



BHA Board Meeting

15 April 2020

via video conference

SUMMARY OF MATTERS TRANSACTED

Attendance	
<p><u>Present:</u> Annamarie Phelps (Chair) (AP) Atholl Duncan (AD) Sir Paul Stephenson (PS) Andrew Merriam (AM) Joe Saumarez Smith (JSS) Laura Whyte (LW) Maggie Carver (MC) Nicholas Cooper (NC) David Armstrong (DA) Luca Cumani (LC) Nick Rust (NR)</p>	<p><u>In attendance:</u> Helen Bryce - All (Secretary) Richard Wayman (RW), Martin Fewell (MF) and Brant Dunshea (BD) - Items 1 and 2</p>

Board Item	Summary
<p><u>Position of the Industry COVID Group on Racing's suspension and resumption</u></p>	<p>The Board received an update on the work of the Industry's Covid-19 Group on Racing's suspension and resumption. The Board approved the recommendation from the Members' Committee in respect of issuing a positional statement on the continuing open suspension of Racing, noting that the Members' Committee proposed to keep this under weekly review and would revert to the Board for approval should its position change.</p> <p>The Board also received an overview of the phased models and scenarios designed to accommodate the resumption of Racing in a range of different circumstances. The Board agreed (as had the Members' Committee) that Racing should remain as agile as possible and keep all options open at this stage, but that any resumption should have Government backing and be in keeping with the public mood.</p>
<p><u>Industry COVID Group Funding Proposal</u></p>	<p>The Board received an update on the Industry's funding proposal to the HBLB and Racing Foundation, which had been approved for submission by the Members' Committee. The Board noted the intention by the Industry's Covid-19 Group to release a statement to give comfort to the Industry's workforce and participants of the package available to deal with immediate hardship. The Board also discussed the proposed Racing Relief Fund to protect equine welfare.</p> <p>The Board agreed that the BHA Public Affairs Team should engage Government to raise awareness of the constraints on the Industry's funding bodies.</p>



<u>Nominations Committee</u>	The Board discussed and approved the briefing document for the recruitment of the new BHA Chief Executive to be finalised and published on the BHA's website.
<u>Date of Next Meeting</u>	The next meeting will take place on 30 April.