

Inverclyde Licensing Board

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ALL MEMBERS OF THE LICENSING BOARD

Dear Member

Please attend a meeting of the **INVERCLYDE LICENSING BOARD** to be held on **THURSDAY 19 SEPTEMBER 2013** at **10.00 a.m.** within the **MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, GREENOCK.**

Yours faithfully

Depute Clerk

AGENDA

- 1. Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005: Review of Premises Licence**
A list of premises is enclosed.
- 2. Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005: Application for Personal Licence**
A list of applicants is enclosed.
- 3. Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005 – Festive Season Policy 2013 – 2014**
Report by Depute Clerk.
- 4. Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005 – Policy Review – Date of Meeting**
The Depute Clerk will report.

INVERCLYDE LICENSING BOARD

LICENSING (SCOTLAND) ACT 2005

(1) REVIEW OF PREMISES LICENCE

<u>No</u>	<u>Name and Address of Licence Holder</u>	<u>Address of Premises</u>	<u>Review Requested By</u>	<u>Decision</u>
1.	Greenock Wanderers Clubhouse Fort Matilda Playing Fields Octavia Terrace Greenock	Greenock Wanderers Rugby Football Club Fort Matilda Playing Fields Octavia Terrace Greenock	Inverclyde Licensing Board	

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LICENSING (SCOTLAND) ACT 2005

(2) APPLICATION FOR PERSONAL LICENCE

<u>No</u>	<u>Name and Address of Licence Holder</u>	<u>Decision</u>
1.	Mr Ahmad Akhtar Masood Wemyss Bay Hotel Greenock Road Wemyss Bay	

Report To:	Inverclyde Licensing Board	Date: 19 September 2013
Report By:	Depute Clerk to the Board	Report No: LA/1068/13
Contact Officer:	Fiona Denver	Contact No: 01475 712109
Subject:	Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005 Festive Season 2013 - 2014	

1.0 PURPOSE

- 1.1 The purpose of this Report is to request the Board to determine the 2013 – 2014 Festive Season Policy with regard to Extended Hours Applications for Premises Licences and Occasional Licence Applications for non licensed premises.

2.0 SUMMARY

Last year the Board agreed a 'blanket' extension across Inverclyde in terms of Section 67 of the Act. A copy of the Festive Season Policy 2012 - 2013 is attached as Appendix 1 to this report for information purposes. **Appendix 1**

In previous years, the Board agreed extensions in terms of Section 68 of the Act. A copy of the Festive Season Policy 2011 – 2012 is attached as Appendix 2 to this report for information purposes. **Appendix 2**

Police Scotland have provided their comments for this year's proposals as outlined in Appendix 3. **Appendix 3**

- 2.1 The Licensing Board Policy Statement identifies that the festive period will be considered by the Board on an annual basis. The Board are therefore asked to consider:-

- (a) the period to which the Festive Season will cover, being Friday 13 December 2013 to Thursday 2 January 2014 inclusive;
- (b) the days and hours premises may be open during this period for both nightclub and non-nightclub premises;
- (c) the terminal hour for Tuesday 24 December, Wednesday 25 December, Tuesday 31 December 2013 and Wednesday 1 January 2014;
- (d) that the event being held must relate to the festive season e.g. Christmas Party Night, Hogmanay, and not to Birthday Parties, Weddings etc. or whether extensions may be granted as per the Festive Season Policy agreed during this period regardless of the type of event proposed;
- (e) if the curfew of 12 Midnight should be relaxed to 12.30 a.m. or 1.00 a.m. on 31 December 2013; and
- (f) the last lodging / notification date of Friday 29 November 2013 for accepting extended hours applications / notifications to assist the administration process.
- (g) to /.....

(g) to consider if the Festive Season Policy is determined by:-

(i) Section 68 of the Act whereby licence holders require to lodge an application form or notify the Licensing Section of their preferred dates within the Policy.

OR

(ii) Section 67 of the Act whereby the Licensing Board may agree a 'blanket' extension in connection with a special event of local or national significance, extend licensing hours by such a period as the Board may determine.

2.2 The Board are also asked to consider whether an Occasional Licence application made for non-licensed premises e.g Greenock Town Hall, Gamble Halls, Port Glasgow Town Hall, for an event within the festive period be granted in terms of the Festive Season Policy for events solely related to festive activities.

3.0 RECOMMENDATION

3.1 It is recommended that the Board consider the Festive Season Policy for 2013 - 2014 and determine the contents thereof.

James Douglas
Depute Clerk

Inverclyde Licensing Board Festive Season Policy 2012 / 2013

Inverclyde Licensing Board at their meeting on 6 September 2012 agreed the Festive Season Policy 2012 / 2013 in terms of Section 67 of the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005 to permit Premises Licences (except Off Sales) to extend the terminal Core Hour of the premises on the following dates and hours, if so wish:-

FRIDAY 14 DECEMBER 2012 – WEDNESDAY 2 JANUARY 2013 INCLUSIVE

Premises Licence (except Nightclubs)

Premises may open:

Sunday – Wednesday - 1.00 am

Thursday – Saturday – 2.00 am

Premises Licence (Nightclubs)

Premises may open:

Sunday – Wednesday – 2.00 am

Thursday - Saturday – 3.30 am (bar to close 3.00 am)

Note: Monday 24 December, Tuesday 25 December, Monday 31 December 2012 and Tuesday 1 January 2013 may have the same terminal hour as Thursday – Saturday.

NOTIFICATION BY 15 NOVEMBER 2012

There is **NO** requirement to submit an Extended Hours application for the above dates and hours however the event being held within the premises **MUST** relate to the festive season e.g. Christmas Party, Hogmanay. This extension does **NOT** include a birthday party, anniversary, charity event, christening etc. Applications for these type of events should be applied for in the normal manner.

You should notify Strathclyde Police, Licensing Department if you wish to utilise any of the extensions and advise them on what nights you will be operating. Please advise them by **15 November 2012** on one of the following methods:-

Tel : 01475 402545

e-mail: Kdiv.Licensing@strathclyde.pnn.police.uk

Post: Strathclyde Police, K Division, Licensing Department, Mill Street, PAISLEY PA1 1JU

CURFEW AND CONDITIONS

The curfew will be relaxed on the evening of 31 December to 1.00 a.m. on 1 January.

The requirements of the Licensing Conditions (Late Opening Premises) (Scotland) Regulations 2007 will apply to premises opening after 1.00 a.m.

CONTACT DETAILS

If you have any questions, please contact:

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Inverclyde Licensing Board Festive Season 2011 / 2012

Inverclyde Licensing Board has agreed the following Policy for the forthcoming festive season in relation to Premises Licences where alcohol is sold for consumption ON the premises:-

FRIDAY 16 DECEMBER 2011 - TUESDAY 3 JANUARY 2012 INCLUSIVE

Premises Licence (except Nightclubs)

Premises may open:

Sunday – Wednesday - 1.00 am

Thursday – Saturday – 2.00 am

Premises Licence (Nightclubs)

Premises may open:

Sunday – Wednesday – 2.00 am

Thursday - Saturday – 3.30 am (bar to close 3.00 am)

Note: Sunday 25 December 2011 and Sunday 1 January 2012 may have the same terminal hour as Thursday – Saturday.

APPLICATIONS / NOTIFICATIONS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE BUT NO LATER THAN 5 DECEMBER 2011

Premises which have incorporated Festive Season within the Operating Plan of the Premises Licence will not require to submit an application form, however the Board must be advised by letter or e-mail of the dates and times you intend to open. Confirmation of permitted dates and hours will be issued by e-mail or letter as appropriate.

Premises where Festive Season is not within the Operating Plan of the Premises Licence will require to submit an application for Extended Hours for each occasion requested. Please note a fee of £10 is payable for each individual occasion requested.

The requirements of the Licensing Conditions (Late Opening Premises) (Scotland) Regulations 2007 will apply to premises opening after 1.00 a.m.

The curfew will be relaxed on the evening of 31 December to 1.00 a.m. on 1 January.

Note: Extensions MUST relate to festive season activities e.g. Christmas Party Night, Hogmanay. Applications for non festive events e.g. birthday party, anniversary party will NOT be granted the additional hours as set out in the Festive Season Policy.

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Dear Sir,

**INVERCLYDE LICENSING BOARD – CONSULATION OF PROPOSED
EXTENDED HOURS – FESTIVE PERIOD 2013/14.**

I welcome this opportunity to express my comments to the Licensing Board in respect of Inverclyde's proposed Festive Period Policy 2013/14.

It is my submission that should your Honours determine that an extension to the terminal hour is appropriate during the festive period 2013/14, that consideration be given to granting such an extension for a period of one hour for all premises, with no premises operating later than 0300hrs. The following rationale is aimed at supporting this submission.

You will be aware that our figures show that crime and disorder levels peak at closing times around concentrations of licensed premises and most incidents occur between midnight and 3am at weekends, those incidents occurring in and around licensed premises or at locations where crowds occur such as taxi queues and fast food outlets.

It should be recognised that any routine extension to the hours that licensed premises can operate during the festive period will increase the abstraction of policing resources from elsewhere in the Inverclyde area and, in any case, pose challenging after 0300 hrs as a consequence of the shift pattern aligned to officers.

I note that in other Council areas, the maximum additional period of extension to the terminal hour is one hour, irrespective of which date and irrespective of the description of the premises, this has proven a recipe for success.

Whilst this may in effect mean that those premises that already operate to 0300hrs do not receive any extension to the terminal hour, I would submit that this strikes a balance between enabling patrons to enjoy and consume alcohol as part of the festive

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period, without placing an additional burden on the services of both Police Scotland and NHS.

Such a policy would also ensure that the numbers of additional policing resources required to be deployed around those licensed premises operating under such an extension would be minimised, allowing a greater level of service to be provided elsewhere within the communities across Inverclyde.

Furthermore, I would also seek that in the event of an extension to licensed hours being considered appropriate, that a condition of such is that all premises seeking to utilise an extension notify Police Scotland of any festive event in advance.

Advance notification of planned events within licensed premises during the festive period of 2012/13 was successful in allowing more accurate forecasting of demand, ensuring that Police resources were deployed as effectively as possible and greatly contributed to our objective of 'Keeping People Safe'.

I would request that notification of events be sent by email no later than one month prior to the commencement of any extension policy, to the Renfrewshire Inverclyde Licensing Department using the following email address:-

RenfrewshireInverclydeLicensing@scotland.pnn.police.uk

Yours faithfully

Alan Speirs
Chief Superintendent