

LICENSING BOARD INFORMATION SHEET

TYPE OF APPLICATION: VARIATION OF A PREMISES LICENCE
PREMISES: GROSVENOR CASINO, 5 EXCHEQUER ROW, ABERDEEN

DESCRIPTION

- Reconfiguration of reception area and creation of cloakroom
- Removal of fixed seating in informal dining area.

OBJECTIONS/REPRESENTATIONS

- None

GAMBLING ACT 2005

- In exercising most of their functions under the 2005 Act, licensing authorities must have regard to the licensing objectives set out in section 1 of the Act. In particular, licensing authorities must have regard to the licensing objectives when exercising their functions in relation to premises licences, temporary use notices and some permits. Those objectives are:
 - preventing gambling from being a source of crime or disorder, being associated with crime or disorder or being used to support crime;
 - ensuring that gambling is conducted in a fair and open way
 - protecting children and other vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling.
- Under Section 153 (1) of the Act the Licensing Board's primary obligation is to aim to permit the use of premises for gambling in so far as it think that to do so is:
 - a) in accordance with any relevant code of practice issued by the Gambling Commission
 - b) in accordance with any relevant guidance issued by the Gambling Commission
 - c) reasonably consistent with the licensing objectives (subject to (a) and (b) above) and
 - d) in accordance with the Licensing Authority Statement of Policy (subject to (a) and (c) above).

GAMBLING POLICY STATEMENT

- In terms of The Gambling Act 2005 (Mandatory and Default Conditions) (Scotland) Regulations 2007 (SSI 2007 No 266), mandatory and default conditions, unless excluded by the Board, shall apply. The Board may also attach conditions to a bingo premises licence in terms of Section 169 of the Act. An example of said conditions may be as follows:
- proof of age scheme;
- the provision of CCTV;
- physical security measures on the premises;
- supervision of entrances;
- measures to ensure the physical separation of gambling areas where category C or above gaming machines are made available for use;
- supervision of age restricted areas of the premises;
- self-exclusion schemes;
- the display of clear notices and signage both externally and internally regarding age restrictions and restricted areas;
- the display of a notice specifying opening hours;
- policy and procedures regarding the employment of young persons
- the display of posters and information leaflets indicating the contact details of relevant organisations set up to assist people wishing to seek help and advice regarding gambling related issues.