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Preface

Under the Gambling Act 2005, a new regime for regulating gambling and betting was introduced throughout the United Kingdom from 1 September 2007. Apart from the National Lottery and spread betting, gambling and betting will be regulated by the Gambling Commission, whose duties include licensing the operators and individuals involved in providing gambling and betting facilities.

Ashfield District Council, along with other local licensing authorities, has a duty under the Act to license premises where gambling is to take place, and to licence other activities (such as registering small society lotteries). This document sets out how we intend to approach this task.

The Council has consulted various bodies and organisations upon this statement (see **Appendix One**). The consultation period ran from 17th September 2018 until 28th October 2018.

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