

## Terms of reference

The Responsible Gambling Strategy Board provides advice to the Gambling Commission and, via the Commission, the government in relation to responsible gambling in England, Scotland and Wales. The Board will advise on:

- development of the research, education and treatment components in the national responsible gambling strategy
- strategic priorities for research, education and treatment, taking full account of the policy and regulatory framework and responding to any specific requests from the Commission
- development of a robust, needs-based strategic framework to identify priorities for what should be funded and commissioned
- annually, the quantum of funding required on a three-year rolling basis
- most effective arrangements for commissioning services and distributing funding
- high-level outcomes and measures of success
- most appropriate methodologies for monitoring, evaluating and reviewing those outcomes and measures
- any other issues relating to responsible gambling or gambling-related harm as required, or specifically requested by the Commission.

The Board takes account of the particular needs of Scotland and Wales.

The Board is an independent, unincorporated body. Its members are appointed by the Gambling Commission. There are up to eleven members, including a Chair, with a wide range of expertise. Members are appointed for a two or three year period, which may be extended for up to a further three years. They serve 'ad hominem' and are experts, they are not expected to represent particular sectors or interests. The Board is supported by a secretariat.

From time to time, the Board may take advice from expert individuals and groups and may decide to set up expert panels to advise over a period of time on key areas of interest, such as treatment.

The Board will be accountable to the Gambling Commission, stakeholders and the public for its activities and the quality of advice it provides. Its formal advice will be made widely available.

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