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MEETING TITLE AND DATE:

Licensing Committee - 6 January 2010

REPORT OF:

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Agenda – Part: 1

Item: 3

Subject:

Licensing Act 2003 & Gambling Act 2005 -

Enfield's Policies

Wards: All

Cabinet Member consulted: Cllr. Neville

1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 Public consultation in respect of the draft Second Edition of the Council's Statement of Principles (Gambling Act 2005) and the draft Third Edition of the Council's Licensing Police Statement (Licensing Act 2003) ceased on 27 November 2009.
- 1.2 The Licensing Committee is invited to consider the responses received to that consultation and to amend and/or agree updated draft policies prior to their submitted to Council for agreement on 26 January 2010.

2. RECOMMENDATION

2.1 To amend and/or agree updated Statement of Principles (Gambling Act 2005) and Licensing Police Statement (Licensing Act 2003) prior to their submission to Council for agreement.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The Licensing Act 2003 and the Gambling Act 2005 oblige the Council to review its licensing policies every three years.
- 3.2 The Licensing Committee considered draft polices on 5 August 2009 and decided not to pursue a cumulative impact policy (under the Licensing Act 2003).
- 3.3 The draft policies were duly submitted for public consultation between 29 September and 27 November 2009.
- 3.4 One response was received during the consultation period. The Metropolitan Police Service have requested that details of the Crime & Disorder Act 1998 be included in the Licensing Policy Statement (Licensing Act 2003).
- 3.5 Given that we were not seeking to radically amend our existing policies, it is not altogether surprising that only a single response was received to the consultation. We are heartened that this indicates that our partner agencies (as well as local residents and businesses) are generally satisfied with the Council's existing licensing policies.
- 3.6 The amended draft policies are duly attached as Annex 1 & 2.

4. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

4.1 Not applicable

5. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

To enable the Members of the Licensing Committee an opportunity to amend and/or agree updated Statement of Principles (Gambling Act 2005) and Licensing Police Statement (Licensing Act 2003) prior to their submission to Council for agreement.

6. COMMENTS OF THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND CORPORATE RESOURCES AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS

Financial, Legal & Property Implications

6.1 Not applicable

7. PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

7.1 Not applicable

8. PUTTING ENFIELD FIRST

8.1 Not applicable