

## **Record of Officer Decision**

### **Transformation Project - Creation of a Local Lottery Revised Business Case and Policy**

#### **Decision Taker and Date Decision Taken:**

Assistant Director Community and Customer Services and Assistant Director Corporate and Business Services, in consultation with the Deputy Mayor and Executive Lead for Health and Wellbeing and Corporate Services on 20 March 2017.

#### **Summary of Matter or Issue Requiring Decision:**

On 23 November 2016 the Mayor approved a proposal to establish a local lottery as set out in Exempt Appendix 2 to the submitted report. The Mayor authorised the Assistant Director of Corporate and Business Services and Assistant Director of Community and Customer Services, in consultation with the Deputy Mayor and Executive Lead for Health and Wellbeing and Corporate Services, to make any necessary changes to the proposed local lottery to meet the requirements of the Gambling Commission and Gatherwell Ltd.

The two Assistant Directors met with a representative from Gatherwell Ltd on 9 December 2016 when they submitted their lottery applications to the Gambling Commission. During their discussions on how the website worked it became clear that the proposal for a single good cause pot would not have the same benefit of a multiple cause platform supporting local causes as operated by the Vale Lottery. This platform allows for good causes to promote the lottery via a dedicated webpage and also for people who do not wish to specify a good cause to support the Torbay Lottery good cause pot which goes to a number of good causes chosen by the Council.

A revised business case has been developed on the basis of a multiple cause platform supporting local causes which is set out at Exempt Appendix 2 to this record of decision. A Torbay Lottery Small Grant Fund Policy and application form has also been developed showing how the lottery will be applied to good causes (as set out in Appendix 1 to this record of decision).

#### **Decision Taken:**

- (i) that the operational model for the Torbay Lottery be as set out in the revised business case attached at exempt Appendix 2 to this record of decision; and
- (ii) that the Torbay Lottery Small Grant Fund Policy and Application Form set out in Appendix 1 to this record of decision be approved.

#### **Summary of Reason(s) for Decision Taken:**

To enable the Torbay Lottery to be implemented with Gatherwell Ltd as our External Lottery Management Company using a multiple cause platform supporting good causes as used by other local authorities such as the Vale Lottery.

## **Summary of Alternatives or Options considered and rejected and Background Papers:**

A single cause lottery (this was previously proposed to enable a single pot for good causes to apply to receive a percentage of the pot). This option has proven not to be cost effective to run as it would involve a higher level of administration by the Council. It would not enable good causes to promote the lottery themselves via their own dedicated webpage which the preferred option allows.

A bespoke platform to be developed for the Torbay Lottery to enable it to work similar to the multiple cause platform supporting local causes. This option is not recommended due to the high costs for development and maintenance of the system.

## **Details of any conflict of interest and dispensation granted to the Officer taking the decision or by any Member of the Council in delegating responsibility for any specific express delegation:**

None

## **Implementation:**

This decision may be implemented immediately.

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