

LICENSING BOARD INFORMATION SHEET

TYPE OF APPLICATION: VARIATION OF PREMISES LICENCE

PREMISES: BREWDOG, 5 UNION STREET

DESCRIPTION

- Amendment to layout of ground floor including repositioning of sanitary facilities and seating;
- Amendment to layout of basement layout including repositioning of sanitary facilities, cellar and seating.
- Variation of local conditions relating to door stewards
- Proposed increase in capacity.

OBJECTIONS/REPRESENTATIONS

- None to date

POLICY

Preventing Crime & Disorder

The Board is committed to improving the quality of life for the people of the city by adopting and enforcing policies designed to increase community safety and reduce the threats of crime and disorder.

In terms of this licensing objective the Board considers there to be a number of factors including, but not limited to:

- Underage drinking
- Drunkenness
- Illegal substances
- Violent behaviour
- Anti-social behaviour
- Vulnerability

In order to combat the risks inherent with the sale of alcohol the Board will seek to operate a partnership approach with licence holders, applicants and partner agencies.

What the Board Will Do:

- Apply appropriate conditions to licences to mitigate the risk of potential crime or disorder, including but not limited to a local condition on duty of care on all on-sales premises.
- Ensure all polices are up to date and fit for purpose.
- Work closely with all stakeholders to ensure all relevant information is kept up to date and accessible.
- Endorse initiatives designed to prevent crime and disorder.
- Consider the review of licences where a breach of the licensing objective cannot be rectified by other means.

What the Board Will Expect of Licence Holders

- Effective and responsible management of premises including evidence of written procedures for managing incidents.
- Up to date training and supervision of staff.
- Provision of effective CCTV in and around premises.
- Provision of external lighting and security measures.
- Employment of SIA registered door supervisors when appropriate.
- Use of radiolink or other such scheme.
- Adherence to the Board's Drugs Policy.
- Enforcement of Challenge 25.
- Adoption of best practice guidance where available.
- Evidence of a relevant dispersal policy where appropriate.
- Co-operation with police and Licensing Standards Officers.

What the Board Will Expect of Partner Agencies

- Provision of all relevant up to date information as the Board requires.
- Involvement in mediation/intervention procedures to rectify any problem areas.
- Involvement in Premises Licence Review as a last resort.

Securing Public Safety

The Board is committed to ensuring the safety of persons within licensed premises as well as those in the surrounding areas.

When considering this licensing objective, a number of factors should be considered including, but not limited to:

- Capacity – this will be assessed by the Council's Building Standards department to establish a maximum safe capacity figure in terms of the regulations. Please note the safe maximum operating figure may be smaller than the technical figure.
- Maintenance of premises.
- Fire safety.
- Suitability of glassware or alternatives to glass including toughened or safety glass.
- Disabled access and facilities.
- Nature of activities to be carried out on the premises.
- Vulnerability of patrons.

Again, the Board will look to operate a partnership approach with all stakeholders in order to ensure that public safety is not compromised by the operation of licensed premises.

What the Board Will Do:

- Promote education and awareness of potential risks.
- Apply additional licence conditions where appropriate for the purposes of this licensing objective.
- Facilitate effective communication between all relevant parties.
- Disseminate relevant information from partner agencies as widely as possible.
- Review licences as a last resort.

What the Board Will Expect of Licence Holders/Applicants:

- High standards of maintenance of premises.
- Membership of schemes to secure public safety such as radiolink and pubwatch.
- Glassware or alternatives to glassware including toughened or safety glass frequently cleared.
- Accurate disability access statements. Although these are only required for new applications the Board would encourage all existing premises to consider the preparation of an appropriate statement for publication.
- Clear and accurate signage in and around premises.
- Fully completed risk assessments where appropriate, for both premises and proposed activities to be carried out.
- Policies on crowd management and dispersal, both in the ordinary course of operation and in an emergency.
- Regular maintenance and testing of security and operating systems.
- Designation of a “safe space” within the premises in which vulnerable persons can be provided with assistance.
- Co-operation with Police Scotland and Licensing Standards Officers including access to all relevant policies and procedures such as dispersal policies and incident management.

What the Board Will Expect of Partner Agencies:

- Co-operative approach.
- Effective communication and the sharing of up to date relevant information.
- Involvement in a licence review as a last resort.