

Grantee monthly newsletter

Keeping you informed

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July summary

Hello everyone!

It was great to meet some of you at the BYCH training day in Liverpool. We had people from [RAISE](#), [Preston Muslim Forum](#), [IMO Charity](#), [Flowhession Foundation](#) and [Greater Govanhill Magazine](#) who I must give a special shout out too for their recently received [media coverage](#) for their project.

I heard there was a good turnout to the Birmingham and London training days. A big thanks to James from Beacon for running a really engaging session and also to the brilliant co-facilitators Chris, John and Nicola who helped bring gambling harms to life with their stories of lived experience.

Wishing everyone a good month ahead, and a reminder to get in touch if you require any additional support.

Warm regards,
Jess



Project spotlight



[Red Card Gambling CIC](#) are dedicated to reducing gambling related harms for all in the UK, and use a lived-experience model to engage with communities. The team run a number of projects, most notably their project aimed at the semi-professional football sector, as well as delivering workshops to schools and youth clubs as part of their young people's project, and the delivery of their CPD accredited online and in-person training courses.

Tony, a former professional footballer and now the CEO and Founder of Red Card, said *"we very excited to be part of a new project which aims to support people from Caribbean/African/South Asian communities who are affected by gambling harms. Our aim is to **educate, raise awareness and remove the stigma** that is attached to gambling within these communities, encouraging more open and honest conversation in a safe space. We encourage all organisations to engage with people on the ground, and we pride ourselves in being visible out in the community, ensuring we create a bond, and positive relationships with the communities we serve"*.

If you want to hear more about Red Card's training offer, please contact [Tony](#) at tony@redcardgambling.org or visit their [website](#).

Funding programme updates

Improving Outcomes Fund

Our Education and Training Team held 2 drop in sessions for top tips for engagement on gambling harm. We hope that those who attended found it useful, we loved hearing all your ideas on what successful engagement looks like in your communities and projects.

Mobilising Local Systems

We have launched Basecamp - an online platform to share ideas and details about upcoming events. - if you haven't had the invite please shout!

Reminder: deadline for phase 2 funding is 31st October 2024

Community Resilience Fund

We are still in the process of finalising the peer review for the end of year evaluation report. In the coming weeks, Ipsos will be reaching out to the 4 organisations for the case study work in the year ahead so look out for that email.

Aftercare

This month, our evaluation and learning partner, Ipsos, started one-to-one conversations with projects to refine their monitoring and evaluation approaches. We hope we can offer similar support to the rest of the portfolio so keep an eye out for more information.

Research

Research indicates that individuals who accessed Gambling Help Online are significantly more likely to adopt positive self-help strategies. From setting limits to seeking support, these proactive steps can lead to lasting change. The full publication, carried out by Alma Economics, commissioned by GambleAware, can be found [here](#)



A new [report](#) titled 'Gambling Harms and Coping with Marginalisation and Inequality', authored by [National Centre for Social Research](#) and funded by GambleAware was published this week. The report shows how individuals from marginalised communities use gambling to cope with challenges like social exclusion, mental health issues, and poverty.

Stigma around gambling harms, intersecting with issues like homelessness and mental health, makes seeking support difficult.

The report was also highlighted in the [Big Issue](#).

The Gambling Commission launched a new gambling survey which is set to become one of the largest in the world and establish a new baseline for understanding gambling behaviour in Britain. The survey features responses from 9,804 individuals and found that harm from problem gambling in Great Britain may be eight times higher than thought previously. The press release can be found [here](#)



Events & Opportunities



- [Breakeven](#) are hosting a conference on Wednesday 14th August about their gambling harms work in the **East of England** - get your tickets [here](#)
- [Peers for Gambling Reform](#) will be hosting the **Gambling Advertising Reform Summit** on **Tuesday 10th September** - get your tickets [here](#)
- A reminder to sign up to [MyFundingCentral](#). This platform is great for helping charities and voluntary organisations identify funding opportunities



If you have a story that you would like to feature in our monthly newsletter, get in touch at commissioning@gambleaware.org

