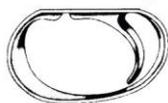


The British Shooting Sports Council



The BSSC's Forward Plan 2012: Outcomes

A) Primary objectives:

1. Ensure the new website is in place. **Completed.**
2. Continue to work on the review and amendment of the BSSC's Constitution for completion in 2013. **Deadline met.**
3. Participate in Scottish Consultation on air weapon legislation. **Participated vigorously.**
4. Continue to participate in the review of Home Office 'Guidance'. **Participated fully.**
5. Continue to engage in the firearms 'fees' debate. **The debate continues into 2013.**
6. Press for an extension of certificate life (ACPO has indicated a willingness to discuss this). **Case pressed.**
7. Possible continuation of work on the UN Arms Trade Treaty with World Forum, the FCO and other UK interested parties. **Treaty negotiations continued into 2013. Participated actively.**
8. Put forward the Forward Plan for review at the summer meeting of Council. **Done.**

B) Secondary objectives:

1. Continue to press for implementation of agreed changes to legislation via RRO or LRO. (In the event that not all could be pursued, to concentrate on removal of the restrictions created by s9 Firearms (Amendment) Act 1997, thus permitting expanding ammunition to be subject to s1 Firearms Act 1968 (as amended) control.) **Continued to press (Home Office is actively considering an RRO in 2013).**
2. Continue to press for the introduction of updated Approved Club criteria (these have already been agreed with ACPO). **Continued to press.**
3. Continue to press for a resolution to the renewals 'bulge'. **Continued to press.**
4. Continue to press for the reform, simplification and systematisation of the use of conditions on Firearm Certificates (and ensuring that they are Human Rights compliant). **Continued to press.**
5. Press for the ceasing of land inspections. **Continued to press.**

6. Pursue an insurance approach to 11(6), analogous to that applied to rifle ranges along with the general adoption of Adrian Whiting approach to the duration of 11(6) authorities. **Continued to press.**
7. Press for repeal of the Firearms (Amendment) (No.2) Act 1997 (if the political situation seems favourable). **Took no action.**
8. Press for the amendment of the 1968 Act to enable clubs to be granted Home Office Approval for any type of Section 1 firearm. **Continued to press.**
9. Press for the adoption of a system of 'licensing by category' or at least the ability to undertake a 'like for like' exchange without the need for a new variation (requires primary legislation). **Continued to press.**
10. Lobby for the creation (requiring primary legislation) of a small central body to set standards for, oversee, advise and assist firearms licensing departments. This will reduce pressure on licensing offices and improve consistency and good practice. There is at present no central control, no enforceable central guidance or 'best practice' and no sanctions for underperforming departments. **Continued to press.**

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