

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

EAST AYRSHIRE LOCAL LICENSING FORUM

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 4 NOVEMBER 2008 AT 1113 HOURS IN THE MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK

PRESENT: James Boyd, Resident; Councillor John Campbell, Licensing Board Member; John McFarlane, National Licensing Officer; Sharon Hardie, NHS Ayrshire and Arran; Liam Wells, Joint Manager (Substance Misuse); Carolyn McEwan and Ian Hiles, Licensing Standard Officers; James Kelly, Resident; David Little, Licence Holder; Eric Brown, Licence Holder; and Alistair Kelly and Alistair Lawrence, Strathclyde Police.

ATTENDING: Stuart McCall, Depute Clerk to the Licensing Board; Patricia Duncan, Senior Licensing Board Administrator; Sheila Gillies, Licensing Board Administrator; and Lynn Young, Administrative Officer.

APOLOGIES: Patrick Brown, Scottish Beer and Pub Association; Dr Maggie Watts, NHS Ayrshire and Arran; and Jack Campbell, Resident.

CHAIR: James Boyd, Chair.

CHAIR'S REMARKS

1. The Chair offered his thanks and appreciation to the Forum Members, the Licensing Standard Officers, Strathclyde Police and East Ayrshire Council staff for their help and assistance with the Local Licensing Forum throughout the year.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

2. There was submitted and noted as a correct record, the Minutes of the meeting held on 21 August 2008 (circulated).

TRAINING

3.1 Alcohol Focus Scotland

There was submitted a letter received on 7 October 2008 and an email dated 21 October 2008 (both circulated) from Alcohol Focus Scotland which advised of the need for joint training between Board Members and Forum Members to gain a better understanding of their roles, and which advised that joint training would be held on Friday 20 February 2009 at the Travel Inn, Glasgow.

It was agreed that the Chair and the Licensing Standard Officers would attend the joint training on 20 February 2009.

It was also agreed that the research by Matthew Plunkett, entitled Licensing Law and the Impact of the Public Health Objective - A Review Paper, be a topic for discussion at the next Local Licensing Forum meeting, and that the Joint Manager (Substance Misuse) prepare a report on the findings of the research for the next meeting.

3.2 Update From Strathclyde Police

The Committee then received an update from Sergeant Alistair Kelly which advised that although matters were progressing well, there appeared to be a lack of personal licences applied for.

The Depute Clerk to the Licensing Board advised that the Licensing Standard Officers would continue to highlight the personal licences.

3.3 Alcohol Information Event

There was received a verbal report from the Administrative Officer which advised that following the recent Alcohol Information Event by ADAT on 2 October 2008, ADAT intended to hold a further event for anyone who was unable to attend on 2 October 2008.

It was agreed that if any of the Local Licensing Forum Members were interested in attending the additional Alcohol Information Event, then details should be passed to the Administrative Officer to advise ADAT accordingly.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

4. It was agreed that the next meeting would take place on Tuesday 20 January 2009 at 1400 hours, the venue to be confirmed.

The meeting terminated at 1130 hours.