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Dear Mr Loudon

**Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005
Consultation with local Licensing Forum**

I refer to the Licensing Board's recent consultation with the Forum on the possibility of a supplementary statement of licensing policy regarding its approach to overprovision. The Forum of course considered the matter at its meeting on 7 February and thereafter supplied the Board with its minute setting out the Forum's advice to the Board. The Board noted that there was general support for the proposal to examine applications more closely, if necessary seeking more information from applicants.

The Board considered all representations received at its meetings on 20 February and 19 March. Taking up the point made by the Forum, at the first of these meetings the Board agreed to extend the time for consultation.

On 19 March the Board agreed to adopt the proposed amendment to its Statement of Policy with an adjustment concerning Community Alcohol Partnerships. I attach a copy of the final version of the new paragraph 9.3 of the Statement.

Yours sincerely,

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