

I have been liaising with the Marcliffe on this, and coming back to you on the proposed conditions. I appreciate these have been suggested by the LSO, but given the specific activities which take place at the hotel, we have the following comments.

Demarcation - that is fine

2200 time limit - this is okay

Restriction on recorded music or entertainment in the outdoor areas - as this is a hotel which hosts many weddings, there may often be bagpipers and orchestras or musicians attending weddings on the lawn. The hotel would therefore like this condition to be reconsidered.

The hotel is set in 7 acres of its own land. To the East is the International School, and to the West is the 14 acre Woodbank, which has recently been acquired by the same owners. Our clients therefore take the view that the restriction on amplified music or entertainment in the outdoor areas for the purpose of avoiding nuisance is not necessary in this location.

Any local conditions must be in accordance with the licensing objectives, and in this case, any reference to music in outdoor areas is for the purpose of preventing public nuisance. As a five star hotel, it is not in the interest of our clients to create any kind of public nuisance or play music that could impact on other guests in the hotel. They, more than anyone, will look to ensure that any such music is limited in volume and its impact on the surrounding environment.

We would propose that the third condition is therefore not applied to this application.

If it is to be included, then we would ask for it to be amended as follows:-

that no amplified music or entertainment is to take place in the outdoor area other than (1) the playing of amplified or recorded music on the Terrace, provided this is inaudible to any neighbouring properties, or (2) the playing of bagpipes at events, or the occasional live performance from a chamber orchestra or musicians on the Terrace or lawns.

Many thanks

David

On Nov 3, 2025, at 9:48 AM, LicensingBoard
<licensingboard@aberdeencity.gov.uk> wrote:

Hello

With regards to the above application, please confirm if you/your clients are happy for the undernoted local condition to be imposed on the licence:

Outdoor Drinking Areas

It is a condition of the licence that;

- (a) any outdoor area is clearly demarcated onsite;*
- (b) that use of the area is to cease at 2200 and*
- (c) that no amplified music or entertainment is to take place in the outdoor area.*

Kind regards