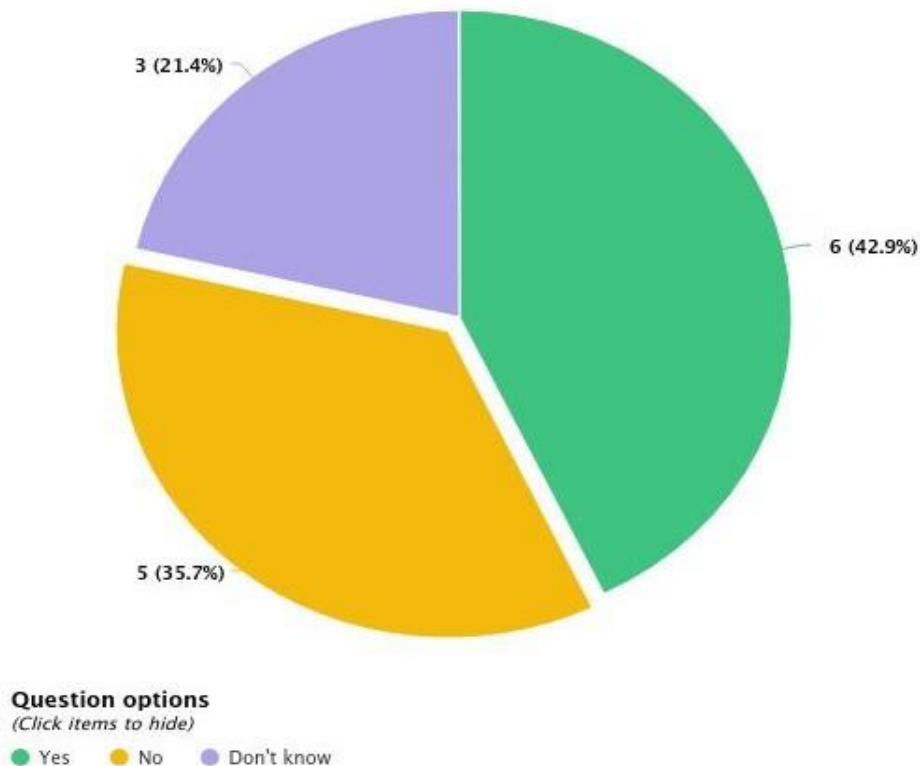
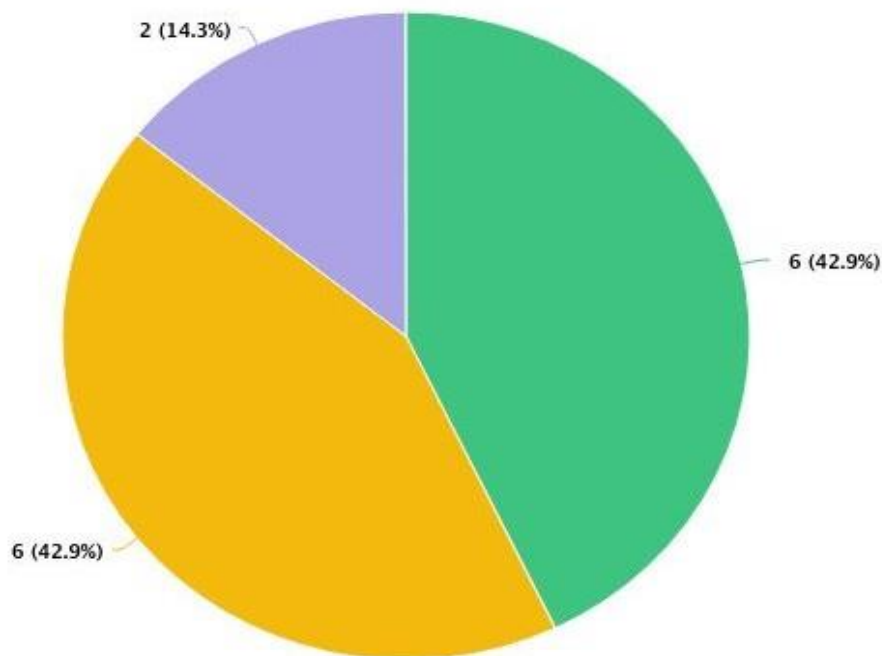


Q1 One of the three licensing objectives of the Gambling Act 2005 is preventing gambling from being a source of crime and disorder, being associated with crime or disorder, or being used to support crime. The council's main role is to try and promote this objective with regard to actual premises. So, where an area has known high levels of organised crime the council will carefully consider whether gambling premises are suitable to be located there and whether conditions may be required such as the provision of door supervision or reduced operating hours. Do you feel the policy does enough to promote this objective?



Q2 One of the three licensing objectives of the Gambling Act 2005 is ensuring that gambling is conducted in a fair and open way. This objective is generally addressed by the Gambling Commission, via operating and personal licences. The council will communicate any concerns to the Gambling Commission about misleading advertising or any absence of required game rules or other information. Do you feel the policy does enough to promote this objective?

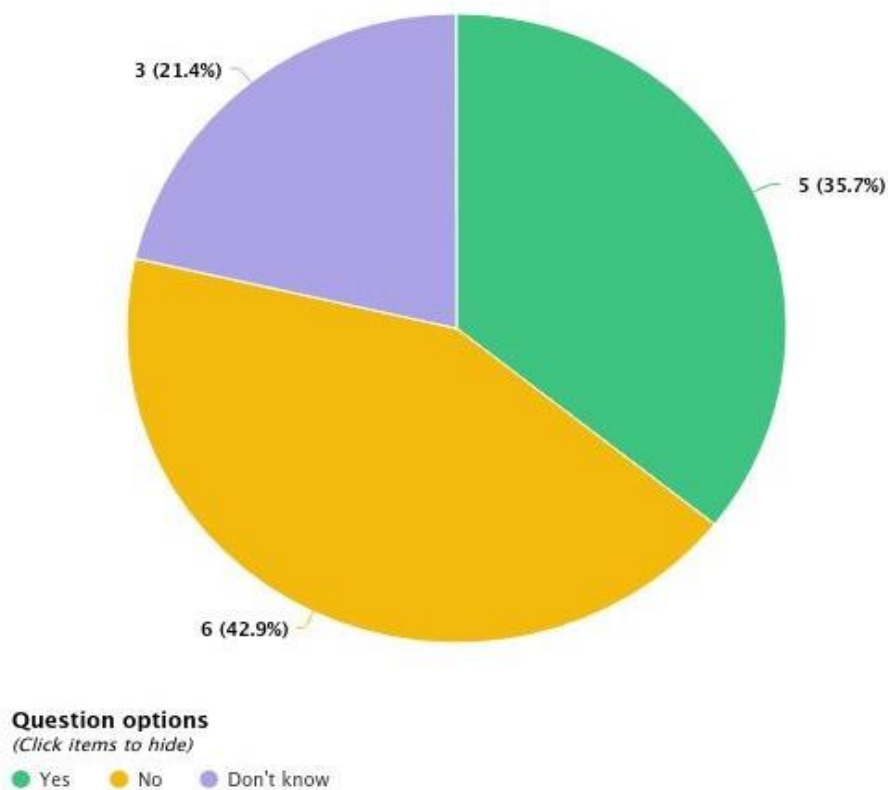


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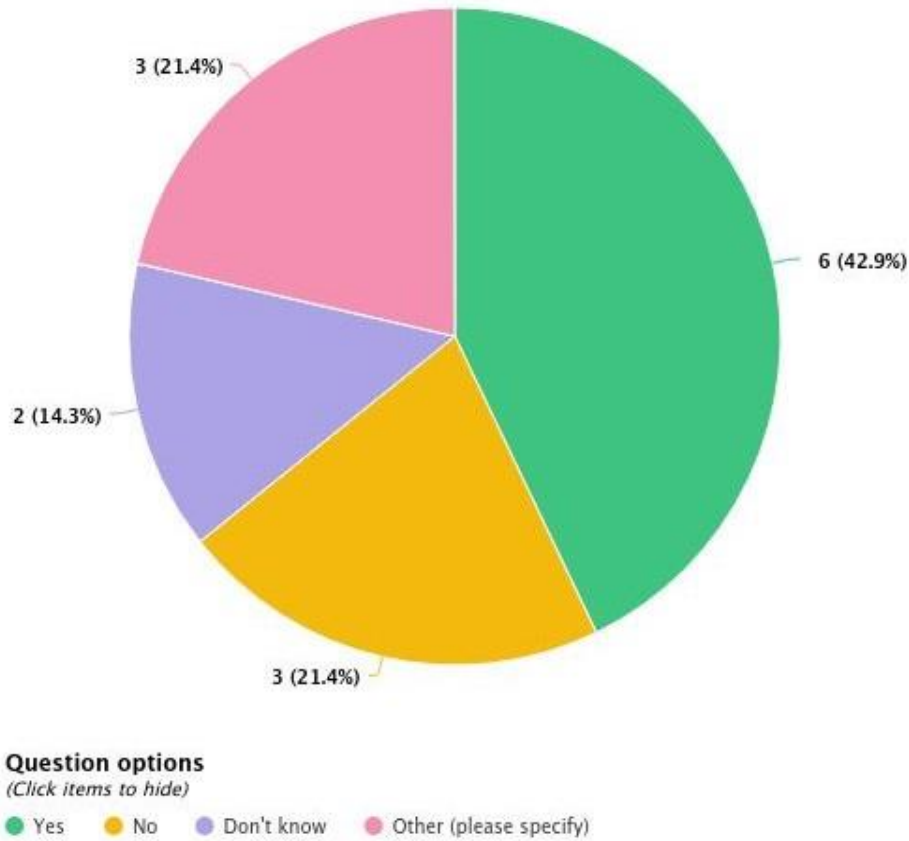
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Q4 A proposal has been made to retain the council's long standing 'no casino'

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resolution, but to allow flexibility to possibly remove this in future. Do you agree with this proposal?



Q4 - Other Comments

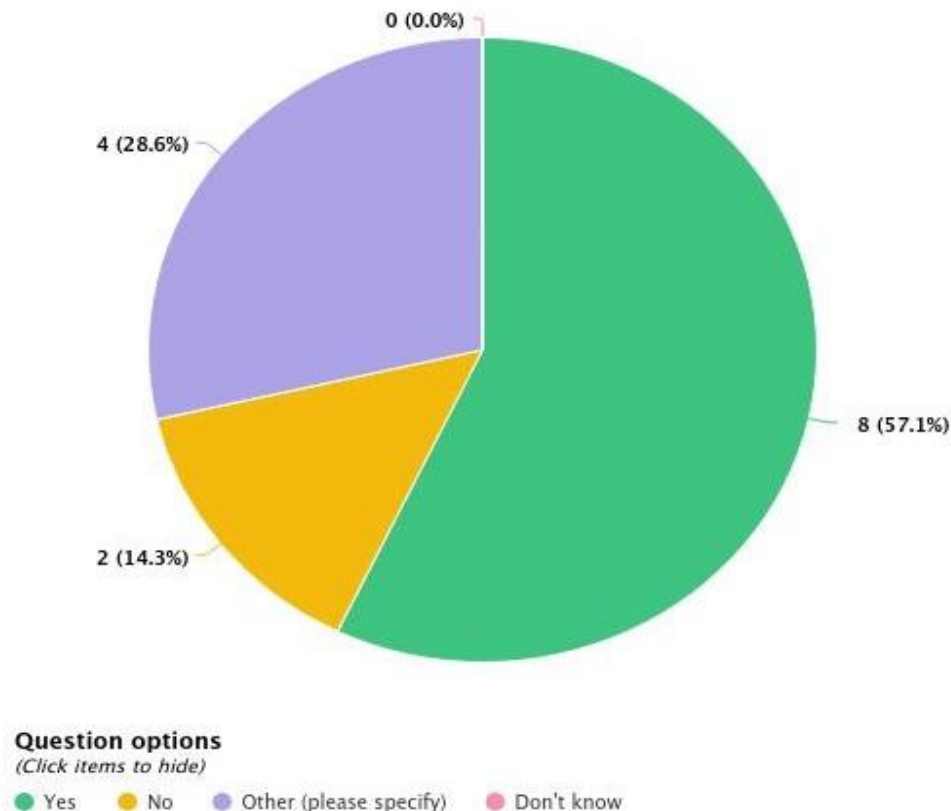
Anonymous - 11/01/2024 11:20 AM - Remove flexibility to remove in future

Anonymous - 11/01/2024 06:03 PM - No casino ever!!!!

Anonymous - 11/01/2024 07:12 PM - Keep the long standing 'no casino'. No gambling in H&F

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Q5 Our new local area profile includes information on 5 gambling vulnerability zones which have been identified as some of the most vulnerable areas of the borough (more information on these areas is included in the local area profile attached to this consultation). Our proposed policy suggests that any new applications for adult gaming centres, betting shops or bingo premises should be refused in these areas. Do you agree with the introduction of vulnerability zones, and the proposal to refuse applications in these areas ?



Q5 - Other Comments

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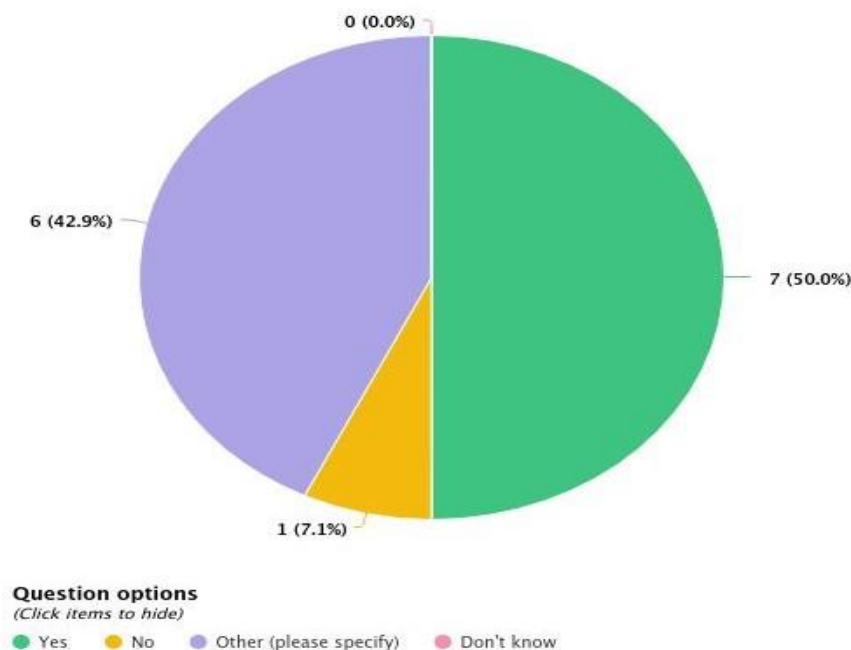
Anonymous - 11/01/2024 11:20 AM- Yes, although I would be more in favour of refusing all applications throughout the borough.

Anonymous- 11/21/2024 10:46 AM - No - please see written response sent to you via email on 21.11.2024

Anonymous - 11/22/2024 01:24 PM - See written response of MERKUR Slots UK Limited sent to the Licensing Authority on 22.11.2024.

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Q6 A suggestion has been made to introduce the principle of cumulative impact into the current policy, to try and address the clustering of gambling premises in the borough. There are now three proposed cumulative impact areas outlined in the new Local Area Profile. Our proposed policy also explains that we would look to refuse any new applications for adult gaming centres, betting shops or bingo premises in these areas. Do you agree with the introduction of these cumulative impact areas in the revised policy and our local area profile ?



Q6 - Other Comments

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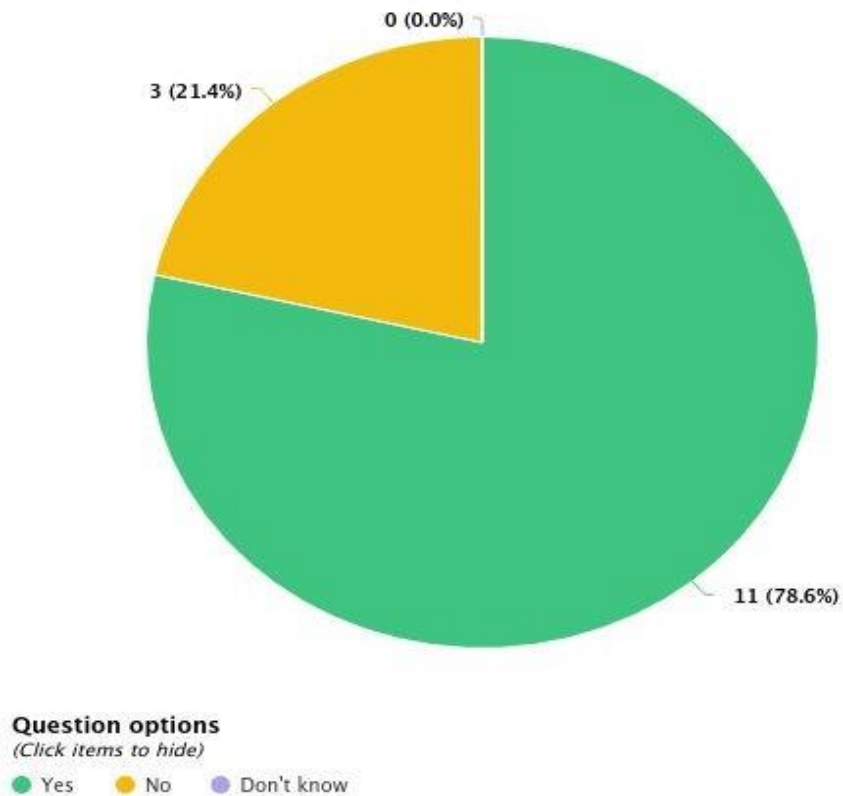
Anonymous - 11/02/2024 05:39 PM - None of these proposals go far enough. I would like to see a total ban on ALL advertising for gambling. I would particularly prefer a total ban on all television advertising for gambling

Anonymous - 11/21/2024 10:46 AM - No - please see written response sent to you via email on 21.11.2024

Anonymous - 11/22/2024 01:24 PM - See written response of MERKUR Slots UK Limited sent to the Licensing Authority on 22.11.2024.

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Q7 A proposal has been made to reduce the terminal hour for Adult Gaming Centres and Bingo premises to 10pm. Any premises wishing to operate after this time would be asked to provide a robust risk assessment, and also commit to employing more than one member of staff after 10pm. This proposal has been suggested to try and combat an issue with crime linked to lone working in these type venues. Do you think that it is a good idea to include this proposal in the revised policy?



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Q8 Please add any other comments you wish to make regarding the proposed changes to the current Statement of Gambling Policy, or the Gambling Act itself. When submitting any comments on the revised policy, please include reference to the paragraph numbers, where possible. Please be aware that all responses are made publicly available. If you intend to include information of a commercially sensitive nature, please make sure this is clearly stated.

- *Anonymous - 10/25/2024 11:40 PM - I feel some areas like Uxbridge road and king street just have too many gambling/casino shops, not making the areas inviting for a broader public looking for better quality entertainment (restaurants, cafes, local shops). I do think there should be a limit on how many of those shops are available in an area to give room to other things and enhance the economical and safety of those*
- *Anonymous - 10/26/2024 10:47 AM - There are gambling scourges within society which LBHF can do nothing about, in particular TV advertising. But can LBHF do anything about the advertising at football grounds?*
- *Anonymous -10/28/2024 11:38 PM - N/A*
- *Anonymous - 11/01/2024 11:20 AM -I am in favour of the borough refusing all applications, and working to remove existing gambling remises.*
- *Anonymous - 11/01/2024 06:03 PM - Gambling winnings should be taxed*
- *Anonymous - 11/01/2024 07:12 PM - We already have too many gambling places on King's road. Close to each other too. One vulnerable person could walk from one to the next. Dangerous and not what we want in our neighbourhood*
- *Anonymous -11/02/2024 10:00 AM - n/a*
- *Anonymous - 11/02/2024 05:39 PM -Gambling must prevented from becoming an addiction.*
- *Anonymous Resident - 11/03/2024 04:59 PM - In paragraph 7.32, I believe children should not see any advertisements/marketing on gambling premises. For example anything that promotes particular bets with particular odds or winnings. In Annexes 3-5, I was not able to find the local area profile by following the link given.*
- *Anonymous - 11/04/2024 11:38 AM -Question 1., above, is expressed in such a way that the onus is solely on the Council to promote this Gambling Act Objective. It states, "The council's main role is to try and promote this objective with regard to actual premises." Why is the Gambling licence holder not also responsible for promoting this objective? Perhaps the sentence needs to be rewritten? If not, it should be edited to say 'to try to promote'/or even better, simply, '... main role is to promote this objective'.... . -Point 2.3 of the draft Statement states that there are 16 wards. This is incorrect; there are 21 wards since 2020. "Hammersmith & Fulham is split into 21 local council wards as agreed by the Local Government Boundary Commission for England in June 2020." -Perhaps include the Ward Map in the Annex. "Hammersmith & Fulham is split into 21 local council wards as agreed by the Local Government Boundary Commission for England in June 2020." https://www.lbhf.gov.uk/sites/default/files/section_attachments/hf_ward_boundaries_with_street_names_update -Point 12 of the draft Statement mentions 'covid pandemic'. I understand that this should be officially referred to as COVID-19 See*

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gov.uk style guide <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/style-guide/a-to-z> It states: COVID-19 Upper case. Do not use: 'Covid-19' with only the first letter capitalised 'covid-19' lower case 'coronavirus' as 'COVID-19' is the specific condition -The Annex 3 Business Intelligence Service Local Area Profile Report is a most useful document. Thank you for it. The Licensing Act 2003 Licencing Committee needs a similar report to better view the hot spots related to licensed premises in H&F. -Around Fulham Broadway and North End Road, we have far too many gambling, slot machine and track betting shops that attract people from outside of the local community. These shops also support crime. For instance, the Bettfred at 47 Fulham Broadway SW6 1AE is well known for harbouring shoplifters who hang out there waiting for deliveries of 'bags' from shoplifters, and then the 'runners' move on to sell to small off-licences. The runners as well as the shoplifters use Bettfred as a sort of headquarters, inside and outside. The Police are fully aware of this. The now closed Whole Foods across the street was a huge victim of this ring of thieves with several thousands of Pounds of alcohol, cheese, salmon, fresh meat stolen weekly (The bandits disappeared during COVID-19 but reemerged as the local economy started opening up once more). -Sadly, throughout the document there are many typos and words slung together that need at least a word/spell check, let alone a style/grammar check. -Prepositions seem to disappear in Council documents. Take for example the question 7, above, last three words; it should read 'these types of venues', not 'these type venues'. Even better might be, 'such venues'. But why the word 'venue'? The second sentence mentions 'premises'. -Young adults need far more protection, somehow, from becoming involved in gambling in their local area. Thus, the idea of vulnerability zones is an excellent one, as long as these defined zones and their policies are robust and supremely effective; unfortunately for the local community, the gambling industry has powerful solicitors who know how to get around efforts by Councils to define such zones. The language and requirements need to be somehow far more robust to insure that they will work for the good of the local residents, and especially in favour of protecting those under the age of 18. - There is no place to give you my email so that you can confirm receipt. This is a requirement of a legal consultation, is it not?

- Anonymous - 11/18/2024 04:11 PM -Why will the council not do anything about the proceeds of crime rather than just gambling. Every Hugh street in the borough is full of money laundering businesses, nail bars, barbers, convenience stores, even Butchers now, this needs action
- Anonymous - 11/21/2024 10:46 AM - Please see written response sent to you via email on 21.11.2024
- Anonymous - 11/22/2024 01:24 PM - Please see written response of MERKUR Slots UK Limited sent to the Licensing Authority on 22.11.2024.
- Anonymous - 11/22/2024 03:28 PM - Separate detailed comments sent to licensing