



Policy and Regulatory Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: 10am, Tuesday 24th January 2023

Apologies

Maria Tjader, Lindsay Keating, Jeannie Cameron.

Attendees

Grahame Woods, Robin O'Kelly, Chris Aikens, Stephen Little, Victoria Hancock, John Dunne, Khurram Jowiya, Anna Petrosyan, Damien Bove, Dan Marchant.

Welcome

Robin welcomed everyone to the meeting and noted that in addition to the circulated agenda we will discuss the Scottish Government's *Urgent Review into the Environmental Impact of Disposable Vapes*.

Grahame outlined that JBP is putting an engagement plan together and is conducting a stakeholder mapping exercise.

Policy and Regulations Review

Robin noted that the survey on the UKVIA policy positions was completed last year and that the results had been circulated. From this there were a few topics that needed further clarity.

For the questions where there was not a clear result, these will now be shared, together with the reviewed policy position paper, with the UKVIA Board to agree a position. Question Five was also asked to be included in the questions for resolution.

It was noted that tank size and nicotine capacity were sensitive issues that would require politically astute policies. Similarly the environmental aspect of vapes is currently a key issue that we will need to address.

One possible option was calling for the government to increase the bottle capacity limits as this would make vapes last longer minimising the amount consumed, and increase the price of the products.

COP 10 Policy Positioning

Grahame outlined that he was currently working on putting together a Parliamentary roundtable on COP 10 and would be in touch with more details regarding our policy positioning.

Discussion: Workplan for 2023

It was noted that the policy review, COP, the Scottish review and responding to existing Government work represented the majority of the Committee's work at the moment, but members were asked to consider what other activities they would like the Committee to look into over the coming year.

The meeting closed at 10:41am.