

**GAMBLING ACT 2005
NOTICE OF PUBLICATION
STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY - 2017/2020**

Notice is hereby given that Portsmouth City Council, as Licensing Authority, for the purposes of the Gambling Act 2005 ("the Act"), intends to publish its statement of licensing policy in accordance with section 349 of the Act.

The Act provides for a system of licensing and regulation for commercial gambling in England and Wales and Licensing Authorities have responsibility for licensing gambling premises within their area such as casinos, bingo halls, betting shops, adult gaming machine permits and small society lotteries.

Licensing Authorities are required by the Act to publish a statement of the principles which they propose to apply when exercising their statutory functions. This statement must be published at least every 3 years. The statement must also be reviewed from "time to time" and any amended parts re-consulted upon. The statement must then be re-published.

The statement will be published by no later than 3 August 2017 and will come into effect on 1 September 2017.

A copy of the statement of licensing principles may be viewed or downloaded from the Portsmouth City Council website at: www.portsmouth.gov.uk.

Alternatively, the document may be inspected during normal opening hours at the following addresses:

Portsmouth City Council
Licensing Service
Civic Offices
Guildhall Square
Portsmouth
Hants
PO1 2AL

The Norrish Central Library
Guildhall Square
Portsmouth
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PO1 2DX

Further information can be obtained from the Licensing Service at the above address, by telephoning 023 9283 4604 or by email to: licensing@portsmouthcc.gov.uk.

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