

IN THE FIRST-TIER TRIBUNAL (CHARITY) GENERAL REGULATORY CHAMBER

BETWEEN:

CAMBRIDGESHIRE TARGET SHOOTING ASSOCIATION

Appellant

Appeal no: CA/2015/0002

- AND -

THE CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Respondent

TRIBUNAL: JUDGE ALISON MCKENNA

Sitting in Chambers on 20 May 2015

DIRECTIONS

Upon the parties agreeing directions, it is directed as follows:

Agreed list of issues

- 1. The parties are to use their best endeavours to agree a list of issues to be determined by the Tribunal, in accordance with the arrangements set out below.
- 2. The first draft of the list of issues to be determined by the Tribunal is to be prepared by the Respondent and served on the Appellant by 5pm on 22 May 2015.

- 3. By 5pm on 29 May 2015 the Appellant is to notify the Respondent whether the draft list of issues is agreed and/or whether there are any proposed amendments.
- 4. If the parties have agreed a list of issues then it is to be served on the Tribunal by 5pm on 5 June 2015. If the parties have not agreed a list of issues then the parties are to make a joint application to the Tribunal for its ruling on the issues by 5pm on 12 June 2015.

Agreed bundle of documents

- 5. The parties are to use their best endeavours to agree the contents of a bundle of documents to be used at the hearing of this appeal, in accordance with the arrangements set out below.
- 6. The first draft of the index to the hearing bundle is to be prepared by the Appellants and served on the Respondent by 5pm on 12 June 2015.
- 7. By 5pm on 19 June 2015, the Respondent is to notify the Appellants whether there are any additional documents in its possession that they wish to add to the bundle and to supply a copy of any documents to the Appellant.
- 8. A consolidated version of the bundle is to be prepared by the Appellants and forwarded to the Respondent by 5pm on 26 June 2015.

Witness statements

- 9. By 5pm on 3 July 2015 the parties are to exchange with each other any written witness statements on which they wish to rely or to confirm that they will not be calling witness evidence. If the statements refer to any documents in the bundle, the relevant page numbers are to be given.
- 10. The witness statements are to stand as evidence in chief at the hearing, although supplementary questions in chief may be asked with the permission of the Tribunal. No party is to call any witness in respect of whom a written statement has not been exchanged without the Tribunal's permission. Each party is to notify the other if they wish to cross examine any witness in respect of whom a statement has been filed by 5pm on 10 July 2015.

Expert Witnesses

- 11. The Appellant shall, by 5pm on 29 May 2015, provide to the Respondent a document which:
 - a) Sets out precisely the activity involved in each element of target shooting facilitated or promoted by the Appellants object.
 - b) Identifies the physical or mental skill or exertion involved in the said activity.

- 12. The parties each have permission to rely upon the evidence of appropriate expert witnesses to give written evidence as to the extent that the physical or mental skill or exertion in target shooting of the type promoted by the Appellants promotes health.
- 13. By 5pm on 3 July 2015 the Appellants are to provide the Respondent's the evidence of the expert witnesses on which they wish to rely.
- 14. By 5pm on 31 July the Respondent shall provide to the Appellants the evidence of the expert witnesses on which they wish to rely in response.
- 15. Each party has permission to ask written questions of the other party's expert witnesses. Any such questions should be submitted to the other party by 5pm on 14 August 2015.
- 16. Replies to any questions submitted pursuant to paragraph 15 above should be submitted by 5pm on 21 August 2015.
- 17. The experts shall attempt to agree a list of any issues in dispute, if any, by 28 August 2015.

Disclosure of bundles to the Tribunal

18. A final version of the hearing bundle, to include any witness statements and any exhibits, is to be prepared by the Appellant and four copies are to be lodged with the Tribunal at least 7 days before the hearing. A further copy is also to be brought by the Appellant to the hearing for use by witnesses (if any).

Written submissions

- 19. Written submissions are to be exchanged by the parties and lodged with the Tribunal, by e mail, in the following order:
- 20. The Appellants are to file their written submissions no later than 14 days before the hearing date.
- 21. The Respondent is to reply to the Appellants' written submissions and make any additional submissions of its own no later than 7 days before the hearing date.

Bundle of authorities and statutory materials

- 22. The parties are to use their best endeavours to agree a bundle of authorities and statutory materials, in accordance with the arrangements set out below. The authorities bundle should contain only those authorities specifically referred to in the written submissions.
- 23. The first draft of the index to the authorities bundle is to be prepared by the Appellant and served on the Respondent no later than 14 days before the hearing.
- 24. The Respondent is to notify the Appellant of any additional authorities to be included in the authorities bundle no later than 7 days before the hearing.

- 25. A consolidated version of the authorities bundle is to be prepared by the Appellants and forwarded to the Respondent no later than 5 days before the hearing date.
- 26. The index (only) to this bundle is to be sent by e mail to the Tribunal by no later than three days prior to the hearing date and four hard copies are to be lodged with the Tribunal at the hearing.

Final Hearing

- 27. The Final Hearing will take place in London at the earliest available date on or after 14 September 2015. It is currently estimated that the hearing will last 2 days.
- 28. The parties will provide dates of availability for the hearing to the Tribunal within 14 days of the date of these directions.

Variation/Further Directions

29. The parties have permission to apply to vary these directions or to apply for further directions provided such application is in writing setting out the full reasons for the application and (where applicable) before the time limit for complying with the direction has been reached.

Alison McKenna

PRINCIPAL JUDGE 20 May 2015

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