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Alcohol etc. (Scotland) Bill (SP Bill 34) correspondence and evidence received

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Introduction

The [Alcohol etc. \(Scotland\) Bill](#) was introduced in the Scottish Parliament by the Scottish Government on Wednesday 25 November 2009.

The main purposes of the Bill are to:

- Introduce a minimum sales price for a unit of alcohol;
- Introduce a restriction for off-sales on supply of alcoholic drinks free of charge or at a reduced price;
- Make provision in law with respect to the sale of alcohol to under 21s;
- Restrict the location of drinks promotions in off-sales premises;
- Introduce a requirement for licence holders to operate an age verification policy; and
- Make provision in law for a social responsibility levy on licence holders

The Bill and related documents can be found [on the Bill Homepage](#).

Report of Committee fact-finding visit

In January 2010 the committee undertook a fact-finding visit to Finland and France as part of its Stage 1 consideration of the Bill. A report of this visit will be published before the end of Stage 1 (7 May 2010).

Correspondence and supplementary written evidence

Correspondence from:

[Prof. Anne Ludbrook, University of Aberdeen - 17 February 2010](#)

[Committee Convener to Tesco - 11 March 2010](#)

[Committee Convener to Whyte and Mackay - 11 March 2010](#)

[Tesco to Committee Convener - 12 March 2010](#)

[Committee Convener to Tesco - 18 March 2010](#)

[Tesco to Committee Convener - 23 March 2010](#)

The following supplementary written evidence has been received from:

[Anderson, Dr Peter - 22 March 2010](#)

[Liquor Control Board of Ontario \(No 1\) - 23 March 2010](#)

[Liquor Control Board of Ontario \(No 2\) - 24 March 2010](#)

[Sainsbury's plc & Wine and Spirit Trade Association - 22 March 2010](#)

Scottish Health Action on Alcohol Problems (SHAAP) (No 1) - 5 March 2010
Scottish Health Action on Alcohol Problems (SHAAP) (No 2) - 16 March 2010
Scottish Government - 22 March 2010
Scottish Gorgers' Federation - 26 March 2010
Whyte and Mackay (No 1) - 16 March 2010
Whyte and Mackay (No 2) - 16 March 2010
Whyte and Mackay (No 3) - 22 March 2010

Written evidence received

Evidence was received from the following organisations and individuals as part of the call for evidence:

ALC001 Aberdeen City Alcohol & Drugs Partnership Support Team
ALC002 Aberdeen City Council
ALC003 Aberdeenshire (North Division) Licensing Board
ALC004 Aberdeenshire Alcohol Drug Partnership
ALC005 Aberlour Child Care Trust
ALC006 Academy of Medical Royal Colleges and Faculties
ALC007 Addiction Recovery Training Services
ALC008 ADSW Standing Committee on Substance Misuse
ALC009 Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission
ALC010 Alcohol Concern
ALC011 Alcohol Focus Scotland
ALC012 Alcohol Health Alliance
ALC013 Angus Council
ALC014 Armstrong, Dr E M
ALC015 ASDA
ALC016 Association of Chief Police Officers in Scotland (ACPOS)
ALC017 Barnardo's Scotland
ALC018 Breakthrough Breast Cancer
ALC019 Brewers Association of Canada (BAC)
ALC020 British Hospitality Association
ALC021 British Medical Association Scotland
ALC022 CAMRA (The Campaign for Real Ale)
ALC023 Castle Leisure Group
ALC024 CBI Scotland
ALC025 Centre for Addictions Research of British Columbia
ALC026 Centre for Economics and Business Research Ltd (cebr)
ALC027 Chief Medical Officer for Wales
ALC028 ChildLine in Scotland
ALC029 CHILDREN 1ST
ALC030 Children in Scotland
ALC031 Chivas Brothers Ltd and Pernod Ricard
ALC032 Church of Scotland
ALC033 City of Edinburgh Council
ALC034 City of Edinburgh Licensing Board
ALC035 City of Glasgow Licensing Board
ALC036 Clackmannanshire Council
ALC037 Cockburn, Forrester

ALC038 Comhairle Nan Eilean Siar
ALC039 Consumer Focus Scotland
ALC040 COSCA (Counselling & Psychotherapy in Scotland)
ALC041 Diageo GB
ALC042 Donnelly, Hugh
ALC043 Dumbarton East & Central Community Council
ALC044 Dumfries and Galloway Alcohol and Drugs Partnership
ALC045 Dundee City Licensing Board
ALC046 East Ayrshire Alcohol and Drug Partnership
ALC047 East Ayrshire Licensing Board
ALC048 East Renfrewshire Licensing Board
ALC049 Edrington Group, The
ALC050 Faculty of Public Health
ALC051 Falkirk Council
ALC052 Fife Council
ALC053 FSB Scotland
ALC054 Gin and Vodka Association
ALC055 GMC Scotland
ALC056 Harrell, David J
ALC057 Health Protection Scotland
ALC058 Heineken UK
ALC059 Highland Alcohol & Drugs Partnership
ALC061 Highland Licensing Board
ALC062 Home Safety Scotland
ALC063 Institute of Alcohol Studies
ALC064 International Coalition Against Prohibition, The (TICAP)
ALC065 Inverclyde Council
ALC066 Kelly, James
ALC067 Lanarkshire Alcohol & Drug Partnership
ALC068 Law Society of Scotland
ALC069 Logan, Leslie
ALC070 MacLeod, Dr A D
ALC071 Mashaal, Mohamed
ALC072 Medical Research Council
ALC073 Mid and East Lothian Drug and Alcohol Partnership
ALC074 Mitchells & Butlers plc
ALC075 Molson Coors UK
ALC076 Moray Alcohol & Drug Partnership
ALC077 Moray Council
ALC078 Morrisons
ALC079 Murray, Colin
ALC080 National Alcohol Strategy Advisory Committee (NASAC) (Canada)
ALC081 National Association of Cider Makers (NACM)
ALC082 National Federation of Retail Newsagents
ALC083 NHS Ayrshire & Arran
ALC084 NHS Ayrshire & Arran Area Clinical Forum
ALC085 NHS Borders - Chief Executive
ALC086 NHS Borders - Dr Eric Baijal
ALC088 NHS Borders - Health Improvement Team
ALC089 NHS Forth Valley

ALC090 NHS Grampian
ALC091 NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde
ALC092 NHS Health Scotland
ALC093 NHS Highland
ALC094 NHS Lanarkshire
ALC095 NHS Lanarkshire Addiction Services
ALC096 NHS Lothian
ALC097 NHS Orkney
ALC098 NHS Tayside
ALC099 NHS Western Isles
ALC100 NOCTIS
ALC101 North Aberdeenshire Licensing Forum
ALC102 North Ayrshire Alcohol and Drug Partnership
ALC103 North Lanarkshire Council
ALC104 NUS Scotland
ALC105 Office of Fair Trading
ALC106 Orkney Islands Council
ALC107 Perth and Kinross Alcohol & Drugs Partnership
ALC108 Perth and Kinross Council
ALC109 Ponicki, Bill
ALC110 The Portman Group
ALC111 Poverty Truth Commission
ALC112 Presbytery of Edinburgh
ALC113 Queen Margaret University
ALC114 Record, Chris
ALC115 Royal College of General Practitioners Scotland
ALC116 Royal College of Nursing Scotland
ALC117 Royal College of Physicians
ALC118 Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow
ALC119 Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh
ALC120 Royal College of Psychiatrists Scotland
ALC121 Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh
ALC122 Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh
ALC123 Royal Society of Edinburgh
ALC124 SABMiller plc
ALC125 Sainsbury's
ALC126 Salvation Army
ALC127 SAMH (Scottish Association for Mental Health)
ALC128 Scotch Whisky Association
ALC129 Scotland Patients Association
ALC130 Scotlands Commissioner for Children and Young People (SCCYP)
ALC131 Scottish Ambulance Service
ALC132 Scottish Association of Alcohol & Drug Action Teams
ALC133 Scottish Beer and Pub Association
ALC134 Scottish Centre for Crime & Justice Research
ALC135 Scottish Council for Development and Industry
ALC136 Scottish Episcopal Church
ALC137 Scottish Grocers' Federation Ltd
ALC138 Scottish Health Action on Alcohol Problems (SHAAP)
ALC139 Scottish Licensed Trade Association

[ALC140 Scottish Police Federation](#)
[ALC141 Scottish Retail Consortium](#)
[ALC142 Scottish Women's Convention](#)
[ALC143 Scottish Youth Commission on Alcohol](#)
[ALC144 Scottish Youth Parliament](#)
[ALC145 Shelby, Elizabeth](#)
[ALC146 Sheron, Nick](#)
[ALC147 Silvertown and Overtown Community Council](#)
[ALC148 South Aberdeenshire Licensing Forum](#)
[ALC149 South Ayrshire Alcohol & Drug Partnership](#)
[ALC150 South Ayrshire Licensing Board](#)
[ALC152 Steer, John and Ann](#)
[ALC153 Steiner, Eleanor](#)
[ALC154 Stewart, Jonathan](#)
[ALC155 UK Advertising Standards Authority \(ASA\)](#)
[ALC156 UNISON Scotland](#)
[ALC157 University of Aberdeen](#)
[ALC158 University of Sheffield SchARR](#)
[ALC159 University of Strirling](#)
[ALC160 University of the West of England](#)
[ALC161 University of the West of Scotland](#)
[ALC162 Violence Reduction Unit Scotland](#)
[ALC163 West Dunbartonshire Council](#)
[ALC164 West Dunbartonshire Licensing Forum](#)
[ALC165 West Lothian Licensing Board](#)
[ALC166 Western Isles Licensing Board](#)
[ALC167 Whyte & Mackay](#)
[ALC169 Wray, Gillian](#)
[ALC170 YouthLink Scotland](#)
[ALC171 The Co-operative Group Ltd](#)
[ALC172 Tennent Caledonian Breweries](#)
[ALC173 Society of Independent Brewers \(SIBA\)](#)

Other written submissions received

[Action for Children Scotland](#)
[BII \(British Institute of Innkeeping\)](#)
[Broadway Convenience Store \(Premier\)](#)
[Centre for Addictions Research of British Columbia](#)
[COSLA \(Convention of Scottish Local Authorities\)](#)
[East Dunbartonshire Alcohol and Drug Partnership](#)
[East Lothian Licensing Board](#)
[Renfrewshire Council](#)
[Renfrewshire Licensing Forum](#)
[West Lothian Council](#)
[West Lothian Tobacco, Alcohol and Drugs Partnership](#)