

## **Decision Notice**

Date	Tuesday, 21 December 2021 – 10:00am
Applicant	BoyleSports UK Limited
Reason for Hearing	The Licensing Authority had received an application under the Gambling Act 2005 for a Betting Premises License at 83a Clifton Street, Lytham.
	There had been representation from an interested party" and as such the panel had to determine the application.
Parties in attendance	Panel:
	Councillor Angela Jacques - Convenor,
	Councillor Gavin Harrison,
	Councillor Alan Clayton.
	Applicant:
	Patrick Whur – Woods Whur Solictors - representing the applicant
	Lee Otter - Director of UK Property Development on behalf of BoyleSports UK Limited
	Other Persons:
	No "other persons" were present or addressed the panel.

The Licensing Authority had received an application from BoyleSports UK Limited, under the Gambling Act 2005, for a Betting Premises License at 83a Clifton Street, Lytham.

The application had been referred to the panel because a written representation had been received from an interested party as defined by the Act, objecting to the application. The persons making the representations were not present at the hearing. No representations had been made by any of the responsible authorities.

The applicant was represented by Paddy Whur of Woods Whur Solicitors. Lee Otter from the applicant company was also in attendance and addressed the panel.

In considering the application, the panel had to consider whether granting the licence would promote the licensing objectives which were:

• Preventing gambling from being a source of crime or disorder, being associated with crime or disorder or being used to support crime

- Ensuring that gambling is conducted in a fair and open way
- Protecting children and other vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling

The panel acknowledged and took into consideration all of the written material contained in the agenda papers together with the verbal submissions offered by the applicant. The Panel also had regard to the Council's Statement of Gambling Policy and the Gambling Commission's guidance.

The concerns of the interested party engaged the "protecting children and other vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling" objective.

The applicant's representative provided copies of the policies and procedures, from BoyleSports, on "Protection of children & other vulnerable persons"; "Compliance Training Manual"; "Drug and Alcohol Policy" and other related policies by way of showing that the company were fully committed in promoting the objectives. The agenda papers also contained a detailed risk assessment from the company that focused on any localised issues within the vicinity of the premises showing that consideration of the local surroundings had been identified and taken into account.

Mr Whur and Mr Otter confirmed to the panel that a dedicated training procedure was in place with staff receiving refresher training at least annually and procedures that were in place to prevent underaged persons from entering the premises.

The panel were mindful of the statutory requirement that the authority was to exercise its functions in order to permit gambling, insofar as it was reasonably consistent with the gambling objectives. The panel was satisfied that the submissions that it had heard and the material that had been provided to it demonstrated that the premises would be operated consistently with the objectives.

The panel's decision is as follows:

To grant the application for a betting premises licence for BoyleSports UK Limited, 83a Clifton Street, Lytham as applied for.

That is our decision and we thank you for your assistance.