



**GUILDFORD CITIZENS' PANEL SURVEY
Topline Findings (22/02/06)**

- Postal self-completion questionnaires were mailed out to 1,342 members of the Guildford Citizens' Panel on 20 January 2006.
- Results are based on 1,047 questionnaires returned by 15 February, which represents a response rate of 78%.
- Data are weighted by sex, age, work status and ethnicity according to the 2001 Census profile.
- Findings reflect the views of all respondents (1,047) unless otherwise stated.
- Where results do not sum to 100, this may be due to computer rounding, multiple responses or the exclusion of don't knows/not stated.
- An asterisk (*) indicates a finding of less than 0.5%, but greater than zero.

The Gambling Act 2005 has introduced the possibility for a limited number of new casinos in England. An independent panel has been appointed by the Government to consider where consent should be given to any new casinos. This panel also has to consider the recommendations of local authorities. Guildford Borough Council therefore wishes to hear your views about whether or not a casino should be opened in Guildford.

Q1 To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the development of a casino in Guildford? PLEASE TICK ONE BOX PER ROW

	Strongly agree	Tend to agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Tend to disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know not state*
	%	%	%	%	%	%
A A casino would be a good thing for Guildford	3	13	12	19	52	1
B It would be good for the local economy	3	21	18	22	31	6
C It might encourage problem gambling	39	34	11	9	5	2
D Guildford needs another entertainment option like a casino	6	12	12	22	45	2
E It would lead to a rise in anti-social behaviour	26	27	18	17	8	4
F It would not fit in with the character of Guildford.....	42	21	17	13	7	1
G It would help boost tourism in Guildford	3	19	17	27	30	4

Q2 If a casino was built, how likely or unlikely would you be to use it? PLEASE TICK ONE BOX ONLY

	%
Very likely	2
Fairly likely	5
Not very likely	14
Not at all likely.....	78
Don't know/not stated	1

Q3 How often, if at all, do you do each of the following? PLEASE TICK ONE BOX PER ROW

	Frequently	Occasionally	Hardly ever	Never	Not stated
	%	%	%	%	%
A Play the national lottery	24	20	23	33	*
B Use bookmakers	*	7	19	73	1
C Use casinos in this country.....	0	1	6	91	2
D Gamble online	*	1	4	94	1
E Play on slot/fruit machines	*	8	23	67	1

Q4 Do you think a casino would benefit the community of Guildford? PLEASE TICK ONE BOX ONLY

	%
Yes.....	16
No	83
Not stated.....	1

Q5 Do you want a casino in Guildford? PLEASE TICK ONE BOX ONLY

	%
Yes.....	16
No	83
Not stated.....	1
