

## Meeting of the Responsible Gambling Strategy Board: 20 May 2015

**Venue:** Government Art Collection, Queens Yard, 179a Tottenham Court Road, London, W1T 7PA

**Time:** 10.15am - 2pm

**Attendees:** Kate Anthony (KA), Henrietta Bowden-Jones (HBJ), Chris Kelly (CK) (Chair), Richard Ives (RI), David Miers (DM), Simon Tanner (ST)

**In attendance:** [ ] Marc Etches (ME [ ]

**Apologies:** Russell Hoyle (RH), Chris Bell (CB)

Ref	Action:	Status	Minute number / Page
80	[ ]	Done	3.4, p.2
81	[ ] to re-assign KP2	In progress	3.5, p.3
82	HBJ to share letter to Tracy Crouch with Board Members	In progress	3.5, p.3
83	HBJ, ME and others to discuss the possibility of holding a clinical conference on problem gambling in 2016	In progress	3.5, p3
84	[ ] to update KP7 to reflect that KA has circulated the article which she wrote with Mark Griffiths	In progress	3.5, p3
85	DM to circulate information on penny auctions		
86	KA to report back on meeting Ciaran O'Connor about gaming and internet addiction.	In progress	3.5, p.3
87	[ ] to form a small group to develop a research protocol and covering paper.	In progress	4.1, p.3
88	All to consider the following points in relation to the Strategy before the away day: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What is it that we're trying to do?</li> <li>• What needs to happen?</li> <li>• What is our part? What do we need to do?</li> <li>• How do we know if we're getting there?</li> </ul>	Done	5.1, p.3
89	[ ] and CK to have a discussion with the new Board members about the Strategy, ahead of the away day.	Done	5.1, p.3
90	[ ] to contact members of the Advisory Group who have not responded to the strategy consultation, plus any others who might have an interest.	Done	5.1, p.3
91	[ ] to clarify with the Commission the remit of the Strategy.	In progress	5.1, p.3

92	HBJ to circulate information about a list of court offences linked to gambling.	In progress	6.1, p.4
93	[ ]	In progress	6.1, p.4
94	[ ] to circulate a note, when available, of the RGC Discovery conference.	In progress	9.1, p.4

### **1: Apologies and declarations of interest**

1.1. Apologies received from RH and CB.

### **2: Minutes and matters arising from meeting on 18 March 2015: RGSB 15 03 (01)**

2.2 The minutes of the meeting were approved.

2.3 Actions arising:

- **Action 67** – ST continuing to chase response from Professor Dame Sally Davies.
- **Action 70** – all can attend an away day on 21 July.
- **Action 73** – secretariat to clarify action required.
- **Action 75** – KA is in contact with Professor Jeffery Derevensky, action still in progress.
- **Action 79** – in progress.

### **3: Delivering the Strategy: RGSB 15 03 (02)**

3.1 The Commission is making the following appointments to the Strategy Board: Rachel Lampard, Heather Wardle, David Forrest, and Professor Sir Ian Gilmore.

3.2 The Board is to publish its advice on machines research next week.

3.3 **[Redacted – no consent to publish]** This is to understand what questions can be answered by the existing data set, and what needs a new approach. They are to meet again on 11 June 2015.

3.4 The debt information paper is almost complete. [ ] is awaiting a response from the Financial Conduct Authority about a number of issues relating to problem gambling and debt/credit.

**Action:** [ ]

3.5 Key priority (KP) updates:

- **KP 1** – ST has spoken to the author of the Royal Society for Public Health's report, 'Health on the high street'. ST thanked him for getting problem gambling onto the agenda and offered his contact details for future reference.
- **KP2** – [ ] to re-assign.
- **KP3** – HBJ confirmed that the Royal College of Psychiatrists wrote to Tracy Crouch on 19 May 2015. HBJ also suggested holding a clinical conference on problem gambling in 2016. [ ]

- **KP4** – ST has raised various items at the Treatment Panel. The Trust has committed resources to a user forum.
- **KP5** – All to consider this KP when reviewing the next iteration of the Strategy
- **KP6** – the Research Panel has been disbanded - research is now an item which is considered by the Board.
- **KP7**: KA has already circulated the article which she wrote with Mark Griffiths. KA to meet Ciaran O'Connor about gaming and internet addiction at a conference next month.
- **KP8**: RI referred to ongoing secretariat work on a debt information paper and debt seminar, and engagement with the FCA and local authorities.

KA to report back on meeting Ciaran O'Connor about gaming and internet addiction.

#### **4: Research protocol: RGSB 15 03 (03)**

4.1 Board agreed that a smaller group should take forward the development of a research protocol. The protocol should be published under cover of an accompanying paper.

**Action:** [ ] to form a small group to develop a research protocol and covering paper.

#### **5: Strategy consultation: RGSB 15 03 (04)**

5.1 CK envisages discussions at the Board's away day on the Strategy should incorporate:

- What is it we're trying to do?
- What needs to happen?
- What is our part? What do we need to do?
- How do we know if we're getting there?

**Action:** All to consider the above bullets before the away day.

**Action:** [ ] and CK to have a discussion with the new Board members about the Strategy, ahead of the away day.

**Action:** [ ] to contact members of the Advisory Group who have not responded to the strategy consultation, plus any others who might have an interest

**Action:** [ ] to clarify with the Commission the remit of the Strategy.

#### **6: Measuring harm: RGSB 15 03 (05)**

6.1 Board agreed that quantifying and costing harm, whether in separate domains or as an aggregate figure, is an important component of this work.

**Action:** HBJ to circulate information about a list of court offences linked to gambling.

**Action:** [ ]

#### **7: Presentation: Bingo Association**

7.1 Miles Barron (MB), Chief Executive of the Bingo Association, attended to give a presentation about the Association.

7.2 [Redacted – no consent to publish]

**8: Update from the Responsible Gambling Trust: RGSB 15 03 (06)**

8.1 [Redacted – no consent to publish]

**9: AOB**

9.1 [ ] provided a brief outline of the RGC Discovery conference that he attended last month.

**Action:** [ ] to circulate a note, when available, of the RGC Discovery conference.

**Next meeting: 21 July 2015 RGSB Away Day, 9.00am – 4.00pm, Thistle Euston, London, Cardington Street, London, NW1 2LP**