

## Report on Consultation Responses

The draft Gambling Policy for 2016- 2019 which was approved by Licensing Committee on the 10<sup>th</sup> July 2015, was sent out for consultation on the 14<sup>th</sup> of August 2015. The consultation completed on the 11<sup>th</sup> of September 2015.

As part of this process, we received three responses. The responses have been considered and appropriate amendments made to the policy. The responses are summarised below:

### Luxury Leisure

They stressed the importance of compliance with the Regulator's Code and suggested that the draft be amended to include a statement that the Authority recognises that it is subject to it.

They were concerned with the wording regarding completing local risk assessments i.e. undertake, in the light of the Licence Conditions and Codes of Practice

A suggestion that the word relevant be inserted when talking about changes to a premises which would mean a risk assessment is required.

They stated that one of the factors mentioned which may trigger a new risk assessment being required was not consistent with aim to permit.

Suggested insertion of the word 'may' in front of be significant changes to the premises.

### Power Leisure Bookmakers Limited

This was a general response outlining what they deem important in a Gambling Policy. It was a helpful document in that it outlined their views and summarised what they think such a policy should be like.

## Coral

It outlined the importance of the aim to permit principle. It expressed concerns as to the examples of changes in local circumstances that were listed that may give rise to the requirement for an updated risk assessment, stating that for example, there is no evidence to suggest that children coming from schools are gaining access to betting offices. It stated that as with most other operators, they already operate systems which ensure that the licensing objectives are strongly promoted.