

DECISION ITEM



REPORT OF	MEETING	DATE	ITEM NO
RESOURCES DIRECTORATE	LICENSING COMMITTEE	5 OCTOBER 2016	4
GAMBLING ACT 2005 LICENSED PREMISES GAMING MACHINE PERMITS			

PUBLIC ITEM

This item is for consideration in the public part of the meeting.

SUMMARY

The Licensing Team are in receipt of 3 applications for the grant of Licensed Premises Gaming Machine Permits. Officers are delegated to approve up to 4 machines whilst requests for machines in excess of 4 is a function of the Licensing Committee.

As such, the applications have been referred to Committee for determination.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee considers and determines the applications.

SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS DECISIONS

There are no previous decisions in relation to this matter.

CORPORATE PRIORITIES

Spending your money in the most efficient way to achieve excellent services (Value for Money)	
Delivering the services that customers expect of an excellent council (Clean and Green)	
Working with all partners (Vibrant Economy)	√
To make sure Fylde continues to be one of the most desirable places to live (A Great Place to Live)	
Promoting Fylde as a great destination to visit (A Great Place to Visit)	

REPORT

1. Schedule 13 of the Gambling Act 2005 considers Licensed Premises Gaming Machine Permits and allows Category C and D gaming machines to be installed in premises where a Premises Licence authorising “on sales” is in place under the provisions of the Licensing Act 2003.
2. A Category C machine has a maximum stake of 50p and a maximum prize of £100 whilst the minimum stake on a category D machine is 10p or 30p non-monetary with a maximum £5 cash prize or £8 non-monetary.
3. There is no statutory limit on the number of machines within the above categories that may be installed in the premises and at Fylde, Officers are delegated to determine requests of up to 4 machines whilst requests for any machines over 4 must be determined by the Licensing Committee.
4. The Licensing Team have recently received 3 requests to have 5 or more category C and D in licensed premises as detailed below:

Premises	Current Provision	Requested Provision
Lord Derby Clifton Drive St Annes	3 x C	3 x C 2 x D
Town House St Annes Road West St Annes	4 x C	4 x C 1 x D
Air Balloon Squires Gate Lane Blackpool	4 x C	4 x C 2 x D

5. As can be seen, the requests are for the installation of Category D machines. It is understood that following guidance issued by the Gambling Commission, a number of machines such as crane grabs that have previously been considered to be “skill with prizes” and thus outside the Gambling Act, have now been re-designated as category D non-complex crane grab machines and require registration.
6. The premises listed above have previously operated with crane grabs and the applications are submitted to ensure compliance with the revised Guidance.
7. The Committee is therefore requested to consider and determine the applications.

IMPLICATIONS	
Finance	There are no implications arising directly from the report.
Legal	There are no implications arising directly from the report.
Community Safety	There are no implications arising directly from the report.
Human Rights and Equalities	There are no implications arising directly from the report.
Sustainability and Environmental Impact	There are no implications arising directly from the report.
Health & Safety and Risk Management	There are no implications arising directly from the report.

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LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS		
Name of document	Date	Where available for inspection
Application forms	June 2016	Environmental Health Office Public Offices
Non Complex Cat D Gaming Machines	July 2016	http://www.gamblingcommission.gov.uk/pdf/Non-complex-cat-D-gaming-machines.pdf