Report to: Council

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Statement of Gambling Policy 2025- 2028

Report summary:

This report sets out the Cabinet recommendation to Council arising from their consideration of a report on the draft Statement of Gambling Policy 2025 – 2028.

Note: The references in this report to Paper A relate to the relevant report considered by the Cabinet with recommendations for Full Council to consider and are appended to this report for reference.

Is the proposed decision in accordance v	with:
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Budget	Yes $oxtimes$ No $oxtimes$
Policy Framework	Yes ⊠ No □

Recommendation:

That the draft Statement of Licensing policy 2025-2028 is adopted.

Reason for recommendation:

East Devon District Council's current Statement of Licensing policy was written in 2021 and came into effect in January 2022. There is a legal requirement to review such policy statements every three years. The current policy must be reviewed by 31 January 2025. The draft policy attached to this report has been updated to reflect changes in national guidance, and feedback from the Gambling Commission to date, but more substantive changes to the Guidance to Local Authorities are expected from the Gambling Commission in the near future, and it is anticipated that this will require a more substantive review of the Policy outside of the standard 3-year review window for the gambling Statement of Licensing policy.

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