

Appendix B - Consultation Feedback

Member of the Licensing Committee -

I have the following comments

- 1) *Whilst I appreciate online gambling is not part of the councils remit – I feel that online gambling is likely to feature highly in the overall situation*
 - a. *Do we have facilities for online problem gambling to be reported **This is reportable to the Gambling Commission***
 - b. *Do the ISPs have facilities to block gambling sites from a household / mobile device **This would be via the Gambling Commission***
 - c. *Is there any guidance we can offer people, could we approach the broadband providers with guidance **This would be via the Gambling Commission***

- 2) *Do we have links to other agencies on the CBC website?*
We are currently updating our website to include links to GamCare and other support agencies. There is a Responsible Authorities, a list of other organisations and email addresses to be incorporated.
 - a. *Are we as joined up as we could be?*
I believe we are. We work in partnership with statutory partners but particularly Sussex Police, Public Health and the Gambling Commission as well as Pubwatch.
 - b. *Do we collect information when gambling is the root cause of other behaviour – such as financial issues, shoplifting, theft, muggings ... domestic violence (which ones are drug fuelled, gambling ... other)?*
Crime statistics are available and called upon but the root cause/causal link is hard to prove and ASB/Crime has not been directly linked to gambling per se.
 - c. *Do we ask for reports from newsagents and bars – when they see problem behaviour?*
Yes – via Pubwatch and Shopwatch

- 3) *How do we warn younger people about the dangers of gambling – before it becomes a problem?*
I believe that this should form part of PHSE education in schools but it is not currently. Gambling premises are not allowed to include marketing that might appeal to under 18s, and must have information available to over 18s using the premises about problem gambling, the ability to self-exclude and sources of support and help for problem gamblers
 - a. *School visits - See above that I am of the view that it should form part of PHSE education but I don't believe it does*
 - b. *Online adverts on social media – Agreed*
 - c. *Noticeboard information - Agreed*
 - d. *Confidential advice - See above*
 - e. *What the position on random loot boxes in gaming (should we ask the government to pressure the gaming industry for their removal) I am not sure what you mean by this?*

If you see social media and TV adverts, there is always a message regarding responsible gambling and over 18s. This is a legal requirement where they are UK registered.

- 4) *What about warnings for what could be perceived as low level gambling*
 - a. *National Lottery / Euro Millions **Managed by the Gambling Commission***
 - b. *Grand National **Managed by the Gambling Commission***
 - c. *Work / organisation gambling used for fund raising.*
 - d. *Scratch cards **Managed by the Gambling Commission***

Hopefully, this email may prompt some changes and improvement to what looks like is going to be a good policy.”

Review of the Statement of Licensing Policy Gambling Act HCS18