

# LICENSING BOARD INFORMATION SHEET

**TYPE OF APPLICATION: VARIATION OF PREMISES LICENCE**  
**PREMISES: SIBERIA BAR & HOTEL. 9/11 BELMONT STREET.ABERDEEN.**  
**AB10 1JR**

## DESCRIPTION

- Expansion of licensed footprint following acquisition of neighbouring premises.
- Premises will include a new bar, servery, and toilets in upper basement floor.
- Children under 14 to be accompanied by an adult when not in areas marked as or adjacent to Hotel Accommodation.
- Young persons will be permitted into the Bar/Restaurant area until 01:00. Young persons must be accompanied by an adult between 22:00 and 01:00.
- Amend on-sales and off sales commencement to 11.00 on Sunday
- Amend question 4 of the operating plan to answer "YES" and add – "The premises may take advantage of any general extension granted by the Licensing Board from time to time"
- Permit the following within and out with core licensed hours – "Conference facilities; Restaurant Facilities; Live Performances; Theatre; Films
- Permit the following out with core licensed hours – "Bar meals; Receptions; Club or other group meetings; indoor/outdoor sports"

### **Delete existing answers in the operating plan and replace with –**

- "As a hotel, services for guests may take place 24/7.
- In addition, public entry for breakfast, receptions, conferences, meetings etc may occur prior to core hours but not normally before 07:00 and background music/entertainment would be ancillary."
- "Charity events, corporate events, community events, promotional events, tasting/samplings, education events and music or other cultural events may take place."

## OBJECTIONS/REPRESENTATIONS

- None

## CONDITIONS

N/A

## POLICY

**6. PROTECTING CHILDREN AND YOUNG PERSONS FROM HARM**

The Board recognises that the question of access to licensed premises by children and young persons is not one that can be answered with a one size fits all type of approach. The suitability of premises will depend on a number of factors including layout of the premises, activities or services available, and typical customer demographic.

Applicants and licence holders should also be aware that access for children and young persons will bring with it additional responsibilities and may result in additional conditions being attached to the licence.

**What the Board Will Do:**

- Assess all applications for suitability of access for children and young persons.
- Impose additional conditions where necessary to protect children and young persons from harm.
- Limit the hours during which children and young persons have access if appropriate.
- Limit activities which may take place on the licensed premises during hours in which children and young persons have access if appropriate.

**What the Board Will Expect of Licence Holders/Applicants**

- Consider the ambience of premises and what is appropriate in terms of children and young persons' access.
- Ensure facilities are appropriate to the areas of the premises to which children and young persons are to be afforded access.
- Vigilance against underage drinking and proxy purchasing.
- Strict enforcement of Challenge 25.
- Comprehensive and up to date staff training.
- Restrict access for children and young persons to appropriate hours and parts of the premises.

**What the Board Will Expect of Partner Agencies:**

- Communication of relevant information.
- Sharing of best practice or initiatives designed to improve standards.
- Participation in mediation in the event of issues or licence review hearings as a last resort.

## **9. SUPPLEMENTARY POLICY – EXTERNAL DRINKING AREAS**

The Board recognises that the incorporation of outdoor areas within the licensed footprint of premises can enhance the operation of such premises but considers that it also attracts additional responsibilities on the part of the licence holder to uphold the licensing objectives.

Before an application to licence an outdoor area will be considered the area in question must benefit from the necessary planning permission and, if required, a pavement permit from the Roads Department of Aberdeen City Council.

All outdoor areas must be delineated on the layout plan forming part of the premises licence and outdoor drinking should be included as an activity within the body of the licence. The Board will expect premises who currently utilise unlicensed outdoor areas to incorporate such areas within the premises licence by way of variation.

Applicants and licence holders must demonstrate that the areas will not contravene the licensing objectives, in particular with regard to noise, litter and antisocial behaviour. The areas must be regularly monitored, and glassware removed.

The Board will routinely attach additional conditions where an outdoor area is licensed including but not restricted to:

- Outdoor area to be clearly demarcated onsite.
- Use of the area to cease at 2200 hours.
- No amplified music or entertainment to take place in the outdoor area.

The terminal hour may be further restricted, and drinks may be required to be decanted into alternatives to glassware if appropriate