Written reasons for Disciplinary panel on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March

Members of Disciplinary Panel appointed by Dorset County Football Association

Mr Stephen Whittle (Chairman)

Mrs Viv Dade

Mr Dave Drew

Mr Peter Hough (Secretary)

## THE CHARGE

 Mr Zac Barnes of Poole Borough Football Club was charged under FA Rule E3- Improper Conduct against a Match Official (including physical conduct & threatening & / or abusive language/behaviour)

Mr Barnes responded by accepting the charge.

## CORRESPONDENCE ATTACHED FOR COMMISSION

- Copy of Misconduct Charge Notification
- Referees Report
- Player Charge Reply Form
- Player Record

There was no other correspondence from Mr Barnes

## THE EVIDENCE

The Commission considered the Referees report.

# FINDINGS OF THE COMMISSION

The Commission only had the Referees report and noted that Mr Barnes had accepted the charge, therefore the case was proven as charged.

#### THE SANCTION

The Commission examined the players previous record over the last five years. The only record for the player was for the current season. It was felt by the Commission that for this season Mr Barnes record was poor and therefore the sanction should be as the FA guideline for this offence; namely 182 days and

fine of £150. The Commission also felt that there should be some days added for the time when no football is played during the summer, therefore an extra 91 days for the months of June, July & August should be included.

Mr Stephen Whittle (Chairman)

12<sup>th</sup> March 2019