Recommendation of the Licensing and Gambling Act Committee

GAMBLING ACT – PROGRAMME AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The Licensing and Gambling Acts Committee at its meeting on 2nd November 2006 resolved to recommend the Executive Board to approve a Statement of Gambling Licensing Policy and to submit it to Council for adoption.

The Licensing and Gambling Acts Committee also resolved to recommend Council to pass a "no casino" resolution under provisions in the Gambling Act 2005.

The Executive Board is asked to RECOMMENDED Council to: -

- (1) resolve under Section 166 of the Gambling Act 2005 not to issue any casino premises licences generally, the resolution to take effect as from 31st January 2007 and be included in the Council's Statement of Gambling Licensing Policy;
- (2) adopt a Statement of Gambling Licensing Policy, to take effect from 31st January 2007, but subject to (1) above and (3) below;
- (3) authorise the Environmental Health Business Manager to make any necessary textual adjustments to the Statement before it is published on 3rd January 2007 that might arise from the publication of Regulations under the 2005 Act and/or that are required for clarification or consistency.

The report considered by the Licensing and Gambling Act Committee is attached as Annex 1, and incorporates the draft statement of Gambling Licensing Policy at Appendix 3.