

E-BULLETIN - EXTRA

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Welcome to our e-bulletin *extra* edition. You have registered on our website to receive news and updates from us.

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1. Remote regulatory returns consultation extended

Following discussions with the industry the Gambling Commission has extended the deadline for responding to the regulatory returns consultation for remote operators.

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2. Have your say on other proposed changes

We are still seeking responses on a number of changes in our approach to regulation.

The deadline for responses to the machine strategy testing consultation is 28 November and the deadline for consultations on proposed amendments to licence conditions and codes of practice for all operators, and proposed changes to requirements placed on operators to protect customer funds is 4 December.

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3. Loan sharks ordered to pay back more than £300,000 in illegal bookmaking case

A father and son, who were convicted of operating as loan sharks and possessing criminal property from the proceeds of acting as an unlicensed bookmaker, have been ordered to pay back all of their available assets to the courts, following a financial investigation by the England Illegal Money Lending Team, working in partnership with Lancashire Trading Standards.

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4. Gambling advice and guidance for local councils

Meeting local authorities to discuss issues around social responsibility and gambling were the key aims of the Gambling Commission's Local Authority Liaison Unit this week, when it attended the Institute of Licensing Officers conference in Birmingham.

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5. Latest LA bulletin is available to download

The November 2013 edition of our licensing authority bulletin provides up to date information and guidance on gambling licensing issues for local authorities.

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6. New skill with prize machines quick guide for Licensing Authorities

We have published a new quick guide for licensing authorities, to assist licensing officers when considering if a machine is a skill with prize machine.

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7. Other news

- **Responsible Gambling Trust Harm Minimisation conference – Wednesday 11 December 2013**

The Responsible Gambling Trust will host a one-day 'harm minimisation' conference at the King's Fund in London on Wednesday 11 December 2013. The aim of the conference will be to review and discuss existing understanding of harm minimisation in gambling in Great Britain and internationally, and explore future directions for research and policy.

The event will be chaired by Liz Barclay, RGT's senior independent trustee and is intended for all those in the industry with an interest in player protection and encouraging responsible gambling.

Please email Marc Etches on marc@responsiblegamblingtrust.org.uk to register your interest in attending.

- **Gambling (Licensing and Advertising) Bill [continues to progress through Parliament](#)**

[Written evidence submitted by the Gambling Commission](#)

[Public Bill Committee debate – Tuesday 19 November \(morning\)](#)

[Public Bill Committee debate – Tuesday 19 November \(afternoon\)](#)

- **Triennial review proposals continue to progress through Parliament**

[Debate in House of Lords Committee](#)

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