



Report to: Income Generation Sub-Committee, 15th January 2019

Report of: Head of Finance

Subject: NEW POLICIES ARISING FROM THE NEW COMMUNITY LOTTERY

1. Recommendation

1.1 That the Sub-Committee review the policies listed in paragraph 2.3 and recommend their approval to Full Council.

2. Background

2.1 As part of setting up the Council's new Community Lottery, the application for a permit from the Gambling Commission requires the Council to have several policies in place relating to the operation of a lottery.

2.2 These policies have been used, in draft, as part of the application and the permit has now been received.

2.3 The relevant policies are:

- a. Children & Vulnerable Persons Protection Policy – **Appendix 1**
- b. Fair and Open Gambling Policy – **Appendix 2**
- c. Protection from Source of Crime and Disorder Policy – **Appendix 3**
- d. Social Responsibility in Gambling Policy – **Appendix 4**
- e. Implementation Procedures Policy – **Appendix 5**

2.4 The policies all seek to ensure that the lottery will operate in accordance with the law and will maintain a high degree of social responsibility.

3. Preferred Option

3.1 The preferred option is that the committee approves the adoption of the policies as required by the Gambling Commission.

4. Alternative Options Considered

4.1 The policies are a requirement of the application for a permit to operate a Lottery.

4.2 The Council could develop a set of alternative policies. However the Gatherwell templates are in a standard format which is designed to ensure that the policies meet the requirements of the Gambling Commission. They have been appropriately tailored to Worcester City Council's circumstances.

5. Implications

5.1 Financial and Budgetary Implications
None arising from this report.

5.2 Legal and Governance Implications

These policies will support the Council in operating the lottery in accordance with the relevant legal requirements.

5.3 Risk Implications

By adopting and complying with these policies the Council will address the risk of the lottery failing to meet the standards required by holders of a Gambling Licence.

5.4 Corporate/Policy Implications

None arising from this report.

5.5 Equality Implications

None arising from this report.

5.6 Human Resources Implications

None arising from this report.

5.7 Health and Safety Implications

None arising from this report.

5.8 Social, Environmental and Economic Implications

Social - these policies will ensure that the Council's Community Lottery maintains a high level of social responsibility.

Economic – the policies will support the introduction of the Community Lottery which will provide extra funds for the charities and voluntary organisations based in the city.

Environmental - none arising from this report.

Ward(s):

All

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Background Papers:

None