

SPORTS GROUND ADVISORY WORKING GROUP

ABERDEEN 03 December 2014. Minute of Meeting of the SPORTS GROUND ADVISORY WORKING GROUP.

Present:- Arlene Dunbar (Litigation and Licensing), Roland George (Aberdeen Football Club), Paul Hendry, (Aberdeen Football Club), David McIntosh, (Emergency Planning), Willie Tocher (Scottish Fire and Rescue Service), and Innes Walker (Police Scotland).

MINUTE OF MEETING OF SPORTS GROUND ADVISORY WORKING GROUP OF 04 SEPTEMBER 2014

1. The Group had before it the minute of meeting of the Sports Ground Advisory Working Group of 04 September 2014.

The Group resolved:-

To approve the minute

ABERDEEN FOOTBALL CLUB GENERAL SAFETY CERTIFICATE

2. Arlene Dunbar confirmed that the Safety Certificate would be presented to the Licensing Committee for approval at its meeting to be held on 12 May 2015,

The Group resolved:-

To note the position

MATCH DAY INSPECTION – 30 SEPTEMBER 2014

3. A match day inspection was carried out at Pittodrie on 30 September 2014. Representatives of Litigation & Licensing, Building Standards, Environmental Health and Scottish Fire and Rescue Service carried out the inspection.

Arlene Dunbar confirmed that Environmental Health had no observations to offer following the inspection.

The Group heard from Willie Tocher who thanked Aberdeen Football Club for accommodating the inspection and provided the Group with the Fire Service's observations.

Arlene Dunbar confirmed that Litigation and Licensing would write to the Club outlining the observations in full of both the Scottish Fire & Rescue Service and Building Standards and that the matter would be discussed at the next meeting of the Group.

The Group resolved:-

to note the position.

TABLE TOP EXERCISE

4. Roland George advised the Group that Aberdeen Football Club completed a table top exercise on 10 September 2014. The purpose of the exercise was to test the Club's contingency plan. He further advised that the exercise was a success and was attended by representatives of Police Scotland, Scottish Fire & Rescue Service, Scottish Ambulance Service, Building Standards and Environmental Health.

The Group resolved:

To note the position.

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Emergency Planning

5. David McIntosh, Emergency Planner Aberdeen City Council, , commented that the remit of the Group appeared similar to that of the Emergency Planning Group for Pittodrie. Both Groups also involved a number of the same organisations. He considered that it might be worthwhile for both groups to meet together.

The Group considered that the emergency plan was only one aspect of the Safety Certificate and that the remit of the Group was very specific working towards to the execution of the Safety Certificate.

Arlene Dunbar advised that the Group was an officer's working group of the Sports Group Advisory Group which itself was a sub group of the Licensing Committee and any changes to its remit may require the approval of the parent committee.

The Group decided that it would be more appropriate to continue to meet separately but to consider holding meetings of both groups on the same day.

The Group resolved:

To continue to meet separately from the Emergency Planning Group for Pittodrie.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

6. The Group resolved to hold the next meeting on 18 February 2015.