

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

EAST AYRSHIRE LOCAL LICENSING FORUM

MINUTES OF INFORMAL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 11 AUGUST 2010 AT 1410 HOURS IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK

PRESENT: Eric Brown, British Institute of Innkeepers; Jim Dunsmuir, Resident; Paul Moon, Ayrshire Leisure Ltd; Rosalie McCluskey, Resident; Brian Kelly, Licence Holder; Ian Hiles, Licensing Standards Officer.

ATTENDING: Sharon McHarg, Administrative Officer.

APOLOGIES: Susan Wilson, NHS Ayrshire and Arran; Councillor Campbell; David Little, Licence Holder; Liam Wells, Team Manager, (Substance Misuse); Sergeant Una Menzies, Strathclyde Police and Caroline McEwan, Licensing Standards Officer.

CHAIR: Eric Brown, Chair.

QUORUM

1. Owing to the want of a Quorum, it was agreed to proceed as an informal meeting.

CHAIR'S REMARKS

2. The Chair advised (i) it had been agreed at a Forum meeting held approximately three months ago, that an application form for membership of the Forum be issued to the Kilmarnock Retail Trade Association so that they could be represented at future meetings; and (ii) that the organisation had not receive the said application form.

It was agreed that the Administrative Officer would issue the application form to the Association subject to clarifying the total current membership and that the Forum had not reached its maximum membership.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

3. There was submitted and noted as a correct record, the Minutes of the Licensing Forum held on 22 April 2010 and the minutes of the Informal Meeting held on 3 June 2010, both circulated.

OVER PROVISION IN EAST AYRSHIRE

4.1 Declaration of Interest

Ian Hiles, Licensing Standards Officer, in terms of his role as Licensing Standards Officer declared an interest and took no further part in the following item.

4.2 Consideration of Item

With reference to paragraph 3 of the Minute of the Informal Meeting held on 3 June 2010, when it had been agreed to obtain information from NHS Ayrshire and Arran regarding the deprivation figures in relation to the areas within East Ayrshire and to obtain information from Strathclyde Police in relation to alcohol related crime statistics, there was submitted information in connection with links with alcohol, drugs and deprivation and a letter dated 15 June 2010 by the Depute Clerk to the

Licensing Board which sought the Forum's views on over provision within East Ayrshire.

The Forum Members were further advised that Strathclyde Police were unable to provide alcohol related crime statistics as "Alcohol" related crime was not recorded.

Following discussion regarding the over provision within East Ayrshire, it was agreed to submit to the Depute Clerk to the Licensing Board, the following recommendations regarding over provision as agreed, by the majority, at the informal meeting held on 3 June 2010, which would be subject to ratification at the next Forum meeting on 23 November 2010:-

- Auchinleck - adequately provided for;
- Catrine - no over provision;
- Cumnock - over provision exists within the area;
- Dalmellington - no over provision;
- Dalrymple - no over provision;
- Drongan - no over provision;
- Hollybush - no over provision;
- Logan - no over provision;
- Mauchline - no over provision;
- Muirkirk - no over provision;
- New Cumnock - no over provision;
- Ochiltree - no over provision;
- Patna - no over provision;
- Sorn - no over provision;
- Crookedholm - no over provision;
- Crosshouse - no over provision;
- Darvel - no over provision;
- Dunlop - no over provision;
- Fenwick - no over provision;
- Galston - no over provision;
- Gatehead - no over provision;
- Hurlford - no over provision;
- Kilmaurs - no over provision;
- Knockentiber - no over provision;
- Newmilns - no over provision;
- Stewarton - adequately provided for;
- Kilmarnock Central North - adequately provided for;
- Kilmarnock Central South - adequately provided for;
- Kilmarnock Central East - adequately provided for; and
- Kilmarnock Central West - adequately provided for.

NHS HEALTH SCOTLAND EVALUATION BRIEF

5. There was submitted an e-mail and research brief dated 17 May 2010 from the NHS Health Scotland which sought support and participation in the evaluation to assess implementation of, and compliance with, the objectives and relevant requirements of

the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005 commissioned by NHS Health Scotland and which would be carried out by the Scottish Centre for Social Research (CSOTTES).

Following discussion, it was agreed that the Administrative Officer write to Kenny McAskill, Cabinet Secretary for Justice to advise that the Forum had agreed to support and participate in the proposals, if required.

TRAINING RESOURCE FOR LOCAL LICENSING FORUM MEMBERS 2010

6. There was submitted a letter dated 14 May 2010 and a Training Resource by Alcohol Focus Scotland on the 'Training Resource for Local Licensing Forum Members 2010'.

Following discussion, it was agreed:-

- (i) that the Local Licensing Forum Members be afforded the opportunity to watch the training resource DVD at it's next meeting on 23 November 2010;
- (ii) that the Chair of the Forum invite the Licensing and ServeWise Manager to attend the next meeting of the Forum to do a short presentation on the training resource, subject to no costs being incurred by East Ayrshire Council; and
- (iii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

7. It was agreed to note that a joint meeting between East Ayrshire Licensing Board and East Ayrshire Local Licensing Forum would be held on Tuesday 23 November 2010 at 1000 hours, thereafter the next meeting of the East Ayrshire Licensing Forum would be held at 1130 hours or immediately following the joint meeting with the Licensing Board, and that the venue would be confirmed at a later date.

ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS

8. The Chair raised concerns about the amount of meetings that had been inquoret and it was agreed:-
- (i) that the Administration Officer write out to all members on the Forum advising of the position regarding the lack of quorum and to clarify the position with regard to future attendance at Forum meetings; and
 - (ii) that an item be placed on the agenda of the next meeting to progress this matter.

The meeting terminated at 1445 hours.