

Extending Scope of LLF Membership

Assistance could be sought from the Council's communications team to draft an advert / flier which could then be -

- posted on ABC website (as host for LLF)
- circulated via social media channels directly to relevant organisations / groups with social media presence (see list below*)
- offered as links to / from websites of partners (including NHS), trade organisations / groups, community websites, Dialogue Youth (Young Scot)
- used as basis for local radio adverts / bulletins / announcements
- discussed at Area Business Day / Community Planning Group meetings
- features in local newspapers
- arranging an 'open' LB meeting providing an opportunity for people to see the work of the Board with a view to participating in the LLF
- posters in community centres, libraries etc.

*Key groups, organisations –

- A broader range of trade representatives e.g. hotels, off-sales
- Relevant council services e.g. education, social work
- Relevant officers from specific health service teams e.g. education
- The Scottish Children's Reporter Administration (Children's Hearings System)
- Argyll and Bute Alcohol and Drugs Partnership
- Additional Community Councils
- Relevant trade associations
- Local 'Pub Watch' groups
- Other relevant groups or agencies

Examples of issues addressed by LLF -

- local overprovision, in context of new statutory provisions
- increasing flexibility of licensing hours
- additional controls to curb excessive drinking e.g. at major events
- assessing impact of alcohol-related violence on the local A & E services

Draft advert – see over//

DRAFT ADVERT / FLIER

If you have views about the way alcohol is sold and the impact it has in your area the Argyll and Bute Licensing Forum would like to hear from you. The Local Licensing Forum reviews the operation of the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005 and gives advice and makes recommendations to the Licensing Board.

The Forum is currently looking for new members to play an active role in shaping licensing policy in across the area.

We want to encourage enthusiastic, committed people; of all ages and backgrounds with an interest in licensing issues and how they impact on local communities. No particular qualifications are required although the Forum is particularly keen to hear from young people and from those involved in the emergency services.

The Forum usually meets four times a year and provides a link between local residents and the Licensing Board, presenting ideas, making suggestions and contributing feedback for consideration by the Board in local decision making.

The closing date for applying to be a new member of the Licensing Forum is **DATE**

For further information on the work of the Forum, or for an application form, contact; **DETAILS**