

You are warmly invited to:

Huddersfield Area Committee public meeting

Your Home, Your Neighbours, Your Community

26th November 2013, 7pm-9pm, Huddersfield Town Hall

Everyone welcome

The next public meeting:

Poverty Looming, Gambling Booming!

Who are the winners and losers in Huddersfield?



A wide range of gambling activities are available in & around Huddersfield, including casino gambling, electronic gaming machines, Lotto, Instant Scratch Cards, track betting, sports betting, bingo, internet gambling and telephone gambling. The availability of and easy access to gambling through technology and a change in the law regarding advertising has meant gambling has increased.

Huddersfield Area Committee wants to explore the impacts of gambling further as it recognises that generally gambling is considered to be a form of entertainment but for some it can be problematic and can have negative impacts on people's health, financial situations, relationships and general wellbeing.

Come along to the next Committee meeting and get involved in the discussions; what is gambling, how common is problematic gambling, how can people tell if they or their family or friend has a problem, which people are most affected, what support is available, can we do more locally?

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Individuals can be referred to specialist support services - some are listed below:

- Gamblers Anonymous (GA) - <http://www.gamblersanonymous.org.uk/>
Email: Huddersfield@gamblersanonymous.org.uk
Group meets at New North Road Baptist Church, New North Parade, Huddersfield, HD1 5JU
Mondays 19.30-21.15 and Thursdays 19.30-21.15.
- The Gamcare National Helpline - 0808 802 0133
- Gamcare counselling & residential treatment - <http://www.gamcare.org.uk/>
- The Gordon Moody Association provides residential time-limited treatment and outreach services - <http://gordonmoody.org.uk>
- CNWL National Problem Gambling Clinic problem-gambling-clinic/
<http://www.cnwl.nhs.uk/services/addictions-and-substance-misuse-services/national>

There are also a range of support services available which can help individuals and their families mitigate and manage the impact of problem gambling, particularly the financial impacts – some are listed below:

- Advice UK provides links to a wide range of advice organisations - www.adviceuk.org.uk
- StepChange Debt Charity Consumer Credit Counselling Service - www.stepchange.org
- StepChange Debt Charity Debt Remedy offers a debt counselling tool
- www.stepchange.org/Debtremedy.aspx#
- Citizens Advice Bureau - www.citizensadvice.org.uk
- National Debtline for free debt help and management in England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland - www.nationaldebtline.co.uk
- Money Advice Trust - www.moneyadvicetrust.org

Huddersfield Area Committee meeting dates 2013/14

Remaining meetings will be themed around tackling poverty across Huddersfield looking at issues such as housing, health, employment and money.

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| January 21st 2014 | 7-9pm | Huddersfield Town Hall |
| March 18th 2014 | 7-9pm | Huddersfield Town Hall |

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