

MINUTES OF THE LINGFIELD PARK AND FOLKESTONE LJPC HELD AT LINGFIELD RACECOURSE 27TH OCTOBER

Present;

V Steadman (chair) N Briggs (Arena Leisure) T Lusardi (NAB) R Grossmith (RBA)

1. Previous Minutes.

The minutes of the previous LJPC, limited to designated numbers for 2005, were agreed.

2. Designated Numbers 2006.

At both racecourses the meetings next year broadly reflect those of 2005. It was unanimously agreed that the numbers for 2005 be adopted for 2006.

Lingfield AW

Rails. **9** All meetings.

Tattersalls **20** Weekends. **15** All other meetings.

Lingfield Turf

Rails. **16** All Meetings.

Tattersalls. **40** 6th May. **30** Saturdays, Sundays and Evenings. **24** All other meetings.

Folkestone.

Rails. **9** All meetings.

Tattersalls. **24** 17th May, July and August meetings.

Silver. **5** 18th May, July and August meetings. **3** All other meetings.

3. New Betting Areas.

TL enquired about the possibility of new betting areas at Lingfield and Folkestone. NB stated that new areas were not a priority and she would not be seeking to have new areas for the foreseeable future.

4. Admissions Policy.

VS asked if the Racecourses were to insist in 2006 that Bookmaker Staff purchase a daily badge rather than a Members badge. NB stated that whilst she was concerned about badges being shared (they are non transferable) she did not intend to adopt this policy. A system of photo ID cards may be introduced.

5. Betting Ring managers Office.

VS informed NB about the lack of a facility at Folkestone. NB said that office space or alternatively a spare box may be found as a temporary measure. The old stand at the end of tattersalls is to be developed in 2006 and a permanent office may be sited there. The office at Lingfield will be refurbished or an alternate site found in 2006.

6. AOB

RG enquired whether Folkestone intended to introduce a Members enclosure. NB stated that this was not the plan at the moment.

VS informed NB that previously during the winter when only one Bookmaker attended the Silver Ring his badge fee had been waived by the racecourse. This was to ensure his attendance. NB agreed that this policy would continue during the winter but during the summer Folkestone intend to invest in the Silver Ring and improve crowd attendance.

VS informed the LJPC that Richard Skilton, found in breach of NJPC Rule 18.5 by the LJPC, had appealed against the decision. Appeal to be heard on 17/11/05.