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LICENSING (SCOTLAND) ACT 2005 APPLICATION FOR THE VARIATION OF A PREMISES LICENCE ABERDEEN HERO/PUMPKIN, ABERDEEN RAILWAY STATION, GUILD STREET, ABERDEEN, AB11 6LX

I refer to the above application for the variation of a premises licence under the terms of Section 29(5) of the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005.

The variation requested consists of several elements, namely:

- 1. Amending Q5(a) of the Operating Plan to allow bar meals out-with core hours.
- 2. Amending Q5(g) of the Operating Plan to permit recorded music out-with core hours.
- 3. Amending Q4(g) of the Operating Plan to permit gaming out-with core hours.
- 4. Amending Q5(g) of the Operating Plan to permit televised sport out-with core hours.
- 5. Amending the wording of Q5(g) of the Operating Plan to "Bar meals, music, gaming and televised sport may be provided outwith core hours but not before 0700 hours and no later than the terminal hour".
- 6. Amending the wording of Q6(b) to "Children and Young Persons will be permitted entry to all public parts of the premises at all times the premises are open. Children and Young Persons must be accompanied by an adult. Children and Young Persons will not be permitted at or immediately adjacent to the bar or any gaming machines".

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- 7. Amending the wording of Q6(e) to "Children and young persons will be permitted access to all public parts of the premises. However, they will not be permitted at or immediately adjacent to the Bar, nor will they be permitted at any gaming machines".
- 8. Amending Q7 of the Operating Plan to show the new measurements of the premises.

In terms of Section 29(5) of the Act this request can be considered a variation.

In respect of points 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 8 above I have no adverse comment to make.

In respect of points 6 and 7 above, in terms of Section 22(1)(b)(i) and (ii) of the same Act and in support of the Protecting Children from Harm licensing objective, I make the following representation on behalf of the Chief Constable, and request that the variation in its current form be modified to "Children and Young Persons will be permitted entry to all public parts of the premises when it is open, but in respect of the part of the premises referred to as 'Hero' children will be only permitted entry when accompanied by an adult who is partaking of a table meal. Children and Young Persons will not be permitted at or immediately adjacent to the bar or any gaming machines".

This representation is submitted for your attention when considering this application.

Yours faithfully

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