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Hi Hamish,

Please find an updated meetings brief on Aspley Leagues Club.

The hard copy will be in the rounds this afternoon.

Regards,  
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**Online gambling**

Online gaming by Australians appears to have grown rapidly despite the illegality of domestic supply. The report stated that gamblers are exposed to additional risks and harms from offshore sites that could be avoided under carefully regulated domestic provision.

The PC recommended the liberalisation of the domestic supply of online poker card games, which when accompanied by appropriate harm minimisation measures, would test whether managed liberalisation should be extended to all online gaming forms.

The Government in its preliminary response on June 23 announced that it does not support the liberalisation of online gaming, including online poker, as recommended by the Commission.

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**Punters will stop coming to clubs and will go online to gamble**

• The Government did not agree with the PC recommendation to liberalise online gambling.

• We are committed to continue to monitor the current ban on online gaming and are currently examining the impacts of such a ban in other countries, such as the United States.

• There is no compelling evidence to support the view that people who play electronic gaming machines will migrate to online gambling.

– This will however be one of the issues that the independent study on revenue flows will examine.