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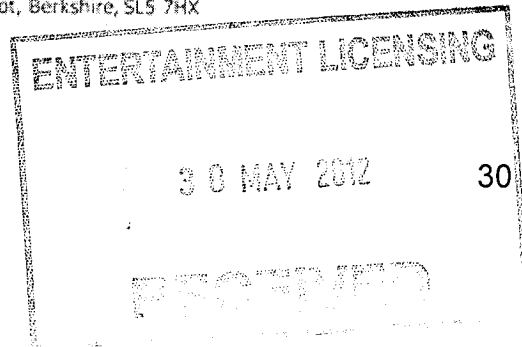
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30 May 2012

Dear Sir/Madam,

**Gambling Act 2005 – Statement of Licensing Policy**

I am writing on behalf of the Racecourse Association, the trade association for horse racecourses in Great Britain. We have reviewed the Gambling Act 2005 Statement of Licensing Policy for Leeds City Council, to which we would like the opportunity to respond on behalf of our members.

**Location (Part C, Paragraph 13.9)** - The proposed location of gambling premises may be taken into account when assessing the application. The Council is asked to consider that the location of racecourses will not have altered since its foundation, and cannot be transferred to another location

**Conditions (Part C, Paragraph 13.13 and 19.9)** – In certain circumstances the Council may impose additional conditions on racecourses to ensure the licensing objectives are met. The Council is asked to ensure that these conditions do not exceed those premises licence conditions outlined in the Premises Licence Mandatory and Default Conditions.

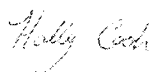
**Door Supervisors (Part C, Paragraph 13.19)** – The Council is asked to be aware that under the Licensing Act 2003 and the Private Security Industry Act 2001, racecourses are already required to provide licensed door supervisors in some roles. In line with the Government's Better Regulation Agenda, and the stipulation by the Council in Paragraph 13.11 that they will seek to avoid duplication with other regulatory regimes, the Council should not impose any further provisions relating to door supervisors.

**Separate Licences for Certain Facilities (Part C, Paragraph 19.3)** – The RCA is supportive of the Council's view that arrangements regarding separate premises licences for off-course operators will be at the discretion of the racecourse and the betting operator.

**Betting Machines (Part C, Paragraph 19.8)** – As racecourses will not hold Operating Licences, they will also not be responsible for the provision of Betting Machines on these premises. These will be provided by third party operators, who will be required to act in accordance with the conditions of their Operating Licence, as issued by the Gambling Commission.

Should you wish to discuss the comments raised any further, please contact me on 01344 873536 or [holly.cook@racecourseassociation.co.uk](mailto:holly.cook@racecourseassociation.co.uk)

Kind Regards,



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