



**GBG Zoom Meeting held on  
Friday 28<sup>th</sup> August 2020 at 12.00 pm**

In attendance

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| Peter Hannibal (GBG)              | Amanda Kiernan (Praesepe)     |
| Amanda Fry (GBG)                  | Tony Boulton (Project Coin)   |
| Joanne Craig (Blueprint Machines) | Rob Wheeler (Rimini)          |
| Stuart Green (Game Nation)        | Brian Jamson (Roadchef)       |
| Mark Edmundson (GeWeTe)           | Tracy Baitup (Roadchef)       |
| Graham Roberts (Inseinc)          | Lee Morton (Scientific Games) |
| Paul Monkman (Luxury Leisure)     | Byron Evans                   |
| Wayne Forster (Moto)              | David Lucas                   |
| Paul Comer (Moto)                 | Steve Brownlow                |
| Nigel Kelly (Novomatic)           | Graham Glanfield              |
| Elizabeth Speed (Novomatic)       |                               |

		<u>ACTIONS</u>
1	<p><b><u>Introduction and Apologies</u></b></p> <p>PH welcomed everyone to the update meeting. Apologies were noted.</p>	
2.	<p><b><u>Matters brought forward from the last meeting</u></b></p> <p>PH advised that there are only a couple of matters to carry forward which are already on this agenda so will be discussed later on</p> <p>PH advised that we had the first MSG meeting since before lockdown last week</p>	
3.	<p><b><u>New Issues</u></b></p> <p>No were no new issues from members since the last meeting.</p>	
4.	<p><b><u>General Updates</u></b></p> <p><u>NEXSTART</u></p> <p>PH advised that there was no NEXSTART Meeting this week due to so many people being on holiday.</p> <p>DL advised that one of the issues still prevalent is that there are some councils that are refusing to deal with applications so IOL have published a response saying that legally they have to deal with applications. DL asked members that if they do come across any authorities that are reluctant or refusing to deal with applications to let us know as we are trying to put together a list of those offending authorities.</p>	

	<p>DL advised that Sarah Clover is getting two applications for review a day at the moment as there is a lot of enforcement action activity around licensing for alcohol premises. We are not seeing that for gambling premises although we are aware that inspections are taking place.</p> <p>PH asked if any members encounter any overly aggressive local authorities when it comes to enforcing Covid regulations to let us know as it seems to be happening with the alcohol operators.</p> <p>DL advised that we may be benefitting in the gambling sector as LAs have to devote their resources more to alcohol and event premises. New powers have come in today in England, Wales &amp; Scotland to deal with unlicensed music events (raves) with tougher financial penalties of gatherings more than 30 people.</p> <p><u>Members</u></p> <p>GR advised that holiday parks with bingo and bowling centres all started off positively with learnings from previous openings and general trading seems to have started off well which is encouraging.</p> <p>PH advised the bingo had recovered about 60% before the weather changed and recovery has slowed down since then.</p>	
5.	<p><b><u>Ongoing Matters</u></b></p> <p><u>Games Design Consultation</u></p> <p>PH has produced a second draft of the response which he will circulate to members this afternoon. PH has reached out to a couple of members about their draft responses particularly about the removal of autoplay. This is an online slot games consultation but we are all concerned that it will spill over into offline in due course. One of the proposals is to do away with autoplay and there are quite a few people in the Games Design world that think this is a negative player step.</p> <p>PH asked if anyone was making a submission – GR advised that they are making a submission and will send a copy to PH.</p> <p>PH advised that there is an opportunity to trial these changes before they are imposed as mandatory and there is no mention about trialling in the consultation.</p> <p><u>National Lottery Licence</u></p> <p>PH advised that he sent out a note following his attendance at the Westminster Forum Webinar and there are some interesting insights into issues they are encountering with the new licence. PH asked members if GBG should continue to flag these conflicts of interest with the Gambling Commission. No other trade associations have flagged these issues. ES asked how we are going to raise this. PH advised that he will put something in the trade press flagging some of these conflicts and will continue the campaign as long as members agree.</p>	<p>PH</p> <p>GR</p> <p>PH</p>

	<p>JC suggested PH has a look at the spend power with lottery tickets and bear in mind the article in Coinslot is saying about this £100 limit that they want to invoke.</p> <p><u>Affordability Tests</u></p> <p>PH advised that a consultation was expected mid August but there is a rumour that DCMS may have asked the Gambling Commission to postpone until the GC have more evidence.</p> <p>PH advised that earlier this year the GC consulted on information requirements within LCCP. PH will read the document and will send a summary round to members.</p>	PH
6.	<p><b><u>Any other Business</u></b></p> <p>PH advised that GBG have now joined the IOL and will start sharing information that they put out.</p> <p>DL advised that as a member of the IOL Board he welcomed GBG as members. The IOL is primarily made up of Local Authority Licensing officers so to have that contact and involvement with them is makes perfect sense. There are regular licensing flashes that are sent out to all members with regular updates. There is an opportunity for PH to do an article in the 'Link Magazine' publication which is about current issues and local issues. There is also the IOL Conference which is an opportunity to meet face to face which won't happen this year but there will be online Zoom meetings and GBG can get involved in that</p>	PH
7.	<p><b><u>Date of next meeting</u></b></p> <p>It was agreed that we will hold meetings every other week so the next meeting will be on <b><u>Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2020 at 12.00 pm.</u></b> AF will send out a Zoom invite</p>	AF