



Illegal Money Lending Event

18 November 2016
COSLA Offices, Edinburgh



09:30 – 10:15	Registration	
10:15 – 10:25	Welcome by Chairperson	Jacqui Doig, SCSN
10:25 – 10:40	Trading Standards Scotland	Fiona Richardson
	<i>'Investigating Loan Sharks in Scotland: Discussing the investigation of illegal money lenders in Scotland & how we can prevent people from falling into the trap of illegal money lending'</i>	
10:40 – 11:00	Serious and Organised Crime	Paul Carberry
	<i>'Linking Illegal Money Lending & Serious Organised Crime: Investigating links between Illegal Money Lending and Serious and Organised Crime Groups in Scotland.'</i>	
11:00 – 11:15	Questions and Answer – Panel	
11:15 – 11:40	Break	
11:40 – 12:30	Table Top Exercise	Trading Standards Scotland
12:30 – 12:45	Feedback on morning session	
12:45 – 13:45	Lunch	
13:45 – 14:30	Prevention:	
	Overview of how we can prevent illegal money lending in Scotland	Trading Standards Scotland
	<i>Discussing the increased use of their foodbank in Edinburgh & the other services that are offered to support people in financial strife' – Salvation Army</i>	Salvation Army
	<i>'How Scotcash offers an alternative to high cost and illegal lenders in Glasgow' – Sharon MacPherson, Chief Executive, Scotcash</i>	Scotcash
	<i>'How the Scottish Financial Capability Strategy helps to increase financial capability across Scotland and supports the work in preventing illegal money lending' Allison Barnes – Money Advice Service</i>	Money Advice Service
	Questions and Answer – Panel	
14:30 – 15:15	Launch Christmas Campaign	Cllr Stephen Hagan
	Cllr Stephen Hagan & Trading Standards Scotland is launching their campaign to highlight the dangers of Loan Sharks on the lead up to Christmas.	
15:15 – 15:30	Closing Remarks	