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<p>See the officer comment column for specific details.</p>	<p>Devon County Council</p>	<p>See Annex B for response</p>	<p>There are some issues raised that we feel can be considered / addressed as part of this current review. These are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Language and terminology – using the term harmful gambling instead of ‘problem’ gambling. (Paragraph 15.12 of SoP). • Additional training requirements for those working in licensed premises to include the ability to identify and provide support to vulnerable people. (Paragraph 27.8 of SoP). • The sharing and signposting to information and support for those experiencing gambling related harm. <p>There are other issues raised in this response that we feel need to be considered in greater detail when the SoP is next reviewed. These are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The possible development and implementation of a Local Area Profile. This would include a review of the groups or factors that could make people higher risk in terms of gambling harms. 	<p>Make changes to the SoP to reflect the comments made about language and terminology and additional training requirements for staff working in licensed premises.</p> <p>Update the website to include links to information and support for those experiencing gambling related harm.</p> <p>We consider the development and implementation of a Local Area Profile as part of the next review.</p>

Various	GamCare	See Annex C for response	<p>There are issues raised in this response that we feel need to be considered in greater detail when the SoP is next reviewed. These are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exploring ways to gather and analyse data to better understand the level of gambling related harm in Mid Devon. • Understanding what a public health approach to gambling looks like and the partnerships involved in this. • Requiring frontline staff of the Council to undertake training to recognise the signs of gambling harm and develop pathways for subsequent referrals. • The development and implementation of a Local Area Profile. 	No changes at this stage but consider all of these issues as part of the next review. This is intended to take place in 2025 once updated guidance has been issued.
N/A	Parish Council	No comments	N/A	N/A
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N/A	Village Hall	I see nothing in this document that addresses the fact that local bingo for small charities that help combat loneliness. The village hall used to hold regular funds raising bingo's for various community events. These were well supported are very much missed by the community. But unfortunately the rules	The limits referred to are prescribed in Regulations (i.e. <i>The Gambling Act 2005 (Non-Commercial Equal-Chance Gaming) Regulations 2007</i>) and this is not something the SoP can address.	No changes.

		<p>around this are very limiting and haven't been reviewed in a very long time making it impossible to run as a fundraiser. Hence they rarely happen.</p> <p>The restrictions around holding family fundraising bingo should be reviewed and at least an inflationary adjustment made on how much you can charge for an evening of games. I currently if you wanted to have 6 books with 12 games you can't charge more than £8 this needs to be moved to £12 (£2 a book) it's still a very cheap night if you can't afford to play 6 books but for the organisers it's impossible to raise money as it currently stands. The figures need to be reviewed. I tried contacting the gaming commission and they have no plans to review the figures which is ridiculous and we are stopping rural areas from bringing forward social activities by not increasing the rates.</p>		
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