

## **WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE LICENSING BOARD**

At a Meeting of West Dunbartonshire Licensing Board held in the Civic Space, 16 Church Street, Dumbarton on Wednesday, 18 March 2020 at 2.00 p.m.

**Present:** Councillors Ian Dickson, Jonathan McColl, Marie McNair and Brian Walker.

**Attending:** Raymond Lynch, Depute Clerk to the Licensing Board and Nuala Borthwick, Committee Officer.

**Apologies:** Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Diane Docherty and John Millar.

### **NOMINATION OF CHAIR**

In accordance with Schedule 1, Section 6(5) of the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005 and given the recent resignation of the Convener, Councillor Brown, the Board agreed to elect another of its members as chair of the Licensing Board.

Having heard the Depute Clerk to the Licensing Board in further explanation and in answer to Members' questions, the Board agreed that Councillor Ian Dickson be appointed as chair of the Licensing Board and accordingly, Councillor Millar assumed the Chair.

The Board also agreed to thank Councillor Brown, a longstanding member of the Board, for his valued chairmanship over the last 3 year period.

### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

It was noted that there were no declarations of interest in any of the items of business on the agenda.

### **LICENSING BOARD HEARING PROCEDURE**

The Licensing Board's Hearing Procedures for the following were submitted for information:-

- (1) an Application for Review of Premises/Personal Licence; and
- (2) an Application with Objection(s)/Representation(s).

## **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The Minutes of Meeting of the Licensing Board held on Tuesday, 10 December 2019 were submitted and approved as a correct record.

## **CONTINUED REVIEW OF PREMISES LICENCE**

With reference to the Minutes of Meeting of the Licensing Board held on 19 December 2019 and in terms of Section 36 of the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005, Members considered the Review of Premises Licence for Haveli's Buffet Restaurant, 127 College Street, Dumbarton G82 1NH.

Having heard the Clerk to the Licensing Board, it was noted that due to the ongoing situation with COVID-19 and national advice on travel and social distancing, both the applicant and representatives of Police Scotland were not in attendance at the meeting.

Thereafter, Members considered the letter submitted by Police Scotland dated 18 November 2019 and the report by the Licensing Standards Officer dated 26 November 2019. After discussion and having heard the Section Head (Licensing) in answer to Members' questions, the Board agreed that the grounds for review of the Premises Licence had not been established at this time and that no action required to be taken.

### **DECIDED:-**

The Board agreed that the grounds for review of the Premises Licence had not been established at this time and that no action be taken in relation to the Review of Premises Licence.

## **APPLICATION FOR VARIATION OF PREMISES LICENCE**

An Application for Variation of Premises Licence for Chandlers, 2 Kilbowie Road, Clydebank G81 1TH was submitted for consideration.

As a preliminary issue, the Depute Clerk advised that the applicant's legal representative, Mr Chris Grunert, John Gaunt Solicitors had contacted the Board by email in advance of the meeting to request that the application be considered in his absence given the current government advice regarding travel and provided information in support of the application. A copy of the email correspondence from Mr Grunert was distributed and considered by the Board.

The Board also considered the letter of representation from Police Scotland suggesting that a condition be added to the licence should the Board be minded to grant the application.

Following consideration of all matters before the Board, it was agreed that the application be granted, subject to the inclusion of the undernoted condition:-

That the external area would not be utilised on days where 'Old Firm' football matches take place or on days of any planned processions in the area.

**DECIDED:-**

It was agreed that the application be granted, subject to the inclusion of the undernoted condition requested by Police Scotland:-

That the external area would not be utilised on days where 'Old Firm' football matches take place or on days of any planned processions in the area.

The meeting closed at 1.45 p.m.