

BHA Board Meeting

8 April 2024

The Board Room, Holborn Gate

SUMMARY OF MATTERS TRANSACTED

Attendance	
<u>Present:</u> Joe Saumarez Smith David Jones John Ferguson Wilf Walsh Charlie Parker Raj Parker David Armstrong Julie Harrington Kyrsten Halley Tara Warren	<u>In attendance:</u> Helen Bryce - (acting Secretary) Alison Enticknap Richard Wayman Paul Foster Frankie Wicks Simon Michaelides Ruth Quinn Lydia Hislop Neil Hayward Lucy Attwood Greg Swift

Board Item	Summary
Introduction, Declarations of Interest and Chair's Update	JSS introduced the meeting and welcomed those present. JSS extended the Board's deepest sympathies to the family of jockey Stefano Cherchi in Australia. JSS noted the success of the Cheltenham Festival and the Minister's attendance. He also updated the Board on the plans in place for the Aintree Festival and noted the launch of HorsePWR and the media reaction. JSS noted that six crucial racing-related roles have been added to the Government's new Immigration Salary List. JSS noted the launch of the BHA's survey to explore experiences of ethnically diverse communities in British racing.
Racing Digital update	Alison Enticknap, Richard Wayman, Frankie Wicks and Paul Foster joined the meeting. Frankie Wicks gave a presentation on the background to Racing Digital and progress to date.
Risk Register	The Board noted revisions to the current version of the Risk Register.
Flat Pattern Committee Update	Lydia Hislop and Ruth Quinn joined the meeting and provided an update on the work of the Flat Pattern Committee.
Industry People Strategy - Consultation	Neil Hayward and Lucy Attwood joined the meeting and updated the Board on the Industry People Strategy consultation process and emerging recommendations.
CE Report	The Chief Executive presented the report.

	The Board approved the appointment of Emma Slawinski to the Ethics Committee and agreed the revised Terms of Reference. The Board noted the role description for the Horse Safety and Welfare Board Champion and that KH had agreed to fulfil this role. The Board noted the February 2024 Management Accounts. The Board noted the appointment of Camilla Dutton to the Veterinary Committee for a three-year term which commenced on 1 January 2024.
Gambling Act Review / Levy Review	The Board received an update from Greg Swift on Government engagement and the progress of the work being undertaken by the Gambling Strategy Committee in relation to the Levy Review.
AOB	The Board supported a request for the future funding of the Newmarket Thoroughbred Racing & Breeding Industry Forum. The Board noted the Standing Committees & Advisory Groups report.