STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE 3

3. Keeping crime out of gambling

Gambling is a legitimate activity, but it can also present opportunities for crime. The UK's regulatory framework is considered world leading, particularly in relation to working with partner agencies to detect and prevent crime. Over the course of this strategy, we will continue to work with partners and target our activities to contribute to a reduction in crime associated with gambling. We will continue to hold gambling licence holders to account to ensure they are meeting their responsibilities to keep crime out of gambling.

As we raise standards across the regulated market it is important that we are resourced and equipped to tackle illegal gambling and risks relating to betting integrity. Gambling operates in an increasingly global market. Manipulation of betting events can involve serious organised crime networks operating at national and international levels. Our ability to collect, analyse and share intelligence with other regulators and agencies, and work collaboratively with other jurisdictions, continues to be key to safeguarding British consumers' interests.

Tackling illegal providers who are offering unlicensed gambling to consumers in Great Britain

Collecting evidence to inform and influence our disruption and enforcement approach to the illegal gambling market.

Building relationships domestically and internationally to share experiences and knowledge of the illegal gambling market to help reduce risks.

Preventing money laundering and terrorist financing

Continuing to apply national and international best practice through the effective implementation of the Money Laundering Regulations, Proceeds of Crime Act and associated legislation.

Updating our Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing Risk Assessment to reflect the current risks, in keeping with our risk-based approach and publishing updated guidance materials as required.

Continuing to work with partner agencies to share information and intelligence across the global gambling market.

Ensuring our licensing processes remain robust and we are equipped to manage the risks associated with the increasing complexity of corporate structures.

Managing risks to betting integrity and event manipulation

Continuing to work closely with sport bodies and law-enforcement partners to achieve regulatory and criminal outcomes relating to betting integrity issues.

Continuing to support the Sport and Sports Betting Integrity plan.

Continuing to develop our relationships with overseas jurisdictions and international bodies to support effective collaboration and information sharing.