

Minutes of the Press Distribution Review Panel Held on Wednesday 29th July 2020 Via conference call

Present: Steve Cripwell Chair

Fiona Campbell Menzies Distribution

Alison Morris Smiths News

Peter Williamson Retail Representative (for Brian Murphy)

Graham Read Independent Retailer

Ayk Tahir NMA Trevor Hudson PPA

Item	
1.	Apologies for absence
	Paresh Vyas Independent Retailer
	All PDRP members asked Peter to send their best wishes to Brian
2.	Minutes of previous meeting 27 th May 2020 and matters arising
	The previous minutes were agreed
3.0	Update on actions from previous minutes
3.1	Replacement of PDRP member currently on hold pending review of PDRP priorities.
3.2	Website: Due to budgetary constraints major enhancements are deferred.
3.3	The current level of restitution awards is to be reviewed at PDF
	Action: Under discussion at PDF, SC to feedback
3.5	Stage 3 questionnaire, GR had circulated a revised version. Positively received, feedback by
	07/08. The questionnaire will be run via Survey Monkey or equivalent.
	Action: All to feedback by 07/08
3.6	Incorporating the complaints process into wholesaler systems. MD considering integrating
	service pledge. SNAPP currently under review
	Action: MD/SN to continue to update
3.7	Better guidance to retailers for complaints process. SC had circulated draft, comments
	noted, further feedback by 07/08.
	Action: All to feedback by 07/08
4.0	Review of Stage One reports
	Data to end of June was reviewed, key points were:
	 All wholesalers are reporting ALL complaints
	 SN reviewing classification of Stage 1 complaints, possibly overstating volumes.
	SN investigation of reporting based on all depots currently on hold given current
	business priorities.
	SC to draft press release for PDF on Stage 1 data. Action SC
	Actions: SC to follow up with PDF re press release
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5.0	PDRP priorities
5.1	Review of charter and supporting documentation. PDF are updating the charter and some
	initial progress has been undertaken.
	Action: SC to update PDRP
5.2	Review of complaints process, effectively merging Stages 1 and 2 will be considered post
	review of Charter
	Action: SC to update PDRP
5.3	Other priorities to be reviewed pending updates on 4.1 & 4.2 and further discussion with
	PDF
	Action: SC to discuss with PDF
6.0	Any Other Business
6.1	The volume of Stage 2 and 3 complaints had fallen dramatically in the last quarter given
	other priorities for retailers given the current COVID-19 crisis, however it was noted that
	the number of Stage 2 complaints had increased during July which was felt to have n]been
	triggered by late deliveries given the reintroduction of league football.
6.2	MD announced review of operating hours at contact centres, closing at 3.00 pm to reflect
	call volumes and enable shift in resource to cover busy am periods. SN operates similar.
	Next meeting is scheduled for September 30 th @ 1.00 pm. Conference call most likely
	arrangement, TBC.