GBG The Gambling Business Group

Machines Sub-group meeting notes - 11.00am May 12th 2016. Held at Cherwell Valley Services.

In Attendance:

Peter Hannibal - GBG

Graham Glanfield - MOTO

Rob Bennett – Astra Games

Rob Wheeler – JCM

Brian Jamson – Roadchef

Steve Bierrum – Genesis Games

Paul Monkman – Talarius

Nigel Davis – Praesepe

Mark Gibson – Luxury Leisure

Jim Forster - JCM

Phil Boulton – Novomatic group

Chris Robinson - Innovative

Apologies received;

Ashleigh Lewis - MOTO

Mark Edmundson – GeWeTe

Peter Davies – Playnation

Bos Anderson - Bell Fruit

Jim Shipley – Mirage Leisure

Alan Rogers – Astra Games

Simon McCarthy - 24 Seven Gaming

Andrew Sackey - William Hill

Tez Field - William Hill

Tony Boulton – Project

Glynn Mellor - Blueprint Gaming

Wayne Ellard – SG Gaming

Jim O'Halleran – Inspired Gaming

- 1. PH thanked everyone for attending the meeting and apologised in advance that he would have to leave the meeting early and would hand over to the MSG Vice Chair Nigel Davis.
- 2. Previous Meeting notes outstanding points raised;
 - a. Point 2.a The Commission has published their response to the Keeping Crime out of Gambling consultation. PH drew everyone's attention to the summary of changes to LCCP on page 5 of the response doc - see below after the meeting notes;
 - b. No further update on the GC anti-money laundering risk assessment.
 - c. There are some positive noises regarding a review of stakes and prizes but no commitment from anywhere in government.
- 3. TiTO and Cashless Update on AML provisions. Rob Wheeler updated the meeting as follows;
 - a. Credit transfer LBOs experienced many false positive SARs when accommodating the credit transfer. PH has raised it with Stuart McPhee and the Commission are willing to look at amending the 'Circumstances of Use SI for machines.

- b. Steve Bierrum explained that Armatic have an algorithm in place that deals with the credit transfer and will see if it can be shared.
- c. Rob Wheeler informed the meeting that the Tech Forum has agreed in principle to a common platform for getting data to the engine. This transport layer inclusion is an important security upgrade and will impact system hosts as well as machines when implemented.
- d. The plan is to introduce both the AML provisions and the transport layer at the same time to minimise disruption.
- e. Questions were asked about progress with promotional ticketing for ccTalk RW to scope out the amount of work involved.

4. The Gambling Commission;

- a. Machines Features (Technical Standards Interpretations). PH explained to the meeting that in the light of more cases of 'whistle blowing' suspected non-compliant games to the GC, the Industry needs to have some form of self-regulation and mediation before the Commission are forced to prescribe in more detail what can and can't be done with games design. The GBG has been suggested as the most suitable neutral body to facilitate this and the relevant stakeholders are to be invited to a meeting to explore the concept further.
- b. Upcoming Manufactures Sector meeting. PH asked if anyone had issues to raise then the GBG is happy to table them if appropriate. The meeting is on June 21st at 1.00pm at Victoria Square House in Birmingham.
- c. Info Button. After dialogue with many games providers the consensus reached is for the 'Info' button to be somewhere along the bottom of the game screen. The guideline doc has been circulated with no further feedback. The meeting agreed that it would be tabled at the sector meeting.
- d. Communications with Industry. PH appraised the meeting of the review that is being undertaken since the appointment of Sarah Harrison. We should expect some change as a result and it is hoped for the better.

5. Machine Security and Fraud updates;

a. ND reminded the meeting of the importance of sending fraud/security issues to him by email if they warrant wider circulation. Don't assume someone else has done it!

- Discussed the issue regarding use of the Hungarian florint but not much can be done to programme it out.
- c. Jim Foster explained the issue JCM had with their Vega Recycler with BetCom and G2 machines now resolved.
- 6. AOB
 - a. Date of next meeting is August 17th.

Summary of changes to LCCP following the consultation

Below is a summary of the changes to LCCP following this consultation, although we recommend that you refer to the provisions set out in this document. The changes will come into effect in autumn 2016.

Assessment of AML risk

AML regulations & remote casino licensees

Reporting criminal investigations

Cash handling

Misuse of inside information

New licence condition requiring all licensees to conduct an appropriate assessment of AML risks to their business, take account of this assessment to develop appropriate policies, procedures and controls, and implement them effectively. The AML assessment must be updated in the light of changes and reviewed at least annually.

New licence condition for remote casino licensees with gambling equipment located outside GB requiring them to comply with AML regulations (replacing the individual licence condition written into the licence of each relevant operator).

New key event requiring licensees to report their involvement in criminal investigations where we could reasonably be expected to question that they had taken sufficient steps to keep crime out of gambling.

Amendment/ clarification to existing licence condition requiring licensees (including remote) to have and put into effect appropriate cash handling policies.

One new ordinary code and one addition to an existing ordinary code stating that all betting licensees should have employee policies to prevent the misuse of inside information