

## **INVERCLYDE LOCAL LICENSING FORUM AND INVERCLYDE LICENSING BOARD**

### **MINUTE OF JOINT MEETING OF 21 JUNE 2018 AT 10AM**

**Present:** Councillors Ahlfeld, Crowther, J McEleny, Murphy, Robertson, Wilson, Adam Smith, Margaret McConnachie, Roisin Dillon, Crawford Brown, O'Neill Craig, Adam Smith, Councillor Luciano Rebecchi, Iain Hamil, Adrian Howlett and Margaret McConnachie,

**Chair:** Councillor Ahlfeld

**In attendance:** Mr James Douglas, Lindsay Carrick, Inspector Lorna McLaren (Police Scotland), William Wilson (Gourock Community Council), John McLeary (Customhouse Hotel) and Chris Jewell (Inverclyde Christian Initiative).

**Apologies:** Councillor Rebecchi and Adrian Howlett

#### **1. Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005: Review of Licensing Board Policy Statement**

Mr Douglas advised members that the purpose of this meeting was to start discussions in relation to the review of the policy statement. There followed a discussion and Councillor Ahlfeld advised members of the forum that the Board is keen to hear the view from the local community. Councillor Ahlfeld welcomed Dr John Lee, Head of Public Affairs at Scottish Grocers Federation. The members heard a presentation by Dr John Lee which provided information on the "You're asking for it" campaign, particularly focusing on raising awareness of the damaging effects and criminal nature of buying alcohol for under 18s. Mr Lee advised members that following a successful local authority wide roll-out in North Lanarkshire, campaign partners have developed an online resource to support local authorities and the local partners across Scotland hoping to follow suit. Following the presentation Dr Lee answered a number of questions from members relative to the issues raised in the presentation

#### **2. Gambling Act 2005: Review of Gambling Statement of Principles**

Mr Douglas advised members of the Board and Forum that the Gambling Statement of Principles require to be revised every three years and should any member have any questions relating to this they should contact Mr Douglas.