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

Minutes of the Cross-Party Group on Problem Gambling / *Cofnodion cyfarfod y Grŵp Trawsbleidiol ar Gamblo Problemus*

JULY 3 *GORFFENNAF* 2019

DINING ROOM 2, Tŷ Hywel / *Stafell Fwyta 2, Tŷ Hywel*

12.00 - 13.30

1. **Mick Antoniw AM, Chair CPG, welcomed everyone to the meeting & introductions were made / *Croesawyd pawb i'r cyfarfod gan Mick Antoniw AC, Cadeirydd y GT, a gwnaethpwyd cyflwyniadau***

2. **Present were / Yn bresennol 'roedd: Prof Carwyn Jones (Cardiff Met University), Andy Taylor and Craig Jones (ASA), Profs Gareth Roderique-Davies & Bev John (University of South Wales), Mick Antoniw AM (Chair CPG), Prof Robert Rogers (Bangor University), Darren Millar AM, Becs Parker (Office of John Griffiths AM), Jenny Rathbone AM, Nick Wall (Office of Mick Antoniw AM) and Wynford Ellis Owen (Secretary to the CPG).**

3. **The Chair refered to the recent launch of the Gambling Commission's National Strategy to Reduce Gambling Harms held at St David's Hotel, Cardiff, where he delivered a "forthright take" on their lack of effectiveness in Wales. /** Cyfeiriodd y Cadeirydd at Strategaeth Genedlaethol y Comisiwn Gamblo i Leihau Niwed Gamblo a lansiwyd yng ngwesty St David's, Caerdydd, yn ddiweddar lle y cyflwynodd ei "farn yn glir" are ddiffyg effeithiolrwydd y Comisiwn yng Nghymru

4. **The Chair invited Wynford Ellis Owen, organiser of the 2019 Youth Forum on Gambling in Wales held at the Pierhead on 27th July, to give a brief report / Gwahoddwyd Wynford Ellis Owen trefnydd Fforwm 2019 Ieuenctic Cymru ar Gamblo a gynhaliwyd yn y Pierhead ar y 27ain o Orffennaf, i roi adroddiad byr.**

5. **WYNFORD REPORTED**: The **2019 Wales Youth Forum on Gambling** brought together global experts on youth gambling, people who have experienced problems with gambling addiction, and professional athletes, in an interactive forum aimed at increasing young people's knowledge about the risks posed by gambling. The event brought together young people from schools across Cardiff and Newport to discuss harmful gambling head-on at the first youth forum of its kind in the UK. Gambling does not just affect the individual; it can impact on their family, friends and wider society. That's why this event was so important, raising awareness amongst young people. Tackling the issue head on from an early age is a better approach than attempting to cure a problem later in life. If we listen to young people and give them a forum to talk they and us adults can learn a great deal. The forum broke new ground in looking at gambling policy with particular effect on its impact on young people in Wales and was a huge success. We hope to build on this success and replicate the forum's methodology in other parts of Wales. Here is a link to a video record of the event: https://vimeo.com/345722377 You can access more information about the Beat the Odds

initiative itself by accessing out website: www.beattheodds.wales Attached, please also find a graphic artists impression of the event and the relevant points raised.

6. **ADRODDODD WYNFORD: Daeth Fforwm Ieuenctid Cymru ar Gamblo 2019 ag arbenigwyr byd-eang ar gamblo ieuenctid, unigolion sydd wedi profi problemau caethiwed gamblo, ac athletwyr proffesiynol at ei gilydd mewn fforwm rhyngweithiol gyda'r nod o gynyddu gwybodaeth pobl ifainc o beryglon gamblo. Daeth y digwyddiad â phobl ifanc ynghyd o ysgolion ar draws Caerdydd a Chasnewydd i drafod gamblo niweidiol yn y fforwm cyntaf o'i fath yn y DU. Dyw gamblo ddim ond yn effeithio'r unigolyn; gall effeithio'r teulu, ffrindiau a'r gymdeithas yn ehangach. Dyna pam bod y digwyddiad yma mor bwysig, codi ymwybyddiaeth ymhlith pobl ifanc. Mae delio gyda'r broblem ar ei ben o oedran ifanc yn well na cheisio datrys problem yn hwyrach mewn bywyd. Os gwrandawn ni ar bobl ifanc a rhoi fforwm iddynt drafod gallant hwy a ninnau fel oedolion ddysgu llawer. Torrodd y fforwm dir newydd wrth edrych ar bolisïau gamblo mewn perthynas â phobl ifanc ac roedd yn llwyddiant mawr. Gobeithiwn adeiladu ar y llwyddiant hwn ac ymestyn ei gyrhaeddiad i rannau eraill o Gymru yn y man. Dyma ddolen i gofnod fideo o'r digwyddiad: https://vimeo.com/345722377 Gallwch ganfod mwy o wybodaeth am fenter Curo'r Bwci ar ein gwefan: www.beattheodds.wales. Wedi'u hatodi gweler hefyd argraffiadau artist graffeg o'r digwyddiad ac o'r pwyntiau perthnasol a godwyd.**

7. **Minutes of the meeting held on 12th February 2019 were accepted as being correct and were signed by the Chair / *Derbyniwyd bod cofnodion y cyfarfod diwethaf a gynhaliwyd ar 12fed Chwefror 2019 yn gywir ac fe'u harwyddwyd gan y cadeirydd.***

8. **Only one matter arose from the minutes / *Dm ond un mater oedd yn codi o'r cofnodion***

    - **The secretary reported that he had contacted the three main football teams in Wales, Cardiff, Newport and Swansea, to invite them to make a presentation to the Cross Party Group explaining their policies and attitude towards gambling in the context of sport. Although they acknowledged receipt of the communication they have not to date responded to the invitation. It was decided that the Chair of the CPG write to the football clubs.**

    - **Adroddodd yr ysgrifennydd iddo gysylltu â phrif dimoedd pêl-droed Cymru, Caerdydd, Casnewydd ac Abertawe, i'w gwahodd i wneud cyflwyniad i'r Grŵp Trawsbleidiol yn egluro eu polisïau a'u hagwedd tuag at gamblo yng nghyd-destun chwaraeon. Er iddynt gydnabod derbyn yr ohebiaeth ni ymatebodd un o'r timoedd i'r gwahoddiad hd yn hyn. Cytunwyd y dylai'r Cadeirydd y GT ysgrifennu at y clybiau pêl-droed.**

9. **The chair then introduced the four speakers and thanked them for their attendance / Croesawodd y Cadeirydd y pedwar siaradwr gan ddiolch iddynt am eu presenoldeb.**

10. **Professor Robert Rogers from Bangor University.** The University of Bangor's latest gambling harms report has recently been published. Prof Rogers outlined the extent and nature of gambling in Wales, identified the population groups that are likely to be vulnerable to gambling harms, provided an overview of current evidence on the effectiveness of

interventions to prevent gambling harms and concluded with policy options to support effective action in Wales. A PowerPoint of Professor Roger's presentation is attached /

Yr Athro Robert Rogers o Brifysgol Bangor*. Mae adroddiad diweddaraf Prifysgol Bangor ar y niwed sy'n deillio oherwydd gamblo newydd ei gyhoeddi. Nododd yr Athro Rogers maint y niwed oherwydd gamblo yng Nghymru a'r grwpiau sy'n debygol o fod yn agored i niwed; cyflwynodd arolwg o'r dystiolaeth ddiweddaraf ar effeithiolrwydd ymyriaethau i rwystro niwed oherwydd gamblo a diweddodd gydag opsiynau polisi i gefnogi gweithredu effeithiol yng Nghymru. Mae PowerPoint o gyflwyniad yr Athro Rogers wedi 'i atodi.*

11. **Professor Carwyn Jones is Professor in Sports Ethics at Cardiff Metropolitan University** Professor Jones talked about how Gambling companies are targeting sports fans – particularly young men – through a range of powerful marketing strategies. They include sponsorship of sports teams and tournaments including grass roots. Normalising online/mobile device in-play (multiple opportunities) betting offering incentives (free bets). Advertising before the watershed. Encouraging gambling as a communal/fan/friendship group activity (masculinity). Using colourful characters and adverts that appeal to youngsters (Ladbrokes). He argued that their association with sport creates an uncomfortable and potentially corrupting influence. Notes from Professor Jones's presentation are attached /

Mae'r Athro Carwyn Jones yn Athro mewn Moeseg Chwaraeon ym Mhrifysgol Metropolitan Caerdydd*. Siaradodd yr Athro Jones am sut mae'r cwmnïau gamblo yn targedu cefnogwyr chwaraeon - yn arbennig pobl ifanc - drwy ystod eang o strategaethau marchnata pwerus. Dadleuodd bod eu cysylltiad â chwaraeon yn creu dylanwad anghyfforddus allai fod yn llygredig. Mae nodiadau o gyflwyniad yr Athro Jones wedi 'u hatodi.*

- **Craig Jones, Director Communications and Andy Taylor, Regulatory Policy Specialist to the Advertising Standards Authority (ASA)** Craig Jones and Andy Taylor talked about the ASA's regulation of gambling advertising. ASA's rules were developed in conjunction with Gambling Commission and Ofcom and as a response to liberalization brought about by the Gambling Act 2005. A PowerPoint of their presentation is attached /

  Siaradodd Craig Jones ac Andy Taylor am sut mae'r Awdurdod Safonau Hysbysebu yn rheoli hysbysebion am gamblo. Mae rheolau'r ASH wedi''u datblygu mewn cysylltiad â'r Comisiwn Gamblo ac Ofcom ac fel ymateb i'r rhyddfrydoli gyflwynwyd gan y Ddeddf Gamblo 2005. Mae PowerPoint o'r cyflwyniad wedi'i atodi.

Following the presentations there was a brief Q&A session / Yn dilyn y cyflwyniadau bu sesiwn Holi ac Ateb byr.

12. **AOB /*Unrhyw fater arall***

Date of the next meeting: 10th December 2019 (12.30 – 13.30) in the Media Briefing Room (visitors need to arrive via the Senedd entrance) / Dyddiad y cyfarfod nesaf: 10fed Rhagfyr

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2019 (12.30 - 13.30) yn Stafell Briffio'r Cyfryngau (dylai ymwelwyr gyrraedd trwy'r fynedfa i'r Senedd).