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To: GASKELL, Matthew (LEEDS AND YORK PARTNERSHIP NHS FOUNDATION TRUST)

Subject: RE: VGC Casino Leeds **Date:** 11 November 2021 13:21:00

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Hi Matt

Thanks for your email and your kind words.

As I wasn't very close to this case let me make some quick enquiries about this with my regulatory colleagues and I'll come back to you more substantively once I've done that.

Best wishes



From: GASKELL, Matthew (LEEDS AND YORK PARTNERSHIP NHS FOUNDATION TRUST)

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Sent: Thursday, November 11, 2021 12:54 PM

To: @gamblingcommission.gov.uk>

Subject: VGC Casino Leeds

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Dear

I hope this finds you well and that things are going well at the Commission. We are all in interesting times, and I am hearing encouraging feedback about the recent work you are involved in. I wish you well in this all important work.

I am writing to draw your attention to the recent statement relating to VGC in Leeds that has been fined for various failings. One of the remedial actions they mention is to work closely with the NHS Northern Gambling Clinic. Would you be able to ensure this is removed from the statement? We would not, under any circumstances, work with operators. I have written to the casino to this effect but it is important to the NHS that the GC correct the record. I was struck that they may need training from our clinic to recognise Gambling Disorder markers when some of the cases highlighted in the case were for extraordinary losses.

https://www.gamblingcommission.gov.uk/public-register/public-statement/detail/vgc-leeds-limited-public-statement

I look forward to hearing from you & happy to discuss if that would be helpful

Very best

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