LOCAL LICENSING CONFERENCE

12 November 2013

9.30 am to 3.00 pm

Volunteer Hall, Galashiels

PROGRAMME

Coffee and registration	All delegates will be given name badge with table number. Copies of the presentations will be placed on tables.	9.30 am to 10.15 am
Introduction and Welcome	Councillor M Ballantyne, the Chairman of the Local Licensing Forum, welcomes delegates and gives a brief introduction, to the role of the Local Licensing Forum and Local Licensing Board.	10 mins
Licensing and Rates	Presentation from Anne Isles and Ian Tunnah, Licensing Department, Scottish Borders Council - changes in numbers of premises over years.	10 mins
	Presentation from Mark Dickson, Assessor, Scottish Borders Council. Rates for premises.	10 mins
Facilitated discussion to raise any questions for afternoon session.		10 mins
Police, Alcohol Focus Scotland, and Borders	'Alcohol in Scotland' presentation from Sarah Currie, Alcohol Focus Scotland – national context, level of harms nationally and how Scottish Borders compares; local initiatives that can be delivered to whole population/licensing approaches.	15 mins
Alcohol and Drug Partnership	Joint presentation from Susan Walker, Borders Alcohol and Drugs Partnership and P C Gillian Walker. Impact on health, impact on Police and the partnership approach to tackling alcohol related harm.	15 mins
Facilitated discussion to raise questions for afternoon session.		15 mins
Trade On sales and	Presentation from Neil Gillies, local license holder - including erosion on sales because of drinking at home.	10 mins
off-sales	Presentation from John Lee, Scottish Grocery Federation on offsales.	10 mins
Facilitated discussion to raise questions for afternoon session		

LUNCH 12.15 pm to 1.00 pm			
Trade Solicitor	Presentation by Niall Hassard, Messrs Lindsays.	15 mins	
Question and Answer Session to Panel	Any questions that have arisen in the morning will be addressed to the Panel. Any further questions if time allows.	30 mins	
Discussion	Chance for the tables to focus on what they have heard and discussed. What can be done to improve licensing and the relationship with alcohol in the Scottish Borders?	1 hr	
Washup and thanks for attending	Councillor Ballantyne - how do we progress to keep everyone interested and sustain involvement?	10 mins	
Conference ends approximately 3.00 pm			