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<b>Resource</b>	Transformation		<b>Service/Establishment</b>	Regulatory
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	(include job titles/organisation)			
<b>Members</b>	Michael McDougall			
	<i>(Please note: the word 'policy' is used as shorthand for strategy policy function or financial decision)</i>			
<b>Policy Title</b>	Gambling Act 2005: Statement of Principles			
	<b>The aim, objective, purpose and intended outcome of policy</b>			
	The Statement of Principles is the Licensing Board's mandate for managing local gambling provision and sets out how the Licensing Board views the local risk environment and therefore its expectations in relation to operators with premises in the locality.			
	<b>Service/Partners/Stakeholders/service users involved in the development and/or implementation of policy.</b>			
	Police, HSCP, NHS, and holders of licences under the Gambling Act 2005.			
<b>Does the proposals involve the procurement of any goods or services?</b>			<b>Yes</b>	
<b>If yes please confirm that you have contacted our procurement services to discuss your requirements.</b>			<b>No</b>	
<b>SCREENING</b>				
<i>You must indicate if there is any relevance to the four areas</i>				
<b>Duty to eliminate discrimination (E), advance equal opportunities (A) or foster good relations (F)</b>			<b>Yes</b>	
<b>Relevance to Human Rights (HR)</b>			<b>Yes</b>	
<b>Relevance to Health Impacts (H)</b>			<b>Yes</b>	
<b>Relevance to Social Economic Impacts (SE)</b>			<b>Yes</b>	
<b>Who will be affected by this policy?</b>				
Members of the public, holders of licences issued under the Gambling Act 2005.				
<b>Who will be/has been involved in the consultation process?</b>				
It is proposed that there will be a public consultation as well as a consultation with licence holders. Police Scotland and other stakeholders will be consulted.				
<b>Please outline any particular need/barriers which equality groups may have in relation to this policy list evidence you are using to support this and whether there is any negative impact on particular groups.</b>				
	<b>Needs</b>	<b>Evidence</b>	<b>Impact</b>	
<b>Age</b>	Persons under 18 need to be protected from gambling. They should not be permitted into gambling premises.	Gambling can be addictive. Gambling can be inappropriate environments for children. It is one of the licensing objectives of the 2005 Act to protect children.	Positive The Policy sets out the Licensing Board's expectations around licence holders' control measures relating to children's access.	

<b>Cross Cutting</b>	It is good practice to look at how factors may interact.	Looking across the areas assessed evidence suggest that these interact.	Positive overall.
<b>Disability</b>	Vulnerable persons need to be protected from gambling. They should be supported so not to gambling in a irresponsible way.	Gambling may have adverse impacts on vulnerable persons. They may engage in criminal behaviour to fund gambling.	Positive The Policy sets out the Licensing Board's expectations around license holders' control measures relating to vulnerable persons. The local area profile will help identity localities where vulnerable persons may be adversely impacted by licensed premises.
<b>Social &amp; Economic Impact</b>	Gambling premises can have an adverse impact on local amenity. To some degree these are planning matters. Gambling premises employ persons. Also gambling premises occupy premises that may otherwise be vacant.	In the past Police Scotland and others advise that West Dunbartonshire gambling premises have NOT been a source of crime and disorder. This will be checked with Police Scotland as part of the consultation.	Positive. The Policy sets out circumstances where the Licensing Board may take action to make sure that premises are not a source of disorder.
<b>Sex</b>	It is important to consider any difference in gambling behavior between men and women	Men are slight more likely to gamble than women, but men are significantly more likely to be problem gamblers (Scottish Health Survey 2021 data <a href="https://www.gov.scot/publications/scottish-health-survey-2021-volume-1-main-report/pages/14/">https://www.gov.scot/publications/scottish-health-survey-2021-volume-1-main-report/pages/14/</a> ).	Positive for both sexes especially for men given the Policy sets out how gambling is to regulated.
<b>Gender Reassign</b>			
<b>Health</b>	Gambling addiction is detrimental to health. It is important that license holders comply with the law	Gambling is regulated owing to its harmful nature.	Positive. The Policy sets out the Licensing Board's expectations around licence holders' control measures

	and the policy upholds the licensing objectives.		relating to vulnerable persons and how premises should operate should to make sure gambling is safe. The local area profile will help identity localities where persons may be adversely impacted by licensed premises.
<b>Human Rights</b>	Licence holders where they comply with the terms and conditions of the licence are entitled to quiet enjoyment of their business. Applicants are entitled to have their application considered fairly and in accordance with the Human Rights legislation. It is a matter of good practice to consider UNCRC	The terms of the Gambling Act 2005 and overarching legal principles.	The policy complies with the Gambling Act 2005 and Human Rights Act. 'Protection' in terms of under 18 year olds
<b>Marriage &amp; Civil Partnership</b>			
<b>Pregnancy &amp; Maternity</b>			
<b>Race</b>			
<b>Religion and Belief</b>			
<b>Sexual Orientation</b>			
<b>Actions</b>			
<b>Policy has a negative impact on an equality group, but is still to be implemented, please provide justification for this.</b>			
While gambling may have an adverse impact on groups, it is a legal activity and one that the Licensing Board has an obligation to authorise and regulate.			
<b>Will the impact of the policy be monitored and reported on an ongoing bases?</b>			
Yes - the Policy is to be consulted on and once in place it is open to the Licensing Board to update the Policy if it thinks fit. Officers will monitor legislative developments.			
<b>Q7 What is your recommendation for this policy?</b>			
Introduce			
<b>Please provide a meaningful summary of how you have reached the recommendation</b>			
EIA 1001: It is not expected that there will be any impact significant negative impact on any Equality Act group, or other area covered in our assessments. There are likely			

positive impacts in protect younger people, vulnerable people, in terms of sex, socio economic impacts and health and well being. The approach is consistent with the Human Rights Act. The Licensing Board has an obligation in law to regulate gambling premises. It must update its policy that sets out its expectations. This policy seeks to balance the need to uphold the licensing objective while permitting gambling. There will be wide ranging consultation.