

LICENSING BOARD

ABERDEEN, 2 December 2025. Minute of meeting of the LICENSING BOARD.
Present: Councillor Copland, Convener; and Councillors Al-Samarai, Boulton, Hazel Cameron, Crockett, Grant, McRae and McLeod.

PITTODRIE OCCASIONAL LICENCE

1.

The Board was addressed by Councillor Boulton who expressed her concerns that the Board was not consulted on the recent Occasional Licence application for the Pittodrie Football Grounds. The Convenor agreed with Councillor Boulton's concerns but explained he had discussed this with Sandy Munro who had offered an explanation and apology.

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2.

The Board had before it for its consideration the minutes of the meeting of 23 September 2025.

APPLICATION FOR PREMISES LICENCE - ABERGELDIE CONVENIENCE STORE, 490 HOLBURN STREET, ABERDEEN

3.

The Board heard from Alan Watt who was representing the applicant. The application had not received any representations or objections.

The Board unanimously resolved:

To grant the application.

APPLICATION FOR PROVISIONAL PREMISES LICENCE - 4 CLUNIE PLACE, ABERDEEN

4.

The Board heard from David Scott who was present alongside the applicant. The application had attracted a Police representation and six public objections. The Board heard from two public objectors and PC James Stewart.

The Board resolved:

To refuse the application on the grounds that the applicant is not a fit and proper person.

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At the request of the applicant, the Board agreed under the Licensing (Scotland) Act, section 32(3)(b) to allow an application for this premises before the expiry of a one year period.

APPLICATION FOR PROVISIONAL PREMISES LICENCE - ASMA, 156 UNION STREET, ABERDEEN

5.

The Board heard from David Scott on behalf of the applicant. The application had not attracted any objections or representations.

The Board resolved:

To grant the application.

APPLICATION FOR BINGO LICENCE - MR C'S CASINO GAMES & BINGO, 53 UNION STREET, ABERDEEN

6.

The Board heard from Stephen McGowan on behalf of the applicant. The applicant was also present in the meeting. There had been no objections or representations. The applicant had requested the Board exclude a default condition so the premises may be used on a 24-hour basis.

The Board resolved:

To grant the application.

APPLICATION FOR MAJOR VARIATION - MARCLIFFE HOTEL & SPA, NORTH DEESIDE ROAD, PITFODELS, ABERDEEN

7.

Councillor Crocket declared an interest in this application and excused himself.

The Board heard from David Scott on behalf of the applicant. There had been one LSO representation in relation to the Outdoor Drinking Conditions.

The Board resolved:

To grant the application subject to the Outdoor Drinking Conditions but not condition c in relation to amplified music.

APPLICATION FOR MAJOR VARIATION - MILL OF MUNDURNO, BRIDGE OF DON, ABERDEEN

8.

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Councillor Grant joined the meeting.

The Board heard from Chris Grunett and was joined by the Premises Manager. There had been no representations or objections to the application.

The Board resolved:

To grant the application.

APPLICATION FOR MAJOR VARIATION - MOOSSH, 495 - 499 GREAT WESTERN ROAD, ABERDEEN

9.

The Board heard from Anthony Dawson on behalf of the applicant. The owner of the premises was also present. The application had attracted two public objections. Neither objector was present at the meeting.

The Board resolved:

To grant the application.

APPLICATION FOR MAJOR VARIATION - SIBERIA BAR AND HOTEL, 9/11 BELMONT STREET, ABERDEEN

10.

The Board heard from Niall Hassard on behalf of the applicant. The owner was also present. Sandy Munro introduced the application and explained the applicant had not agreed to the usual Outdoor Drinking Conditions.

The Board resolved:

To grant the application with no additional conditions.

APPLICATION FOR MAJOR VARIATION - THE WHITEHALL BOWLING CLUB LTD, 71 HAMILTON PLACE, ABERDEEN

11.

The application was introduced by Sandy Munro. The applicant was not present in the meeting.

The Board resolved:

To grant the application.

APPLICATION FOR MAJOR VARIATION - GILCOMSTON BAR, 5 GILCOMSTON STEPS, ABERDEEN

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12.

The Board heard from Stephen McGowan on behalf of the applicant. The applicants were also in attendance online. The application had received no objections or representations.

The Board resolved:

To grant the application.

APPLICATION FOR MAJOR VARIATION - DUNCAN'S, 25 SCOTSTOWN ROAD, BRIDGE-OF-DON, ABERDEEN

13.

The Board heard from Anthony Dawson on behalf of the applicant. The application had not received any objections or representations.

The Board resolved:

To grant the application.

APPLICATION FOR EXTENDED HOURS - CHEERZ BAR - 1 JANUARY 2026

14.

The Board heard from George Mackenzie, the DPM of the premises. The application had not received any objections and the proposed Police conditions had been accepted.

The Board resolved:

To grant the application.

APPLICATION FOR PERSONAL LICENCE GRANT - A

15.

The applicant was not present at the meeting.

The Board resolved:

To defer the application to the next meeting to allow the applicant an opportunity to attend.

APPLICATION FOR PERSONAL LICENCE GRANT - B

16.

The applicant was not present at the meeting.

The Board resolved:

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To defer the application to the next meeting to allow the applicant an opportunity to attend.

OUTSTANDING PREMISES ANNUAL FEES

17.

Sandy Munro addressed the Board in relation to this item and explained the outstanding annual fees will continue to be chased and any still unpaid will be brought to the Board for review at their next meeting.

The Board agreed.

GENERAL DIRECTION

18.

Sandy Munro addressed the Board and explained a consultation with licence holders will be run in relation to the annual General Direction. The results of this consultation will be brought to the next Board meeting.

The Board agreed.

ASK FOR ANGELA

19.

The importance of the Ask for Angela scheme was brought to the Board for awareness. Councillors discussed the importance of this initiative and LSO's confirmed they raise this when visiting premises. It was agreed Officers will send information to premises about the scheme by way of a reminder.

LICENSING FORUM UPDATE

20.

The Board heard from the Vice-Chair for the Forum and drew their attention to the Report within papers. There were no questions from members.

LSO UPDATE

21.

The LSO's updated the Board on recent and upcoming matters. They addressed the recent Occasional Licence application on behalf of Pittodrie and explained they are close to this application and will be present on the day.

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They anticipate requests for extended hours for the World Cup next year so will aim to update the Board on this in the next meeting.