

## **EAST AYRSHIRE LICENSING BOARD**

### **Minute of the joint meeting of East Ayrshire Licensing Board and East Ayrshire Local Licensing Forum held on Tuesday 1 December 2009 at 11.45am**

**SEDERUNT :** Councillor J Campbell, Councillor H Coffey, Councillor R Cunningham, Councillor N McGhee, Councillor J McKay, Councillor H Ross, Mrs C McEwan and Mr I Hiles (Licensing Standards Officers), Mr L Wells (Social Work – Children & Families), Mr J Kelly (Resident), Mr C McGilvray, Mr J Kelly (Resident), Mr B Kelly (Licence holder) and Mr J Dunsmuir (Resident).

**ATTENDING:** Mr S McCall (Depute Clerk to the Licensing Board), Mrs P Duncan and Ms S Gillies (Licensing Board Administrators), Ms S McHarg (Administrative Officer) and Ms A Ashraf (Work Experience Student), Ms K Kelly (CHP Facilitator).

**APOLOGIES:** Councillor Buchanan, Councillor Dinwoodie, Councillor John McGhee, Sergeant A Kelly (Strathclyde Police), Mr D Little (Licence Holder) and Mr E Brown (Licensing Forum Member).

In the absence of the Chair, Councillor Ross was nominated to Chair the meeting by Councillor Campbell. This motion was seconded by Councillor N McGhee. There being no other motions, Councillor Ross took the Chair.

#### **1. SEDERUNT**

Noted.

#### **2. COMMUNITY HEALTH PARTNERSHIP STRUCTURES**

Katie Kelly gave a presentation on the structure of the Community Health Partnership and how issues relating to alcohol and drugs are tackled. A full discussion took place thereafter on the issues addressed.

#### **3. PROOF OF AGE STANDARDS SCHEME (PASS)**

Margaret Gardiner, Senior Practitioner, Dialogue Youth reported on the Proof of Age Standards Scheme (PASS) which is a UK wide scheme designed to give retailers confidence to accept accredited PASS cards as valid proof of age when selling age restricted goods. She advised that the acceptance of PASS by retailers and by licence holders was a constant issue, mainly due to lack of awareness.

Concern was expressed by those licence holders present at the meeting on the use of the cards. Mr B Kelly stated that he would only accept legal documents such as driving licenses or passports as proof of age as he was not willing to jeopardise his livelihood.

A full discussion took place regarding the use of the PASS cards, including the development of technology to allow the cards to be swiped to allow the information of the cards holder to be provided. Ms Gardiner undertook to report back to the next Forum meeting with any further developments.

There being no further business, the meeting ended at 12.45am.