

SOUTH AYRSHIRE LOCAL LICENSING FORUM (SPECIAL).

Minutes of a special meeting of South Ayrshire Local Licensing Forum
in County Buildings, Ayr on 10th December 2010 at 2.00 p.m.

Present: R. Russell (Chair), Councillor D. Campbell, C. Andrew, A. Kelly, R. Rennie,
S. Horne, M. Caird, and M. Ankers.

Apologies: Sergeant U. Menzies, Strathclyde Police, A. Bradford, J. Kerr, A. Monkhouse
and P. Robertson.

Attending for
South Ayrshire M. Douglas, Licensing Policy Officer; and E. Wyllie,
Council: Committee Administrative Officer.

1. Consultation on Licensing Policy Statement.

Reference was made to the previous Minutes of 20th August (Page 2, paragraph 4) and 19th November 2010 (Page 2, paragraph 4) and there was submitted a copy of the Consultation on Licensing Policy Statement document (issued).

The Chair referred to the previous meetings and advised that responses to the Consultation had been extended and should be submitted to the Licensing Policy Officer by 17th January 2011.

Thereon, the Licensing Policy Officer referred to the Statement and particularly commented on the following areas:-

- on sales trading hours;
- overprovision;
- extended hours applications; and
- occasional licenses.

A full discussion by Members of the Forum took place thereafter and various questions were raised in relation to the above areas and the Licensing Policy Officer responded accordingly.

Decided:

- (1) to agree with the Board's proposals, with the exception of that section relating to 'on sales' and recommending that the Board should consider that the maximum trading hours to be enjoyed by any premises shall not exceed fourteen and a half hours;
- (2) to indicate their surprise that Strathclyde Police had not commented on the Consultation; and
- (3) to note their concerns that there was a feeling that the Board were restricted in their options when dealing with overprovision issues in view of the Tesco Aberdeen case and that they wished these views to be made to the Scottish Government.

2. **Date of Next Meeting.**

The Licensing Policy Officer intimated that she could arrange for a representative from NHS Ayrshire and Arran to give a presentation to the joint meeting in respect of health statistics.

Decided: to agree that the next meeting of the Local Licensing Forum would take place on Friday, 4th February 2011 at 1.00 p.m. and thereafter with the Licensing Board at 2.00 p.m. on that day, including a presentation from NHS Ayrshire and Arran with regard to health statistics, within the County Buildings, Wellington Square, Ayr.

3. **Closing Remarks.**

The Chair thanked Members of the Forum for their attendance and contribution.

The meeting ended at 3.25 p.m.