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To: Elaine Mottram, Convener; John Mooney and William Rae, Vice Conveners; and Neil Carnegie, Finlay Cran, Eleanor Forbes, Grant, Grant, David Laing, Steve, JP McGivney, Philip, Diane Sande, Lucy Simpson and Stewart.

Town House,
ABERDEEN 06 June 2023

LOCAL LICENSING FORUM

The Members of the **LOCAL LICENSING FORUM** are requested to meet in **Committee Room 2 - Town House** on **TUESDAY, 13 JUNE 2023 at 2.00 pm.**

JENNI LAWSON
INTERIM CHIEF OFFICER - GOVERNANCE

BUSINESS

- 1 Welcome and Apologies
- 2 Scottish Government Survey of Local Licensing Forums
- 3 Scottish Government Event for Local Licensing Forums (09 June 2023) - Feedback

Work on memberships and make meetings interesting

Feedback from John – really useful as Glasgow is very active, large and well resourced. Overwhelming on on-trade, needs to be more balanced

Link in with off sales – should we link in with John Hislop? To achieve less harm from alcohol

Engage with John Hislop and Elaine and John will get back to the National Lead – is there any flexibility for smaller premises and follow up the off trade issue

Elaine – on survey, there were 14 responses out of 32/40. Only 7 forums were active, which we were one of, also including Glasgow, Ayrshire. Elaine spoke at the meeting and got good feedback. Mostly feedback from Glasgow, importance of having a work plan, what are you trying to do and monitoring that. Agenda items on major city events to celebrate Glasgow, they invited speakers as these may have an impact on alcohol use. Energised the forum and led to recommendations. They also appointed their members to be the same term to join the Licensing Board. You could resign but would be nice to think about, looking over this period. They had reports from LSOs, Police, do we ask for a report twice a year rather than every meetings? Campaigns that we need to be aware of – It will Cost you, started on 5th June – Police advised that leaflets delivered to off sales in Grampian – to do with someone like me being asked to buy alcohol for kids and what it could cost you.

Elaine – not aware that the Licensing system – fees fund the licensing system and this should break even and have no surplus. There is no budget for LLFs to do anything or support travel etc – is there any surplus? Elaine and John funded their trip to Glasgow. If the Board had surplus – this could be a pot for LLF – sharing of information is key for these events, talking to others and the energy you get from it – valuable. On training, Alcohol Focus Scotland don't have resources to help forums but have set out online training and may help with bespoke training.

It was stated at meeting on Friday - To remember that the Licensing Board is not part of the Council – it is an independent body – ASK SANDY? What are the implications?

4 Review of Activity of Forum

5 Development of future plans for the Forum

6 Next steps and close

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