WEST LINDSEY DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Meeting of the Licensing Committee held in the The Council Chamber - The Guildhall on 18 September 2018 commencing at 6.30 pm.

Present: Councillor Mrs Jessie Milne (Chairman)

Councillor Mrs Angela Lawrence (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Mrs Gillian Bardsley

Councillor Owen Bierley Councillor David Cotton Councillor Mrs Pat Mewis

Councillor Mrs Maureen Palmer Councillor Mrs Diana Rodgers

In Attendance:

Phil Hinch Licencing & Local Land Charges Manager

James Welbourn Democratic and Civic Officer

Apologies: Councillor Paul Howitt-Cowan

Councillor Richard Oaks

Councillor Mrs Judy Rainsforth

Councillor Lewis Strange

7 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

8 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting held at Annual Council on 14 May 2018 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

9 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

None.

10 REVIEW OF GAMBLING POLICY (STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES)

The Licensing and Local Land Charges Manager introduced the Review of Gambling Policy report, and read all of the points in the report to Members.

Members raised the following points:

 There were many recommendations in the consultation response from Gamcare; however it would be difficult for West Lindsey District Council (WLDC) to act as a policeman for problem gambling. Only responsible gambling outlets can be licensed;

- Out of the neighbouring and local councils, East Lindsey received four responses to their gambling consultation, West Lindsey received three, and North Kesteven received no responses;
- There were six gambling premises in West Lindsey;

Members stated that they had the highest regard for the work of the Licensing and Local Land Charges Manager and his team.

RESOLVED to approve the amended draft policy and recommend to Council for formal adoption as The Gambling Policy (Statement of Principles) at the Council meeting of 12 November 2018;

The meeting concluded at 6.46 pm.

Chairman