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**CHIEF CONSTABLE'S REPORT TO CLACKMANNANSHIRE LICENSING BOARD
FOR THE PERIOD 01/04/2011 – 31/03/2012**

INTRODUCTION

This report has been produced for the information of Clackmannanshire Licensing Board and Clackmannanshire Licensing Forum in accordance with Section 12A of the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005.

The report relates to police performance and activities undertaken in the financial year from 1st April 2011 to 31st March 2012 and is in two distinct parts:

Part 1: Contains my views on matters relating to policing in connection with the operation of the Act within the Board's area during the reporting year. This section also contains comprehensive alcohol related statistical information and provides a comparison of these statistics with the neighbouring local authorities of Stirling and Falkirk for the information of the Board. It also looks forward and identifies areas I intend to address or focus on in the coming year.

Part 2: Highlights the steps that officers have taken, or intend to take, to prevent the sale or supply of alcohol to children or young persons within the Board's area.

BOARD AREA – POLICING RESPONSIBILITY

In policing terms, Clackmannanshire Sub-Area Command encompasses the town of Alloa (with a population of around 12,000) and the smaller towns and villages along the Ochil Hills towards the force boundaries with Fife and Tayside, such as Sauchie, Clackmannan, Kennet, Forrestmill and Fishcross.

Alloa is the largest town in the Sub-Area Command and has recently undergone a substantial regeneration initiative, ranging from new housing and retail developments to the expansion of the town centre, including the new rail link from Alloa to Stirling.

The Sub-Area Command also covers the villages of Tullibody, Glenochil, Cambus, Menstrie and Alva. Officers also serve communities in the Hillfoots - Tillicoultry, Dollar, Muckhart, Coalsnaughton and Devonside.

The Sub-Area Command has a major alcohol production site operated by Diageo, the Sterling Mills retail park and is home to Glenochil Prison, all of which are overlooked by the grandeur of the Ochil Hills.

Temporary Superintendent Gordon Dawson is the current Area Commander for Stirling and Clackmannanshire and took up the post on Monday December 19. He replaces Superintendent Allan Douglas who was promoted to Temporary Chief Superintendent with responsibilities for Specialist Operation and Governance. Superintendent Dawson has 27 years service with the force and joined in 1984 as a Constable in Bo'ness. He has worked in CID across the force and the Drugs Unit. He was Detective Chief Inspector responsible for the Crime and Drugs; the Sub Area Commander for Grangemouth and latterly the Director of Intelligence. Chief Inspector Stephen Sneddon has responsibility for community policing across Clackmannanshire.

Central Scotland Police contribute to national outcomes by prioritising local areas of business which link into national objectives. Force performance is measured through the Scottish Policing Performance Framework (SPPF) which aligns local policing towards national objectives as well as the Force Performance Framework which provides detailed information on performance for a range of issues across the force and individual Area Commands.

The Force has a strategic plan with the underpinning ethos of 'Trust, Confidence and Satisfaction.' The enforcement of licensing legislation contributes towards the 'Policing Our Communities' strand of the Forces Strategic Plan 2011-2015. The regulation of alcohol is a priority for the Force and local policing within Clackmannanshire. It is of significance that alcohol related antisocial behaviour forms the basis of many of the Police and Communities Together (PACT) priorities within Clackmannanshire.

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It is widely recognised that excessive alcohol consumption can lead to antisocial behaviour which can impact significantly on our communities. As such we will continue to organise and deliver operations designed to help reduce disorder, antisocial behaviour, violence and vandalism linked to alcohol abuse.

The Sub-Area Command works with a range of local partnerships in tackling antisocial behaviour and alcohol related disorder. The Area Commander is chair of the Clackmannanshire Community Safety Partnership which is part of the wider Clacks Alliance. The Community Safety Partnership comprises of a wide range of agencies and partners across the area and has developed a partnership Strategic Assessment to define priorities. Tackling alcohol and anti social behaviour is included as one of the priorities of this partnership.

The Sub-Area Command is also a key partner in the local Alcohol and Drugs Partnership and is committed to working with its partners in delivering the Partnership's Action Plan.

Clackmannanshire Licensing Board area is one of the three Licensing Board areas within the Central Scotland Police area. From April 2013 there will be a national police service responsible for policing all of Scotland's Local Authorities and such future submissions of this report will be endorsed by the Chief Constable of the national service.

PART 1: OPERATION OF THE LICENSING (SCOTLAND) ACT 2005

Introduction

Section 12a of the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005, was created by the Alcohol etc. (Scotland) Act 2010, and places an obligation on the Chief Constable to, as soon as reasonably practicable after the end of each financial year, send a report to each Licensing Board and Licensing Forum whose area falls within the police area of the relevant Chief Constable.

This report contains my views about matters relating to policing in connection with the operation of the Act in the Board's area; and highlights the steps my officers have taken, or will take, to prevent the sale or supply of alcohol to children or young persons. This report also looks forward and identifies aspirations for the coming year. I have provided information in relation to police performance and activities undertaken in the year from 1st April 2011 to 31st March 2012. In addition, I have provided statistical information on alcohol related offences for the benefit of Board and Forum members. It is hoped this will provide an appreciation of alcohol related offending within the Clackmannanshire Board area and provide a statistical comparison with the neighbouring local authorities of Stirling and Falkirk. To

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provide context on the statistical information, I have provided the Board and Forum members with information relating to the number of licensed premises per area:

Council Area		Total
Clacks	Total number of on-sales premises	78
	Total number of off-sales premises	51
	Total number of licensed premises	129
Stirling	Total number of on-sales premises	285
	Total number of off-sales premises	120
	Total number of licensed premises	405
Falkirk	Total number of on-sales premises	266
	Total number of off-sales premises	139
	Total number of licensed premises	405
	Total number of off-sales premises	120
	Total number of licensed premises	405

This section of the report contains comprehensive statistical information for the Clackmannanshire Board area and provides a comparison of these statistics with Stirling and Falkirk Local Authorities. The following information has been gathered:

- The number and breakdown of all licensing offences under the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005, per Local Authority area for the year 1st April 2011 – 31st March 2012.
- The number of incidents at licensed premises for the year. This information is to be separated into groups of incidents committed (i) before midnight and (ii) between midnight and 0500 hours. This information will highlight the demands placed upon the police during the night time economy.
- The number of assaults on licensed premises for each Local Authority area for the year. This information is to be separated into groups of incidents committed (i) before midnight and (ii) between midnight and 0500 hours.
- The number of offences committed by persons under the influence of alcohol for each Local Authority area, with a breakdown of how many of these offences relate to children in each area. This information is to be separated into groups of incidents committed (i) before midnight and (ii) between midnight and 0500 hours.
- The number of persons caught consuming alcohol in public for the year for each Local Authority area and how many of these relate to children.

The methodology to collate this information required the following police computer databases to be utilised:

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- **Crimefile** – This database records all crimes reported to the Force.
- **STORM** – This database records all incidents reported to the Force. To link these incidents to licensed premises it requires the police operator within the Force Command and Control Centre (FCCC) to identify that the incident is related to a licensed premises and mark the incident accordingly. This recording mechanism is completely reliant on individual police operators within the FCCC. I am aware that the recording of licensing issues are not foolproof and as such it is important to note that there will be some discrepancies with the recording of these incidents. I can report to Board and Forum members that this matter is being addressed with a view to improving recording mechanisms. It is important to note that some of the incidents recorded on the STORM database will result in a Crimefile being submitted.
- **Business Objects** – This database extracts information from the aforementioned databases and provides the quantifiable data detailed in this report.

A business objects query was used to extract information from the Crimefile database during the period from 1st April 2011 to 31st March 2012. All crimes relating to licensing offences, assaults where alcohol had been consumed and drinking in public were thereafter extracted. An additional search of the STORM database covering the same period was also conducted, with all calls containing the appropriate licensing marker extracted from this database. In relation to licensed premises, a radius of 10 metres was applied in order to capture and filter the maximum possible number of relevant incidents. All Road Traffic incidents, with the exception of Drink Driving charges, are excluded from this report.

Dataset

- **The number and breakdown of all licensing offences under the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005, per Local Authority area for the year 1st April 2011 – 31st March 2012 are as follows:**

Crimefile Information:

Council Area	Charge Description	Total
Clacks	Drunk & incapable	11
	Buy or attempt to buy alcohol for a child or young person	3
	Person under 18 buy or attempt to buy alcohol	1
	Sale of alcohol to a child or a young person	1
	Drunk and incapable of taking care of himself/herself	4
Total		20

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Council Area	Charge Description	Total
Stirling	Drunk & incapable	19
	Buy or attempt to buy alcohol for a child or young person	2
	Person under 18 buy or attempt to buy alcohol	3
	Sale of alcohol to a child or a young person	4
	A person behaves in a disorderly manner and refuses/fails to leave premises on being asked	3
	Drunk and incapable of taking care of himself/herself	4
	A person on relevant premises, while drunk, behaving in a disorderly manner	3
	Sale of alcohol without a premises licence or an occasional licence	7
	Fail to display a summary of premises licence	2
	Attempt to enter relevant premises while drunk.	2
	Being a person under 18 years of age fail to surrender alcoholic liquor to Police when asked to do so	1
	Deliver alcohol to an address not recorded in a day book and delivery book or invoice	1
	Failure of premises licence holder to secure the premises licence or copy	2
	Failure to display required notice	2
	Failure to record information prior to delivery of alcohol by vehicle or receptacle	1
Prohibiting sale/consumption/taking away of alcohol outside licensed hours	3	
Total		59

Council Area	Charge Description	Total
Falkirk	Drunk & incapable	20
	Buy or attempt to buy alcohol for a child or young person	18
	Person under 18 buy or attempt to buy alcohol	17
	Sale of alcohol to a child or a young person	8
	Drunk in charge of child	6
	A person behaves in a disorderly manner and refuses/fails to leave premises on being asked	3
	Consume or take away alcohol after being asked not to	3
	Drunk and incapable of taking care of himself/herself	3
	A person on relevant premises, while drunk, behaving in a disorderly manner	2
	Consumption of alcohol by a child or young person on relevant premises	2
	Holding Licence holder vicariously liable for employees sale/consumption/taking away of alcohol outside hours	2

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	Sale of alcohol without a premises licence or an occasional licence	2
	Fail to display a summary of premises licence	1
	Refuse to leave after end of licensed hours when asked to do so	1
	Responsible person allowing alcohol to be sold, supplied or served by a child/young person on relevant premise	1
	Responsible person allowing the sale of alcohol to a child from a relevant premises	1
	Sports ground - attempt to enter drunk	1
	Sports ground - drunk in ground	1
Total		92

- **The number of incidents at licensed premises for the year. This information is separated into groups of incidents committed (i) before midnight and (ii) between midnight and 0500 hours.**

There were 6540 crimes committed within Clackmannanshire Council area between 1st April 2011 and 31st March 2012. Of these, a total of 317 were identified as having occurred within 10m of a licensed premises, which constituted 4.8% of all crime committed within Clackmannanshire during the period. A total of 61 (or 19%) of these crimes were committed between midnight and 0500hrs, the remaining 81% occurring outwith these times.

There were 13720 crimes committed within Stirling Council area between 1st April 2011 and 31st March 2012. Of these, a total of 954 were identified as having occurred within 10m of a licensed premises, which constituted 7% of all crime committed within Stirling Council area during the period. A total of 284 (or 30%) of these crimes were committed between midnight and 0500hrs, the remaining 70% occurring out with these times.

There were 20295 crimes committed within Falkirk Council area between 1st April 2011 and 31st March 2012. Of these, a total of 926 were identified as having occurred within 10m of a licensed premise, which constituted 4.6% of all crime committed within Falkirk Council area during the period. A total of 168 (or 18%) of these crimes were committed between midnight and 0500hrs, the remaining 82% occurring out with these times.

It can be seen that there is a proportional anomaly between the statistics returned for Clackmannanshire and Falkirk, which are very similar; and Stirling which has a proportionally greater number of crimes being committed between midnight and 0500hrs. One possible explanation may be due to nightclub premises within Stirling City centre being open 7 nights a week until the early hours of the morning, compared to licensed premises within Clackmannanshire and Falkirk Council areas which close earlier Monday through Wednesday.

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Crimefile Information:

Council area	Total Number of Crimes	Number of Crimes committed within 10m of Licensed Premises	%	Number of crimes committed within 10m of licensed Premises between midnight – 0500hrs.	Number of crimes committed at all other times
Clacks	6540	317	4.8%	61	256
Stirling	13720	954	7%	284	670
Falkirk	20295	926	4.6%	168	758

A total of 1841 licensing incidents were recorded on STORM with the licensing identifier during the period of analysis. These incidents are broken down as follows:

STORM Information:

Council area	Total Number of Incidents	Number of Incidents reported between midnight – 0500hrs.	%	Number of Incidents reported at all other times
Clacks	269	76	28%	193
Stirling	667	214	32%	453
Falkirk	905	275	30%	630

An average of 30% of all licensing incidents recorded on STORM occurred during the time period midnight to 0500hrs – this remained relatively consistent throughout the three Local Authorities. The majority of calls related to Public Nuisance and Disturbances.

- The number of assaults on licensed premises per Local Authority area for the year. This information is separated into groups of incidents committed (i) before midnight and (ii) between midnight and 0500 hours.

Crimefile Information:

Council area	Total Number of Assaults	Number of Assaults committed within 10m of Licensed Premises	%	Number of assaults committed within 10m of licensed Premises between midnight – 0500hrs.	Number of assaults committed at all other times
Clacks	625	43	7%	19	24
Stirling	1023	147	14%	68	79
Falkirk	1883	114	6%	38	76

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STORM Information:

Council area	Total Number of Assaults	Number of Assaults committed within 10m of Licensed Premises	%	Number of assaults committed within 10m of licensed Premises between midnight – 0500hrs.	Number of assaults committed at all other times
Clacks	31	15	48%	10	5
Stirling	54	29	54%	11	18
Falkirk	96	30	31%	11	19

- **The number of offences committed by persons under the influence of alcohol per Local Authority area, with a breakdown of how many of these offences relate to children in each area. This information is separated into groups of incidents committed (i) before midnight and (ii) between midnight and 0500 hours.**

There were a total of 8812 offences during the period of analysis which were identified as being committed by persons under the influence of alcohol. The majority of these offences occurred within Falkirk Council area (4631, or 52%), followed by Stirling Council area (2619, or 30%) and Clackmannanshire (1562, or 18%).

Of the 1562 offences committed within the Clackmannanshire Council area 597 (or 38%) of the total offences were committed between midnight and 0500hrs; of the 4631 offences committed within Falkirk Council area, 1720 (or 37%) occurred between midnight and 0500hrs; of the 2619 offences committed within Stirling Council area, 1087 (or 42%) occurred between midnight and 0500hrs.

166 crimes within Clackmannanshire were identified as being committed by children aged 16 or 17 years old; with 207 children aged 16 or 17 identified within Stirling Council area, and 309 within Falkirk Council area. Of the 166 offences committed by 16/17 year olds within Clackmannanshire, 58 (or 35%) occurred between midnight and 0500hrs. Of the 207 offences committed by 16/17 year olds within Stirling Council area, 60 (or 29%) occurred between midnight and 0500hrs, whilst of the 309 offences committed by 16/17 year olds within Falkirk Council area, 109 (or 35%) occurred between midnight and 0500hrs.

63 crimes were identified as being committed by children under the age of 16 within Clackmannanshire, with 117 crimes within Falkirk Council area and 82 children identified within Stirling Council area. Of the 63 crimes committed by children it is of note that, 19 (or 30%) occurred between midnight and 0500 hours within Clackmannanshire Council area. Of the 117 offences committed by children under 16 years old within Falkirk Council area, 13 (or 11%) occurred between midnight and 0500hrs. Of the 82 offences committed by children

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under 16 years old within Stirling Council area, 13 (or 16%) occurred between midnight and 0500hrs.

From the statistical information it appears that there are a higher proportion of children offending whilst under the influence of alcohol within the Clackmannanshire than any other area within the Force. Furthermore, more offences are being committed by children from the period between midnight and 0500 hours within the Clackmannanshire Council area than either Falkirk or Stirling Council areas.

- **The number of persons caught consuming alcohol in public for the year per Local Authority area and how many of these relate to children.**

There were a total of 310 individuals charged with consuming alcohol in public during the period of analysis. This was broken down to: Clackmannanshire Council area – 65 individuals (including 2 children under the age of 16); Falkirk Council area – 136 individuals (including 5 children under the age of 16); Stirling Council area – 109 individuals (including 1 child under the age of 16).

Submissions to Clackmannanshire Licensing Board:

Clackmannanshire Council Area		Total
Premises Licences (Section 36)	Off-sale only (shop premises):	1
	On-sale (all others):	0
Personal Licences (Section 84A)	Off-sale only (shop premises):	0
	On-sale (all others):	0
Representations		
Total number of objections and representations submitted by Central Scotland Police.		20
Interventions		
Total number of Intervention Meetings carried out:		2
Off-sale only (shop premises):		
Intervention Meeting		0
On-sale (all others):		
Intervention Meeting		2

From the 1st of April 2011 until 31st March 2012, Central Scotland Police submitted 1 premises licence review application, which was in respect of an under age sale on an off-sales premises. The Force Licensing Department conducted 2 successful intervention meetings with the management of premises, which had unfortunately come to the adverse attention of the police. I feel it is important to explain the intervention process to Board and Forum members. Intervention is a fairly new concept, whereby the police will hold a meeting where

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a premises has come to the adverse attention of the police. However, on full consideration of the circumstances the matter does not merit a premises licence review application.

The intervention meeting is normally chaired by the Force Licensing Manager and attended by the Police Licensing Officer for Clackmannanshire, the Community Police Officer for the area, the Licensing Standards Officer from the local authority and the Premises Licence Holder and Premises Manager for the respective premises.

During these meetings issues are highlighted and addressed with regards to the management of the premises following police involvement. Consequently action plans are drafted, agreed, implemented, monitored and reviewed by the police to ensure that the premises are complying and to ensure there is no repeat of previous incidents. This mediation process has proved successful throughout the Force area and has negated the need for a premises licence review application. Furthermore it is explained to the Premises Licence Holder that the nature of the intervention process will be disclosed during any future premises licence review application should the premises come to the adverse attention of the police as a consequence of the same issues. I can report that the 2 premises which were subject to the intervention process have not come to the adverse attention of the police since, which reflects the success this initiative.

There were 20 objections and representations submitted to Clackmannanshire Licensing Board on a range of issues concerning extended hours, variations, occasional licences and provisional licences. I am pleased to report that effective partnership working coupled with the pro-active approach of my officers has culminated in only 1 premises licence review application and 2 intervention meetings in the Clackmannanshire Board area during the period of reporting.

Working in partnership:

The Force Licensing Department has a Licensing Officer specifically responsible for the Clackmannanshire Area. The Licensing Officer works in close partnership with the Licensing Section of Clackmannanshire Council and the Licensing Standards Officer. Effective partnership working ensures that all requests from the local authority are processed and returned within statutory timescales. Police and Licensing Standards Officer joint visits have been conducted regularly in the Board's area to enforce the provisions of the Act and ensure that premises adhere to legislative requirements. During such visits, corrective and best practice advice is provided to facilitate effective management of the licensed premises.

As previously detailed in this report, the Force Licensing Department has conducted 2 intervention meetings with licensed premises from the period of the 1st of April 2011 until 31st March 2012, attended by the Licensing Standards Officer. Additionally, police officers from

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the Clackmannanshire Sub-Area Command have conducted a number of initiatives during the period of 1st April 2011 to 31st March 2012, and have worked in collaboration with the Force Licensing Department and the Licensing Standards Officer. These initiatives have included Test Purchase Operations, pro-active licensed premises visits and antisocial behaviour patrols. Further to this Central Scotland Police continue to work in partnership with Forth Valley Alcohol and Drug Partnership to tackle drug and alcohol related issues throughout the Forth Valley area.

Internal Training and Development:

Central Scotland Police have carried out a number of training initiatives from 1st April 2011 until 31st March 2012. With regards to new police recruits, the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005 (the Act), is taught at the Scottish Police College, Tulliallan, and also forms part of the Force Probationer Training Programme. Probationary police officers are taught practical aspects of the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005, during their two year probationary period.

From January 2011 the Force Licensing Department has delivered in excess of 30 Licensing Awareness Training sessions, the last of which was presented just prior to the publication of this report. Inputs were delivered across the entire Force area. The aims of these sessions were twofold, firstly to educate officers with regards to the operation of the Act and secondly to promote a pro-active approach for officers when dealing with licensing matters.

This training initiative formed part of the Force Improvement Plan and was designed to improve the understanding of frontline operational police officers with regards to the Act. Consequently, it is anticipated that the efficiency and effectiveness of police enforcement in respect of licensing issues will be improved. A total of 461 frontline operational police officers have attended the Licensing Awareness Training sessions during the period of the inputs. All of these sessions were delivered by the Force Licensing Department who visited all areas of the Force to instruct operational officers. As a consequence of these inputs the Force Licensing Department have noted a significant increase in the number of investigations and operations being instigated by police officers who have attended these training sessions. It is anticipated that the increase in awareness will be reflected in the annual report to the Licensing Board for 1st April 2012 – 31st March 2013.

In February 2012, senior officers of Central Scotland Police and the Force Licensing Manager commenced studies in relation to the Paralegal Qualification in Licensing Law, accredited by the University of Strathclyde. It is anticipated that their studies will assist them in their roles and when they represent me at future Licensing Board meetings.

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During the reporting period of this report, I can inform Board and Forum members that there have been a total of 8 young persons trained and approved as Test Purchasers to be deployed on behalf of Central Scotland Police.

Looking ahead (2012-2013)

Clearly policing across Scotland is facing a period of unprecedented change with the introduction of a single Scottish Police Service from April 2013. Whilst the exact structures of policing locally have not yet been determined an underlining principle of the proposals has been to safeguard and strengthen the delivery and accountability of local policing. As Chief Constable I give the undertaking that the transition to the new single service will be managed appropriately and in a manner that will ensure that the force's commitment to tackling licensing issues will continue into the future.

Central Scotland Police will continue to conduct test purchase operations and proactive licensing operations during the forthcoming year. The success of the intervention process has been encouraging; therefore I would look for an increase in this process where the circumstances merit.

The enforcement of the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005 and the regulation of alcohol is a priority for Central Scotland Police. The abuse of alcohol is linked to antisocial behaviour which is a Central Scotland Police priority in terms of "Community Policing" and building "Trust, Confidence and Satisfaction". As such I give an assurance that all offences linked to alcohol, will continue to be robustly investigated, particularly when these incidents involve children and young persons.

The force has invested significantly in Community Policing in recent years and the Sub-Area Command sees the pro-active involvement of Community Officers as being key to tackling any licensing or alcohol related issues. A key part of this work is effective engagement with local people, including licencees in order that policing is targeted at those issues which are impacting on local people and communities. I expect that many of these issues could be related to licensing and alcohol related disorder and consequently the ongoing development of community policing will be key.

We also aim to continue to work with local partners in Community Safety and the Alcohol & Drug Partnerships. This work will be based on a targeted and intelligence led approach in order to ensure that an appropriate multi-agency approach to tackling problems is adopted. In line with national policy we see opportunities for moving towards a more preventative approach to our interventions and plans in the future.

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PART 2: PREVENTING THE SALE OR SUPPLY OF ALCOHOL TO CHILDREN OR YOUNG PERSONS

Introduction

The prevention of the sale and supply of alcohol to children and young persons is of paramount importance to Central Scotland Police and cannot be understated. Of increasing concern are the continued instances of agent purchases of alcohol by adults for children or young persons across the Force despite increased awareness both locally and nationally. Central Scotland Police have worked in partnership with Forth Valley Drug and Alcohol Partnership to raise awareness of this issue by providing posters and information to licensed premises warning the public of the consequences of such actions.

It is of significance that over the past year Central Scotland Police deployed Test Purchasers on 11 occasions in the Clackmannanshire Licensing Board area. Significantly all premises passed this test by refusing the sale of alcohol and I am encouraged by this statistic. We will continue to use the tactical option of Test Purchasers in the Clackmannanshire Council area to ensure that robust age verification policies are being adhered to. The statistics that cause me greatest concern centre on the number of children offending whilst under the influence of alcohol in the Clackmannanshire Council area. Of note 63 crimes were identified as being committed by children under the age of 16 within Clackmannanshire Council area, with 19 (or 30%) occurring between midnight and 0500 hours.

Activity carried out to prevent the sale or supply of alcohol to children

Test Purchase Operations in Clackmannanshire Board area:

Number of Test Purchases carried out	11
Number of first failures	0
Number of second failures	0
Number of Premises Licence review applications in relation to Test Purchase failures	0
Number of Section 84A Personal Licence review applications in relation to Test Purchase failures	0

Offences relating to children and young persons in Clackmannanshire Board area:

Number of persons charged for offences relating to children and young persons	4
Number of interventions/warnings carried out relating to underage sales	0
Success (if measurable) of such interventions, or provide details of any noteworthy successes	0

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Proposed activity to be carried out to prevent the sale or supply of alcohol to children during next reporting period:

Central Scotland Police will continue to carry out policing activity designed to prevent the sale of alcohol to children and young persons. Furthermore we will continue to robustly investigate incidences of the sale or supply of alcohol to children and young persons by continuing to treat this as a priority. We will ensure that partnership agencies are notified when children come to our attention whilst under the influence of alcohol to ensure that early and effective intervention takes place. By working in collaboration with Clackmannanshire Council, the licensed trade, the Licensing Standards Officer, Forth Valley Alcohol and Drug Partnership, education, health and other partners we will maximise the potential to prevent children and young persons from purchasing alcohol or obtaining it through agent purchases. We will also support any intervention schemes designed to divert children and young persons from alcohol abuse.

As previously alluded to in this report, Central Scotland Police will continue to deploy Test Purchasers on a regular basis to ensure that the national age verification policy is being adhered to.

Conclusion

I am pleased to present the first Chief Constables Annual Report 2011-2012 to Clackmannanshire Licensing Board and Licensing Forum members. I wish to record my appreciation for the support provided by the Local Authority, the Licensing Board and the Licensing Forum during this time. The Board's support and scrutiny helps Central Scotland Police to enforce legislation and bring appropriate matters to the attention of the Board. This contributes to the highly responsive, effective and efficient police service delivered in the Clackmannanshire Council area.

I look forward to continuing our long established and effective partnership with Clackmannanshire Licensing Board and Clackmannanshire Licensing Forum during the forthcoming year.

**Derek Penman
Chief Constable**

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