

LICENSING BOARD INFORMATION SHEET

TYPE OF APPLICATION: VARIATION OF PREMISES LICENCE
PREMISES: THE CRAFTSMAN COMPANY, 2 GUILD STREET, ABERDEEN

DESCRIPTION

- Variation to the operating plan to include outdoor drinking facilities and corresponding increase in capacity.
- Variation to the layout plan to include outdoor area within redline of the licensed area of the premises.

OBJECTIONS/REPRESENTATIONS

- Police
- LSO

POLICY

19 OUTSIDE SEATING AREAS

19.1 The Board recognises a growing trend for outside seating areas in licensed premises. The Act allows the consumption of alcohol off the premises in these areas. However Aberdeen City Council has a bylaw prohibiting the consumption of alcohol in designated public places. This is part of the overall strategy to make safe all the public areas within the city. The text of the bylaw is available at Appendix 1 and on Aberdeen City Council website at: www.aberdeencity.gov.uk/licensing

19.2 The Board will expect any licence holder who intends to provide outside seating, tables, or other outside facilities to hold a licence which includes the outside area and to have the necessary planning permission. Where the premises do not currently include such an outside area the Board will expect licence holders to vary the licence. Applicants, who propose to provide outdoor areas, should ensure that their use will not cause disturbance or nuisance to the occupiers of other premises in the vicinity. The Board may impose where necessary local conditions such as the provision of CCTV camera(s) to assist in the management and control of such areas and in support of the licensing objectives. These areas should be shown on the layout plan.

19.3 Aberdeen City Council operates a scheme whereby a permit may be applied for to occupy the footway with tables and chairs. This scheme is operated under the Roads (Scotland) Act 1984. The Board expects that licence holders will not only comply with any conditions attached to such a permit but will also put into place effective management controls, supervision and other measures to ensure that the use of such areas by patrons or by any other persons does not have a negative impact in the vicinity