Fife Licensing Forum

Committee Room 2 (FHM05.002), 5th Floor, Fife House, North St, Glenrothes



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Lindsay Thomson

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Head of Legal and Democratic Services
Finance and Corporate Services

Fife House North Street Glenrothes Fife, KY7 5LT

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18 May, 2023

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THE FIFE COUNCIL - FIFE LICENSING FORUM - BLENDED MEETING

Committee Room 2, Fife House, North Street, Glenrothes

9 March, 2023 3.00 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.

PRESENT: John Barclay (Convener), Catherine Chudleigh, Izzy Corbin,

lan Davidson, Gillian Dewar, Neil Ewing, Gregor Hannah, Douglas Hardaker, Stewart Ness, Paul Smith and Jo Worrall.

ATTENDING: Councillor Tom Adams, Chair of Fife Licensing Board, Nicky Corletto,

Licensing Standards Officer, Rebecca Shovlin, Policy Officer, Health and Social Care, Kimberley Langley, Solicitor and Elizabeth Mair,

Committee Officer, Legal & Democratic Services;

APOLOGIES FOR Jim Bett, Clare Campbell and Jeff Ellis. **ABSENCE**:

100. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

John Barclay welcomed everyone to the meeting. This was the first blended meeting since the Covid pandemic and some members and attendees were in the room with the others joining remotely through Microsoft Teams.

101. CONVENER'S ANNUAL REPORT

The Forum considered a report by the Convener giving an overview of the work of the Forum over the past year. The report highlighted various issues, including difficulties arranging meetings, the rising costs of fuel and subsequent effect on businesses, along with the proposed introduction of the deposit recycling service and changes to alcohol advertising and sponsorship. Some discussion followed, with members expressing varying opinions on the issues raised.

Decision

The Forum noted the report.

102. APPOINTMENT OF CONVENER

In accordance with the constitution, nominations were sought for the appointment of the Convener for the following year.

First Nomination

Izzy Corbin, seconded by Paul Smith, nominated John Barclay.

Second Nomination

lan Davidson, seconded by Stewart Ness, nominated Izzy Corbin.

Third Nomination

Peter Reid, seconded by Neil Ewing, nominated Gregor Hannah.

Vote/

Vote

Third Nomination - 3 votes

Second Nomination - 3 votes

First Nomination - 5 votes

As there was no clear majority, a further vote was then taken between the nominations with the lowest number of votes.

Vote

Third Nomination - 7 votes

Second Nomination - 4 votes

Having received the lowest number of votes, the second nomination fell and a further vote taken between the first and third nominations.

Vote

Third Nomination - 7 votes

First Nomination - 4 votes

Decision

Accordingly, Gregor Hannah was appointed Convener for the following year.

103. APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS

It was reported that Catherine Chudleigh had replaced Paul Madill as the NHS Fife Consultant and that Gillian Dewar had replaced Fiona Rattray as the Social Work representative.

Decision

The appointments were noted.

104. RESIGNATION

It was reported that Chris Dickson had resigned from the Forum. John Barclay and Rebecca Shovlin put forward suggestions for a replacement member. Ian Davidson advised that he was retiring soon and this would be his last meeting.

Decision

It was agreed that the filling of vacancies be considered at the next Forum meeting. Expressions of interest should be submitted in writing 14 days prior to the meeting.

105. MINUTE

The Forum considered the minute of the meeting of Fife Licensing Forum of 11 August 2022.

Decision

The Forum agreed to approve the minute.

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106. CHIEF CONSTABLE'S ANNUAL LICENSING REPORT 2021/22

The Forum considered the Chief Constable's Annual Licensing Report 2021/22.

Decision

The report was noted.

107. POLICE REPORT

Neil Ewing advised that the 2022/2023 Chief Constable's annual licensing report was due to be completed shortly. He reported that the police service was stretched but that good work continued to be carried out.

Catherine Chudleigh mentioned issues with groups of youths congregating in some areas, especially Glenrothes bus station and Neil advised that he thought discussions were ongoing with Rebecca Shovlin's team and he would follow this up. It was suggested that the young person's bus pass might be contributing to the issue but Neil advised that this area had been a problem for a long time. There were similar issues with groups congregating in Templehall, Kirkcaldy.

Decision

The Forum noted the report.

Stewart Ness left the meeting following consideration of the above item.

108. FIFE LICENSING BOARD ANNUAL FUNCTIONS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The Forum considered a report by the Head of Legal and Democratic Services presenting the Fife Licensing Board Annual Functions and Financial Statement. Kimberley Langley highlighted points in the report.

Decision

The Forum noted the content of the report.

109. UPDATES FROM FIFE LICENSING BOARD

The Forum considered the minutes of meetings of Fife Licensing Board of 29th August, 3rd October & 12th December 2022 and 6th February, 2023.

Decision

The Forum noted:-

- (1) the minutes of the meetings; and
- (2) that the Board met every two months and that the meetings were public so anyone could attend.

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110. LICENSING STANDARDS OFFICERS UPDATE

Douglas Hardaker advised that the Licensing Standards team was now up to full complement with four Licensing Standards Officers following the recent retirements and recruitment process. The team had been out visiting premises over the past couple of months and also reviewing their procedures.

Decision

The report was noted.

111. LOCAL LICENSING FORUM SURVEY REPORT

The Forum considered the report of the survey of the local licensing forums in Scotland which had been carried out by the Scottish Government, in conjunction with Alcohol Focus Scotland in 2022. This had highlighted that some areas had very low engagement in forum work.

Kimberley Langley advised that the Community Safety Minister had issued a letter to all local authorities seeking to ensure that all Forums were active and functioning successfully. Paul Smith was a member of three different forums around the country and advised that there were widely varying levels of engagement. There was some discussion around maximising support and engagement in the Forum and it was suggested that a small group could be set up to discuss the creation of a local action plan.

Decision

The Forum:-

- (1) noted the report of survey and the subsequent letter from the Community safety Minister; and
- (2) agreed that an item be placed on the agenda for the next meeting to consider setting up a sub-group to discuss a local action plan.

112. MEETING DATES FOR 2023

The Forum considered draft dates for meetings for the rest of 2022. A date for the joint meeting with Fife Licensing Board had not been set but it was suggested that this be held on 27 April.

Decision

The Forum agreed:-

- (1) that future meetings in 2022 be held on 25 May, 24 August and 23 November; and
- (2) that, subject to there being a quorum of members available from both the Forum and the Licensing Board, the joint meeting be held on 27 April.

113. ALCOHOL FOCUS SCOTLAND - EFOCUS NEWSLETTERS

The Forum noted that eFocus newsletters could be accessed directly through the Alcohol Focus Scotland website and a link was provided.

114. ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS

(1) NHS Updates

Catherine Chudleigh requested that a regular update by the NHS be added to future agendas. She advised that the NHS was currently reviewing the alcohol policy in collaboration with the Alcohol & Drug Partnership and was producing data sets for input to the policy. She suggested that the Forum and Licensing Board might be included in the consultation as they had been involved in previous issues such as minimum unit pricing and the Covid pandemic.

(2) <u>Local Licensing Policy</u>

There was a request for an update on the local licensing policy. Kimberley Langley advised that a report would be presented to the Licensing Board meeting in April and then there would be a pre-consultation with other organisations including the forum. Following this there would be a full consultation exercise over the summer. This process also applied to the overprovision policy and it was hoped to have both policies finalised and in place by November. It was noted that input from the Police Service would be submitted in conjunction with the Alcohol & Drug Partnership.

(3) <u>Drinking in the Street</u>

Izzy Corbin raised the issue of drinking alcohol in the street. She was aware of some licences which had been granted for this and she asked for clarification of the position. Kimberley Langley advised that there were local bylaws which prohibited this but the granting of licences overruled those. She advised that plans were available online for the permitted areas. Izzy advised that items placed on the street to delineate drinking areas were causing issues for blind and partially sighted people. Kimberley advised that objections could be made when the licence applications were advertised and that any issues could be reported to the LSO's. Licences allowed control over the areas and came with conditions to regulate the use. It was also reported that bylaws covered all main town centres but not the Old Course and West Sands in St Andrews.

Paul Smith left the meeting during the above discussion.

(4) King's Coronation General Extension

Kimberley Langley advised that a general extension to opening hours had been granted for the King's Coronation weekend. This covered on-sales licensed premises until 1.00 am during the nights of Friday 5th May to Sunday 7th May and full details were available on the Fife Council website Licensing Pages. Any extensions to this would require a separate licence.

(5) 'Man Sheds'

John Barclay mentioned the increase in 'man sheds' being erected in garden ground during the Covid pandemic for use for domestic drinking of alcohol which was not regulated and suggested that it could be considered as a future agenda item.

(6) Thanks to Convener

Gregor Hannah expressed thanks to John Barclay on behalf of the Forum for his work as Convener over the past year.

Fife Licensing Forum

27 May, 2023

Agenda Item No. 4



Fife Licensing Forum - Appointment of New Members

Report by: Lindsay Thomson, Head of Legal and Democratic Services

Purpose

The Forum is asked to consider the appointment of new members to fill the three vacancies which have recently arisen following the resignation of Jim Bett, Chris Dickson and Ian Davidson.

Recommendation(s)

The Committee is asked to appoint three members from the list of those who have expressed an interest, as detailed in paragraph 3 below.

Resource Implications

None.

Legal & Risk Implications

In accordance with Schedule 2 of the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005 a Forum may have a maximum of 21 members. However, at the meeting of Fife Council on 18 May 2017 it was agreed that the Fife Forum have a maximum of 15 members to enable meetings to meet the necessary number for a quorum.

Failure to make such appointments may mean the Forum cannot function effectively or secure a quorum at meetings.

Impact Assessment

An EqIA is not required because the report does not propose a change or revision to existing policies and practices.

Consultation

No consultation was necessary.

1.0 Background

- 1.1 Each council in Scotland is required to establish a Licensing Forum under the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005.
- 1.2 Membership of the forum is prescribed in the Act, setting out the numbers and categories/criteria for membership. These are summarised as follows:-
 - Membership must be between 5 and 21 members
 - There must be at least one Licensing Standards Officer (LSO) for the area
 - There must be at least one person from the Health Board for the area
 - The rest of the members should be from the following main categories
 - Licence holders (both on and-off sales)
 - Police
 - ➤ Health, education or social work
 - Young people
 - Residents within the Forum's area
- 1.3 The Council has flexibility to decide how many representatives there should be for each category and can include members from other categories relevant to licensing.

2.0 Current position

- 2.1 The Fife Licensing Forum has 15 members.
- 2.2 The current membership of the Forum is as follows:-

Category	No. of members	Members
Licensing Standards	1	Douglas Hardaker
NHS Fife	2	Catherine Chudleigh, Clare Campbell
Licence Holders	3	Gregor Hannah, John Barclay & Paul Smith
Police	1	Neil Ewing
Education	1	Gillian Dewar
Licencing Training	1	Jo Worrall
Residents	3	Jeff Ellis, Izzy Corbin & Stewart Ness

2.3 The Constitution also states that Members who fail to attend three consecutive meetings shall, unless the failure to attend was for a reason approved by the Forum, be subject to removal from office by the Forum. In the first instance, the member will receive, if appropriate, a letter from the Clerk enquiring as to the reason for failure to attend and the matter will thereafter be considered by the Forum.

3.0 New Members

3.1 The undernoted persons have expressed an interest in joining the forum. A brief outline of their interests and experience is provided to assist members.

Susanna Galea-Singer, Addiction Services NHS Fife

Clinical Lead & Consultant Psychiatrist, NHS Fife Addiction Services Clinical Innovations Champion, NHS Fife

Chair of the Education Committee, Board of Directors, International Society of Addiction Medicine

Co-Chair, Faculty of Addictions Psychiatry, Scottish Division, Royal College of Psychiatrists, UK

Peter Reid - Resident

I have recently inherited chairing the local community council (Touch and Garvock). I did work in Scottish Government licensing policy for ten years, so I have been on the copy list for the Forum for some time now, and I have attended the odd meeting. I moved post to a different policy area a few years ago, and I will shortly be taking partial retirement, so I thought it might be interesting to get involved in the Forum as a community member.

Morag Douglas - Licence Holder

My name is Morag Douglas, I am originally from Dundee. I have owned The Star in Burntisland since 2004 so have quite a few years' experience as a licensee. I have been a board member of the Fife licensed Trade Association for many years and for the past two years have been Scottish spokesperson for the Campaign for Pubs. I also served on Burntisland Community Council for around eight years.

I am interested safeguarding the future of the licensed trade and especially in trying to protect the role of smaller pubs in their communities. I have a lot of experience to offer as I am a very "hands on" licensee and so am well placed to advise on what is actually happening within the trade at grass roots level. I also have a clear understanding of licensing law and the principles behind it and am keen to be involved in helping to shape a licensing policy which will equally allow businesses to flourish and protect the communities they operate within.

James Torrance - Licence Holder

Twenty Two years experience within the trade, Eighteen of which has been involved in the sale of alcohol

Three years working over Scotland in various roles within Belhaven managed estate, Two years of which I was a relief manager working in Aberdeen, Stirling, Inverness, Perth, Dundee and of Course Fife.

Three Years Operation Manager for local Fife based pub company helping oversee and operate Ten Licensed premises at its Peak.

Currently eight years self employed running three licensed premises. Agenda Bar & Restaurant, The Windsor Hotel (Leven) and The Sunbeam Inn. We currently hold two gold and one silver awards from the Best Bar None Fife awards.

I am keen to join the forum to have some form of input to what is informed and discussed with the board. Our sector is under extreme hardship at present, with challenges coming from several directions at once. While I understand these will mostly be of little interest to the board in the manner of how they could help, I feel it is important they are kept in the loop during this perilous time. As an operator, I would feel I hadn't done my best if I hadn't got my opinion and hopefully contribution across.

Helen/

Helen Hutton, FASS

My role within FASS is a Counselling Service Co-ordinator for the our core counselling service, which is funded by H&SCP in Fife to support individuals and any significant others impacted by alcohol/substance misuse. Our services is provided Fife wide in G.P. Surgeries, Health Centres and all the hospitals throughout the region. I have been in with the organisation for 18 years in various roles, initially as a volunteer counsellor and sessional counsellor and then in my present role as co-ordinator since 2012.

I believe my experience of working in the community with our client group over the years has given me an insight into how alcohol impacts negatively on some individuals in our society. I'm also aware of the development of government policies and legislation in respect of regulations and harm reduction approaches within our communities.

4.0 Conclusion

4.1 Following the resignation of members the forum requires to fill the vacancies as appropriate.

List of Appendices

None

Background Papers

The following background papers were relied on in the preparation of this report in terms of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1973:-

None

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FIFE LICENSING BOARD

The Meeting of the Fife Licensing Board will be held within the Council Chambers, Town House, Wemyssfield, Kirkcaldy, Fife, KY1 1XW on MONDAY, 3rd April, 2023 at 10.00 a.m.

Lindsay Thomson Clerk to the Licensing Board

UNDER THE LICENSING (SCOTLAND) ACT 2005

- 1. Report from the Clerk Initiate Review of Licensing Board's Statement of Licensing Policy

 The Board noted and approved the above Report
- 2. Report from the Clerk Update & Amendment to Appendix 3(b) in Licensing Board's Statement of Licensing Policy

The Board noted and approved the above Report

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Provisional(s)

Lic No Premises	Applicant	Date Received	Decision
FLB 1441 ATTICA 2 - 8 CROSS WYND	ATTICA GREEK LIMITED C/O MACDONALD LICENSING	29 December 2022	Granted unanimous with delivery conditions 1 - 5
DUNFERMLINE FIFE KY12 7AP	21A RUTLAND SQUARE EDINBURGH EH21 2BB		

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New Grant(s)

Lic No F	Premises	Applicant	Date Received	Decision
5 C F	MELDRUMS HOTEL 56 MAIN STREET CERES FIFE KY15 5NA	MELDRUMS HOTEL LTD	19 January 2023	Granted unanimous with outdoor drinking conditions - Alcohol may be consumed in the outdoor drinking area shown on the layout plan in accordance with the terms of this licence and the Board's Statement of Licensing Policy
1 E F	ONE ONE FOUR 114 HIGH STREET BURNTISLAND FIFE KY3 9AR	FRANCOISE BLANCHARD C/O INNES JOHNSTON & CO (KIRKCALDY) SOLICITORS 95 - 99 ESPLANADE KIRKCALDY FIFE KY1 1RF	6 December 2022	Granted unanimous

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FLB 881	CRAIL BOWLING CLUB KIRKMAY ROAD CRAIL ANSTRUTHER FIFE KY10 3RY	CRAIL BOWLING CLUB	9 December 2022	Granted unanimous with outdoor drinking conditions - Alcohol may be consumed in the outdoor drinking area shown on the layout plan in accordance with the terms of this licence and the Board's Statement of Licensing Policy
FLB 102-	4 KINGS 2-8 MAIN STREET KELTY FIFE KY4 0AA	ASIF ENTERPRISES LTD C/O LUNDIN CONSULTANCY SERVICES LIMITED LUNDIN MILL FARMHOUSE 15 LARGO ROAD LUNDIN LINKS LEVEN FIFE KY8 6DG	19 December 2022	Application withdrawn by applicant

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FLB 334	KINGSWOOD HOTEL KINGHORN ROAD BURNTISLAND FIFE KY3 9LL	SPICE LOUNGE HOLDINGS LIMITED C/O MACDONALD LICENSING 21A RUTLAND SQUARE EDINBURGH	20 January 2023	Granted unanimous
FLB 914	KIRKCALDY RUGBY	EH1 2BB KIRKCALDY RUGBY FOOTBALL	17 January 2023	Granted unanimous
	FOOTBALL CLUB THE PAVILION BEVERIDGE PARK KIRKCALDY FIFE KY2 5LT	CLUB C/O MCKENZIES 26 EAST FERGUS PLACE KIRKCALDY FIFE KY1 1XT		

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FLB 1144	4 NISA LOCAL 1-3 ABBEYVIEW DUNFERMLINE FIFE KY11 4HA	MOHAMMED JAVID C/O GNE CONSULTANCY LTD 47 WALLACE BRAE DRIVE REDDINGMUIRHEAD FALKIRK FK2 0FB	5 December 2022	Granted unanimous with delivery conditions 1 - 5
FLB 136	SHIP TAVERN 49 SHORE STREET ANSTRUTHER FIFE KY10 3AQ	THUNDER HOLDINGS LTD C/O TLT LLP 41 WEST CAMPBELL STREET GLASGOW G2 6SE	19 December 2022	Granted unanimous

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FLB 1006 THE QUEENS HOTEL 1 DERRAN DRIVE CARDENDEN LOCHGELLY FIFE KY5 0JG	ASIF ENTERPRISES LTD C/O PETER AITKEN LUNDIN CONSULTANCY SERVICES LUNDIN MILL FARMHOUSE 15 LARGO ROAD LUNDIN LINKS FIFE KY8 6DG	19 December 2022	Granted unanimous - After one conditions

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FLB 127	6 KANDY 1 HUNTER STREET KIRKCALDY FIFE KY1 1ED	FIFE LICENSING BOARD	1 March 2023	Review Heard. Grounds for review established. Licence revoked.
FLB 826	NEW CARDEN OLD FOLKS CLUB 84C CARDENDEN ROAD CARDENDEN LOCHGELLY FIFE KY5 0PD	FIFE LICENSING BOARD	1 March 2023	Review Heard. Grounds for review established. Licence revoked.

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FLB 103	8 PREMIER STORE 36 SHAW STREET BRUCEFIELD DUNFERMLINE FIFE KY11 4AX	FIFE LICENSING BOARD	1 March 2023	Review Heard. Grounds for review established. Written Warning.
FLB 121	0 QUEENS PREMIER STORE 3 QUEENS BUILDINGS QUEENSFERRY ROAD ROSYTH DUNFERMLINE FIFE KY11 2RA	FIFE LICENSING BOARD	1 March 2023	Review Heard. Grounds for review established. Licence revoked.

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Lic No Premises	Applicant	Date Received	Decision
FLB 1394 THE HABERDASHERY BAR 123 NEW ROW DUNFERMLINE FIFE KY12 7DZ	FIFE LICENSING BOARD	1 March 2023	Review Heard. Grounds for review established. Licence revoked.

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Personal Licence(s)

Lic No	Premises	Applicant	Date Received	Decision
FI 6324	KELLYANN GRUBB		24 November 2022	Continued to next meeting at request of applicant.
FI 6378	MELISSA MCPHERSON		10 February 2023	Granted Unanimous.

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FLB 956	A AND A STORES 24 HIGH STREET EAST ANSTRUTHER FIFE KY10 3DQ	CHIEF CONSTABLE	27 March 2023	Grounds for Review established. The Board unanimously agreed to Revoke the licence.

Fife Licensing Forum 25th May 2023 - LSO report

Following the retirement of two Licensing Standards Officers and a long-term absence, the team is now back to full strength, i.e., four officers on two shifts, based at Bankhead Central Glenrothes.

The new team has a mix of experience and skills, and we are currently reviewing our processes because our new people have brought new eyes to the job and are questioning how we carry it out.

Whilst the focus of our work during Lockdown was about noise complaints regarding the on trade, we have recently found that we need to check the compliance of small shops, where standards have in some cases gone down. There has also been an increase in the delivery of alcohol from these premises.

We continue to liaise with Police Scotland on various matters relating to premises licences and engage as necessary with both off and on trade licence holders. LSOs continue to offer free advice on new applications or variations and still respond to various complaints against premises.

The increase in officer numbers has led to an increased LSO presence in the community, and we know that this is welcomed. We also think that licensing enquiries are increasing as a result of this.

Douglas Hardaker, Lead Officer, Public Protection

NHS Fife Public Health Update to the Licensing Forum May 2023

Reports on the impact of MUP on deaths

At the recent joint meeting between the Licensing Board and the Licensing Forum, a question was asked to Public Health and the Alcohol and Drug Partnership representatives about the evaluation of the impact of minimum unit pricing on alcohol deaths. Below is a link to the study and some statements from the lead researchers. The study estimated a 13.4% reduction in deaths, and a 4.1% reduction in hospital admissions, wholly attributable to alcohol consumption following the implementation of MUP.

The study compared what happened to alcohol health harms in Scotland with England, where MUP was not introduced. The findings cover the period from MUP implementation up to the end of 2020. The study concludes that MUP has been effective in reducing levels of alcohol-attributable harm in Scotland, with the greatest impact in socio-economically deprived areas, therefore reducing health inequalities associated with alcohol. There have been a series of separate evaluations of different impacts of MUP. These are being synthesised and a final report of the impact of MUP is expected in June 2023.

Report highlights the impact of Minimum Unit Pricing (MUP) on deaths and hospital admissions - News - Public Health Scotland

Licensing Policy Review Public Health Evidence Pack

We have been working together with partners to prepare an evidence pack to support the Licensing Board in their review of the Licensing Policy and the preparation of the overprovision statement. This evidence pack will include an analysis of data on the availability, use and harms associated with alcohol use in our communities; lived experience testimony of the impacts of alcohol on individuals and loved ones; survey feedback from the people's panel and some discussion on recent national policy changes and the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. We will be sharing this with the Licensing Board in June and intend to share this with Licensing Forum members when it is available.

Learning from Alcohol Specific Deaths

The Public Health Department is working with NHS Fife and the Alcohol and Drug Partnership and other partners on a review of a large number of alcohol specific deaths to identify learning and improvements across our system from prevention through to clinical care for people affected by alcohol use. This work is ongoing.

Director of Public Health Report

The 2023 the annual Director of Public Health Report is focused on children and young people and there will be a chapter on the impact of alcohol and drug use on children and young people. We will disseminate this to forum members when it is published.

See beyond Scotland work

We are aware of the <u>Home | Seebeyondscotland</u> work which shares stories which show the impact the loss of a life to alcohol or drugs has on the family and friends left behind. This may be of interest to licensing forum members.