in place to promote this licensing objective

(5) How does the strategy/service/policy contribute to the promotion of equality? If not what can be done?

In carrying out its licensing functions the Authority will have regard to Guidance issued by the Gambling Commission. The overriding principle is that each application and the circumstances prevailing at each premises will be considered on their own individual merits. Other considerations such as moral or ethical objections to gambling are not valid reasons to reject applications for premises licences as they do not relate to the licensing objectives.

(6) How does the strategy/service/policy promote good relations between groups? If not what can be done?	See above
(7) Are there any obvious barriers to accessing the service? If yes how can they be overcome?	Age, this is a legal requirement for the safety of children.

<u>Stage 4 – Action Planning, Review & Monitoring</u>																					
If No Further Action is required then go to – Review & Monitoring (1) Action Planning – Specify any changes or improvements that can be made to the service or policy to mitigate or eradicate negative or adverse impact on specific groups, including resource implications.	EqIA Action Plan <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Action</th> <th>Lead Officer</th> <th>Date for completion</th> <th>Resource requirements</th> <th>Comments</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td> </td> <td> </td> <td> </td> <td> </td> <td> </td> </tr> <tr> <td> </td> <td> </td> <td> </td> <td> </td> <td> </td> </tr> <tr> <td> </td> <td> </td> <td> </td> <td> </td> <td> </td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Action	Lead Officer	Date for completion	Resource requirements	Comments															
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(2) Review and Monitoring State how and when you will monitor policy and Action Plan	This policy will be reviewed every 3 years or when necessary																				

Please annotate your policy with the following statement:

‘An Equality Impact Assessment on this policy was undertaken on 29th November 2021 and will be reviewed in line with statutory requirements in 3 years, ready for adoption in January 2025.



Gambling Act 2005

Gambling Policy
Statement of Principles
2022/2025

Approved on

Policy effective from 31 January 2022 to 30 January 2025

Important Note

In producing this Statement of Gambling Policy the Authority is aware that the Government may amend the Gambling Act 2005, subordinate legislation and statutory guidance.

Readers of this document advised to check on the Gambling Commission/Gov.uk websites to ensure they have the latest information.

Rugby Borough Council

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GAMBLING ACT 2005

GAMBLING POLICY STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES

1. Introduction

1.1 Rugby Borough Council, as the Licensing Authority (referred to in this Statement as “the Authority”), makes this Statement of Principles in pursuance of its powers and duties under section 349 of the Gambling Act 2005 (referred to in this Statement as “the Act”) and sets out the Authority’s approach in dealing with its responsibilities under the Act.

1.2 The Borough of Rugby covers an area of 138 square miles located in central England, within the County of Warwickshire. The Borough is on the eastern edge of the West Midlands Region, bordering directly on to the counties of Northamptonshire and Leicestershire, both of which are in the East Midlands Region. The Borough has 41 parishes and the largest centre of population is the attractive town of Rugby with two thirds of the Borough’s **108,935 (2019)** residents living in the town and the remainder residing in the rural area. The villages in the Borough range in size from 20 to 3,000 people.

1.3 List of Consultees

The Authority has consulted the following on the content of this Statement of Principles:

- Responsible Authorities
- Holders of existing licences, permits and registrations
- Councillors and Parish Councils
- Representatives of businesses
- Representatives of persons carrying on gambling businesses in Rugby
- Local bodies representing consumers and tourism
- Local bodies representing vulnerable persons
- Departments within the Council with an interest in the licensing of gambling

The draft document was also made available on the Authority’s website.

1.4 In preparing this Statement, the Authority has had regard to the provisions of the Act, the Guidance issued by the Gambling Commission, Regulations made by the Secretary of State and responses to its consultations.

2. Gambling Act 2005

2.1 The Act specifies licensing objectives which are central to the regulatory regime, these are:

- preventing gambling from being a source of crime and disorder, being associated with crime or disorder, or being used to support crime;
 - ensuring that gambling is conducted in a fair and open way; and
 - protecting children and other vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling.
- 2.2 In carrying out the licensing function under the Act, the Authority will aim to permit the use of premises for gambling as long as it is considered to be:
- in accordance with any relevant Codes of Practice issued by the Gambling Commission;
 - in accordance with any relevant Guidance issued by the Gambling Commission;
 - in accordance with this Statement of Principles; and
 - reasonably consistent with the licensing objectives.
- 2.3 The Act provides for 3 categories of licence:
- operating licences;
 - personal licences; and
 - premises licences.
- 2.4 The Authority will be responsible for issuing premises licences. The Gambling Commission will be responsible for issuing operating and personal licences.
- 2.5 This Statement will come into force on 31st January 2022 and will have effect until 30th January 2025, being kept under review and revised or amended as required following consultation.

3. Authorised Activities

- 3.1 'Gambling' is defined in the Act as either gaming, betting, or taking part in a lottery. Definitions of terms are as follows:
- gaming means playing a game of chance for a prize;
 - betting means making or accepting a bet on the outcome of a race, competition, or any other event, the likelihood of anything occurring or not occurring, or whether anything is true or not;
 - a lottery is where persons are required to pay in order to take part in an arrangement, during the course of which one or more prizes are allocated by a process which relies wholly on chance.
- 3.2 The main functions of the Authority are to:
- licence premises for gambling activities;
 - grant permits for gambling and gaming machines in clubs;
 - regulate gaming and gaming machines in alcohol licensed premises;
 - grant permits to family entertainment centres for the use of certain lower stake gaming machines;

- grant permits for prize gaming;
- consider notices given for the temporary use of premises for gaming;
- receive occasional use notices for betting at tracks; and
- register small societies lotteries.

3.3 Spread betting is regulated by the Financial Services Authority. Remote Gambling is dealt with by the Gambling Commission. The National Lottery is regulated by Gambling Commission.

4. General Statement of Principles

- 4.1 The Authority recognises the wide variety of premises which will require a licence or a permit. These include casinos, betting shops, bingo halls, pubs, clubs, amusement arcades and race tracks.
- 4.2 In carrying out its licensing functions the Authority will have regard to Guidance issued by the Gambling Commission.
- 4.3 The Authority will not seek to use the Act to resolve matters more readily dealt with under other legislation. This Statement of Principles will avoid duplication with other regulatory regimes wherever possible. In considering applications, and taking enforcement action, under the Gambling Act the Authority will have regard to the provisions of the Human Rights Act.
- 4.4 To ensure the licensing objectives are met the Authority will establish a close working relationship with the police, the Gambling Commission and other responsible authorities.
- 4.5 Premises licences granted must be reasonably consistent with the licensing objectives. With regard to these objectives, this Authority has considered the Gambling Commission's Guidance to local authorities. However, the overriding principle is that each application and the circumstances prevailing at each premises will be considered on their own individual merits. Other considerations such as moral or ethical objections to gambling are not valid reasons to reject applications for premises licences as they do not relate to the licensing objectives.
- 4.6 In its Guidance to Local Authorities the Gambling Commission suggests that Licensing Authorities should adopt a 'Local Area Profile'. A Local Area Profile is created by gathering information about a locality and highlighting any particular areas of concern within the locality.
- 4.7 Where evidence is submitted to the Licensing Authority identifying any areas of concern the Licensing Authority will produce a Local Area Profile separate to this statement. Once adopted, the Local Area Profile is intended to assist the Licensing Authority and Operators in identifying specific risks within the district.

5. Preventing gambling from being a source of crime and disorder; being associated with crime and disorder or being used to support crime

- 5.1 The Gambling Commission will play a leading role in preventing gambling from being a source of crime and will maintain rigorous licensing procedures that aim to prevent criminals from providing facilities for gambling or being associated with providing such facilities. The Council has a specific duty under Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 to exercise its functions with regard to the likely effect of doing so on crime and disorder, and also to do all that it reasonably can to prevent crime and disorder in the area.
- 5.2 When applying to this Authority for a premises licence, the applicant will have to hold an operating licence from the Commission before a licence can be issued, so the Authority will not therefore be concerned with the suitability of the applicant. Where concerns about a person's suitability arise, the Authority will bring those concerns to the attention of the Commission. The Authority will have to be satisfied that the premises will not adversely affect the licensing objective and is compliant with the Commission's Guidance and Codes of Practice, and this Gambling Policy.
- 5.3 The Authority has had regard to the small number of existing premises licences and the small number of applications likely to be received. With this in mind it has not produced a local area profile at the time of publication of this Policy (should this change, then the Policy will be amended accordingly, and the local area profile made available to applicants). Applicants will however be expected to have a good understanding of the local area in which they either operate or intend to operate. The applicant will have to provide evidence that they meet the criteria set out in the Policy and demonstrate that in operating the premises they will promote this objective. Operators need to be aware of how the operation of their premises may impact on this objective. The Authority will expect applicants to provide details of their crime prevention measures and any risk assessments that they have carried out.
- 5.4 To prevent gambling from being a source of crime or disorder, being associated with crime or disorder, or being used to support crime, the Authority will apply the following criteria and take into account the following considerations, where relevant, in determining applications and reviews.

Criteria:

Whether the premises make or will make a contribution to the levels of crime and disorder and whether the applicant has demonstrated that he has, or intends to, implement sufficient controls to prevent the premises being a source of, and/or associated with crime or disorder, or being used to support crime, if the application is granted.

Considerations:

- Where an area is known for high levels of crime the Authority will consider carefully whether gambling premises are suitable to be located there, and whether additional conditions may be necessary,

such as the provision of CCTV, minimum levels of staffing and licensed door supervisors.

- Whether there is a history of crime or disorder associated with the premises or its use by those involved in crime to associate or dispose of the proceeds of crime.
- Whether the layout, lighting and fitting out of the premises have been designed so as to minimise conflict and opportunities for crime and disorder.
- Whether sufficient management measures are proposed or are in place to prevent the premises being a source of, or associated with crime or disorder, or used to support crime either as a place of association or to avoid being apprehended.
- The Authority will also consider the location of the premises in the context of this licensing objective. If an application is received in relation to premises that are in an area noted for particular problems with organised crime or a premises that have previously been a focus for antisocial behaviour, the Authority will expect applicants to demonstrate that they have sufficient measures in place to prevent or deter people involved from using their premises and will also consider conditions being put on the licence to promote this licensing objective.
- Whilst issues of nuisance are not included specifically in the gambling objectives and cannot be addressed via the Gambling Act, the Authority may consider, when making decisions on the applications for premises licences, that extreme instances of public nuisance and/or persistent public nuisance may constitute disorder and/or crime for the purposes of this objective.

6. Ensure Gambling is conducted in a fair and open way

6.1 Generally the Commission would not expect Licensing Authorities to become concerned with ensuring that gambling is conducted in a fair and open way as this will be a matter for either:

- (a) the management of the gambling business, and therefore subject to the operating licence; or
- (b) will be in relation to the suitability and actions of an individual and therefore subject to the personal licence.

6.2 In relation to the licensing of tracks the Authority's role will be different from other premises in that track operators will not necessarily have an operating licence. In those circumstances the premises licence may need to contain conditions to ensure that the environment in which betting takes place is suitable.

Criteria:

Whether the premises will operate measures that will ensure that the gambling activity is conducted in a fair and open way.

Considerations:

- Whether the layout, lighting and fitting out of the premises have been designed so as to ensure gambling is conducted in a fair and open way.
- Whether sufficient management measures are proposed or are in place to ensure that gambling is conducted in a fair and open way.
- Whether the management and operation of the premises is open and transparent.
- Whether the operators of the premises have been or will be fully cooperative with enforcement agencies.
- Whether the Commission's Codes of Practice have been complied with.

7. Protecting children and other vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling

7.1 The Gambling Commission's Guidance states that one of the aims of this objective means preventing children from taking part in gambling (as well as restricting advertising so that gambling products are not aimed at or are, particularly attractive to children).

7.2 The Act and Gambling Commission Guidance do not define the term "vulnerable". For regulatory purposes the Commission states that it assumes "vulnerable" persons" includes:

- people who gamble more than they want to;
- people who are gambling beyond their means; and
- people who may not be able to make informed or balanced decisions about gambling due to a mental impairment, alcohol or drugs.

This is the definition the Authority will use in its consideration of applications.

7.3 This Authority will pay particular attention to any Codes of Practice, which the Gambling Commission issues in relation to specific premises. It will consider this licensing objective on a case-by-case basis, and where necessary add conditions to promote this objective.

7.4 To protect children and other vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling, the Authority will apply the following criteria and take into account the following considerations, where relevant, in determining applications and reviews.

Criteria:

Whether there are appropriate measures in place to protect children and other vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling.

Considerations:

- Whether the operator has a specific training programme for staff to ensure that they are able to identify children and vulnerable people and take appropriate action to promote this objective to exclude them from the premises or parts of the premises.
- If the premises is an adult only environment, whether the operator has taken effective measures to implement an appropriate proof of age scheme to ensure that no one under the age of 18 is admitted to the premises or restricted areas.
- Whether there is provision for self-barring schemes and provision of information leaflets/helpline numbers for organisations such as GamCare.
- Whether the layout, lighting and fitting out of the premises have been designed so as to not attract children and other vulnerable persons who might be harmed or exploited by gambling.
- Whether sufficient management measures are proposed or are in place to protect children and other vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling.
- Whether any promotional material associated with the premises could encourage the use of the premises by children or young people.
- The Authority will also consider the location of the premises in the context of this licensing objective. If an application for a gambling premises is received for a location within a sensitive area or in close proximity to what are considered to be sensitive areas the Authority will expect applicants to demonstrate that they have sufficient and suitable control measures in place to promote this licensing objective.

8. Premises Licences

8.1 Section 150 of the Act permits the issue of premises licences authorising the provision of facilities at the following:

- casino premises;
- bingo premises;
- betting premises, including tracks and premises used by betting intermediaries;
- adult gaming centres;
- family entertainment centres.

8.2 Premises can be 'any place' but the Act prevents more than one premises licence applying to any one place. A single building could be subject to more

than one premises licence provided they are for different parts of the building and those parts can be genuinely regarded as being different 'premises'.

- 8.3 A particular requirement might be for entrances and exits from parts of a building covered by one or more licences to be separate and identifiable so that the separation of the premises is not compromised and that people are not allowed to 'drift' accidentally into a gambling area.
- 8.4 Where the Authority has concerns about the use of premises for gambling it will seek to address these through licence conditions wherever possible.
- 8.5 Other than an application for a betting premises licence in respect of a track, the Authority is not able to issue a premises licence unless the applicant holds the relevant operating licence from the Gambling Commission.
- 8.6 When considering applications for premises licences the Authority will not take into consideration either the expected 'demand' for facilities or the likelihood of planning permission being granted.
- 8.7 The Authority will maintain a register of premises licences issued and will ensure that the register is open for public inspection at all reasonable times.

9. Location

- 9.1 This Authority is aware that demand issues cannot be considered with regard to the location of premises either on a borough wide or more local scale. However, it considers that the location of gambling premises can be a major factor on the promotion of the licensing objectives. The Authority will pay particular attention to the suitability of a location for gambling activity in terms of the protection of children and vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling, as well as issues of crime and disorder.
- 9.2 Operators are required to take into account any sensitive locations within close proximity to proposed gambling premises and provide the Authority with details of how they propose to mitigate and monitor any risks. Applications will not be granted in sensitive locations unless the relevant criteria have been met.
- 9.3 Applicants will have to clearly show that they have considered the potential impact of their proposed business on the licensing objectives and provide information on how they plan to reduce or remove any likely adverse impact on them. The supporting information may contain the following information:
 - how the premises will restrict access to children, young people or other vulnerable persons;
 - whether a proof of age scheme is being used;
 - whether the appropriate number of security staff will be employed at appropriate times;
 - whether opening times will be set so that the premises are not open during school start and finish times;
 - details of procedures and staff training in place to identify vulnerable

persons such as problem gamblers, those who are inebriated through drink or drugs, etc.

This list is not mandatory, nor exhaustive, and is merely indicative of example measures.

- 9.4 The Authority will consider proposals for new gambling premises that are in close proximity to hostels or other accommodation or centres catering for vulnerable people, including those with mental disabilities or learning difficulties, and those with problem gambling or with alcohol or drug abuse problems, as very likely to adversely affect the gambling objectives.
- 9.5 It should be noted that each application will be decided on its own merits, but the onus will be upon the applicant to show how the potential concerns can be overcome.

10. Primary Gambling Activity

- 10.1 The primary activity of each premises licence type is specified on the premises licence when it is issued. Section 150 of the Gambling Act 2005 authorises the provision of gambling facilities for the following types of premises licences:
- (a) casino premises
 - (b) bingo premises
 - (c) betting premises, including tracks and premises used by betting intermediaries
 - (d) adult gaming centre premises (for category C and D machines)
 - (e) family entertainment centre premises (for category C and D machines) (note that, separate to this category, the licensing authority may issue family entertainment centre gaming machine permits, which authorise the use of category D machines only).
- 10.2 Gaming machines can only be made available in combination with the non-remote gambling activity which is permitted by that premises licence. The Gambling Commissions LCCP requires that all licensed gambling operators must provide substantive facilities for the primary non-remote gambling activity that the licence authorises before they can make gaming machines available for use.
- 10.3 The council will take decisions in accordance with the Commission's Guidance and Codes of Practice on the combination of sufficient facilities for the primary gambling activity authorised by the licence and gaming machines made available for use. The council will also have regard to any advice provided by the Gambling Commission which it issues from time to time and will expect applicants to operate premises in line with the Commissions Guidance and conditions on their operator's licence. The council will monitor the operation of premises and report any potential breach of operating licence conditions to the Commission. Applications for new premises licences, or to vary an existing licence, will be expected to be clear that the premises will provide substantive facilities for the primary gambling activity permitted by the premises licence. For example, a betting (other) premises licence application that only has four gaming machines, but no betting counter or associated

betting facilities shown on the proposed plans, may not be considered as providing sufficient facilities for the primary gambling activity permitted by that licence and therefore may not be compliant with the Gambling Commissions LCCP or its Guidance to Licensing Authorities.

- 10.4 If an application is found not to be operating a premises in accordance with the Gambling Commissions Codes of Practice or the Guidance issued to Licensing Authorities the council has the power to refuse the application as it would not meet the principles as set out in Section 153 of the Act.

11. Responsible Authorities

- 11.1 These are generally public bodies that must be notified of all applications and who are entitled to make representations to the Authority if they are relevant to the licensing objectives.

- 11.2 Section 157 of the Act identifies the bodies that are to be treated as responsible authorities. In relation to the Authority's area, these are:

- The Authority itself
- The Gambling Commission;
- The chief officer of police/chief constable for the area in which the premises is wholly or partially situated
- The fire and rescue authority for the same area
- The local planning authority;
- An authority with functions in relation to pollution of the environment or harm to human health
- A body designated in writing by the authority as competent to advise about the protection of children from harm (see paragraphs 11.3 and 11.4 below)
- HM Revenue & Customs; and
- Any other person prescribed in regulations by the Secretary of State.

Section 211(4) provides that in relation to a vessel, but no other premises, responsible authorities also include navigation authorities within the meaning of section 221(1) of the Water Resources Act 1991 that have statutory functions in relation to the waters where the vessel is usually moored or berthed or any waters where it is proposed to be navigated at a time when it is to be used for licensable activities.

- 11.3 The Authority is required to set out the principles to be applied in exercising its powers to designate, in writing, a body which is competent to advise about the protection of children from harm. The principles applied in designating such a body are:

- the body must be responsible for covering the whole of the Authority's area: and
- the body should be answerable to democratically elected persons rather than any particular vested interest groups etc.

- 11.4 The Authority has designated Warwickshire County Council's Multi-Agency

Commissioning Team as the local body competent to advise it on the protection of children from harm.

12. Interested Parties

12.1 Interested parties can make representations about licence applications, or apply for a review of an existing licence based on the principles detailed in section 2 of this policy statement.

An interested party is someone who:

- (a) lives sufficiently close to the premises to be likely to be affected by the authorised activities;
- (b) has business interests that might be affected by the authorised activities; or
- (c) represents persons in either of the two groups above.

12.2 The principles the Authority will apply to determine whether a person is an interested party are:

- Interested parties could include trade associations and trade unions, and residents' and tenants' associations. This Authority will not however generally view these bodies as interested parties unless they have a member who can be classed as an interested person under the terms of the Gambling Act 2005 e.g. lives sufficiently close to the premises or has business interests likely to be affected by the activities being applied for.
- Interested parties can be persons who are democratically elected such as Councillors and MPs. No specific evidence of being asked to represent an interested person will be required as long as the Councillor/MP represents the ward likely to be affected. Other than these persons, this Authority will require written evidence that a person 'represents' someone who either lives sufficiently close to the premises to be likely to be affected by the authorised activities and/or business interests that might be affected by the authorised activities. A letter from one of these persons, requesting the representation is sufficient.
- Each case will be decided upon its merits. This Authority will not apply a rigid rule to its decision making. It will consider the examples of considerations provided in the Gambling Commission's Guidance for local authorities.

12.3 If individuals wish to approach Councillors to ask them to represent their views then care should be taken that the Councillors are not part of the Licensing and Safety Committee dealing with the licence application, or in any other way have a personal interest that would preclude them from participating in a hearing. If there are any doubts then please contact the Licensing Team.

12.4 It should be noted that, unlike the Licensing Act, the Gambling Act does not include as a specific licensing objective the prevention of public nuisance.

There is however other relevant legislation which deals with public nuisance.

13. Representations

- 13.1 The Authority is obliged to consider representations from 'responsible authorities' and 'interested parties' and must determine whether or not representations are admissible. A representation is inadmissible if not made by a responsible Authority or an interested party.
- 13.2 The only representations likely to be relevant are those that relate to the licensing objectives, or that raise issues under this Statement or the Commission's Guidance or Codes of Practice. The Authority must determine the relevance of the representation.
- 13.3 Any concerns that responsible authorities have in relation to their own functions cannot be taken into account if they are not relevant to the application for a premises licence and the licensing objectives.
- 13.4 The Authority may, in certain circumstances, consider a representation to be either frivolous or vexatious. This will generally be a matter of fact given the circumstances of each individual case but before coming to a decision the Authority may consider the following:
- who is making the representation and whether there is a history of making representations that are not relevant;
 - whether it raises a 'relevant' issue or not; or
 - whether it raises issues specifically to do with the premises which are the subject of the application.

14. Conditions of Licence

- 14.1 Conditions imposed by the Authority may be general in nature by applying to all licences, or those of a particular type, or they may be specific to a particular licence.
- 14.2 The Authority will not generally impose conditions that limit the use of premises for gambling unless it is deemed to be necessary as a result of the requirement to act in accordance with the Gambling Commission's Guidance, any Codes of Practice issued by the Commission, this Statement of Principles or in a way that is reasonably consistent with the licensing objectives.
- 14.3 Any conditions imposed by the Authority will be proportionate to the circumstances they are intended to address. In particular, the Authority will ensure that any conditions are:
- relevant to the need to make the premises suitable as a gambling facility;
 - directly related to the premises and the type of licence applied for;
 - fairly and reasonably related to the scale and type of premises;
 - reasonable in all other respects; and
 - decided on a case by case basis.

14.4 The Authority will not consider imposing conditions:

- which make it impossible to comply with an operating licence condition imposed by the Gambling Commission;
- relating to gaming machine categories, numbers or method of operation;
- which specify that membership of a club or other body is required; and
- in relation to stakes, fees, winnings or prizes.

15. Casinos

15.1 The Authority has not passed a 'no casino' resolution under Section 166 of the Gambling Act 2005 but is aware that it has power to do so. Should the Authority decide to pass such a resolution, it will update this policy with details of the resolution.

16. Betting Premises

16.1 Anyone wishing to operate a betting office will require a betting premises licence from the Authority. Children and young persons will not be able to enter premises with a betting premises licence.

16.2 The Authority is aware of its power to restrict the number of betting machines, their nature and the circumstances in which they are made available by attaching a licence condition to a betting premises licence.

16.3 In the event that the Authority considers whether to impose such a condition on any particular licence it may, among other things, take into account the size of the premises, the number of counter positions available for person to person transactions, and the ability of staff to monitor the use of the machines.

17. Bingo

17.1 Licensing authorities will need to satisfy themselves that bingo can be played in any bingo premises for which they issue a premises licence. This will be a relevant consideration where the operator of an existing premises applies to vary their licence to exclude an area of the existing premises from its ambit and then applies for a new premises licence, or multiple licence, for that or those excluded areas.

17.2 Section 172(7) of the Act provides that the holder of bingo premises licences may make available for use a number of category B gaming machines for use on the premises.

17.3 This Authority also notes the Commission's Guidance in the unusual circumstances in which the splitting of pre-existing premises into two adjacent premises might be permitted. It is not permissible for all of the gaming machines to which each of the licenses brings an entitlement to be grouped together within one of the licensed premises. ~~New rules apply in relation to the playing of bingo specifically in alcohol-licensed premises, clubs and~~

~~miners welfare institutes. Previously exempt under the exempt gaming allowances, a bingo operating licence is now required by the Gambling Commission.~~

- 17.4 The holder of a bingo operating licence will be able to provide any type of bingo game including cash and prize bingo.
- 17.5 Commercial bingo halls will require a bingo premises licence from the Authority.
- 17.6 Children and young people are allowed into bingo premises, however they are not permitted to participate in the bingo and if category B or C machines are made available for use these must be separated from areas where children and young people are allowed, local authorities will ensure that:
- all such machines are located in an area of the premises separate from the remainder of the premises by a physical barrier which is effective to prevent access other than through a designated entrance;
 - only adults are admitted to the area where the machines are located;
 - access to the area where the machines are located is supervised;
 - the area where the machines are located is arranged so that it can be observed by staff of the operator or the licence holder; and
 - at the entrance to, and inside any such area there are prominently displayed notices indicating that access to the area is prohibited to persons under 18.

18. Tracks

- 18.1 Only one premises licence can be issued for any particular premises at any time unless the premises is a 'track'. A track is a site where races or other sporting events take place.
- 18.2 Track operators are not required to hold an Operator's Licence granted by the Gambling Commission. Therefore, premises licences for tracks, issued by the Authority are likely to contain requirements for premises licence holders about their responsibilities in relation to the proper conduct of betting. Indeed, track operators will have an important role to play, for example in ensuring that betting areas are properly administered and supervised.
- 18.3 Although there will, primarily be a betting premises licence for the track there may be a number of subsidiary licences authorising other gambling activities to take place. Unlike betting offices, a betting premises licence in respect of a track does not give an automatic entitlement to use gaming machines.
- 18.4 When considering whether to exercise its power to restrict the number of betting machines at a track the Authority will consider the circumstances of each individual application and, among other things will consider the potential space for the number of machines requested, the ability of track staff to supervise the machines, especially if they are scattered around the site, and the ability of the track operator to prevent children and young persons and vulnerable people betting on the machines.

19. Temporary Use Notices

- 19.1 Temporary Use Notices allow the use of premises for gambling where there is no premises licence but where a gambling operator wishes to use the premises temporarily for providing facilities for gambling. Premises that might be suitable for a Temporary Use Notice, according to the Gambling Commission, would include hotels, conference centres and sporting venues.
- 19.2 The Authority can only accept a Temporary Use Notice from a person or company holding a relevant operating licence.
- 19.3 Regulations prescribed by the Secretary of State provide that Temporary Use Notices can only be used to permit the provision of facilities for equal chance gaming where the gaming is intended to produce a single winner, for example games such as backgammon, cribbage, bingo and poker.
- 19.4 There are a number of statutory limits as regards temporary use notices. Gambling Commission Guidance is noted that "The meaning of "premises" in part 8 of the Act is discussed in Part 7 of the Gambling Commission Guidance. As with "premises", the definition of "a set of premises" will be a question of fact in the particular circumstances of each notice that is given. In the Act "premises" is defined as including "any place". In considering whether a place falls within the definition of "a set of premises", licensing authorities will need to look at, amongst other things, the ownership/occupation and control of the premises.
- 19.5 The Authority expects to object to notices where it appears that their effect would be to permit regular gambling in a place that could be described as one set of premises, as recommended in the Gambling Commission Guidance.

20. Occasional Use Notices

- 20.1 The Authority has very little discretion as regards these notices aside from ensuring that the statutory limit of 8 days in a calendar year is not exceeded. The Authority will though need to consider the definition of a 'track' and whether the applicant is permitted to avail him/herself of the notice.

21. Gaming Machines

- 21.1 A machine is not a gaming machine if the winning of a prize is determined purely by the player's skill. However, any element of 'chance' imparted by the action of the machine would cause it to be a gaming machine.
- 21.2 The Authority is aware of its power to restrict the number of gaming machines in certain circumstances. In the event that the Authority considers whether to impose such a restriction on any particular permit it may, among other things, take into account the size of the premises and the ability of staff to monitor the use of the machines by children and young persons or by vulnerable persons.
- 21.3 The Authority will be unable to issue premises licences to authorise gaming machines in certain types of premises. These generally will be premises to

which children and vulnerable people will have unrestricted access and would include take-away premises, taxi offices, supermarkets etc.

22. Unlicensed Family Entertainment Centre Gaming Machine Permits

- 22.1 Where a premises does not hold a Premises Licence but wishes to provide gaming machines, it may apply to the Authority for this permit. It should be noted that the applicant must show that the premises will be wholly or mainly used for making gaming machines available for use.
- 22.2 The Gambling Act 2005 states that the Authority may "prepare a statement of principles that they propose to consider in determining the suitability of an applicant for a permit" and in preparing this statement, and/or considering applications, it need not (but may) have regard to the licensing objectives and shall have regard to any relevant Guidance issued by the Commission under section 25. The Gambling Commission's Guidance also states that in their three year licensing policy statement, licensing authorities may include a statement of principles that they propose to apply when exercising their functions in considering applications for permits and licensing authorities will want to give weight to child protection issues.
- 22.3 Guidance also states that an application for a permit may be granted only if the Authority is satisfied that the premises will be used as an unlicensed FEC, and if the chief officer of police has been consulted on the application, licensing authorities may wish to consider asking applications to demonstrate:
- A full understanding of the maximum stakes and prizes of the gambling that is permissible in unlicensed FECs;
 - That the applicant has no relevant convictions (those that are set out in the Act); and
 - That staff are trained to have a full understanding of the maximum stakes and prizes.
- 22.4 It should be noted that the Authority cannot attach conditions to this type of permit.
- 22.5 This Authority has adopted a Statement of Principles that is available from the Licensing Section or on the Authority's website (www.rugby.gov.uk). Potential applicants / other interested persons are advised to read the Statement of Principles before applying to the Authority for a licence or permit.
- 22.6 With regard to renewals of these permits, the Authority may refuse an application for renewal of a permit only on the grounds that an authorised local authority officer has been refused access to the premises without reasonable excuse, or that renewal would not be reasonably consistent with pursuit of the licensing objectives.

23. (Alcohol) Licensed Premises Gaming Machine Permits

- 23.1 There is provision in the Act for premises licensed to sell alcohol for consumption on the premises, to automatically have 2 gaming machines, of categories C and/or D. The premises merely need to notify the Authority.

The Authority can remove the automatic authorisation in respect of any particular premises if:

- provision of the machines is not reasonably consistent with the pursuit of the licensing objectives;
- gaming has taken place on the premises that breaches a condition of section 282 of the Gambling Act (i.e. that written notice has been provided to the Authority, that a fee has been provided and that any relevant code of practice issued by the Gambling Commission about the location and operation of the machine has been complied with);
- the premises are mainly used for gaming; or
- an offence under the Gambling Act has been committed on the premises

23.2 If a premises wishes to have more than 2 machines, then it needs to apply for a permit and the Authority must consider that application based upon the licensing objectives, any Guidance issued by the Gambling Commission issued under section 25 of the Gambling Act 2005, and “*such matters as they think relevant.*”

This Authority considers that “such matters” will be decided on a case by case basis but generally there will be regard to the need to protect children and vulnerable persons from harm or being exploited by gambling, and will expect the applicant to satisfy the Authority that there will be sufficient measures to ensure that under 18 year olds do not have access to the adult only gaming machines. Measures which will satisfy the Authority that there will be no access may include the adult machines being in sight of the bar, or in the sight of staff who will monitor that the machines are not being used by those under 18. Notices and signage may also be help. As regards the protection of vulnerable persons applicants may wish to consider the provision of information leaflets / helpline numbers for organisations such as GamCare.

23.3 It is recognised that some alcohol-licensed premises may apply for a premises licence for the use of gaming machines in their non-alcohol licensed areas. Any such application would need to be applied for, and dealt with as an Adult Gaming Centre premises licence.

23.4 It should be noted that the Authority can decide to grant the permit application with a smaller number of machines and/or a different category of machines than that applied for. Conditions (other than these) cannot be attached.

23.5 It should also be noted that the holder of a permit must comply with Gaming Machines in Alcohol Licensed Premises Code of Practice issued by the Gambling Commission about the location and operation of the machine(s).

24. Prize Gaming Permits

24.1 The Gambling Act 2005 states that the Authority may "prepare a statement of principles that they propose to apply in exercising their functions under this Schedule" which "may, in particular, specify matters that the Authority propose to consider in determining the suitability of the applicant for a permit".

- 24.2 This Authority has adopted a Statement of Principles that is available from the Licensing Section or on the Authority's website (www.rugby.gov.uk). Potential applicants / other interested persons are advised to read the Statement of Principles before applying to the Authority for a licence or permit.
- 24.3 In making its decision on an application for this permit the Authority does not need to but may have regard to the licensing objectives but must have regard to any Gambling Commission Guidance.
- 24.4 It should be noted that there are conditions in the Gambling Act 2005 with which the permit holder must comply, but the Authority cannot attach conditions. The conditions in the Act are:
- the limits on participation fees, as set out in regulations, must be complied with;
 - all chances to participate in the gaming must be allocated on the premises on which the gaming is taking place and on one day; the game must be played and completed on the day the chances are allocated; and the result of the game must be made public in the premises on the day that it is played;
 - the prize for which the game is played must not exceed the amount set out in regulations (if a money prize), or the prescribed value (if non-monetary prize); and
 - participation in the gaming must not entitle the player to take part in any other gambling.

25. Club Gaming and Club Machine Permits

- 25.1 Members' clubs and miners' welfare institutes (but not commercial clubs) may apply for a Club Gaming Permit or a Club Gaming Machine Permit. The Club Gaming Permit will enable the premises to provide gaming machines (3 machines of categories B, C or D), equal chance gaming and games of chance as set-out in regulations. A Club Gaming Machine Permit will enable the premises to provide gaming machines (3 machines of categories B, C or D).
- 25.2 Members' clubs must have at least 25 members and be established and conducted "wholly or mainly" for purposes other than gaming, unless the gaming is permitted by separate regulations. It is anticipated that this will cover bridge and whist clubs, which will replicate the position under the Gaming Act 1968. A members' club must be permanent in nature, not established to make commercial profit, and controlled by its members equally. Examples include working men's clubs, branches of Royal British Legion and clubs with political affiliations.
- 25.3 Licensing authorities may only refuse an application on the grounds that:
- the applicant does not fulfil the requirements for a members' or commercial club or miners' welfare institute and therefore is not entitled to receive the type of permit for which it has applied;

- the applicant's premises are used wholly or mainly by children and/or young persons;
- an offence under the Act or a breach of a permit has been committed by the applicant while providing gaming facilities;
- a permit held by the applicant has been cancelled in the previous ten years; or
- an objection has been lodged by the Commission or the police.

25.4 It should be noted that there is a 'fast-track' procedure available for premises which hold a Club Premises Certificate under the Licensing Act 2003. The Gambling Commission's Guidance for local authorities states: "Under the fast-track procedure there is no opportunity for objections to be made by the Commission or the police, and the grounds upon which an Authority can refuse a permit are reduced". The grounds on which an application under the process may be refused are:

- that the club is established primarily for gaming, other than gaming prescribed under schedule 12;
- that in addition to the prescribed gaming, the applicant provides facilities for other gaming; or
- that a Club Gaming Permit or Club Machine Permit issued to the applicant in the last ten years has been cancelled.

25.5 There are statutory conditions on Club Gaming Permits that no child uses a category B or C machine on the premises and that the holder complies with any relevant provision of a code of practice about the location and operation of gaming machines.

26. Lotteries

26.1 In carrying out its functions in relation to Lotteries, the Authority will have regard to the Act, any Guidance issued by the Commission from time to time and any Regulations issued by the Secretary of State.

26.2 The Act makes it illegal to promote lotteries unless they are licensed or within an exempt category. One such exemption relates to registered small society lotteries and the Authority is responsible for registering small society lotteries, which are promoted by non-commercial organisations that are established for:

- charitable purposes;
- for the purpose of enabling participation in, or of supporting, sport, athletics or a cultural activity; or
- any other non-commercial purpose other than that of private gain.

27. Exchange of Information

27.1 The principle that the Authority will apply in respect of the exchange of information between it and the Gambling Commission and those bodies listed in Schedule 6 of the Act is that it will act in accordance with the provisions of the Gambling Act 2005, which includes the provision that the Data Protection Act 1998 will not be contravened. The Authority will also have regard to any

Guidance issued by the Gambling Commission to local authorities on this matter, as well as any relevant regulations issued by the Secretary of State.

28. Enforcement

- 28.1 The Authority will liaise with the Gambling Commission and other enforcing authorities on enforcement issues and will look to carry out joint inspections. The targeting of resources towards high-risk premises and activities that require greater attention will provide a more efficient deployment of the Authority's officers and other officers that are commonly engaged in enforcing gambling law and inspection of licensed premises. A lighter touch will apply in respect of low risk premises, which are well run.
- 28.2 The Authority's approach to enforcement will be based on identified risk and will take into account:
- relevant Codes of Practice;
 - Guidance issued by the Gambling Commission;
 - the licensing objectives;
 - the principles set out in this statement of gambling policy.
- 28.3 In general, action will only be taken in accordance with the principles of the Regulators' Code, the Authority's Enforcement Policy and the relevant provisions of the Regulatory Enforcement and Sanctions Act 2008. To this end the key principles of consistency, transparency and proportionality will be maintained.
- 28.4 The Authority will also be guided by the Gambling Commission's Guidance for local authorities and will endeavour to be:
- **Proportionate:** regulators should only intervene when necessary: remedies should be appropriate to the risk posed, and costs identified and minimised;
 - **Accountable:** regulators must be able to justify decisions, and be subject to public scrutiny;
 - **Consistent:** rules and standards must be joined up and implemented fairly;
 - **Transparent:** regulators should be open, and keep regulations simple and user friendly; and
 - **Targeted:** regulation should be focused on the problem, and minimise side effects
- 28.5 In accordance with the Gambling Commission Guidance to licensing authorities the Authority will endeavour to avoid duplication with other regulatory regimes as far as possible.
- 28.6 The main enforcement and compliance role for this Authority in terms of the Gambling Act 2005 will be to ensure compliance with the Premises Licences and other permissions, which it authorises. The Gambling Commission will be the enforcement body for the Operator and Personal Licences. It is also worth noting that concerns about manufacture, supply or repair of gaming machines will not be dealt with by the Authority but will be notified to the

29. The Licensing Process

29.1 The powers of the Council as the Licensing Authority under the Act may be carried out by the Licensing and Safety Committee, by a Sub-Committee or, instead, by one or more Council officers acting under delegated Authority. The Council has adopted the following scheme of delegation:

Matters to be dealt with	Full Council	Licensing and Safety Committee	Licensing and Safety Committee or appointed sub-committee	Officers
Three year Gambling Policy	X			
Policy not to permit casinos	X			
Fee Setting – when appropriate		X		
Application for premises licence			Where representations have been received and not withdrawn	Where no representations received/representations have been withdrawn
Application for a variation to a licence			Where representations have been received and not withdrawn	Where no representations received/representations have been withdrawn
Application for a transfer of a licence			Where representations have been received and not withdrawn	Where no representations received/representations have been withdrawn
Application for a provisional statement			Where representations have been received and not withdrawn	Where no representations received/representations have been withdrawn
Application to review premises licence/club premises certificate			X	
Application for			Where objections have	Where no

club gaming/club machine permits	been made and not withdrawn.	objections made/objections have been withdrawn
Cancellation of club gaming/club machine permits	X	
Applications for other permits/registration of small society lotteries		X
Cancellation of licensed premises gaming machine permits		X
Consideration of temporary use notice		X
Decision to give a counter notice to a temporary use notice	X	

29.2 Application forms will be in the format prescribed by regulations. The form will need to contain information that describes the gambling activities to be provided, the operational procedures, hours, nature of the location, needs of the local community, etc. Most importantly, the applicant will have to detail the steps that will be taken to promote the three licensing objectives. From 6th April 2016 applicants should carry out a risk assessment before they apply for a premises licence or to vary a premises licence.

29.3 Applicants are encouraged to fully consult the Police and other responsible authorities well in advance of submitting their applications. Application forms and guidance leaflets will be available from the Authority, including contact names for each of the responsible authorities that will be receiving applications. Most applications will require additional documentation and a fee to be included with the form. Incomplete applications will not be considered and will be returned to the applicant.

29.4 As a minimum, the Council will require the local risk assessment to consider:

- The location of services for children such as schools, playgrounds, leisure/community centres, and other areas where children will likely gather;

- premises licensed to sell alcohol, ATM cash dispensers;
- The demographics of the area in relation to vulnerable groups
- Whether the premises is in an area subject to high levels of crime and/or disorder.

Local risk assessments should show how vulnerable people, including people with gambling dependencies, are protected.

- 29.5 The Act requires licensing authorities to maintain a register of premises licences issued. The register must be available at any reasonable time to the public, who can request copies of the entries. The register will be located at:

Rugby Borough Council
Town Hall
Evreux Way
Rugby
CV21 2RR

30. Licence Reviews

- 30.1 Requests for a review of a premises licence can be made by interested parties or responsible authorities. Requests for reviews must be relevant and the Authority will determine each request on its merits as to whether a review should be carried out. The Authority can also initiate a review of a particular premises licence if appropriate.
- 30.2 Once a valid application for a review has been received by the Authority, representations can be made by responsible authorities and interested parties during a 28 day period. This period begins 7 days after the application was received by the Authority. The review will be carried out as soon as possible after the 28 day period for making representations has passed.
- 30.3 The purpose of the review will be to determine whether the Authority should take any action in relation to the licence including adding, removing or amending licence conditions, suspending the premises licence for a period not exceeding three months, or revoking the premises licence. In determining what action, if any, should be taken, the Authority will have regard to the principles set out in section 153 of the Act, as well as any relevant representations.

DECISION UNDER DELEGATED POWERS

Subject	Consultation re the Statutory Review of Gambling Policy - Statement of Principles.
Officer Requesting Decision	Licensing Officer
Officer Making the Decision	Executive Director
Authority for Decision	<p>Delegated authority under paragraph 2.3 (b) of Part 2B of Rugby Borough Council's Constitution – each head of service is authorised to take any action to maintain the operation and effectiveness of services within his or her remit.</p> <p>Delegated authority under paragraph 2.1 (g) of Part 2B of Rugby Borough Council's Constitution – the Executive Director is authorised to exercise wherever appropriate the functions allocated to the heads of service in paragraphs 2.3 to 5.2 of this scheme.</p>
Recommendation	Consultation re the Statutory Review of Gambling Policy - Statement of Principles is undertaken for a period of four weeks.
Alternatives considered and rejected	Consultation re the Statutory Review of Gambling Policy - Statement of Principles for a shorter or longer period of time.
Decision	Approve
Reason	<p>The Gambling Act 2005 places a duty on the Council to publish a Gambling Policy - Statement of Principles on which licensing decisions will be based.</p> <p>The policy must be reviewed every 3 years and the Council's existing policy is due for review and re-publishing prior to 31 January 2022.</p> <p>As part of the review, legislation requires a consultation to be undertaken but does not specify the length of that consultation period. Given the minimal changes proposed to the Gambling Policy - Statement of Principles a four week period is considered an appropriate period of time.</p>

Date	12 November 2021
Background Papers	Draft Gambling Policy - Statement of Principles
Decision record kept until	12 November 2027
Background papers kept until	12 November 2025

Signed..........

Dated.....12/11/21.....

[REDACTED]

From: Cllr [REDACTED]
Sent: 21 November 2021 20:13
To: Rugby Borough Council Licensing
Subject: Gambling Act 2005 - Review of Gambling Policy

Hello,

Thank you for the letter - if possible, I am happy to receive details via email only to save on posting in the future.

The only comment I have is in relation to this wording on Page 4:

P4 - Applicants will however be expected to have a good understanding of the local area in which they either operate, or intend to operate

I think it would be helpful if an example was provided of what 'good understanding looks like' - this seems a bit vague.

Thank you.

Best wishes,

[REDACTED]

Councillor [REDACTED]
Member for Paddock Ward
Rugby Borough Council

Mobile: [REDACTED]

Facebook: [REDACTED]

Twitter: [REDACTED]

Website: [REDACTED]

Sign up to our mailing list: [REDACTED]

I may pass on your details to enable casework and enquiries to be dealt with, if you do not wish me to do this please tell me clearly in your e mail, otherwise I will regard as giving consent. The

[REDACTED] Policy can be found here [REDACTED]

██████████ Limited and ██████████ Limited response Rugby Borough Council's Consultation on its draft Statement of Gambling Principles 2022-2025

The ██████████ Group of companies is a leading national operator of bingo, AGC and FEC premises with clear and proactive policies to promote the Gambling Licensing Objectives. Operators of premises licences have full authority to provide their services by the provision of an Operator's Licence granted by the Gambling Commission. The UK's gambling regulator has therefore approved the measures implemented and those policies have been developed that ensure responsible trading in accordance with gambling legislation, the licensing objectives and the Licence Conditions and Codes of Practice.

Foreward

We strongly disagree with the comments included in the draft policy. Commentary relating to primary activity is outdated and the Authority's policy, as per section 349 of the Gambling Act 2005, should contain the principles that it proposes to apply in exercising its functions under the Act. It is therefore important ensure this is updated to reflect the amended guidance and practice governed by the codes and guidance of the Gambling Commission.

10. Primary Activity

Commentary concerning the primary activity of a premises is an out-of-date concept, which was removed in 2016 and should be amended to reflect the correct legal test regarding the provision of substantive facilities for betting or bingo in order for gaming machines to be made available for use. The new requirements are prescribed by the LCCP and referred to in the Gambling Commission's guidance to licensing authorities. Whilst we appreciate that a premises cannot be licensed for more than one gambling activity, this cannot disregard an operator's right to have (and make) gaming machines available for use. The regulatory framework makes it clear that all gambling venues must ensure there is clear distinction regarding what activities they offer. As a responsible operator, ██████████ has clear and effective systems in place that directly address this issue for all their premises.

17.4 Bingo

We are confused as to the inclusion of the new addition that states: *"New rules apply in relation to the playing of bingo specifically in alcohol licensed premises, clubs and miners' welfare institutes. Previously exempt under the exempt gaming allowances, a bingo operating licence is now required by the Gambling Commission."* This statement is legally incorrect as no new rules have been introduced and an operating licence is not needed for bingo to be played in alcohol licensed premises if it can be provided under the Exempt Gaming provisions. Part 12 of the Act permits bingo in alcohol-licensed premises, clubs and miners' welfare institutes provided it is in line with the regulations and as such this section should either be removed or amended to reflect this.

Conclusion

We are committed to working in partnership with the Gambling Commission and local authorities to continue to promote best practice and compliance in support of the licensing objectives. We look forward to discussion on the proposed Statement of Principles with you.