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Our Reference: 202200328238

Dear Jane Gordon,

Thank you for your correspondence received on 02/11/2022. Your query will be passed to the relevant area for consideration and has been given a reference number of 202200328238. Please quote this number in all correspondence. The Scottish Government aim to respond, where necessary, as quickly as possible and within the stated timescale as indicated on our website (http://www.gov.scot/Contacts/).

Yours sincerely MiCase

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DPH: Health Improvement



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Your Reference: Alcohol duty and alcohol harms

23 November 2022

Dear Jane Gordon,

Thank you for your email of 1st November 2022 regarding alcohol duty and alcohol harms. Ministers receive a large volume of correspondence and I hope you will understand that as much as they would like to, it is not always possible for them to reply personally to each case. I have been asked to respond to you on Minister for Public Health, Women's Health & Sport Maree Todd's behalf.

Thank you for sending this information in to us. The information has been passed to the relevant officials.

We remain committed to reducing alcohol related harms, in line with the World Health Organization's focus on affordability, availability and attractiveness of alcohol.

Yours sincerely

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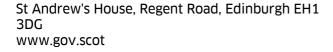
Dear Jane Gordon,

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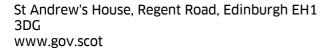
Dear Jane Gordon,

Thank you for your correspondence sent on 10/03/2023. Your query will be passed to the relevant area for consideration and has been given a reference number of 202300347172. Please quote this number in all correspondence. The Scottish Government aim to respond, where necessary, as quickly as possible and within the stated timescale as indicated on our website (http://www.gov.scot/Contacts/).

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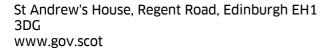
Dear Dr Alastair MacGilchrist,

Thank you for your correspondence sent on 17/02/2023. Your query will be passed to the relevant area for consideration and has been given a reference number of 202300344045. Please quote this number in all correspondence. The Scottish Government aim to respond, where necessary, as quickly as possible and within the stated timescale as indicated on our website (http://www.gov.scot/Contacts/).

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22 February 2023

Dear Dr Alastair MacGilchrist,

Thank you for your letter of 20 February requesting a meeting to discuss Alcohol Treatment.

I'd be delighted to take this opportunity to discuss ideas and suggestions for improving access to treatment and how best to support those who are affected by alcohol problems. I see many synergies with the actions we are taking in respect of access to, and support in drug treatment, although I recognise that the two have some very distinct differences as well.

I want to ensure there is a parity of service to meet the needs of every individual and I believe this is more likely to be achieved from within one ministerial portfolio. Many other aspects of the work being taken forward in my portfolio already touch on people and families impacted by alcohol problems. Bringing together responsibility for alcohol and drug treatment not only reflects how the services work together on the ground but is also an opportunity to raise the profile of alcohol treatment. SHAAP will continue to have a crucial role in providing a clinical perspective on how we move forward, and I look forward to meeting you and colleagues.

Please contact my office at MinisterDP@gov.scot to make the necessary arrangements.

Yours sincerely



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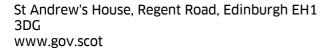
Dear Dr Alastair MacGilchrist,

Thank you for your correspondence sent on 17/02/2023. Your query will be passed to the relevant area for consideration and has been given a reference number of 202300344062. Please quote this number in all correspondence. The Scottish Government aim to respond, where necessary, as quickly as possible and within the stated timescale as indicated on our website (http://www.gov.scot/Contacts/).

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Your Reference: Letter from SHAAP Chair

16 March 2023

Dear Dr MacGilchrist,

Thank you for your email of 17 February inviting me to attend and speak at the See Beyond parliamentary event on 7 June 2023.

As you will already be aware, the responsibility for alcohol treatment policy moved from my portfolio to the portfolio of Ms Angela Constance, the Minister for Drugs Policy.

This includes responsibility for tackling the Stigma associated with alcohol use, which is being addressed through the development of a joint Stigma Action Plan, building on existing drugs work to ensure alcohol policy in this area is being developed effectively and at pace.

Therefore, please be advised that I will not be attending the event. I would like to wish you the organisers a successful and productive day.

Yours sincerely,



Maree Todd MSP

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