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**In the matter of an Appeal against a Decision made by The Gangmasters
Licensing Authority (GLA) 4/E/R**

MR. KEVIN DOUGHTY (APPELLANT)

V

**THE GANGMASTERS LICENCING AUTHORITY
(RESPONDENT)**

Decision and Statement of Reasons of the Appointed Person:

DECISION

Upon reading the Appeal of 23 Oct 2006 and representations of 30 Oct 2006 and GLA response of 21 Nov 2006 The Appeal is dismissed.

STATEMENT OF REASONS

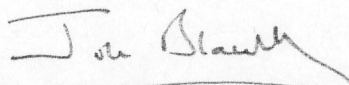
1 This is an Appeal by Mr. Doughty against the GLA decision of 17 Oct 2006 to refuse his Application for a Licence to operate as a Gangmaster. Both Parties have agreed that this Appeal be determined without a hearing.

2 Mr. Doughty accepts that, at the time of the refusal, he had failed to comply with a number of the required standards and, impliedly that the GLA were entitled to refuse his application.

3 The only ground of Appeal is that " we are in the process of rectifying all of the reasons for which the Licence Application was refused" and that it would be unfair for his small business to have to bear the cost of a second application.

4 In my view that is not a valid ground on which to uphold an appeal because The GLA were clearly entitled to refuse the application when they did.

SIGNED



18th December 2006

(Person Appointed by the Secretary of State to determine Appeals under The Gangmasters (Appeals) Regulations 2006