Grŵp Trawsbleidiol ar Gamblo Problemus
Cross-party Group on Problem Gambling

Minutes of the online joint meeting of the Senedd and Westminster Cross-Party Groups on Gambling Related Harm /*Cofnodion o gyfarfod arlein ar y cyd rhwng Grwpiau Trawsbleidiol, Y Senedd a San Steffan ar Gamblo Problemus,*

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(12.30 – 13.30)

1. **1: Mick Antoniw AM, Chair CPG, welcomed everyone to this historic joint meeting & thanked everyone for attending online via TEAMS; introductions were made / *Croesawodd y cadeirydd, Mick Antoniw AS, bawb i'r cyfarfod hanesyddol hwn ar y cyd, a diolchodd i bawb am ymuno ar TEAMS; gwnaethpwyd cyflwyniadau.***

2. **Present were / *Yn bresennol 'roedd:* Mick Antoniw MS/AS & Chair/Cadeirydd; Darren Millar MS/AS; Jenny Rathbone MS/AS; Sir Iain Duncan Smith MP/AS; Gerald Jones MP/AS; Jayne Howard; Stephanie Barnhouse; Andrew Bettridge; Bev John; Darren Bliss; Dee Lally-Osborne; Diana Yorath; Gareth Roderique-Davies; Katie Fry; Oliver John; Graham England; Robbie Thornhill; Shannan Jones; Helen Parfitt; Ryland Doyle; Wynford Ellis Owen.**

3. **Apologies were received from / *Derbyniwyd ymddiheuriadau gan:* Delyth Jewell MS/AS; Mike Hedges MS/AS; Dai Lloyd MS/AS; Dawn Boden MS/AS; Carolyn Harris MP/AS; Urtha Felda, Gamcare.**

4. **It was agreed that minutes of the meeting held on 10th December 2019 would be ratified at a later date / *Cytunwyd y byddai cofnodion y cyfarfod diwethaf a gynhaliwyd ar 10fed Rhagfyr 2019 yn cael eu cadarnhau yn ddiweddarach.***

5. **Mick Antoniw MS/AS addressed the first item on the agenda which was a discussion about the recent case concerning Chris Bruney, 25, who killed himself after an online casino owned by Playtech plied him with £400 in bonuses. Issues re the fine imposed and how it is used were discussed briefly – the comprehensive report published that day by the All Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) on Gambling Related Harm would, hopefully, if implemented, go a long way towards preventing such tragedies happening in future. / *Trafododd Mick Antoniw MS/AS yr eitem cyntaf ar yr agenda am yr achos diweddar yn ymwneud â Chris Bruney, 25, gyflawnodd hunanladdiad wedi i gasino ar-lein oedd yn eiddo i Playtech ei gymell gyda bonysau o £400. Trafododd faterion yn ymwneud â'r ddirwy a osodwyd a sut y mae'n cael ei ddefnyddio – bydd yr adroddiad cynhwysfawr gyhoeddwyd y diwrnod hwnnw gan GTB y DU ar y Niwed sy'n Deillio o Gamblo, gobeithio, os caiff ei weithredu, yn cyfrannu at rwystro trasiedïau fel hyn rhag digwydd yn y dyfodol.***

6. **Mick Antoniw MS/AS introduced Sir Iain Duncan Smith MP and Gerald Jones MP – both members of the APPG – to discuss their report into online gambling harm which was published that day (16th June) / *Cyflwynodd Mick Antoniw MS/AS Syr Iain Duncan Smith AS a Gerald Jones AS – y ddau'n aelodau o GTB Llywodraeth y DU – i drafod eu hadroddiad gyhoeddwyd y diwrnod hwnnw (16eg Mehefin) i niwed sy'n deillio drwy gamblo arlein.***

7. **Sir Iain Duncan Smith MP and Gerald Jones MP explained how an influential collective of MPs and Peers who were instrumental in the successful campaign to restrict FOBTs, today published recommendations for reforms to online gambling. The APPG called for:**

- **An urgent review of stakes, deposit and prize limits online as well as a complete review and classification of online products /** ***Adolygiad brys o'r hyn a gynigir ar-lein gan gynnwys yr arian sy'n cael ei fetio, sydd ar gadw, a therfynau gwobrau, yn ogystal ag adolygiad a dosbarthiad cyflawn o gynhyrchion ar-lein.***

- **The stake for online slots content should be no higher than £2 given the potential to cause harm /** ***Cyfyngu'r arian betio ar beiriannau betio ar-lein i £2 oherwydd eu potensial i achosi niwed.***

- **VIP schemes and inducements should be banned. They offer very high stakes gambling and have led to significant harm. (In IDS's opinion VIP Rooms is the most invidious of all harms.) /** ***Cymhellion a chynlluniau VIP i gael eu gwahardd. I'r rhai sy'n chwarae am arian mawr meant wedi arwain at niwed sylweddol.(Ym marn IDS 'Stafelloedd VIP sy'n achosi'r niwed gwaethaf.)***

- **A ban on all gambling advertising /** ***Gwaharddiad ar bob hysbysebu gamblo.***

- **A complete overhaul of gambling regulation in the UK. The Gambling Commission is not fit for purpose /** ***Ailwampio llwyr o reoleiddio gamblo yn y DU. Nid yw'r Comisiwn Gamblo yn addas at y diben.***

- **A Gambling Ombudsman for consumer redress must be set up /** ***Rhaid sefydlu Ombwdsman Gamblo ar gyfer gwneud iawn i ddefnyddwyr.***

- **A 'smart' levy should be paid by gambling operators to fund independent research, education, prevention and treatment /** ***Dylid codi ardoll 'smart' ar y Cwmnïau Gamblo i ariannu ymchwil annibynnol, addysg, atal niwed a thriniaeth.***

- **A new Gambling Act is urgently required. While some immediate changes can be made through secondary legislation and the Government should consider what changes can be made in the short-term, an overhaul of the 2005 Gambling Act is required – fit for our digital age /** ***Mae angen brys am Ddeddf Gamblo newydd. Tra gellir gwneud newidiadau ar frys drwy ddeddfwriaeth eilaidd, a dylai'r Llywodraeth ystyried pa newidiadau ddylid eu gwneud yn y tymor byr, mae angen ailwampio Deddf Gamblo 2005 – yn addas ar gyfer ein hoes ddigidol.***

8. **Carolyn Harris MP, Chair of the APPG intended contributing to the debate, but because of last minute parliamentary duties she failed to attend. She apologized for her absence. Carolyn was unable, therefore, to provide an update on the charity The Big Step, which is supported by the APPG, who are hoping to launch their Football Charter next week which is calling for an end to gambling sponsorship of football clubs /** ***'Roedd Carolyn Harris AS, Cadeirydd GTB y DU, wedi bwriadu ymuno yn y drafodaeth, ond oherwydd galwadau seneddol munud olaf, methodd wneud hynny. Ymddiheurodd am ei habsenoldeb. O'r herwydd, yn anffodus, roedd Carolyn yn methu rhoi inni'r diweddaraf ar yr elusen 'The Big***

Step' sy'n cael ei gefnogi gan y GTB, ac sy'n gobeithio lansio Siarter Pêl-droed yr wythnos nesaf sy'n galw am ddod â noddi clybiau pêl-droed gan gwmnïau gamblo i ben.

9. **An interesting discussion then ensued: Darren Millar MS congratulated the APPG on their comprehensive report and recommendations which "chimed with what we've been calling for in Wales." He, Jenny Rathbone MS, and other CPG supporters made a number of very helpful suggestions and recommendations which have been listed below as the proposed strategy suggestions for the CPG going forward:**

- **Agree cooperation agenda with APPG (and potentially Scotland) /** ***Cytuno ar agenda cydweithredu â GTB San Steffan (a'r Alban hefyd o bosib).***
- **Produce Welsh report on what Wales needs to see in a UK Gambling Act, including what powers need to be devolved /** ***Cynhyrchu adroddiad Cymraeg ar beth mae Cymru angen ei weld mewn Deddf Gamblo newydd, gan gynnwys pa bwerau sydd angen cael eu datganoli.***
- **Focus in Wales on planning system, education, extending addiction services, fair share of funding /** ***Canolbwyntio yng Nghymru ar system gynllunio, addysg, ymestyn gwasanaethau dibyniaeth, cyfran deg o'r cyllid.***
- **Lobby for gambling measures in party manifestos /** ***Lobïo am fesurau gamblo mewn manifestos plaid.***
- **Establish what options we have for a 'polluters pay' approach in Wales /** ***Sefydlu pa opsiynau sydd gennym ar gyfer dull 'talu llygrwyr' yng Nghymru.***
- **Loans and overdrafts used for gambling – write to banks in Wales /** ***Benthyciadau a gorddrafftiadau a ddefnyddir ar gyfer gamblo – ysgrifennu at fanciau yng Nghymru.***

10. **Jenny Rathbone MS suggested that the agenda for the next CPG should include a report on the work being carried out by the University of South Wales into young adults as a vulnerable group, which she and Jane Hutt MS have funded, and an update on the development of a more sensitive and timely screening tool which the University is working on /** ***Awgrymodd Jenny Rathbone AS bod agenda cyfarfod nesaf y GTB yn cynnwys adroddiad ar y gwaith sy'n cael ei wneud gan Brifysgol De Cymru ar bobl ifanc fel grŵp bregus, gwaith sy'n cael ei noddi ganddi hi a Jane Hutt AS; a hefyd y diweddaraf ar y datblygiad o offer sgrinio mwy cywir ac amserol y mae'r Brifysgol yn gweithio arno.***

11. **Discussion around working together across the UK - and how regular meetings can best be arranged /** ***Trafodaeth ynglŷn â chydweithio ar draws y DU - a sut orau i drefnu cyfarfodydd rheolaidd.***

    It was also agreed that there would be three joint meetings of The Senedd CPG and Westminster APPG (and potentially Scotland) every year – one per parliamentary session. And that The Senedd CPG would meet independently 3 times yearly as well – again once every session / ***Cytunwyd y dylid cael tri chyfarfod ar y cyd o GTB y Senedd a GTB y DU (ac o bosib yr Alban) bob blwyddyn – un bob sesiwn seneddol. Ac y byddai GTB y Senedd yn cyfarfod yn annibynnol dair gwaith y flwyddyn hefyd – eto, un waith bob sesiwn.***

12. **There was no other business and Mick Antoniw MS thanked Sir Iain Duncan Smith MP and Gerald Jones MP for talking through APPG report; he also thanked all those who attended and participated in this first joint Cross Party Group meeting /** ***Nid oedd unrhyw fater arall, a diolchodd Mick Antoniw AS, i Syr Iain Duncan Smith AS a Gerald Jones AS am ein harwain drwy adroddiad GTB y DU; diolchodd hefyd i bawb arall am eu presenoldeb ac am gyfrannu i'r cyfarfod cyntaf hwn ar y cyd o'r GTB.***

13. **The date of the next CPG meeting will be announced shortly/** ***Bydd dyddiad cyfarfod nesaf y GTB yn cael ei gyhoeddi'n fuan.***