

# GambleAware

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## ANNOUNCEMENT

### **New research funded by GambleAware into young people, gambling and gambling-related harm**

**London, 4 May:** GambleAware has commissioned Ecorys (UK) to undertake research into young people, gambling and gambling-related harm. Ecorys (UK) will study the role and influence of family and parental attitudes and behaviours on gambling-related harm in young people.

Following an open invitation to tender, the bids were evaluated by GambleAware's Independent Research Oversight Panel and the decision was made to award a tender to Ecorys (UK) by the GambleAware Research Committee.

**Clare Wyllie, Director of Research & Evaluation at GambleAware** said:

"We are excited by this study because it will learn directly from families and young people about their experiences of gambling-related harm and what kind of support could help. Young people can be particularly vulnerable to developing problems with gambling and to harm from others gambling. This is part of a programme of research which we and other stakeholders will use to inform what is done to minimise gambling-related harm for young people and families."

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#### **NOTES**

- The Responsible Gambling Trust operating as **GambleAware** 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, GambleAware 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. Click here to find out more: <http://about.gambleaware.org/>

- **GambleAware** aims to raise a minimum of £10 million each year in voluntary contributions from the gambling industry operating in Great Britain. This donation based system was proposed under the Gambling Act 2005 and is prescribed by the Gambling Commission in its Licence Conditions and Codes of Practice.
- **GambleAware's** programme of treatment, education, harm prevention and research are guided by the National Responsible Gambling Strategy, which is defined by the independent Responsible Gambling Strategy Board (RGSB) and endorsed by the Gambling Commission. The RGSB, the Gambling Commission and **GambleAware** work together under the terms of an agreement in place since 2012: <http://about.gambleaware.org/media/1216/statementofintent.pdf>.
- Research is conducted under the terms of a 'Research Commissioning and Governance Procedure' agreed in 2016 by the RGSB, the Gambling Commission and **GambleAware**: <http://about.gambleaware.org/media/1270/research-commissioning-and-governance-procedure-may-2016-final.pdf>.