## Schedule of proposed amendments - Gambling Act 2005 Statement of policy

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| 1.1 .4 <br> Background | The District of the Vale of White Horse <br> covers approximately 224 square miles <br> (580 square kilometres). It borders the City <br> of Oxford, Swindon Borough Council, <br> South Oxfordshire and West Berkshire | Addition of West Oxfordshire - Omitted from previous Policy <br> Statement of Policy |
| 1.3 .1 <br> Consultation | This policy has been prepared in <br> consultation with the following <br> persons/bodies | This Policy Statement of Policy has been produced in compliance with <br> DCMS regulations, Gambling Commission and LACORS guidance. The <br> Statement of Policy has been produced by the Oxfordshire Licensing <br> Group. The following bodies/persons will be consulted upon this policy <br> and their views taken into consideration whilst finalising the Statement of <br> Policy. <br> Provides further clarification. |
| 1.3 .3 <br> Consultation | The statement of principles comes into <br> effect on 13 <br> force for no more than 3 years, but may be <br> reviewed at any time. | The Statement of Policy will come into effect following a 12 week <br> consultation period stipulated in the Secretary of State's guidance for the <br> Gambling Act 2005. After receipt of comments upon the consultation <br> paper and its formal adoption by Full Council, the statement will be <br> published and will come into force on 31 January 2010. The Statement of <br> Policy will remain in force for no more than 3 years but may be reviewed <br> at any time. <br> Wording change for clarification |
| Wen.1 <br> Responsible <br> Authorities | Responsible Authorities not currently <br> listed. | Add: - The Responsible Authorities under the Gambling Act 2005 for the <br> area of the Vale of White Horse are: <br> The Licensing Authority, the Gambling Commission, the Chief Officer of <br> Police for the area the premises is wholly or partially situated in, the local <br> Fire Authority, the Planning Authority (Vale of White Horse District |

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\hline & & \begin{array}{l}\text { Council), the local Parish Council, the Environmental Protection } \\
\text { department (Vale of White Horse District Council), a body designated in } \\
\text { writing by the licensing authority as competent to advise about the } \\
\text { protection of children from harm, HM Revenue \& Customs, any other } \\
\text { persons prescribed in regulations by the Secretary of State. } \\
\text { Provides further clarification }\end{array} \\
\hline \begin{array}{l}\text { 1.5.2 } \\
\text { Responsible } \\
\text { Authorities }\end{array} & \text { No wording in current policy } & \begin{array}{l}\text { Add: - In the event that the premise is a vessel, the following bodies also } \\
\text { become Responsible Authorities: } \\
\text { The Environment Agency, the British Waterways Board, the Maritime and } \\
\text { Coastguard Agency. } \\
\text { Provides further clarification }\end{array} \\
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\text { Authorities }\end{array} & \text { No wording in current policy } & \begin{array}{l}\text { Add: - The contact details of all the Responsible Authorities under the Act } \\
\text { are available via the Council's website at } \\
\text { www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk/licensing }\end{array} \\
\hline \begin{array}{l}\text { 1.7.5 } \\
\text { Exchange of } \\
\text { Information }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { Any person wishing to obtain further } \\
\text { information about their rights under the } \\
\text { Data Protection Act 1998 or the Freedom further clarification } \\
\text { of Information Act 2000 may view the } \\
\text { Council's policies at } \\
\text { www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk or alternatively } \\
\text { contact our Legal Department on 01235 } \\
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\text { the Data Protection Act 1998 or the Freedom of Information Act 2000 may } \\
\text { view the Council's policies at www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk or alternatively } \\
\text { members of the public and businesses can also access information and } \\
\text { advice regarding Licensing by contacting the following bodies: } \\
\text { LACORS (Local Authorities Coordinator of Regulatory Services) } \\
\text { - www.lacors.gov.uk }\end{array}
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DCMS (Department of Culture, Media and Sport)\end{array}\right\}\)| www.culture.gov.uk |
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| - Citizens Advice Bureau - www.citizensadvice.org.uk |
| Or through you local solicitor |


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|  |  | individuals. Other information added to provide further clarification |
| $\begin{aligned} & \hline 1.8 .1 \\ & \text { Enforcement } \end{aligned}$ | The Council will adopt a risk-based approach to the inspection of gambling premises. This will allow for the targeting of premises which are considered to have a high risk of breaching the licensing objectives. | The Council will adopt a risk-based approach to the inspection of gambling premises which will be operated in conjunction with the Council's Licensing Enforcement Policy. This will allow for the targeting of high risk premises or those where a breach would have serious consequences. <br> Wording Change |
| 2.4.1 <br> Club Gaming \& Club Machine Permit | Members' clubs and miners' welfare institutes (but not commercial clubs) may apply for a club gaming permit. The club gaming permit will enable the premises to provide gaming machines (3 machines of categories B4, C or D), equal chance gaming and games of chance. | UPDATED GUIDANCE FROM THE GAMBLING COMMISSION (INCLUSION OF B3A MACHINES \& re-wording for clarification <br> Club Gaming Permits - The Council may grant members' clubs and miners' welfare institutes (but not commercial clubs) club gaming permits which authorise the establishments to provide gaming machines, equal chance gaming and games of chance. Club gaming permits allow the provision of no more than 3 gaming machines. These may be categories B3A, B4, C or D but only 1 B3A machine can be sited as part of this entitlement. |
| 2.4.2 <br> Club Gaming \& Club Machine Permit | If a club does not wish to have the full range of facilities permitted by a club gaming permit or if they are commercial club not permitted to provide non-machine gaming (other then exempt gaming under section 269 of the Act), they may apply for a club machine permit, which will enable the premises to provide gaming machines (3 machines of categories B4, C or D). | UPDATED GUIDANCE FROM THE GAMBLING COMMISSION (INCLUSION OF B3A MACHINES FOR MEMBERS' CLUBS AND MINERS' WELFARE INSTITUTES (NOT COMMERCIAL CLUBS)). Rewording for clarification. <br> Club Machine Permits - If a members' club or a miners' welfare institute does not wish to have the full range of facilities permitted by a club gaming permit, they may apply to the Council for a club machine permit under section 273 of the Act. This authorises the holder to have up to 3 gaming machines of categories B3A, B4, C and D. Commercial clubs are not permitted to provide non-machine gaming ) other than exempt gaming under section 269 of the Act) so they should apply for a club machine permit, however, they will not be able to site category B3A gaming |

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| ANNEX 4 <br> Premises Type <br> and Machine <br> Category | Regional Casino (machine/table ratio of 25- <br> 1 up to maximum) <br> Maximum of 150 machines. Any <br> combination of machines in categories A to <br> D, within the total limit of 1250 (subject to <br> table ratio) <br> Bingo Premises - Maximum of 4 machines <br> in category B3 or B4 <br> Clubs or miners' welfare institute (with <br> permits) - Maximum of 3 machines in <br> categories B4 to D | UPDATED GUIDANCE FROM THE GAMBLING COMMISSION <br> Clubs or miners' welfare institute (with permits) - Maximum of 3 machines <br> in categories B3A or B4 to D |

