London Borough of Lambeth

Gambling Act 2005
Statement of Principles

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About Lambeth

Lambeth is a diverse London borough – one of 13 boroughs that make up inner London. With a northern boundary on the Thames, Lambeth measures seven miles north to south and about two and a half miles east to west, covering an area of around 10.5 square miles. The borough includes six town centres: Brixton, Clapham, Stockwell, North Lambeth (comprising Waterloo, Vauxhall and Kennington), Norwood and Streatham. There are some predominantly commercial areas with a higher concentration of commercial and entertainment premises, including parts of Streatham, Clapham, Brixton, Vauxhall and Waterloo.

Much of the borough is residential in nature. Lambeth is among the most densely populated boroughs in the country and its already rapidly growing population is projected to grow by a further 13% to 322,000 by 2028. Although poverty and social exclusion are high and the borough has become slightly more deprived in recent years (according to IMD estimates), the most prevalent household type in the borough is formed by young educated people often working in central London in professional roles and living on high salaries.

Based on the 2001 census, 38% of Lambeth’s population are from ethnic minorities, the seventh highest figure for a London borough. Over 130 languages are spoken in the borough. After English, the main languages spoken are Yoruba and Portuguese. Lambeth has one of the youngest age profiles of any area in the UK, with almost half (45%) of its residents aged between 20 and 39.

A map showing the main areas of Lambeth is provided at Appendix A.

About this document

This document is the Statement of Principles for the London Borough of Lambeth.

Licensing authorities are required by section 349 of the Gambling Act 2005 to publish a statement of the principles that they proposed to apply when exercising their functions relating to the regulation of most gambling activities. This statement must be published on at least one occasion prior to every successive three-year period. The statement may also be reviewed from “time to time” and any proposed revisions made subject to consultation, prior to publication.

This is the second version of Lambeth’s statement, and will have effect from 31st January 2010 to 30th January 2013.

In producing the final Statement of Principles, the licensing authority has had regard to the licensing objectives of the Gambling Act 2005, the guidance issued by the Gambling Commission, and any responses received from those consulted upon the policy. The London Borough of Lambeth consulted widely upon this statement before finalising and publishing. A list of those persons and organisations consulted is provided at Appendix B.

The policy was approved at a meeting of the Council on the 21st October 2009 and was published via our website at www.lambeth.gov.uk/licensing. Copies were placed in public libraries within the borough as well as being available in the Town Hall.

All references within this document to the Gambling Commission’s guidance to licensing authorities refer to the statutory document published by the Commission under section 25 of the Act, which is available from www.gamblingcommission.gov.uk/licensing_authorities.aspx

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1 Lambeth First’s ‘State of the Borough’ report provides further information on Lambeth and the demographics of its population - www.lambethfirst.org.uk/community-strategy/State_of_the_Borough/
**Part 1 – General Principles**

In carrying out their functions under the Gambling Act 2005 (‘the Act’), particularly with regard to premises licences and temporary use notices, all licensing authorities must aim to permit the use of premises for gambling so long as it is:

- in accordance with any relevant code of practice issued by the Gambling Commission
- in accordance with any relevant guidance issued by the Gambling Commission
- reasonably consistent with the licensing objectives and
- in accordance with the authority’s statement of principles

It should be noted that this policy statement will not override the right of any person to make an application, make representations about an application, or apply for a review of a licence, as each will be considered on its own merits and in accordance with the statutory requirements of the Act. The sole exception to this rule is for Casino premises licences – as Lambeth has adopted a ‘no-casino’ resolution, the authority will not consider any application for a new casino premises licence.

**The Licensing Objectives**

In exercising most of their functions under the Act, licensing authorities must have regard to the licensing objectives as set out in section 1 of the Act. The licensing objectives are:

- Preventing gambling from being a source of crime or disorder, being associated with crime or disorder or being used to support crime
- Ensuring that gambling is conducted in a fair and open way
- Protecting children and other vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling

It should be noted that the objectives do not include considerations in relation to public safety or public nuisance, while the requirement in relation to children is explicitly to protect them from being harmed or exploited by gambling, rather than from more general forms of harm or exploitation. In its guidance to licensing authorities, the Commission notes that this will involve “preventing them from taking part in gambling and for there to be restrictions on advertising so that gambling products are not aimed at children or advertised in such a way that makes them particularly attractive to children.”

**Responsible Authorities**

The licensing authority is required by regulations to state the principles it will apply in exercising its powers under Section 157(h) of the Act to designate, in writing, a body which is competent to advise the authority about the protection of children from harm. The principles are:

- the need for the body to be responsible for an area covering the whole of the licensing authority’s area; and
- the need for the body to be answerable to democratically elected persons, rather than any particular vested interest group.

In accordance with the suggestion in the Gambling Commission’s guidance to licensing authorities, this authority designates the Children and Young People’s Service for this purpose.

Other responsible authorities include the licensing authority itself, the Gambling Commission, the Metropolitan Police, HM Revenues & Customs, the London Fire Brigade, and Lambeth’s Town Planning, Environmental Health, and Health & Safety services. Contact details for these responsible authorities are given in Appendix C.
Interested Parties
Interested parties can make representations about most premises licence applications, or apply for a review of an existing licence. They are defined as:

- a person who lives sufficiently close to premises that are the subject of either an application for a licence, or an existing licence, to be likely to be affected by the authorised or proposed gambling activities there,
- a person who has business interests that might be affected by the authorised gambling activities at premises that are the subject of either an application for a licence, or an existing licence, or
- a person who represents other persons in either of these categories.

The licensing authority is required by regulations to state the principles it will apply in exercising its powers under the Gambling Act 2005 to determine whether a person is an interested party. In Lambeth, each case will be decided upon its merits, and the licensing authority will not apply a rigid rule to its decision making. It will consider the examples of relevant factors provided in the Gambling Commission’s guidance to licensing authorities.

The Commission suggest that when considering what “sufficiently close to the premises” means the following factors may be relevant:

- the size of the premises;
- the nature of the premises;
- the distance of the premises from the location of the person making the representation;
- the potential impact of the premises (number of customers, routes likely to be taken by those visiting the establishment); and
- the circumstances of the complainant. This is not the personal characteristics of the complainant, but the interests of the complainant that may be relevant to the distance from the premises.

For example, it could be reasonable for an authority to conclude that “sufficiently close to be likely to be affected” could have a different meaning for (a) a private resident (b) a residential school for children with truanting problems and (c) a residential hostel for vulnerable adults.

When determining whether a person has business interests that be may be affected the Commission suggest that factors that are likely to be relevant are:

- the size of the premises;
- the ‘catchment’ area of the premises (i.e. how far people travel to visit); and
- whether the person making the representation has business interests in that catchment area that might be affected.

It will also consider the Gambling Commission’s guidance that "business interests" should be given the widest possible interpretation and include partnerships, charities, faith groups and medical practices. Trade associations, trade unions, residents and tenants’ associations will normally only be viewed as interested parties if they have a member who can be classed as an interested party – i.e. who lives sufficiently close to the premises to be likely to be affected by the activities being applied for.

Persons whose business interests are within the same gambling sector as the subject of their representation (or review application) will be expected to satisfy the licensing authority that their representation (or application) is not made with the intent of limiting competition to their own business, particularly given that the Act does not replicate the previous requirement for satisfaction of a ‘demand test’. The licensing authority will disregard representations that are thought to be vexatious, frivolous, or that will not influence the determination of the application.
Interested parties can be persons who are democratically elected such as councillors and MP’s. No specific evidence of being asked to represent an interested person will be required as long as the councillor / MP represents the ward likely to be affected. Other than these however, this authority will generally require written evidence that a person/body (e.g. an advocate or relative) ‘represents’ someone who is an interested party. Members who are asked by an interested party to represent them should not sit on the Sub-Committee considering that application.

Licensing Authority Functions
Licensing Authorities are required under the Act to:

- Be responsible for the licensing of premises where gambling activities are to take place by issuing Premises Licences
- Issue Provisional Statements
- Regulate members’ clubs and miners’ welfare institutes who wish to undertake certain gaming activities via issuing Club Gaming Permits and/or Club Machine Permits
- Issue Club Machine Permits to Commercial Clubs
- Issue Licensed Premises Gaming Machine Permits for premises licensed to sell/supply alcohol for consumption on the premises, under the Licensing Act 2003, where more than two machines are made available; and receive notifications from those premises for the use of two or fewer gaming machines
- Grant permits for the use of certain lower stake gaming machines at unlicensed Family Entertainment Centres
- Issue Prize Gaming Permits
- Receive and endorse Temporary Use Notices
- Receive Occasional Use Notices
- Register small society lotteries below prescribed thresholds
- Provide information to the Gambling Commission regarding details of licences issued (see section below on ‘exchange of information’)
- Maintain registers of the permits and licences that are issued under these functions

The licensing authority will generally concern itself only with matters relating to premises licences, and the permits, notices, notifications and registrations outlined above, concerning the use of premises in Lambeth for the provision of gambling activities. Any issues relating to operating and personal licences will be referred to the Gambling Commission.

Similarly, the licensing authority will not involve itself in any matters relating to the regulation of remote gambling (for example, telephone betting or internet casino gaming), responsibility for which lies with the Gambling Commission.

Duplication of other regulatory regimes, such as health and safety or fire safety, will be avoided in so far as is possible. This authority will not consider whether a premises that is the subject of a licensing application is likely to be awarded planning permission or building regulations approval, in its consideration of that application. This authority will though, listen to, and consider carefully, any concerns about conditions that are not able to be met by applicants or licence-holders due to planning restrictions, should such a situation arise.
### Delegation of Functions
The licensing authority will delegate its functions in accordance with the Act, as summarised below:

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<td>Application for club gaming / club machine permits</td>
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### Exchange of Information
The principle that this licensing authority applies is that it will act in accordance with the provisions of the Gambling Act 2005 in its exchange of information, which includes the provision that the Data Protection Act 1998 will not be contravened. The licensing authority will also have regard to any guidance issued by the Gambling Commission to licensing authorities on this matter when it is published, as well as any relevant regulations issued by the Secretary of State under the powers provided in the Gambling Act 2005.

Should any protocols be established as regards information exchange with other bodies then they will be made available.

Applicants will normally receive full copies of representations made in respect of their applications.
**Enforcement**

The licensing authority’s enforcement principles are that it will be guided by the Gambling Commission’s guidance to licensing authorities in respect of the inspection of premises and the powers to institute criminal proceedings. The licensing authority will endeavour to be:

- Proportionate: regulators should only intervene when necessary; remedies should be appropriate to the risk posed, and costs identified and minimised;
- Accountable: regulators must be able to justify decisions, and be subject to public scrutiny;
- Consistent: rules and standards must be joined up and implemented fairly;
- Transparent: regulators should be open, and keep regulations simple and user friendly;
- Targeted: regulation should be focused on the problem, and minimise side effects.

Lambeth’s enforcement policy for the Gambling Act 2005 is available via our website, at [www.lambeth.gov.uk/licensing/](http://www.lambeth.gov.uk/licensing/)

The licensing authority will adopt a risk-based inspection programme, based on the risk criteria identified by the Gambling Commission.

The main enforcement and compliance role for this licensing authority in terms of the Act will be to ensure compliance with the premises licences and the other permissions that it issues. The Gambling Commission will be the lead enforcement body for operating and personal licences. It is also noted that all issues relating to forms of remote gambling, as well as issues relating to the manufacture, supply or repair of gaming machines, will not be dealt with by the licensing authority but will be notified to the Gambling Commission.

This licensing authority will also keep itself informed of developments as regards the work of the Better Regulation Executive in its consideration of the regulatory functions of local authorities.

**Gaming Machines**

Throughout this document, references are made to gaming machines as being within Categories A, B, C or D, or in some cases, sub-categories such as B1, B2, B3 or B4.

Gaming machines are categorised according to the nature of their operation, the maximum charge to use, and the maximum prize available, and the legislation sets out the categories and sub-categories of machines that may be made available under each type of licence or permit. The Secretary of State is responsible for establishing the applicable values of each category and sub-category by way of statutory instrument.

As the values applicable to each category may be changed at relatively short notice, it is not considered appropriate to include a list of the characteristics and values of each category within this document. However, a separate document containing the current values is available from our website, at [www.lambeth.gov.uk/licensing](http://www.lambeth.gov.uk/licensing)
Part 2 – Premises Licences

The licensing authority is aware that in making decisions about premises licences it should aim to permit the use of premises for gambling in so far as it thinks it:

- in accordance with any relevant code of practice issued by the Gambling Commission;
- in accordance with any relevant guidance issued by the Gambling Commission;
- reasonably consistent with the licensing objectives; and
- in accordance with the authority’s statement of licensing policy.

It is appreciated that, in accordance with the Gambling Commission’s guidance, moral objections to gambling are not a valid reason to reject applications for premises licences, and also that unmet demand is not a criterion for a licensing authority to consider.

The issue of a premises licence must be reasonably consistent with the promotion of the licensing objectives. With regard to these objectives, this licensing authority has considered the Gambling Commission’s guidance to licensing authorities and some comments are made below.

Preventing gambling from being a source of crime or disorder, being associated with crime or disorder or being used to support crime
This licensing authority is aware that the Gambling Commission will be taking a leading role in preventing gambling from being a source of crime. The Gambling Commission's guidance does however envisage that licensing authorities should pay attention to the proposed location of gambling premises in terms of this licensing objective. Where an area is known to have high levels of organised crime this authority will consider carefully whether gambling premises are suitable to be located there and whether conditions may be suitable such as the provision of door supervisors. This licensing authority is aware of the distinction between disorder and nuisance and will consider factors such as whether police assistance was required and how threatening the behaviour was to those who could see it, so as to make that distinction. Issues of nuisance cannot be addressed via the Gambling Act provisions.

Ensuring that gambling is conducted in a fair and open way
This licensing authority has noted that the Gambling Commission states that it generally does not expect licensing authorities to become concerned with ensuring that gambling is conducted in a fair and open way as this will be addressed via operating and personal licences. There is however, more of a role with regard to tracks that is explained in more detail in the 'tracks' section below.

Protecting children & other vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling
This licensing authority has noted the Gambling Commission's guidance that this objective means preventing children from taking part in gambling (as well as restriction of advertising so that gambling products are not aimed at or are particularly attractive to children). The licensing authority will therefore consider, as suggested in the guidance, whether specific measures are required at particular premises, with regard to this licensing objective.

The licensing authority will expect applicants to take appropriate measures to promote the licensing objectives, which may include such issues as proof of age schemes, supervision of entrances and gaming machine areas, CCTV, physical separation of areas, self-exclusion schemes, and provision of information leaflets / helpline numbers for organisations such as GamCare. This list is not mandatory, nor exhaustive, and is merely indicative of example measures.

The licensing authority is also aware of the Codes of Practice that the Gambling Commission has issued in respect of this licensing objective, in relation to specific premises.

As regards the term “vulnerable persons” it is noted that the Gambling Commission has not sought
to offer a definition but states that “it will for regulatory purposes assume that this
group includes people who gamble more than they want to; people who gamble beyond their
means; and people who may not be able to make informed or balanced decisions about gambling
due to a mental impairment, alcohol or drugs.” This licensing authority will consider this licensing
objective on a case by case basis. Should a practical definition prove possible in future then this
policy statement will be updated with it, by way of a revision.

**Conditions**

Premises licences are subject to the requirements set out in the Gambling Act 2005 and
regulations, as well as specific mandatory and default conditions that have been detailed in
regulations issued by the Secretary of State. The licensing authority may also impose further
conditions in response to specific issues, which will be decided on a case-by-case basis.

Any conditions attached to licences will be proportionate and will be:

- relevant to the need to make the proposed building suitable as a gambling facility;
- directly related to the premises and the type of licence applied for;
- fairly and reasonably related to the scale and type of premises; and
- reasonable in all other respects.

An applicant can request that default conditions are excluded from a licence, and in these
circumstances the licensing authority may instead impose an appropriate condition that addresses
a similar matter to the excluded condition (for example, if a default condition relating to permitted
trading times is excluded, the licensing authority may attach a condition permitting longer trading
hours). The licensing authority will give a full explanation of the rationale behind the decision to
attach any additional condition, although there will be a number of measures this licensing
authority will consider utilising should there be a perceived need, such as the use of supervisors,
appropriate signage for adult only areas etc. This licensing authority will also expect the licence
applicant to offer his/her own suggestions as to way in which the licensing objectives can be met
effectively.

It is noted that there are conditions that the licensing authority cannot attach to premises licences
these are:

- any condition on the premises licence that makes it impossible to comply with an operating
  licence condition;
- conditions relating to gaming machine categories, numbers, or method of operation;
- conditions which provide that membership of a club or body be required (the Act specifically
  removed the membership requirement for casino and bingo clubs and this provision
  prevents it being reinstated); and
- conditions in relation to stakes, fees, winning or prizes.

**Location of Premises**

The licensing authority is aware that demand issues cannot be considered with regard to the
location of premises but that considerations in terms of the licensing objectives can. Particular
attention will be paid to the protection of children and vulnerable persons from being harmed or
exploited by gambling, as well as issues of crime and disorder. Should any specific policy be
decided upon as regards areas where gambling premises should not be located, this statement will
be updated. It should be noted that any such policy does not preclude any application being made
and each application will be decided on its merits, with the onus upon the applicant to show how

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2 Statutory Instrument 2007 No. 1409 - The Gambling Act 2005 (Mandatory and Default Conditions)
(England and Wales) Regulations 2007

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potential concerns can be overcome.

The licensing authority will also ensure that where category C or above machines are on offer in premises to which children are admitted:

- all such machines are located in an area of the premises which is separated from the remainder of the premises by a physical barrier which is effective to prevent access other than through a designated entrance;
- only adults are admitted to the area where these machines are located;
- access to the area where the machines are located is supervised;
- the area where these machines are located is arranged so that it can be observed by the staff or the licence holder; and
- at the entrance to and inside any such areas there are prominently displayed notices indicating that access to the area is prohibited to persons under 18.

These considerations will apply to premises including buildings where multiple premises licences may have effect.

**Division of Premises and Primary Usage**

In the Act, ‘premises’ is defined as including "any place". Section 152 prevents more than one premises licence applying to any single place. But a single building could be subject to more than one premises licence, provided they are for different parts of the building and the different parts of the building can be reasonably regarded as being different premises. This approach has been taken to allow large, multiple unit premises such as a pleasure park, tracks or shopping centres to obtain discrete premises licences, where appropriate safeguards are in place.

This licensing authority takes particular note of the Gambling Commission’s guidance which states that licensing authorities should take particular care in considering applications for multiple licences for a building and those relating to a discrete part of a building used for other (non-gambling) purposes. In particular they should be aware of the following:

- The third licensing objective seeks to protect children from being harmed by gambling. In practice that means not only preventing them from taking part in gambling, but also preventing them from being in close proximity to gambling. Therefore premises should be configured so that children are not invited to participate in, have accidental access to or closely observe gambling where they are prohibited from participating.
- Entrances to and exits from parts of a building covered by one or more premises licences should be separate and identifiable so that the separation of different premises is not compromised and people do not “drift” into a gambling area. In this context it should normally be possible to access the premises without going through another licensed premises or premises with a permit.
- Customers should be able to participate in the activities identified on the premises licence.

The licensing authority will also consider specific measures that may be required for buildings that are subject to multiple premises licences. Such measures may include the supervision of entrances; segregation of gambling from non-gambling areas frequented by children; and the supervision of gaming machines in non-adult gambling specific premises in order to pursue the licensing objectives. These matters are in accordance with the Gambling Commission's guidance.

This licensing authority is also aware that an issue has arisen in some parts of the country, where operators have sought to sub-divide existing single licensed premises, and obtain further premises licences in respect of each sub-division. It has been observed that this practice has been used predominantly in respect of categories of premises licences which allow the operation of a small, fixed number of high-value gaming machines – in effect, using multiple premises licences in
respect of different areas of a single business to artificially increase the permitted number of category B machines that can be made available.

The licensing authority notes the Commission’s guidance that “in most cases the expectation is that a single building/plot will be the subject of an application for a licence, for example, 32 High Street. But that does not mean that 32 High Street cannot be the subject of separate premises licences for the basement and ground floor, if they are configured acceptably. Whether different parts of a building can properly be regarded as being separate premises will depend on the circumstances.” When assessing whether premises can be regarded as separate, the licensing authority proposes to apply the following criteria:

- Does each premises have its own external entrance, or is accessed via another premises?
- Does each premises trade as a separate entity, or under a single banner?
- Are the premises subject to separate non-domestic rateable valuations?
- Is each premises operated by different persons, or the same proprietor?
- What is the quality of separation (i.e. if dividing barriers are to be used, are they temporary or permanent, floor-ceiling division or fixed height, transparent or opaque, etc)?
- Is there a genuine need to establish a division between premises, or is the division aimed solely at artificially increasing the permitted number of high-value gaming machines?

If it is proposed to utilise sterile, non-gambling areas to create sub-divisions, then the licensing authority will apply the following criteria to those areas:

- Is the area proposed for non-gambling activities a token separation?
- Is it genuinely an area which the public would go to for purposes other than gambling?
- Is it in effect a device to introduce artificial separation or genuinely a functionally separate area?
- Is there in effect direct access between the divisions or is there a place from which access can be gained to two premises?

The licensing authority also notes that any premises subject to multiple discrete premises licences must be able to comply with the mandatory conditions restricting access to each licensed premises, as follows:

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<th>Premises type</th>
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<td>Adult gaming centre</td>
<td>No direct access from any other licensed gambling premises, or from premises with a family entertainment centre gaming machine permit, a club gaming/machine permit, or an alcohol-licensed premises gaming machine permit</td>
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<tr>
<td>Betting (other)</td>
<td>Access from a street or another betting premises only. No direct access from any premises used for retail sale of goods or services</td>
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<td>Betting (track)</td>
<td>No direct access from licensed casino or adult gaming centre premises</td>
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<td>Bingo</td>
<td>No direct access from licensed casino, adult gaming centre or betting (other) premises</td>
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<td>Family Entertainment Centre</td>
<td>No direct access from licensed casino, adult gaming centre or betting (other) premises</td>
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In the case of some divided premises, it appears that the intended primary use of a premises licence had not been offered, with operators solely making use of the additional machine entitlement (for example, holding a Bingo premises licence but not making any facilities for playing
The Gambling Commission consulted on this issue in 2008, and subsequently issued a revision to the Licence Conditions and Codes of Practice affecting Bingo, Betting and Casino operating licences. Holders of these licences are now mandated to provide suitable and sufficient facilities for their primary gambling activity in any of their associated premises.

Door Supervisors
The Gambling Commission advises in its guidance that if a licensing authority is concerned that a premises may attract disorder or be subject to attempts at unauthorised access (for example by children and young persons) then it may require that the entrances to those premises are supervised, and impose a condition to that effect. Consideration must also be given to whether that supervisor needs to be licensed or not, as the statutory requirements vary by premises type. This licensing authority notes the contents of Part 33 of the Commission’s guidance, which outlines a limited relaxation of the licensing requirement for door supervisors at licensed bingo and casino premises – however, all operators are encouraged to use door supervisors who are licensed by the Security Industry Authority.

Provisional Statements
The Act provides for a person to make an application to the licensing authority for a provisional statement in respect of premises that he or she:

- expects to be constructed;
- expects to be altered; or
- expects to acquire a right to occupy.

Developers may wish to apply to this authority for a provisional statement before entering into a contract to buy or lease property or land, to judge whether a development is worth taking forward in light of the need to obtain a premises licence. There is no need for the applicant to hold an operating licence in order to apply for a provisional statement, nor do they need to have a right to occupy the premises in respect of which the application is made.

The process for considering an application for a provisional statement is the same as that for a premises licence application. The applicant is obliged to give notice of the application in the same way as applying for a premises licence. Responsible authorities and interested parties may make representations and there are rights of appeal.

The holder of a provisional statement may subsequently apply for a premises licence once the premises are constructed, altered or acquired. The licensing authority will be constrained in the matters it can consider when determining the premises licence application, and in terms of representations about premises licence applications that follow the grant of a provisional statement, no further representations from relevant authorities or interested parties can be taken into account unless:

- they concern matters which could not have been addressed at the provisional statement stage, or
- they reflect a change in the applicant’s circumstances.

In addition, the authority may refuse the premises licence (or grant it on terms different to those attached to the provisional statement) only by reference to matters:

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3 See [www.gamblingcommission.gov.uk/research__consultations/consultations/closed_consultations_with_resp/split_premises_and_primary_gam.aspx](http://www.gamblingcommission.gov.uk/research__consultations/consultations/closed_consultations_with_resp/split_premises_and_primary_gam.aspx) for details of this consultation.
• which could not have been raised by objectors at the provisional statement stage;
• which in the authority’s opinion reflect a change in the operator’s circumstances; or
• where the premises has not been constructed in accordance with the plan submitted with
  the application. This must be a substantial change to the plan and this licensing authority
  notes that it can discuss any concerns it has with the applicant before making a decision.

If a developer has already acquired a premises and has a right of occupation, and holds an
appropriate operating licence, there is no requirement for them to obtain a provisional statement
prior to making an application for a premises licence – this will simply be a matter of choice.
However, where premises are likely to require construction or development work prior to being
ready for use for gambling (and as such are not in a state where they can be inspected during the
application process), the licensing authority may seek to attach the following additional conditions
to any licence granted:

• The premises are to be constructed in accordance with the deposited plans and shall not
  trade until such time as they have been inspected and approved by officers of the licensing
  authority.
• The licence is to be offered for surrender should the premises not have been completed in
  accordance with the deposited plans within the period of 12/18/24 months starting on the
day that the licence first takes effect.

Reviews
Requests for a review of a premises licence can be made at any time by interested parties or
responsible authorities. However, it is for the licensing authority to decide whether the review is to
be carried out. This will be on the basis of whether the request for the review is relevant to the
matters listed below, as well as consideration as to whether the request is frivolous, vexatious, will
certainly not cause this authority to wish to alter/revoke/suspend the licence, or whether it is
substantially the same as previous representations or requests for review:

• in accordance with any relevant code of practice issued by the Gambling Commission;
• in accordance with any relevant guidance issued by the Gambling Commission;
• reasonably consistent with the licensing objectives; and
• in accordance with the authority’s statement of licensing policy.

The licensing authority can also initiate a review of a licence on the basis of any reason that it
thinks is appropriate. In particular, the licensing authority may initiate a review of a premises
licence on the grounds that a premises licence holder has not provided facilities for gambling at the
premises. This is to prevent people from applying for licences in a speculative manner without
intending to use them.

Once a valid application for a review has been received by the licensing authority, representations
can be made by responsible authorities and interested parties during a 28-day period, that will
begin 7 days after receipt of the application. The licensing authority will publish notice of the
application within this initial 7-day period.

The licensing authority must carry out the review as soon as possible after the 28 day period for
making representations has passed.

The purpose of the review will be to determine whether the licensing authority should take any
action in relation to the licence. If action is justified, the options open to the licensing authority are:-

• to add, remove or amend a licence condition imposed by the licensing authority;
• to exclude a default condition imposed by the Secretary of State (e.g. opening hours) or
remove or amend such an exclusion;
- to suspend the premises licence for a period not exceeding three months; or
- to revoke the premises licence.

In determining what action, if any, should be taken following a review, the licensing authority will have regard to the principles set out in section 153 of the Act, as well as any relevant representations.

Following the completion of the review, the licensing authority will notify its decision in writing to the licence holder, the applicant for review (if any), any person who made representations in respect of the review, and the responsible authorities designated in regulations made under the Act.

Categories of Premises Licence

Casino Premises Licences
The London Borough of Lambeth has resolved, under section 166 of the Act, not to issue any Casino premises licences. This resolution shall have effect from the 22nd November 2009 until the 21st November 2012, unless revoked prior to this date.

An earlier, identical resolution had effect in the three-year period to the 21st November 2009.

At present, the Act only allows for a fixed number of ‘regional’, ‘large’ and ‘small’ casinos to be licensed nationally. Licensing authorities must be expressly authorised by the Secretary of State to issue new licences for any of these categories, to ensure that the national limits are not exceeded. Lambeth is not amongst the authorities that have been so authorised.

Adult Gaming Centre Premises Licences
This licensing authority will specifically have regard to the need to protect children and vulnerable persons from harm or being exploited by gambling, and will expect the applicant to satisfy the authority that there will be sufficient measures to, for example, ensure that under 18 year olds do not have access to the premises.

Betting (Other) Premises Licences
The authority notes the difference between betting terminals, which are designed to receive bets on real events, and gaming machines such as fixed odds betting terminals (FOBTs), which are reliant upon the outcome of a virtual event. It is further noted that betting premises are entitled to offer up to four gaming machines in total, which may include category B2 (FOBT) machines. There are no statutory limits on the number of betting terminals that may be made available in betting premises, although the licensing authority notes that it may attach a condition to a licence limiting the number if concerns exist over the availability of machines to children or vulnerable persons which cannot be satisfied through alternative means.

This licensing authority will, as per the Commission’s guidance, take into account the size of the premises, the number of counter positions available for person-to-person transactions, and the ability of staff to monitor the use of betting terminals by children and young persons (it is an offence for those under 18 to bet) or by vulnerable people, when considering the number, nature and circumstances of betting terminals an operator wants to offer.

Betting (Track) Premises Licences
The licensing authority is aware that tracks may be subject to one or more premises licences, provided each licence relates to a specified area of the track. As per the Gambling Commission’s
guidance, this licensing authority will consider the impact upon the third licensing objective and the need to ensure that entrances to each type of premises are distinct and that children are excluded from gambling areas which they are not permitted to enter.

The authority will therefore expect the premises licence applicant to demonstrate suitable measures to ensure that children do not have access to adult-only gaming facilities. It is noted that children and young persons will be permitted to enter track areas where facilities for betting are provided on days when dog-racing and/or horse-racing takes place, but that they are still prevented from entering areas where gaming machines (other than category D machines) are provided.

The entitlement to make up to four gaming machines available for use at the track premises may only be utilised if the holder of the premises licence also holds a pool betting operating licence. In situations where this is the case and it is proposed to make gaming machines available for use, any gaming machines (other than category D machines) should be located in areas from which children are excluded. If the track premises is licensed for the sale of alcohol, a further two gaming machines may be made available by way of the automatic entitlement for alcohol-licensed premises, upon payment of the appropriate notification fee.

Betting terminals may also be made available for use at track premises, and this licensing authority proposes to apply the same principles as set out in the Betting (other) Premises Licence section, above, to track premises.

A condition to track premises licences is that the track operator is to ensure that the terms for placing bets are prominently displayed in or near the betting areas, or that other measures are taken to ensure that they are made available to the public.

Applicants are required to submit plans of the premises with their application, in order to ensure that the licensing authority has the necessary information to make an informed judgement about whether the premises are fit for gambling. The plan will also be used for the licensing authority to plan future premises inspection activity. Plans for tracks do not need to be in a particular scale, but should be drawn to scale and should be sufficiently detailed to include the information required by regulations.

Some tracks may be situated on open land where the perimeter is not defined by virtue of an outer wall or fence, such as point-to-point racetracks. In such instances, where an entry fee is levied, track premises licence holders may erect temporary structures to restrict access to premises. In the rare cases where the outer perimeter cannot be defined, it is likely that the track in question will not be specifically designed for the frequent holding of sporting events or races. In such cases betting facilities may be better provided through occasional use notices where the boundary premises do not need to be defined.

This authority appreciates that it is sometimes difficult to define the precise location of betting areas on tracks. The precise location of where betting facilities are provided is not required to be shown on track plans, both by virtue of the fact that betting is permitted anywhere on the premises and because of the difficulties associated with pinpointing exact locations for some types of track. Applicants should provide sufficient information that this authority can satisfy itself that the plan indicates the main areas where betting might take place.

**Bingo Premises Licences**

This licensing authority notes the Commission’s guidance, that licensing authorities will need to satisfy themselves that it is possible for bingo to be played in any premises for which they issue a bingo premises licence. This will be a relevant consideration where the operator of an existing bingo premises applies to vary their licence and/or apply for new licences, as discussed in the Division of Premises and Primary Usage section, above.
If children are allowed to enter premises licensed for bingo they are not permitted to participate in the bingo, nor may they make use of any category of gaming machine, other than those in category D. Where category B or C machines are made available in premises to which children are admitted it is expected that:

- all such machines will be located in an area of the premises separated from the remainder of the premises by a physical barrier which is effective to prevent access other than through a designated entrance;
- only adults will be admitted to the area where the machines are located;
- access to the area where the machines are located will be supervised;
- the area where the machines are located is arranged so that it can be observed by staff of the operator or the licence holder; and
- at the entrance to, and inside any such area there are prominently displayed notices indicating that access to the area is prohibited to persons under 18.

**Family Entertainment Centre Premises Licences**

The licensing authority will specifically have regard to the need to protect children and vulnerable persons from harm or being exploited by gambling and will expect the applicant to satisfy the authority, for example, that there will be sufficient measures to ensure that under 18 year olds do not have access to the adult only gaming machine areas.

This licensing authority will, as per the Gambling Commission’s guidance, refer to the Commission’s website and make itself aware of any conditions that apply to operating licences covering the way in which the area containing the category C machines should be delineated.
Part 3 – Permits and Notices

While the proprietors of dedicated, high-value gambling outlets will generally be required to complete a comprehensive application process to obtain Premises and Operating Licences, the Act also makes provision for simpler process for incidental and low-value gambling opportunities, such as gaming machines in pubs, bars and clubs, and small-stakes prize gaming. This part of the statement outlines the principles that we will apply to applications for gaming and gaming machine permits, and notifications of temporary or occasional gambling usage.

Licensed Premises Gaming Machine Permits & Notifications

There is provision in the Act for premises licensed to sell alcohol for consumption on the premises, to automatically make 2 gaming machines, of categories C and/or D, available for use. The holder of the premises licence merely needs to notify the licensing authority that they intend to make use of this entitlement, and make payment of the prescribed notification fee. The licensing authority can remove the automatic authorisation in respect of any particular premises if:

- provision of the machines is not reasonably consistent with the pursuit of the licensing objectives;
- gaming has taken place on the premises that breaches a condition of section 282 of the Act (i.e. that written notice has been provided to the licensing authority, that a fee has been provided and that any relevant code of practice issued by the Gambling Commission about the location and operation of the machine has been complied with);
- the premises are mainly used for gaming; or
- an offence under the Gambling Act 2005 has been committed on the premises.

If a premises wishes to make 3 or more gaming machines available for use, then an application must be made for a licensed premises gaming machine permit. When considering that application, the licensing authority must have regard to the licensing objectives and any guidance issued by the Gambling Commission. The licensing authority may also consider “such other matters as they think relevant.”

This licensing authority will decide upon the interpretation of “such other matters” on a case by case basis but generally there will be regard to the need to protect children and vulnerable persons from harm or being exploited by gambling. The licensing authority will expect the applicant to satisfy the authority that there will be sufficient measures to ensure that under-18 year olds do not have access to the adult-only gaming machines (category C). Examples of measures to satisfy the authority may include the gaming machines being positioned in sight of the bar, or in the sight of staff who will monitor that the machines are not being used by those under 18. Notices and signage may also assist. As regards the protection of vulnerable persons, applicants may wish to consider the provision of information leaflets / helpline numbers for organisations such as GamCare.

It is recognised that some alcohol-licensed premises may apply for a premises licence for their non-alcohol licensed areas. Any such application would most likely need to be made for, and dealt with as, an Adult Gaming Centre premises licence.

It should be noted that the licensing authority can decide to grant the application for a smaller number of machines and/or a different category of machines than that applied for. Although licensing authorities cannot attach any further conditions beyond these matters, permit holders are obliged to operate any gaming machines in compliance with the Commission’s ‘Gaming Machine Permits Code of Practice’, which imposes binding requirements for the supervision of gaming machines and for their positioning away from ATM’s, as well as offering a number of examples of best practice in respect of the prevention of underage gambling and the protection of vulnerable persons.
Club Gaming Permits & Club Machine Permits

Members clubs and miners’ welfare institutes (but not commercial clubs) may apply for a Club Gaming Permit or a Club Machine Permit. A Club Gaming Permit will enable the premises to provide gaming machines (3 machines of categories B, C or D), equal chance gaming and games of chance as set-out in regulations. A Club Machine Permit will enable the premises to provide gaming machines (3 machines of categories B, C or D) only.

The Commission’s guidance states: “Members clubs must have at least 25 members and be established and conducted ‘wholly or mainly’ for purposes other than gaming, unless the gaming is permitted by separate regulations. The Secretary of State has made such regulations and these cover bridge and whist clubs. A members’ club must be permanent in nature and established and conducted for the benefit of its members and not as a commercial enterprise. Examples include working men’s clubs, branches of Royal British Legion and clubs with political affiliations.”

The Commission’s guidance also notes that licensing authorities may only refuse an application on the grounds that:

- the applicant does not fulfil the requirements for a members’ or commercial club or miners’ welfare institute and therefore is not entitled to receive the type of permit for which it has applied;
- the applicant’s premises are used wholly or mainly by children and/or young persons;
- an offence under the Act or a breach of a permit has been committed by the applicant while providing gaming facilities;
- a permit held by the applicant has been cancelled in the previous ten years; or
- an objection has been lodged by the Commission or the police.

There is also a ‘fast-track’ procedure available under the Act for qualifying clubs that hold a Club Premises Certificate under the Licensing Act 2003. Under the fast-track procedure there is no opportunity for objections to be made by the Commission or the police, and the grounds upon which an authority can refuse a permit are reduced to:

- the club is established primarily for gaming, other than gaming prescribed by regulations made under section 266 of the Act;
- in addition to the prescribed gaming, the applicant provides facilities for other gaming; or
- a club gaming permit or club machine permit issued to the applicant in the last ten years has been cancelled.

There are statutory conditions on club gaming permits that no child may use a category B or C machine on the premises and that the holder complies with any relevant provision of a code of practice about the location and operation of gaming machines.

Family Entertainment Centre Gaming Machine Permits

The proprietor of a family entertainment centre premises, who wishes to make only category D gaming machines available for use, can do so in reliance upon a Family Entertainment Centre Gaming Machine Permit. This category of permit provides an alternative to the Family Entertainment Centre Premises Licences available under the Act, which allow the operation of higher-value gaming machines but are subject to more rigorous application procedures.

Any application for a permit will be considered with regard to the licensing objectives and to any relevant guidance issued by the Commission. Particular weight will be given to child protection issues.

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The applicant will be expected to show that there are policies and procedures in place to protect children from harm. Harm in this context is not limited to harm from gambling but includes wider child protection considerations. The efficiency of such policies and procedures will each be considered on their merits, however, they may include appropriate measures / training for staff as regards suspected truant school children on the premises, measures / training covering how staff would deal with unsupervised very young children being on the premises, or children causing perceived problems on / around the premises. This licensing authority will also expect, as per Gambling Commission guidance, that applicants demonstrate a full understanding of the maximum stakes and prizes of the gambling that is permissible in unlicensed FECs; that the applicant (or company directors if the applicant is a limited company) has no relevant convictions and that staff are trained to have a full understanding of the maximum stakes and prizes.

Applicants will also be asked to supply a plan of the internal layout of the family entertainment centre, drawn to an appropriate scale, that shows the location of the area(s) where category D gaming machine will be made available for use.

An application for a permit may be granted only if the licensing authority is satisfied that the premises will be used as an unlicensed FEC, and if the chief officer of police has been consulted on the application.

It is noted that a licensing authority cannot attach conditions to this type of permit.

This licensing authority has produced a Family Entertainment Centre gaming machine permit application form, but, so long as the required information is provided, will not require applications to be made exclusively in this format. The form can be downloaded from our website, at www.lambeth.gov.uk/licensing/

**Prize Gaming Permits**

In any application for a prize gaming permit the applicant should set out the types of gaming that he or she is intending to offer, and should also be able to demonstrate:

- that they understand the limits on stakes and prizes that are set out in Regulations\(^5\);
- that the gaming offered is within the law; and
- that appropriate measures will be taken to ensure that children are protected from being harmed or exploited by gambling – in particular, the measures that will be taken to ensure that children cannot participate in the gambling offered.

In making its decision on an application for this permit the licensing authority does not need to have regard to the licensing objectives but must have regard to any Gambling Commission guidance.

There are conditions in the Gambling Act 2005 with which the permit holder must comply, but the licensing authority cannot attach further conditions. The conditions in the Act are:

- the limits on participation fees, as set out in regulations, must be complied with;
- all chances to participate in the gaming must be allocated on the premises on which the gaming is taking place and on one day; the game must be played and completed on the day the chances are allocated; and the result of the game must be made public in the premises on the day that it is played;
- the prize for which the game is played must not exceed the amount set out in regulations (if a money prize), or the prescribed value (if non-monetary prize); and
- participation in the gaming must not entitle the player to take part in any other gambling.

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Temporary Use Notices
Temporary Use Notices allow a gambling operator to make infrequent use of unlicensed premises, to use the premises temporarily for providing facilities for gambling. Premises that might be suitable for a Temporary Use Notice, according the Gambling Commission, may include hotels, conference centres and sporting venues.

The licensing authority can only accept a Temporary Use Notice from a person or company holding a relevant non-remote operating licence.

The types of gambling activities that may be authorised by a Temporary Use Notice are set out by the Secretary of State in regulations made under the Act. Currently, the only permitted activity is the provision of facilities for equal chance gaming, where the gaming is intended to produce a single overall winner. Possible examples of this could include gaming tournaments with such games as backgammon, mah-jong, rummy, kalooki, dominoes, cribbage, bingo and poker.

Temporary Use Notices are subject to a statutory limit that a set of premises may be used for no more than 21 days in any 12 month period. As with “premises”, the definition of “a set of premises” will be a question of fact in the particular circumstances of each notice that is given. In considering whether a place falls within the definition of “a set of premises”, the licensing authority will look at, amongst other things, the ownership/occupation and control of the premises.

This licensing authority expects to object to notices where it appears that their effect would be to permit regular gambling in a place that could be described as one set of premises, as recommended in the Gambling Commission’s Guidance to Licensing Authorities.

Occasional Use Notices
Occasional Use Notices may be used to authorise infrequent betting at track premises, on no more than 8 days in any calendar year. They cannot be used to authorise any other form of gambling activity (e.g. gaming machines). Providing that the 8-day limit is not breached, there is no provision for correctly-served notices to be refused by a licensing authority.

The licensing authority notes that the definition of track premises is not restricted to permanent premises, but can include any premises or land on which a race or sporting event is to take place. Consideration will therefore be given to the nature of the premises specified in a notice, in addition to whether the person giving the notice is an occupier of the track, or is responsible for the administration of events at the track.

It is further noted that Occasional Use Notices do not relieve any person accepting bets at the track premises from the requirement to hold an appropriate Betting operating licence, nor from the requirements of any conditions imposed upon that licence.

This licensing authority has produced a template form, suitable for giving an Occasional Use Notice, but will not require notifications to be given exclusively in this format. The template form can be downloaded from www.lambeth.gov.uk/licensing/.

Travelling Fairs
It will fall to this licensing authority to decide whether, at travelling fairs where category D machines are to be made available for use and / or equal chance prize gaming without a permit is offered, the statutory requirement that the facilities for gambling amount to no more than an ancillary

amusement at the fair is met.

The licensing authority will also consider whether the applicant falls within the statutory definition of a travelling fair.

It has been noted that the 27-day statutory maximum for the land being used as a fair, is per calendar year, and that it applies to the piece of land on which the fairs are held, regardless of whether it is the same or different travelling fairs occupying the land. This licensing authority will work with its neighbouring authorities to ensure that land that crosses our boundaries is monitored so that the statutory limits are not exceeded.
Part 4 – Lotteries

The Gambling Act 2005 regulates all forms of fund-raising lotteries promoted in the UK. With the exception of the National Lottery, which is not regulated under this Act, it is illegal to promote a lottery for private or commercial gain.

While the term ‘lottery’ is used within the legislation, these provisions are also likely to apply to raffles, prize draws, tombola’s, sweepstakes, scratch-card sales, and so on – in short, any arrangement in which a ticket is sold for a random chance of winning a prize. For the sake of simplicity, ‘lottery’ is used to define all of these.

Broadly speaking, there are two categories of lottery established under the Act –

- **Licensed lotteries** include those run by societies that aim to raise more than £20,000 in a single draw, or £250,000 in a calendar year, as well as any lotteries promoted by a local authority. An operating licence must be held by the promoter(s) of these lotteries.

- **Exempt lotteries** fall into one of four sub-categories, each with its own limits on the amounts that can be raised, the purposes for which it can be promoted, and the manner in which it must be run. These sub-categories comprise Incidental Non-Commercial Lotteries, Customer Lotteries, Private Lotteries, and Small Society Lotteries.

The administration and enforcement of licensed lotteries is carried out solely by the Gambling Commission, although local authorities may provide information and intelligence to assist in these processes. Of the four sub-categories of exempt lotteries, only Small Society Lotteries require registration with a local authority – no authorisation is required for the other three categories. Both the Commission and local authorities may carry out enforcement checks to ensure that any exempt lotteries are carried on in accordance with the relevant legal restrictions.

Free Prize Draws & Skill Competitions

The Gambling Act 2005 does not include any measures to regulate prize draws where there is no charge to enter, nor any competition where the outcome relies significantly upon a participant’s skill, judgement or knowledge. Generally, the licensing authority will be unable to become involved in any matters relating to these schemes.

However, on some occasions, schemes that are presented as skill competitions will actually fall under the definition of lotteries, or prize (chance) gaming, and would therefore need to comply with the statutory requirements. Alongside the Gambling Commission, licensing authorities are obliged to monitor the boundaries between lotteries and skill competitions, and will provide advice and assistance to ensure that any competitions are run in compliance with the relevant laws. This licensing authority notes the criteria set out in section 14 of the Act relating to the characteristics of a skill competition, and, when called upon to assess a particular scheme, will seek to ensure that the competition includes a suitable challenge of skill, judgement or knowledge that will:

- prevent a significant proportion of people who wish to participate from doing so; or
- prevent a significant proportion of people who participate from receiving a prize.
Appendix A – Map of Lambeth
Appendix B – Consultation

Our consultation took place in August 2009 and followed the principles of the Code of Practice on Consultation, issued by the Better Regulation Executive. Further information on the Code is available via:

- www.berr.gov.uk/whatwedo bre/

The Gambling Act 2005 requires that, when preparing the statement of principles, the following parties be consulted by licensing authorities:

- The Chief Officer of Police;
- One or more persons who appear to the authority to represent the interests of persons carrying on gambling businesses in the authority’s area;
- One or more persons who appear to the authority to represent the interests of persons who are likely to be affected by the exercise of the authority’s functions under the Gambling Act 2005.

In accordance with the statutory requirements, this authority consulted with the following:

- The Metropolitan Police (Lambeth Borough Commander and Lambeth Licensing Unit)
- The individuals and organisations who hold Premises Licences issued by this licensing authority under this Act
- The organisations who have applied for or hold gaming machine permits for multiple or high-profile premises within the borough
- Representative bodies within the gambling and leisure industry, including:
  - Association of British Bookmakers
  - British Beer and Pub Association
  - British Association of Leisure Parks, Piers and Attractions
  - The Bingo Association
  - British Amusement Catering Trade Association
  - Business in Sport and Leisure
  - National Casino Industry Forum (formerly the British Casino Association)
- All elected ward councillors
- The responsible authorities identified under the Act, including the Gambling Commission, HM Revenues & Customs, the London Fire Brigade, and Lambeth’s Town Planning, Environmental Health, Health & Safety and Children & Young Persons Services
- Lambeth’s Community Safety Division, Lambeth Business Against Crime (LBAC), and the Brixton Town Centre Director

Details of the consultation and the draft statement were also made available on Lambeth’s website throughout the consultation period, accessible via www.lambeth.gov.uk/gamblingpolicy
Appendix C – Contact Details

For information on this statement of principles, or for informal advice on making an application or whether a particular gambling activity is likely to require authorisation, please contact:

Licensing Section
London Borough of Lambeth
2 Herne Hill Road
London
SE24 0AU

Tel: 020 7926 6108
Fax: 020 7926 6130
Email: licensing@lambeth.gov.uk
Web: www.lambeth.gov.uk/licensing/

The following bodies are designated as Responsible Authorities under this legislation:

The Gambling Commission
Victoria Square House
Victoria Square
Birmingham
B2 4BP

Tel: 0121 230 6666
Email: info@gamblingcommission.gov.uk

Metropolitan Police (Lambeth Licensing Unit)
Frank O’Neill House
43-59 Clapham Road
London
SW9 0JZ

Tel: 020 8721 3545
Email: Licensing-LX@met.police.uk

London Fire Brigade
Fire Safety Regulation: South West Area 4
169 Union Street
London
SE1 0LL

Tel: 020 8555 1200 ext 37639
Email: FSRSW@london-fire.gov.uk

HM Revenue and Customs
National Registration Unit
Portcullis House
21 India Street
Glasgow
G2 4PZ

Tel: 0141 555 3633
Email: nrubetting&gaming@hmrc.gsi.gov.uk

Town Planning
London Borough of Lambeth
Phoenix House
10 Wandsworth Road
London
SW8 2LL

Tel: 020 7926 1180
Email: tpac@lambeth.gov.uk

Environmental Health (Noise/Pollution)
London Borough of Lambeth
2 Herne Hill Road
London
SE24 0AU

Tel: 020 7926 6111
Email: noise@lambeth.gov.uk

Health & Safety
London Borough of Lambeth
2 Herne Hill Road
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SE24 0AU

Tel: 020 7926 6110
Email: healthandsafety@lambeth.gov.uk

Children and Young People’s Service
London Borough of Lambeth
3rd Floor, International House
Canterbury Crescent
London
SW9 7QE

Tel: 0845 601 5317
Email: cypsdirectory@lambeth.gov.uk

Further authorities have been designated in respect of any gambling taking place aboard vessels.