



## **DRA Statement – Kyle McKinstry**

On 1<sup>st</sup> May 2020 the DRA were informed by the International Betting Integrity Association (IBIA) of suspicious betting on a Darts match that had been played on 30<sup>th</sup> April 2020 between Kyle McKinstry and David Evans in the Modus A Night at the Darts series. This was an event regulated by the DRA, unconnected with the PDC. McKinstry lost the match 5-0. On 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2020 the IBIA reported further suspicious betting activity on McKinstry's match with Wessel Nijman that was played on 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2020. The DRA launched an investigation working closely with Sportradar Integrity Services, the Gambling Commission Sports Betting Intelligence Unit, Malta Gaming Authority, Gibraltar Gambling Regulator and betting operators.

Nigel Mawer the Chairman of the DRA has decided that McKinstry has a case to answer for two cases of match fixing and failing to cooperate with the DRA enquiry by not producing his phone itemised billing. As a result of this decision, McKinstry has been suspended from attending or competing in DRA sanctioned events until the conclusion of the hearing or hearings and the determination of this matter. McKinstry has the right to appeal this suspension decision.

The matter will be referred to the DRA Disciplinary Committee where a formal hearing will take place at a venue and date to be confirmed.

There is no suggestion that McKinstry's opponents in the matches in question were involved in any way in these alleged rule breaches.

### ***The DRA Rules extract:***

4.5 *Each Player or Registered Agent shall co-operate with the DRA in any investigation carried out by or on behalf of the DRA under the provisions of these Rules including (but not limited to):*

4.5.5 *Providing the DRA with access to all records relating to the alleged breach. This includes, but is not limited to; betting accounts, bank records, telephone records, internet service records, social media accounts, email and other records stored on phones, tablets, electronic devices, computer hard drives or otherwise. To facilitate this, the Player or Registered Agent will surrender any such devices for examination by the DRA or its representative.*

### ***DRA Betting Rules extract:***

#### ***2. Betting misconduct***

2.1. *It shall be a breach of these Rules for a Participant to do any of the following:*

2.1.2. *Corruption:*

(i) *to fix or contrive, or to be a party to any effort to fix or contrive, the result, score, progress, conduct or any other aspect of the Darts Event;*

2.1.3. *Misuse of inside information:*

(i) *to use for betting purposes, or to provide to any other person for such purposes, any information relating to the Darts Event that the Participant possesses by virtue of*

*their position within the sport and that is not in the public domain or readily accessible by the public;*

The full DRA Rules can be viewed at [www.thedra.co.uk](http://www.thedra.co.uk)