

LICENSING BOARD

ABERDEEN, 26 June 2024. Minute of meeting of the LICENSING BOARD.
Present: Councillor Copland, Convener; and Councillors Al-Samarai, Hazel Cameron, Crockett, Fairfull and Greig.

TRIBUTE TO JANET HOOD - SOLICITOR

1.

The Convenor paid tribute to Janet Hood and passed condolences on behalf of the Board to her family.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 1 MAY 2024

2.

The Board had before it for its consideration the minutes of meeting of 1 May 2024.

The Board resolved:

To approve the minute.

STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY

3.

N/A

APPLICATION FOR PROVISIONAL PREMISES LICENCE - ABERDEEN (KING STREET) SERVICE STATION, 130 WEST NORTH STREET, ABERDEEN

4.

The Board heard from Sandy Munro, Depute Clerk to the Board that the application had been deferred at the request of the applicant.

APPLICATION FOR PROVISIONAL PREMISES LICENCE - MAX CONVENIENCE, 6 CLUNIE PLACE, ABERDEEN

5.

The Board heard from Sandy Munro, Depute Clerk to the Board that there had been representation from the LSO and 6 objections from members of the public.

The Board thereafter heard from Karen Gatherum, Solicitor for the applicant, in support of the application. The Board further heard from Karen Gatherum, that although the applicant store had received a fixed penalty notice for selling vapes without verifying proof of age, the staff have now

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undergone extensive training and a Challenge 25 policy has been implemented. This policy will also apply to the sale of tobacco and alcohol to prevent such issues from recurring.

The LSO spoke to their representation and two of the public objectors, Mr Arumugam Vijendiran Sanjay and Mr John MacLeod spoke to their objections. The other four public objectors were absent.

The Board thereafter called on Karen Gatherum, Solicitor for the applicant to address the representation of the LSO and the public objections which included matters relating to preventing crime and disorder, preventing public nuisance and protecting children and young persons from harm.

The Convener moved to grant the application, noting that it is for a provisional licence and that the LSO will work with the applicant to ensure compliance with the licensing policy and objectives.

Councillor Crocket moved as an amendment to refuse the application on grounds that it was incompatible with the licensing objectives of preventing crime and disorder, preventing public nuisance and protecting children and young persons from harm.

On a division there voted:-

For the Motion (2) the Convener and Councillor Greig

For the amendment (3) Councillors Al-Samarai, Crockett and Cameron.

Councillor Fairfull arrived partway through the item and so could not take part in the vote.

The Board resolved:

To adopt the amendment.

**APPLICATION FOR PROVISIONAL PREMISES LICENCE - UNIT 8
KITTYBREWSTER SHOPPING CENTRE, 17 CLIFTON ROAD, ABERDEEN****6.**

The Board heard from Sandy Munro, Depute Clerk to the Board that there had been no objections or representations received and everything was within policy.

The Board thereafter heard from Anthony Dawson, Solicitor and applicant, speak in support of the application.

The Board unanimously resolved:

To grant the application.

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APPLICATION FOR VARIATION OF PREMISES LICENCE - BALACLAVA BAR, 31 LOCH STREET, ABERDEEN

7.

The Board heard from Sandy Munro, Depute Clerk to the Board that there had been no objections or representations received and everything was within policy.

The Board thereafter heard from Karen Gatherum, Solicitor on behalf of applicant, speak in support of the application.

The Board unanimously resolved:

To grant the application.

APPLICATION FOR VARIATION OF PREMISES LICENCE - BRIDGE OF DON SERVICE STATION, ELLON ROAD, ABERDEEN

8.

The Board heard from Sandy Munro, Depute Clerk to the Board that there had been no objections or representations received and the applicant had accepted the Age Verification and Delivery Local Conditions.

The Board thereafter heard from Audrey Junner, Solicitor on behalf of applicant, speak in support of the application.

The Board unanimously resolved:

To grant the application.

APPLICATION FOR VARIATION OF PREMISES LICENCE - CO-OP, UNIT 1 - 2 KINGSWELLS VILLAGE CENTRE, KINGSWELLS, ABERDEEN

9.

The Board heard from Sandy Munro, Depute Clerk to the Board that there had been no objections or representations received and the applicant had accepted the Age Verification and Delivery Local Conditions.

The Board thereafter heard from Audrey Junner, Solicitor on behalf of applicant, speak in support of the application.

The Board unanimously resolved:

To grant the application.

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APPLICATION FOR VARIATION OF PREMISES LICENCE - FOUR MILE HOUSE, OLD SKENE ROAD, KINGSWELLS, ABERDEEN

10.

The Board heard from Sandy Munro, Depute Clerk to the Board that there had been no objections or representations received and the applicant had accepted the External Areal Local Conditions.

The Board thereafter heard from Anthony Dawson, Solicitor and applicant, speak in support of the application.

The Board unanimously resolved:

To grant the application.

APPLICATION FOR VARIATION OF PREMISES LICENCE - GREAT WESTERN HOTEL, 239 GREAT WESTERN ROAD, ABERDEEN

11.

The Board heard from Sandy Munro, Depute Clerk to the Board that there had been no objections or representations received and everything was within policy.

The Board thereafter heard from Anthony Dawson, Solicitor on behalf of applicant, speak in support of the application.

The Board unanimously resolved:

To grant the application.

APPLICATION FOR VARIATION OF PREMISES LICENCE - HOTEL CHOCOLAT, UNIT GS23 UNION SQUARE SHOPPING CENTRE, ABERDEEN

12.

The Board heard from Sandy Munro, Depute Clerk to the Board that there had been no objections or representations received and everything was within policy.

The Board thereafter heard from Audrey Junner, Solicitor on behalf of applicant, speak in support of the application.

The Board unanimously resolved:

To grant the application.

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APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF PERSONAL LICENCE

13.

The Board heard from Sandy Munro, Depute Clerk to the Board, that there had been representation from the Police.

The Board thereafter heard from the applicant's son, on behalf of the applicant, in support of the application.

The Police spoke to their representation and the Board called on the applicant to address the representation.

The Board unanimously resolved:

To grant application.

ANNUAL FUNCTIONS REPORT

14.

The Board had before them the Annual Functions Report 2024 for noting. The Board thereafter heard from Sandy Munro, Depute Clerk to the Board, that work is currently being undertaken with the Licensing Forum to improve the Annual Functions Report.

The Board unanimously approved the Functions Report for publication.

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

15.

The Board had before them documentation detailing the annual financial report for 2023 – 2024.

The Board unanimously approved the financial report for publication and resolved to maintain the current reduced annual fee to be applicable for all premises..

LICENSING FORUM - UPDATE

16.

The Board had before them an update from Elaine Mottram, Chair, Local Licensing Forum regarding key agenda items which were discussed at the Local Licensing Forum meeting held on 7 May 2024.

LSO - UPDATE

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17.

The Board heard from Diane Sande, Licensing Standards Officer, that there are no update and that the Licensing Standards team had received quite a number of queries about the General Direction dates for 2024. The Board thereafter heard from Sandy Munro, Depute Clerk to the Board, that the proposed dates would be brought forward to next Board meeting for approval.

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