

# APPENDIX 11

Fwd: Gambling consultation

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Dear Adrian,

As I was unable to find the link on Sunday, (as I believe it had been removed from the the council website) these are my and my groups responses to the consultation regarding gambling:

The first point which I would wish to make is about item 6) - the no casino embargo in LBHF. This borough is a residential area. It is not the WestEnd of London where such facilities are appropriate. We do not believe that casino establishments are appropriate for this area, due to the high proportion of family homes, flats and so on. This is an entirely different area to the West End.

Going back to the order of the consultation:

- 1) LBHF should be maintained as a non gambling area. Organised crime is a real threat when such gambling is allowed. LBHF is a residential borough close to the centre of London where residents can go if they wish. Meanwhile the atmosphere and pleasure of living in LBHF is the status quo.
- 2) The maintenance of the current situation is vital.
- 3) I would always argue that the protection of children from harm is of the utmost importance. So no, I don't believe this goes far enough. It is always the most vulnerable children who are caught up in the criminality that goes along side gambling outfits and those that frequent them.
- 4) I would place vulnerable people in the same situation as above.
- 5) it's difficult to discern
- 6) Already answered but to reiterate 'yes' no casinos for the reasons stipulated above.
- 7) yes
- 8) yes
- 9) yes
- 10) yes
- 11) B

I would like to make clear that I was Chairman of Licensing for four years 2008-12. I am well aware of the complexities of licensing law and the difficulties that responsible authorities have in applying the laws. I represent residents who choose to live in a residential borough close to the centre but not in it. The latter is the argument which is most forceful. Please do not allow any relaxation of the gambling rules in LBHF.

With best wishes  
Victoria  
Cllr. Victoria Brocklebank- Fowler  
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