

Machines Sub-group meeting notes - 11.00am, Thursday June 27th, 2019. Held at Gamestec Offices, Sandiacre, Nottingham. NG10 5QG

- 1. Welcome & introductions. Peter welcomed everyone to the meeting, especially the new faces in Dragoljub and Evgeny from JCM Global along with Howard Gant from Two Cherries. Two Cherries are new members as is Game Nation a new AGC Operator headed up by Adam Hodges. The GBG welcomes these new members into the fold too. The meeting also thanked Phil Boulton and Gamestec for hosting the Machines Sub-Group again.
- **2. Previous meeting notes**/matters brought forwards;
 - a. Point 2.b. The funding of a GBG Protocol Quality Assurance regime is still under review and carried forwards.
 - b. Point 2.c. Similarly, the discussion around the non-use of 7005 merchant code is also carried forwards.
 - c. All other outstanding matters are on the agenda for today's meeting.

3. Machines Security;

- a. There is a current spate of dyed notes not getting picked up by the validators. Members explained why this was the case and will be until the polymer £20 notes are introduced.
- b. Some of the old Electrocoin rodding scam is appearing again.
- c. Otherwise reports were minor.
- 4. Machines Security Data Sharing; Peter took the meeting through the attached slide deck which was adapted from the work being done with MSAs and Amos Davis at Gamestec. The suggestion of setting up a working group was agreed and should include any stakeholder wishing to contribute with one eye on trying to include all machine sectors. Members to look out for separate email inviting volunteers. Action Peter H.
- **5. Gambling Commission**; Machines Gamble Features. The meeting discussed the current thinking following receipt of the draft guidelines from Nigel Owen. Because the document is so ambiguous, it does not move us forwards. Added to this, members do not understand what it is that the GC are trying to fix now that the issues have been dealt with as

confirmed in the accompanying email. It was agreed that PH should go and meet with Nigel Owen to establish whether this needs to be followed through and if so, why? Then suggest that there are better ways of achieving a desired outcome, but only through effective collaboration. Action Peter H.

- **6.** Cat B alternative roadmap (to Mandatory Tracked Play). This was discussed in some detail, with the unanimous consensus being that all industry parties need to work together and chase the same solution. This is the best possible way to achieve the optimum outcome for all.
 - a. Limit setting on spend and time must take a uniform approach and standard.

 Different products and venues with different settings is confusing for the player and will not be regarded as responsible.
 - b. The BA has apparently approached the Gambling Commission independently to offer up timelines in the implementation of limit setting. This is due to the larger operators taking their own initiative with their later technology.
 - c. Tony Boulton is heading up bacta's technical committee where their plans are being developed. Action; PH to ick up with TB with a view to achieving an aligned approach.

7. GBG Protocols Update;

- a. No adverse feedback received with regards to the latest standards however it is not clear who is currently working on them. The new split registration process does add greater security however it also requires additional development effort from the game and system manufacturers.
- b. Having said that we are aware that Playsafe are working on supporting the GBG Data Capture standard along with Inspired, and Playsafe have raised several corner items that are secondary to the primary functions within the existing protocol, Advised them to introduce them once we have people supporting the initial version as working on trying to reduce the number and frequency of new versions to avoid confusion between the games and system suppliers.
- c. Meeting between Rob Wheeler, Stephen McFarland, Richard Mallows and Mark Gibson at SG's offices last week to discuss the recommended minimum standard for Data Networks. This was a positive meeting, the outcome of which is to further define the tech standard and create a summary discussion document for the next MSG meeting. This will include an executive overview and in particular, highlight relevant examples of the current weaknesses in networks being used in the field, along with the potential impact and cost to the end Operator.

- d. Nigel D reported that Promotional Ticketing is out there and working on a limited field test.
- **8.** Any other business; Date of next meeting Thursday 19th September 2019. 11.00am

Attendees;

Name	Company
Bos Anderson	Bell Fruit Games
Mike Douglas	Buzz Bingo
Ant Moore	Blueprint Gaming
Steve Brownlow	Reflex Gaming
Peter Hannibal	GBG
Mark Edmundson	GeWeTe
Phil Boulton	Novomatic UK
Graham Roberts	Inseinc
Joanne Craig	Blueprint Gaming
Evgeny Shulyak	JCM Global
Wayne Forster	Moto
Andy Bullock	ITL
Nigel Davis	Praesepe
Mark Gibson	Luxury Leisure
Aristidis Tsikouras	GeWeTe
Lee Morton	SG Gaming
Brian Jamson	Roadchef
Dragoljub Grekulovik	JCM Global
Adrian Schoffield	Novomatic UK
Alan Humble	СРІ
Evgeny Shulyak	JCM Global
Dave Newman	Welcome Break
Howard Gant	Two Cherries