

SOUTH AYRSHIRE LICENSING BOARD.

Minutes of a meeting in the County Buildings, Wellington Square, Ayr,
on 22nd November 2018 at 10.00 a.m.

Present: Councillors Craig Mackay (Chair), Laura Brennan-Whitefield; Andy Campbell, Ian Fitzsimmons, Bob Pollock and Margaret Toner.

Apologies: Councillors Siobhian Brown, Douglas Campbell and Lee Lyons.

Attending: M. Douglas, Depute Clerk to the Board; C. Andrew, Licensing Standards Officer; and J. McClure, Committee Services Lead Officer.

1. Declarations of Interest.

There were no declarations of interest by Members of the Board in terms of the Councillors' Code of Conduct.

2. Date of Next Board Meeting.

The Chair advised that the next Board meeting would be held in the County Hall, County Buildings, Ayr on Thursday, 10th January 2019 at 10.00 a.m.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting.

The Minutes of the Meeting of South Ayrshire Licensing Board of 25th October 2018 (issued) were submitted.

Decided: to approve the Minutes of the previous meeting.

4. Applications for Transfer Granted Under Delegated Powers.

There was submitted a report (issued) of 8th November 2018 by the Clerk to the Licensing Board advising of the following determination of an application for the Transfer of a Licence between the last Board meeting and the present one:-

- Mercado, 48 Newmarket Street, Ayr – transferred to Newmarket (Ayr) Ltd. on 12th October 2018.

Decided: to note the transfer granted under delegated powers.

5. Revocation of Personal Licences.

There was submitted a report (issued) of 8th November 2018 by the Clerk to the Licensing Board advising of the revocation of personal licences.

Decided: to note the thirty eight licences revoked under delegated powers since the last report to the Board.

6. Statement of Licensing Policy.

There was submitted (tabled) the updated Statement of Licensing Policy for approval by the Board.

The Chair advised that there had been engagement with a range of organisations in compiling this document and the draft now being considered contained all the amendments approved by the Board at its special meeting on 2nd October 2018.

The Chair then thanked the Depute Clerk to the Board for her excellent work on this Policy and the Board

Decided:

- (1) to approve the updated Statement of Licensing Policy; and
- (2) to request that the Depute Clerk to the Board publish this Policy on the Council's website.

7. Update from Licensing Standards Officer.

The Licensing Standards Officer advised

- (1) that all personal licence holders whose licence expired on 31st August 2019 had been sent a reminder letter that they must apply to the Board for renewal of their ten year licence by 31st May 2019 which meant that there would be a considerable demand for refresher training in the early months of 2019;
- (2) that over 520 reminder letters had been issued and whilst it could be assumed that not all of those people still worked within the licensed trade, this still potentially meant that hundreds of people would be seeking to renew their licence within a tight timescale;
- (3) that, in anticipation of the large amount of renewal applications, she had been speaking to premises managers encouraging them to apply as early as possible and liaising with local training providers ensuring she had a list of courses and the availability on these courses to assist anyone requesting training, as with the busy festive period approaching it could be the start of the year before many licence holders considered undertaking training;
- (4) that annual licence fees were due by 1st October each year and, at present, fees were unpaid for twenty premises. Reminder letters had been issued to these premises and she had visited as many as possible and that those premises which remained unpaid would be brought to the January Board meeting for suspension of their Premises Licence;
- (5) that she was currently undertaking information visits to Members' Clubs to provide guidance regarding signing in procedures, the requirement to apply for Occasional Licences for 'public' events, the requirement for staff to undertake training and for training records to be retained; that she was planning to run a further staff training event aimed at Members' Clubs in February 2019 and that, following this, any premises found to be non-compliant would be brought to the attention of the Board; and
- (6) that she wished to thank the members of South Ayrshire licensed trade for once again working with her to ensure that Board policies were upheld and for requesting information and guidance when required; and that she hoped this positive relationship with the trade continued in 2019.

The Board thanked the Licensing Standards Officer for her hard work throughout 2018 and noted her update.

8. Occasional Licences for Hogmanay.

There was submitted a report (issued) of 8th November 2018 by the Clerk to the Licensing Board seeking approval for the Clerk to the Board to grant occasional licences beyond midnight on Hogmanay.

Decided: having noted the terms of the report, to instruct the Clerk to the Board to deal with applications for occasional licences for Hogmanay and to grant delegated powers to the Clerk to grant applications for the night of Hogmanay until 1.00 a.m. on 1st January notwithstanding that this is outwith Board policy.

9. Premises Licences Surrendered.

There was submitted a report (issued) by the Clerk to the Licensing Board advising of one Premises Licence surrendered recently.

Decided: to note the following licence had been surrendered on 26th October 2018:-

<u>Licence Holder</u>	<u>Premises</u>
Gordon Chalmers Insolvency Practitioner	Latte-Da 35-37 Beresford Terrace Ayr

10. Licensing (Scotland) Act, 2005.

(a) Applications for Occasional Licences.

The Board considered the following applications:-

<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Premises</u>
(1) Kincaidston and Belmont Bowling Club	Kincaidston and Belmont Bowling Club Bracken Park Ayr

Celebration of New Year – 31/12/18 – 8.00 p.m. to 1.00 a.m.

Having heard from the Licensing Standards Officer, the Board granted the above application.

(2) Martin Dunlop	Blairquhan Castle Straiton Maybole
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Wedding – 29/03/19 – 2.00 p.m. to 1.00 a.m.

Applicant

Premises

(3) Martin Dunlop

Blairquhan Castle
Straiton
Maybole

Wedding – 11/05/19 – 2.00 p.m. to 1.00 a.m.

Having heard the Licensing Standards Officer, the Board granted applications (2) and (3) above.

(4) Emma Fergusson

Maybole Town Hall
High Street
Maybole

The Maybole Ball – 29/12/18 – 10.00 p.m. to 2.00 a.m.

Having heard the Licensing Standards Officer, the Board granted the above application subject to the conditions outlined in the Licensing Standards Officer's report.

(5) Crosshill Bowling and Social Club

Crosshill Bowling and Social Club
Kirkmichael Road
Crosshill

New Year's Party with Entertainment, New Year's Day Party with Entertainment - 31st December 2018 and 1st January 2019 - midnight to 1.00 a.m.

Having heard the Licensing Standards Officer, the Board granted the above application.

(b) Applications for Extended Hours.

A discussion took place in relation to the impact of granting an additional hour's trading over the festive period and the Board requested that Police Scotland be asked to provide an update in the new year on any problems encountered over the festive period.

The Board then considered the following applications:-

Applicant

Premises

(1) Christopher Morrison

Cheeky Charlies
47 Templehill
Troon

Christmas and New Year – 25/12/18 and 26/12/18 – 1.00 a.m. to 3.30 a.m.

Having heard the Licensing Standards Officer, the Board granted the above application.

Applicant

Premises

(2) Stewart Wallace

MacIntyres Bar
11 Templehill
Troon

Christmas and New Year Festivities – 1st December 2018 to 1st January 2019 –
Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday – 12.30 a.m. to 1.30 a.m.
Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday – 2.30 a.m. to 3.30 a.m.

Having heard the Licensing Standards Officer and the applicant, the Board granted the above application.

(3) Shanter Inns Ltd

Tam O'Shanter Inn
230 High Street
Ayr

Festive Period – 24th and 31st December 2018 – 1.30 a.m. to 2.30 a.m.

Having heard the Licensing Standards Officer, the Board granted the above application.

(4) Shanter Inns Ltd

Market Inn
2 Castlehill Road
Ayr

Festive Period – 24th and 31st December 2018 – 1.30 a.m. to 2.30 a.m.

Having heard the Licensing Standards Officer, the Board granted the above application.

(5) Shanter Inns Ltd

The Buf
36 Main Street
Prestwick

Festive Period – 24th and 31st December 2018 – 1.30 a.m. to 2.30 a.m.

Having heard the Licensing Standards Officer and the applicant's representative, the Board granted the above application.

(6) Shanter Inns Ltd

The Wolf
13 Beresford Terrace
Ayr

Festive Period – 24th and 31st December 2018 – 12.30 a.m. to 2.30 a.m.

Having heard the Licensing Standards Officer, the Board granted the above application.

The meeting ended at 10.25 a.m.