HIGHLAND LICENSING BOARD

During the coronavirus period, the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005 has been temporarily amended to allow Board meetings to take place remotely.

Minute of the meeting of the Highland Licensing Board held remotely on Tuesday 1 December 2020 at 5.00 pm.

Present:

Mr J Bruce, Mr A Jarvie, Ms E Knox, Mrs L Macdonald (Convenor), Mr D Macpherson, Mr K Rosie, Mr A Sinclair and Mr C Smith.

In Attendance:

Ms C McArthur, Clerk to the Board Mr I Meredith, Depute Clerk to the Board Mr G Cameron, Licensing Standards Officer Mr I Cox, Licensing Standards Officer Mrs A MacArthur, Administrative Assistant

Also In Attendance:

Sergeant K Duncan, Police Scotland Mr M MacDonald. Police Scotland

Briefing on Protocol for Webcasting of Meetings

The Convener advised the Board that the meeting would be filmed and broadcast over the internet on the Highland Council website and would be archived and available for viewing for 12 months.

1. Apologies for Absence Leisgeulan

Apologies for absence had been intimated on behalf of Mr W Mackay.

2. Declarations of Interest Foillseachaidhean Com-pàirt.

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Confirmation of minutes Dearbhadh a' gheàrr-chunntais

There was submitted for confirmation as a correct record the minute of the meeting of the Highland Licensing Board held on 27 October 2020.

The Minutes were held as read and **APPROVED**.

4. Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005 Licences granted under delegated powers Achd Ceadachd (Alba) 2005 Ceadachdan a bhuilicheadh fo Ùghdarras air a Thiomnadh

There had been circulated **Report No HLB/72/20** detailing licences which had been granted under delegated powers by the Clerk to the Board during the period 15 October 2020 to 18 November 2020.

The Board **NOTED** the report.

5. Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005
Occasional licences and extended hours
granted under Delegated Powers
Achd Ceadachd (Alba) 2005
Ceadachdan Corra-uair agus uairean sìnte a bhuilicheadh fo ùghdarras air
a thiomnadh

There had been circulated **Report No HLB/73/20** detailing occasional licences and extended hours applications which had been granted under delegated powers by the Clerk to the Board during the period 15 October 2020 to 18 November 2020.

Following a query, Members were advised that the trading addresses for private premises were not published within this report for data protection reasons.

The Board **NOTED** the report.

6. The Highland Licensing Board Annual Financial Report 2019/20 Aithisg Ionmhasail Bhliadhnail Bòrd Ceadachd na Gàidhealtachd 2019/20

There had been circulated Report No **HLB/074/20** by the Clerk to the Board inviting the Board to approve the Board's fourth annual Financial Report for publication in accordance with Section 9B of the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005.

Mr I Meredith explained that this report usually came to the Board in conjunction with the Annual Functions report, however, as a result of the coronavirus pandemic, the 2005 Act had been temporarily amended to provide Licensing Boards with additional time to produce and publish this report.

Members understood and appreciated the increased pressure on staff workload. A representation would be made by the Convenor and Vice Convenor to the Leader of the Council for additional staff for licensing in recognition of the volume of work being undertaken. Licensing staff covered a huge geographical area and no additional staff had been employed to take account of the new administrative burden involved in the personal licence renewal process.

The Board **AGREED** to **APPROVE** the draft Financial Report 2019-20 for publication in accordance with section 9B of the 2005 Act, with the caveat contained therein that is not to be relied upon as a precise statement of income and expenditure in that financial year.

7. Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005

Applications for variation (major) to premises licences Achd Ceadachd (Alba) 2005

larrtasan airson Caochladh (Mòr) a thaobh ceadachdan thogalaichean

7.1 Ref: HC/INBS/385

Applicant: John Henderson Shepherd, Khawari, Glackmore, Tore, IV6 7SN

Premises: Old Market Inn, 32 Church Street, Inverness, IV1 1EH

Type: On and off sales

There had been circulated **Report No HLB/075/20** by the Clerk.

Mr Cox stated that there had been no objections and this was for a very small area at the front of the public bar.

Police Scotland stated that there had been no complaints or concerned raised for the existing area.

The Board **AGREED** to **GRANT** the application for major variation of the premises licence subject to the mandatory conditions, existing local conditions and additional local conditions (I), (m), (n)(i), (o), (p) and (q).

7.2 Ref: HC/CSR/1812

Applicant: Highland Liquor Company Ltd

Premises: An Teallach Ale Co Brewery Shop, 26 West Argyle Street, Ullapool

Type: Off Sales

There had been circulated **Report No HLB/076/20** by the Clerk.

Mr G Cameron advised that the variations requested complied with the Highland Licensing Policy.

The Board **AGREED** to **GRANT** the application for major variation of the premises licence subject to the mandatory conditions only.

8. Surrender of premises licence Gèilleadh ceadachd togalaich

8.1 Premises: The Top Shop, Post Office Building, Broadford, Isle of Skye,

IV49 9AB

Licence Holder: Harrapool Ltd

8.2 Premises: Red Roof Skye, Holmisdale, Glendale, Isle of Skye, IV55 8WS

Licence Holder: Gareth and Iona Graft t/s Red Roof Café Gallery

8.3 Premises: Innseagan House Hotel, Achintore Road, Fort William, PH33

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Licence Holder: The Firm of Innseagan House Hotel

8.4 Premises: Arisaig House, Beasdale, Arisaig, PH39 4NR

Licence Holder: Sarah Winnington-Ingram

8.5 Premises: Tomatin Country Stores, Main Street, Tomatin, IV13 7YP Licence Holder: Neacreath Ltd

8.6 Premises: Armadale Stores, Armadale, Sleat, Isle of Skye, IV45 8RS

Licence Holder: Sleat Community Trading Co Ltd

8.7 Premises: The Golf Links Hotel, Church Street, Golspie, KW10 6TT **Licence Holder:** Linda Walton

The Board NOTED that the above Premises Licences had been surrendered in terms of Section 28(5)(f).

9. **Dates of Meetings in 2021** Cinn-latha Choinneamhan ann an 2021

The Board AGREED the following dates for 2021, as agreed at The Highland Council on 29 October 2020. All meetings would take place remotely unless otherwise advised:-

12 January, 16 February, 30 March, 11 May, 22 June, 3 August, 7 September, 26 October and 30 November.

The meeting ended at 5.30 pm.