

I operate an Independent Betting Shop employing 3 people. If the stakes on FOBT's are reduced to £ 2 plays we will close, no ifs buts or maybe's. To assume that FOBT turnover will migrate to over the counter is frankly ludicrous. Whilst there is a small amount of customers that gamble on both, in the main our customers are either over the counter or FOBT solely. Even a reduction to £ 30 would probably make our shop unviable.

You are targeting the wrong sector. Whatever the ills with FOBT's they pale into insignificance compared to what is happening in online casino's.

I will also guarantee that should I be forced to close through this review, I will never vote for the Conservative party again.