MORAY COUNCIL

Minute of Meeting of the Licensing Board

Wednesday, 16 November 2022

Council Chambers, Council Office, High Street, Elgin, IV30 1BX

PRESENT

Councillor Peter Bloomfield, Councillor Neil Cameron, Councillor Tracy Colyer, Councillor David Gordon, Councillor Scott Lawrence, Councillor Sonya Warren

APOLOGIES

Councillor James Allan, Councillor Ben Williams

IN ATTENDANCE

Also in attendance at the above meeting were the Depute Clerk to the Board, Emma Rapley, Licensing Standards Officer and Lindsey Robinson, Committee Services Officer, as clerk to the meeting, all Moray Council, and PC Mitch Dickson, Police Scotland.

1. Chair

Councillor Peter Bloomfield, as co-Chair of the Licensing Board, chaired the meeting.

2. Minute of the Meeting of the Board 7 September 2022

The Minute of the Meeting of the Licensing Board of 7 September was submitted and approved.

3. Annual Functions Report

A report by the Clerk to the Board sought approval to publish the draft functions report, at Appendix 1 of the report, which incorporates a report from the Licensing Standards Officer.

Following consideration the Board agreed to:

- i. note the draft annual functions report at Appendix 1 and approve the final report; and
- ii. instruct the Clerk to publish the agreed final report on the Board's web pages.

4. Chief Constables Report 2021-2022

A report by the Chief Constable provided the Board with the Annual Licensing report for 2021/22.

During consideration Councillor Gordon sought clarification on whether there was any progress in reinstating the meetings of the Local Licensing Forum. In response, PC Dickson advised that currently there was no local licensing forum for Moray.

The Depute Clerk to the Board advised that the licensing forum was an important part of the process but it was not for the Police to organise. He further advised that the Licensing Standards Officer was working to get the meetings re-established, but there were difficulties in that it is an independent body and the members are volunteers.

Thereafter, the Board agreed to note the contents of the report.

5. Threaplands Ltd - 22-00266-PRELIC

The Depute Clerk to the Board introduced the application as a new premises licence and advised the Board that all paperwork was in order, there were no representations or objections and all the Police conditions had been accepted by the applicant.

The applicant and their representative were not present.

Councillor Colyer moved that the application be granted and was seconded by Councillor Lawrence.

There being no one otherwise minded, the application was granted.

6. Bootleggers - 22-001594 PROLIC

The Depute Clerk to the Board introduced the application as a new provisional premises licence and advised the Board that the Section 50 from Building Standards was outstanding, but there were no representations or objections.

The applicant addressed the Board and responded to questions asked.

Thereafter, the Chair moved that the application be granted, and there being no one otherwise minded, the application was granted.

7. Baxters Food Group - 22-01724 PREVMA

The Depute Clerk to the Board introduced the application as a major variation and advised the Board that all paperwork was in order and that the applicant had agreed to the Police conditions.

The applicant's representative addressed the Board and responded to questions asked.

Thereafter, the Chair moved that the application be granted, and there being no one otherwise minded, the application was granted.

8. Click Whisky Auctions - 22-01769 PRELIC

The Depute Clerk to the Board introduced the application as a new premises licence and advised the Board that as there was paperwork outstanding the licence could not be approved at this meeting.

The Board agreed to defer the application to the next meeting on 8 February 2023.

9. Glenrothes Distillery - 22-01792 PRELIC

The Depute Clerk to the Board introduced the application as a new premises licence and advised the Board that all paperwork was in order and there were no objections or representations.

The applicant's representative addressed the Board and responded to questions asked.

Thereafter, the Chair moved that the application be granted, and there being no one otherwise minded, the application was granted.

10. Keith Railway Club - 22-01701 PRETOA

The Depute Clerk to the Board introduced the application as a major variation and advised the Board that all paperwork was in order and that there were no representations or objections.

The applicant and their representative were not present.

The Chair moved that the application be granted, and there being no one otherwise minded, the application was granted.