

## ABERDEEN LICENSING BOARD

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COMMITTEE: ABERDEEN CITY LICENSING BOARD  
DATE 14 MAY 2019  
TITLE OF REPORT LOCAL AREA PROFILE – GAMBLING ACT 2005

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### 1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

To recommend that Aberdeen City Licensing Board ('the Board') agree to the adoption of the Local Area Profile to complement their Statement of Policy in terms of Section 349(1) of the Gambling Act 2005 ('the Act').

### 2. RECOMMENDATION(S)

- 2.1 That the Board notes the contents of the report; and
- 2.2 Approves Appendix 1 for publication.

### 3. BACKGROUND/MAIN ISSUES

- 3.1 The Gambling Commission suggests that Licensing authorities will find it useful to complete their own assessment of the local environment as a means of mapping out local areas of concern, which can be reviewed and updated to reflect changes to the local landscape. Such an assessment is referred to as a Local Area Profile.

Completion of a local area profile is not a requirement on licensing authorities but, the Gambling Commission considered there are significant benefits for both the licensing authority and operators, in having a better awareness of the local area and risks

A Local Area profile may take into account of a wide range of factors, data and information held by the licensing authority and its partners. The aim of profile is to increase awareness of local risks and improved information sharing, to facilitate constructive engagement with licensees and a more coordinated response to local risks. The local area profile will help to inform specific risks that operators will need to address in their risk assessment, which will form a part of any new licence application, or an application to vary a licence.

The final Local Area profile is appended to the report at Appendix 1.

3.2 The Board undertook a consultation process which ran from 7 December 2018 and concluded on 28 February 2019.

### 3.3 Consultation Response

There was 1 response received by close of consultation from Braeside and Mannofield Community Council. The response was in support of the Local Area Profile.

4. APPENDICES  
Appendix One – Local Area Profile

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