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Date: Sun, 26 Jan 2020 at 06:07

Subject: FOI request for copies of some submissions made to a closed Gambling Commission consultation

To: <FOI@gamblingcommission.gov.uk>

Hello,

The Gambling Commission held a public consultation in 2018 on 'Proposals to strengthen age and identity verification for online gambling':

<https://www.gamblingcommission.gov.uk/news-action-and-statistics/Consultations/proposals-to-strengthen-age-and-identity-verification-for-online-gambling>

According to the consultation response document published in February 2019 the Commission received 13 written responses from third-party identity verification providers.

I would like to request the names of those third-party identity verification providers and a copy of their submissions. My preference is to receive this information in an electronic format.

Thank you for your attention to this request.

Kind regards,

Owen Boswarva

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From: Freedom of Information <foi@gamblingcommission.gov.uk>

Date: Thu, 20 Feb 2020 at 11:26

Subject: FOI response

To: Owen Boswarva <owen.boswarva@gmail.com>

Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for your request which has been processed under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

In your email you have requested the names of those third-party identity verification providers and a copy of their submissions in relation to the public consultation in 2018 on 'Proposals to strengthen age and identity verification for online gambling'.

Please find attached spreadsheet containing the information you have requested.

Please note that the names of the individual who submitted the response on behalf of their organisation would constitute personal data, which is exempt from disclosure.

It would be disproportionate for us to publicly disclose the names of these individuals unless there is a strong public interest in doing so. They have a legitimate expectation that their personal details will not be disclosed unnecessarily. The level of detail we are providing has been carefully considered to ensure a balance between the rights of the individual and the interests of the public is met.

On balance, there is no legitimate public interest in disclosing this level of personal data and it would not be fair to do so. This information is therefore exempt under section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

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Kind regards

Freedom of Information Team

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