

MORAY COUNCIL

Minute of Meeting of the Licensing Board

Wednesday, 06 September 2023

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

Sean Hoath, Depute Clerk to the Board, Jennifer Smith, Legal Advisor, Lindsey Robinson, Committee Services Officer, all Moray Council and PC Mitchell Dickson, Police Scotland.

1. Chair

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

2. Declaration of Member's Interests

The Board noted that there were no declarations of Member's interests.

3. Minute of the meeting held 21 June 2023

The minute of the meeting of the Licensing Board held 21 June 2023 was submitted and approved.

4. Greshop Filling Station - 23-00929-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 there were no objections or representations.

PC Dickson confirmed that there was nothing more to add from Police Scotland.

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

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

5. The Gables Whisky B and B - 23-01124-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 there were no objections or

representations as the applicant had agreed to the conditions from Police Scotland. He further advised that the applicant was not present so it was up to the Board as to whether the case was heard.

The Board agreed to continue with the determination of the case.

PC Dickson confirmed that there was nothing more to add from Police Scotland.

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

After the item was concluded the applicant managed to join the meeting and was advised of the outcome.

6. Spar Shop - 23-00982-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 there were no objections or representations.

PC Dickson confirmed that there was nothing more to add from Police Scotland.

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

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

7. Review of Statement of Policy

The meeting had before it a report by the Clerk to the Board advising the Board with regard to the statutory obligation to develop, consult on and publish a policy statement setting out the principles they propose to apply to the exercise of their functions under the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005.

Following consideration the Board unanimously agreed:

- i. Note the statutory obligation to develop, consult upon and publish a statement of licensing policy and note that a revised policy must be in place by 29 November 2023;
- ii. Note the progress to date in developing a draft revised policy;
- iii. Note the terms of the draft revised policy as reviewed and developed by the Board following full research and informal consultation produced at Appendix 1;
- iv. Note the draft policy has been the subject of formal consultation for the period of 23 June 2023 to 14 August 2023 and review the responses to that consultation at Appendix 2;
- v. Approve a final policy statement for publication.