



**GAMBLING ACT 2005
SMALL SOCIETY LOTTERIES**

Certificate of Registration
Pursuant to Schedule 11, parts 4 & 5 of the Act

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the Society known as

Bollington United FC

Whose head office is situated at

Capelli Sports Ground, Ovenhouse Lane, Bollington, SK10 5EX

Has been registered by Cheshire East Council as a small society lottery under the
Gambling Act 2005

Dated:

08 November 2024

Registration Number:

LTR866

Receipt of the relevant fee is acknowledged. This registration is valid for 12 months
from the above date.

Signed by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Kevin...".

On behalf of Cheshire East Council

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Introduction

From 1 September 2007 the regulation and registration of lotteries is governed by the provisions of the Gambling Act 2005.

The Act makes provision for a number of different types of lottery as follows:

Large society lottery – where the value of tickets in a single lottery exceeds £20,000 or the aggregate in a calendar year exceeds £250,000.

Local authority lottery – where a minimum of 20% of the proceeds must be used for purposes for which there is permission to expend public funds

The above types of lotteries are 'licensed lotteries' and the operator of such lotteries must hold an Operating Licence issued by the Gambling Commission. For more information on these types of lottery please contact the Licensing Section.

Schedule 11 of the Act deals with 'exempt lotteries' which include:

Private lotteries:

- **Private society lottery** - tickets only sold to members of society or persons who are on the premises of the society
- **Work lottery** - promoters and purchasers must all work on the same work premises
- **Residents' lotteries** - promoted by and tickets only sold to people who live on the same set of premises.
- **Customer lottery** - promoted by the occupier of business premises and tickets only sold to customer who are on the business premises

Incidental non-commercial lottery - promoted wholly for purposes other than public gain and incidental to non-commercial events (commonly charity fund raising events).

Small society lottery – the value of tickets in single lottery is £20,000 or less and aggregate in calendar year is £250,000 or less. Small society lotteries must be registered with the local authority in whose area the principal office of the society is located.

Small society lotteries

In order to qualify as a small society lottery, the following conditions must be fulfilled:

1. The society must be promoted wholly on behalf of a **non-commercial society**.

A non commercial society is one established and conducted for:

- A charitable purpose;
- The purpose of enabling participating in, or of supporting sport, athletics or cultural activity;
- Any other non-commercial purpose, other than private gain

2. It must be a **small lottery**.

A lottery which is not large. A lottery is classed as large where:

- Proceeds may exceed £20,000 OR
- Aggregate proceeds during the calendar year exceed £250,000 OR
- During its promotion, the aggregate proceeds for the year may exceed £250,000 OR
- It is promoted in the three calendar years after a large lottery.

3. The purpose of the lottery must be for the promotion of **any of the purposes of the Society**.

4. Prizes – at least 20% of the proceeds must go to one of the Society's purposes AND the maximum prize allowed is £25,000.

Application for registration

Small society lotteries must be registered with the local authority within whose area the Society's head office is located.

Application for registration must be made on the prescribed form which is available on request from the Licensing Section. In addition the Council requires applicants to submit a copy of the society's terms and conditions/constitution and to complete a declaration that the society is a bona fide non-commercial society.

Applications must be accompanied by the application fee of £40. If payment is to be made by cheque, the cheque should be made payable to Macclesfield Borough Council.

Grounds for refusal of application

The Council may refuse an application for the registration of a lottery if:

- an operating licence held by the applicant for registration has been revoked or an application for an operating licence made by the applicant for registration has been refused, within the past 5 years.
- the society in question is not a non-commercial society.
- a person who will or may be connected with the promotion of the lottery has been convicted of a relevant offence.
- information provided in or with the application for registration is found to be false or misleading.

However, they may only refuse an application for registration after the society has had the opportunity to make representations against the refusal. These can be taken at a formal hearing or taken via correspondence. The Council will inform the society of the reasons why it is minded to refuse registration and will provide it with at least an outline of the evidence on which we have reached that preliminary conclusion – in order to enable it to make any representations it sees fit.

The applicant or society has the right to appeal the decision to refuse registration to the Magistrates Court within 21 days of receipt of the notice of the decision,

Transitional arrangements

Small societies that are currently registered with the Council under the Lotteries and Amusements Act 1976 will automatically transfer to the new licensing regime.

Annual fee

The Gambling Act 2005 prescribes an annual fee in relation to the registration of small society lotteries. This annual fee is currently set at £20 and must be paid within the period of two months before the date of the anniversary of the registration.

Tickets

The Act requires that a purchaser of a small society lottery ticket must receive a document which identifies:

- the name of the promoting society;
- the price of the ticket (must be the same for all tickets);
- the name and address of the member of the society who is designated as having responsibility at the society for promoting small lotteries, or (if there is one) the external lottery manager; and
- the date of the draw, or enables the date to be determined.

However, the requirement to provide this information can be satisfied by providing an opportunity for the participant to retain the message electronically or print it.

The Act requires that lottery tickets may only be sold by persons over the age of 16 to persons over the age of 16.

Tickets should not be sold in a street, (street including any bridge, road, lane, footway, subway, square, court or passage - including passages through enclosed premises such as shopping malls); however, tickets may be sold from a kiosk, in a shop or door-to-door.

Lottery returns

The Act sets out the information that the promoting society of a small society lottery must send as returns to the licensing authority with which it is registered, **following each lottery held**.

This information will allow the Council to assess, in particular, whether financial limits are being adhered to and to ensure that any money raised is being applied for the proper purpose.

The information that must be submitted is as follows:

- the arrangements for the lottery – specifically the date on which tickets were available for sale or supply, the dates of any draw and the value of prizes, including any donated prizes and any rollover;
- the proceeds of the lottery;
- the amounts deducted by the promoters of the lottery in providing prizes, including prizes in accordance with any rollovers;
- the amounts deducted by the promoters of the lottery in respect of costs incurred in organising the lottery;
- whether any expenses incurred in connection with the lottery were not paid for by deduction from the proceeds, and, if so, the amount of expenses and the sources from which they were paid; and the amount applied to the purpose for which the promoting society is conducted (this **must** be at least 20% of the proceeds).

The Act also requires that returns must:

- be sent to the Council no later than three months after the date of the lottery draw, or in the case of 'instant lotteries (scratch cards) within three months of the last date on which tickets were on sale; and
- be signed by two members of the society, who must be aged eighteen or older, are appointed for the purpose in writing by the society or, if it has one, its governing body, and accompanied by a copy of their letter or letters of appointment.

Return forms are available on request from the Licensing Section of the Council by e-mail to: licensing1@cheshireeast.gov.uk or by telephone on 0300 123 5015.

Additional information

Further information is available within the Gambling Commission's publication: "Lotteries and the Law (Gambling Act 2005) – Advice for society and local authority lotteries."
www.gamblingcommission.gov.uk

LOTTERY NO: LTR866

**Gambling Act 2005
Lottery Official Return by the Registered Promoter**

1 Full name of the promoter: Mr Mrs Ms Miss _____

2 Address of the promoter: _____

3 Society promoting the lottery: _____

Name and address: _____

A Total monies collected: £

B Total expenses paid out: £

C Total cost of prizes: £

D Total expenses not taken out of the monies collected: £

E Total amount of monies given to and for the purpose of the Society: £

F Total amount of monies disposed of to other bodies and Society, giving name and address: £

G Date of lottery held: _____
(submit a ticket or a copy)

We certify that we are members of the Society for which purposes the lottery was held and have been appointed by the Society to sign this statement.

Signed: _____ Name: _____

Signed: _____ Name: _____

Being two members of and authorised by the Society, **the written authority is herewith attached**, appointed to certify returns relating to lotteries for the Society, certify that, to the best of our knowledge and belief, the information on this return form by the promoter is correct.

WARNING

A non-commercial society commits an offence if (a) the society fails to comply with the requirement to submit a return and (b) if the society provides false or misleading information for the purposes of the submission of a return.

Upon conviction, an offender is liable to a fine of £5,000, imprisonment for a term not exceeding 51 weeks or both.