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William Hill's James Henderson joins the Responsible Gambling Trust

The Responsible Gambling Trust has announced the appointment of William Hill Chief Executive James Henderson as a Trustee. James will take the place of former Ladbrokes Chief Executive Richard Glynn on the Board of Trustees.

The appointment means the Responsible Gambling Trust will maintain a balance between industry and independent Trustees on its Board, and will continue to benefit from knowledge and experience gained in all major sectors of the British gambling industry.

Neil Goulden, Chairman of the Responsible Gambling Trust, said:

"Industry representatives make an important contribution to the work of the Responsible Gambling Trust and Richard was an excellent and collaborative Trustee committed to helping the Trust to fulfil its charitable objectives. I know that James will be no less committed and will prove an important industry advocate for our work to minimise gambling-related harm. In recent years we have had representatives from Coral and Ladbrokes on the Board of Trustees and James will ensure that we continue to benefit from the experience and knowledge of bookmakers."

James Henderson said:

"I am delighted to have been invited to join the Board of Trustees and look forward to having an opportunity to participate first hand in the charity's work. Responsible gambling is a key area that requires continuous focus and improvement and, therefore, I'm pleased to be able to combine my experience and knowledge with other Trustees to promote responsible gambling over the coming years."

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NOTES TO EDITORS

- The Responsible Gambling Trust is the leading charity in the UK committed to minimising gambling-related harm. As an independent national charity funded by donations from the gambling industry, the Responsible Gambling Trust funds education, prevention and treatment services and commissions research to broaden public understanding of gambling-related harm. The aim is to stop people getting into problems with their gambling, and ensure that those that do develop problems receive fast and effective treatment and support.
- The Responsible Gambling Trust raises a minimum of £5 million each year from the gambling industry operating in Britain within a voluntary (donation based) system and funds research, education, prevention and treatment services. Funding priorities are guided by the national strategy advised by the Responsible Gambling Strategy Board (RGSB) and endorsed by the Gambling Commission. The latest strategy was published in December 2012.
- James Henderson joined William Hill in 1985 as a Trainee Manager in the company's shops and progressed through the ranks holding various positions. On 1 August 2014 he was appointed Chief Executive of the Company. As well as being an Executive Director of William Hill he is a Director of Lucky Choice Limited and 49' Limited and holds a Personal Licence with the Gambling Commission.
- The Responsible Gambling Trust's other Trustees are Neil Goulden (Chairman, Responsible Gambling Trust), Chris Brady (Professor of Management Studies, University of Salford), Peter Brooks (President and Chief Operating Officer, Genting UK plc), Nick Harding (Chief Executive Officer, Praesepe plc), Clive Hawkswood (Chief Executive, Remote Gambling Association), Alan Jamieson (Public and Mental Health Consultant), Jonathan Paveley (Executive Chairman, Admiral Taverns), Patrick Sturgis (Professor of Research Methodology, University of Southampton) and Jonathan Wolff (Professor of Philosophy, University College London).