

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

EAST AYRSHIRE LICENSING FORUM

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 19 APRIL 2011 AT 1400 HOURS IN MEETING ROOM 2, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK

PRESENT: Eric Brown, British Institute of Innkeepers; Councillors John Campbell; Sergeant Una Menzies, Strathclyde Police; Susan Wilson, NHS Ayrshire and Arran; Liam Wells, Team Manager (Substance and Misuse) and Carolyn McEwan, Licensing Standards Officer, both East Ayrshire Council; David Little, Licence Holder; Jim Dunsmuir, Resident; Rosalie McCluskey, Resident; Paul Moon, Ayrshire Leisure Ltd; Stuart Wilson, Resident; and Marco Sinforiani, Licence Holder.

ATTENDING: Stuart McCall, Legal and Procurement Services Manager; and Sharon McHarg, Administrative Officer, both East Ayrshire Council.

APOLOGIES: Patrick Browne, Scottish Beer and Pub Association and Iain Hiles, Licensing Standards Officer.

CHAIR: Eric Brown, Chair.

WELCOME

1. The Chair welcomed new panel members Stuart Wilson and Marco Sinforiani to the meeting.

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 18 JANUARY 2011

2. There was submitted and noted as a correct record, the Minutes of the meeting held on 18 January 2011.

MATTERS ARISING

3.1 INFORMAL MEETING - 21 FEBRUARY 2011

The Chair advised that the informal meeting held on 21 February 2011 in the Goldberry Arms, Kilmarnock to watch a dvd and discuss the training resource had been a success.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

4. The Forum noted that at East Ayrshire Council meeting held on 24 March 2011, it was agreed:-
 - (i) to note the termination of membership of James Kelly, Resident, Brian Kelly, Holder of a premises/personal licence; S Holland (Substitute W McTurk), Young People and K Stuart (Substitute M Reid), Young People;
 - (ii) to note that the Community Learning and Development Section would be working with Officers from the Forum to determine appropriate means by which young people could be appropriately represented on the Forum;

- (iii) to appoint Stuart J Wilson, Resident, and Marco Sinforiani, Holder of a Premises/Personal Licence to serve on East Ayrshire Local Licensing Forum; and
- (iv) otherwise to note the contents of the report.

The Administrative Officer then advised that (i) a meeting had taken place with Community Learning and Development to consider options for maintaining young people representations on the Forum; and (ii) it had been proposed that an officer from Community Learning and Development be invited to become a member of the Forum to represent the views of young people.

There followed a discussion during which it was agreed that the best way forward would be for an officer from Community Learning and Development be invited to become a member of the Forum to represent the views of young people and that following receipt of this application, a report would be submitted to a future meeting of the Council.

BOTTLE MARKING AND TEST PURCHASING INITIATIVE

- 5. Sergeant Una Menzies advised the Forum of the Bottle Marking and Test Purchasing Initiatives within East Ayrshire which had been very successful. There followed a discussion during which it was highlighted the importance of a consistent approach with regard to such initiatives and the Chair thanked Sergeant Menzies for her informative input.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND LICENSING (SCOTLAND) ACT 2010 AND ALCOHOL ETC. (SCOTLAND) ACT 2010

- 6. There was submitted and noted a report dated 31 March 2011 (circulated) which provided an update on the Criminal Justice and Licensing (Scotland) Act 2010 and the Alcohol Etc. (Scotland) Act 2010 and informed that these two pieces of recent legislation would bring some changes to the Scottish Alcohol Licensing System and would ensure, amongst other things, that licensing laws within Scotland were robust.

ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS

6.1 NATIONAL LICENSING CONFERENCE 2011

It was agreed (i) that Eric Brown and David Little would attend the National Licensing Conference for 2011 on the 15 September 2011 at the Grand Central Hotel, Glasgow on behalf of the Forum; and (ii) to remit to the Administration Officer to book the two places for the conference.

6.2 PUB WATCH SCHEME

The Chair advised that following a meeting regarding the Pub Watch Scheme, it had been agreed to proceed with the Pub Watch Scheme within the Kilmarnock area on a trial basis, and that it would include 18 pubs within the Kilmarnock area.

It was further noted that other communities such as Stewarton, may wish to consider setting up a similar Pub Watch Scheme within their area.

6.3 SOUTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL – FRIDAY 13 MAY 2011

It was noted that Eric Brown and Rosalie McCluskey would attend the Licensing Forum meeting at South Ayrshire Council on the 13 May 2011 for information purposes only.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

7. The next meeting will take place on 30 August 2011 at 1400 hours in Meeting Room 1, Council Headquarters, London Road, Kilmarnock.

The meeting terminated at 1500 hours.