

Statement of Gambling Licensing Policy

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With reference to the revised Statement of Gambling Licensing Policy, please select one of the options below and add any comments to support your view.

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Against	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> [Selected]
Neither for nor against	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Oxford needs a casino. At the moment I travel to Reading which has 3 casinos, as do many other people from the Oxford area. People do not go to casinos just for the gambling, they go to the restaurants and for general entertainment. Casinos are very well run and are safe places to be with good security. Also it is a good place to meet people of all ages and backgrounds and nationalities you might not usually socialise with. Casinos are good for the economy as well as they create jobs and would increase the business rate income in Oxford. The gambling industry is one of the few that has grown during the recent economic downturn. A casino could be located in the City Centre, at the Kassam complex or, if planning is refused on the Oxford Stadium, a casino could be combined with the greyhound racing and speedway. I see you have a no casino rule but this does not make sense as the most popular gambling in betting shops is the fixed odds machines which are basically casino games.

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