

MEETING OF RENFREWSHIRE LICENSING BOARD

WEDNESDAY 6 SEPTEMBER 2017

**HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 2ND FLOOR, RENFREWSHIRE HOUSE, COTTON
STREET, PAISLEY
AT 10.00AM**

AGENDA

Councillors Andy Steel, Bill Brown, Jane Strang, Jennifer Adam-McGregor, John Hood, Kevin Montgomery , Marie McGurk, Michelle Campbell, Natalie Don and Scott Kerr

Convener – Cllr Andy Steel

- 1. APOLOGIES**
- 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
- 3. LICENSING (SCOTLAND) ACT 2005**

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Page 3	Applications for Grant of a Premises Licence to be considered
Page 4	Application for Provisional Grant of a Premises Licence to be considered
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5. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

- a) Report by Clerk to the Licensing Board - Delegated list of Revocation of Personal Licences (For members information)**
- b) Minute of Previous meeting on 1 August 2017 to be agreed**

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1	BOTTLES OFF SALES 85 NEILSTON ROAD PAISLEY PA2 6ES	MICHELLE ANNE KELLY C/O HUNTER & ROBERTSON SOLICITORS LP 14 PAISLEY	16 May 2017	
2	O'CONNORS IRISH BAR 3 - 5 ST. JAMES STREET PAISLEY PA3 2HL	SHARON O'CONNOR	14 June 2017	
3	THE PHOENIX PARK PEGASUS AVENUE PHOENIX PARK RETAIL ESTATE LINWOOD PAISLEY PA1 2BH	WHITBREAD GROUP PLC C/O JOHN GAUNT & PARTNERS OMEGA COURT 372-374 CEMETERY ROAD SHEFFIELD S11 8FT	12 June 2017	

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4	THE SANDPIPER DOMESTIC ARRIVALS AREA TERMINAL BUILDING GLASGOW AIRPORT PAISLEY PA3 2SW	J D WETHERSPOON (SCOT) LIMITED C/O JD WETHERSPOON WETHERSPOON HOUSE REEDS CRESCENT WATFORD HERTFORDSHIRE	9 May 2017	
5	THE WHEELHOUSE 30 MAIN ROAD LANGBANK PA14 6XR	CAWLEY HOTELS & LEISURE LTD	8 May 2017	

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New Grant(s)!

	Premises	Applicant	Date Received	Comments
1	BEST ONE T/A KWIKIE MART/MAMEE'S CAFE 35 GREENHILL ROAD PAISLEY PA3 1RN	IFTIKHAR AHMED C/O LEONARDS, SOLICITORS 133 CADZOW STREET HAMILTON ML3 6JG	30 May 2017	
2	SHOP 39 HALLHILL ROAD JOHNSTONE PA5 0SA	KHADIM HUSSAIN C/O MACFARLANE YOUNG & CO 26 NEW STREET PAISLEY PA1 1YB	19 June 2017	

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1	PREMISES 25 NEW STREET PAISLEY PA1 1XU	COLONY NORTHSTAR LUXEMBOURG S.A.R.L C/O DWF SOLICITORS DX 14128 LIVERPOOL	26 June 2017	
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1 EDWARD DAVID CHARLES POTTS

27 March 2017

2 CHERYL MAY ALLAN

28 April 2017

3 STACY LIDDELL

28 June 2017

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1	HOGSHEAD 130 FERGUSLIE MAIN ROAD PAISLEY PA1 2XP	POLICE SCOTLAND	13 July 2017
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1	ASDA STORE PHOENIX RETAIL PARK LINWOOD ROAD PAISLEY PA1 2AB	ASDA STORES LIMITED C/O GOSSCHALKS SOLICITORS QUEENS GARDENS DX 11902 HULL	14 June 2017	
2	CRAIGIELEA BAR 6 WELL STREET PAISLEY PA1 2SP	ERRIGAL POINT LTD	20 June 2017	
3	FRANKIE & BENNY'S THE JUNCTION ABBOTSINCH RETAIL PARK WASHINGTON ROAD PAISLEY PA3 4EP	THE RESTAURANT GROUP (UK) LIMITED C/O HARRISON CLARK RICKERBYS SOLICITORS 5 DEANSWAY WORCESTER	12 June 2017	

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4	HANDMADE BURGER COMPANY UNIT C1 GROUND FLOOR BRAEHEAD SHOPPING CENTRE KINGS INCH ROAD RENFREW G51 4BN	THE SARGEANT PARTNERSHIP LIMITED C/O HILL BROWN LICENSING RWF HOUSE 5 RENFIELD STREET GLASGOW	16 June 2017	
5	HOTEL CHOCOLAT UNIT UR9 (110) BRAEHEAD SHOPPING CENTRE KINGS INCH ROAD GLASGOW G51 4BS	HOTEL CHOCOLAT RETAIL LIMITED C/O TOTAL LICENSING SOLUTIONS HONEYSUCKLE COTTAGE 3 ST MICHAELS COURT ASHTON NORTHANTS	12 June 2017	
6	JAM JAR 16 SHUTTLE STREET PAISLEY PA1 1YD	SKINNYMALINKYLONGLEGS LIMITED	1 June 2017	

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7	MCCOLLS 38/40 FOXBAR ROAD PAISLEY PA2 0AY	MARTIN MCCOLL LIMITED C/O LOCKETT & CO 13 CHURCH STREET KIDDERMINSTER WORCESTERSHIRE DY10 2AH	12 June 2017	
8	MORRISONS ANCHOR MILL PAISLEY PA1 1GZ	WM MORRISON SUPERMARKETS PLC C/O GOSSCHALKS SOLICITORS QUEENS GARDENS DX 11902 HULL	13 June 2017	
9	REBECCA'S 30 OLD SNEDDON STREET PAISLEY PA3 2AL	ANNE LOGIE SINCLAIR C/O HUNTER & ROBERTSON SOLICITORS LP 14 PAISLEY	23 June 2017	
10	TRAVELODGE KINGS INCH ROAD GLASGOW G51	TRAVELODGE HOTELS LIMITED C/O MORTON FRASER QUARTERMILE TWO 2 LISTER SQUARE EDINBURGH EH3 9GL	19 June 2017	

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11	WEE HOWFF 53 HIGH STREET PAISLEY PA1 2AN	PUNCH PARTNERSHIP LIMITED C/O TLT LLP LP 10 GLASGOW 6	1 June 2017	

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1	42 NEW STREET 40 NEW STREET PAISLEY PA1 1YG	LEE DANIEL MCPHERSON C/O HUNTER & ROBERTSON SOLICITORS LP 14 PAISLEY	26 July 2017	
2	BRAEHEAD TAVERN GREENOCK ROAD INCHINNAN RENFREWSHIRE PA4 9NH	THE BRAEHEAD TAVERN (INCHINNAN) LIMITED C/O TLT LLP LP 10 GLASGOW 6	19 July 2017	
3	CO-OPERATIVE GROUP LIMITED 20 HIGH BARHOLM KILBARCHAN PA10 2EQ	CO-OPERATIVE GROUP FOOD LIMITED	19 July 2017	
4	GANTRY 12 NEW STREET PAISLEY PA1 1XY	GREAT COFFEE LIMITED	3 July 2017	

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6	SPAR RENFREW 198 PAISLEY ROAD RENFREW PA4 8DS	MESSRS SADIQ	22 July 2017	
7	THE BLACK CART 11 HIGH STREET JOHNSTONE PA5 8JU	LAL (PUBLIC HOUSE) LIMITED C/O MILLAR CAMPBELL SOLICITORS 116 BLYTHSWOOD STREET GLASGOW G2 4EG	6 July 2017	
8	THE LIBRARY 51 CAUSEYSIDE STREET PAISLEY PA1 1YN	HAWTHORN LEISURE SCOTCO LIMITED C/O TLT LLP LP 10 GLASGOW 6	26 July 2017	

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9 THREE CHURCHES 5 CHURCH STREET LOCHWINNOCH PA12 4AD	HAWTHORN LEISURE SCOTCO LIMITED C/O TLT LLP LP 10 GLASGOW 6	13 July 2017	

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Transfer(s) of Premises

Premises**Applicant****Date Received****Comments**

1 SAVORITO WINE BAR
40-42 OLD SNEDDON STREET
PAISLEY
PA3 2AP

CRAIG BICKETT

9 June 2017

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2	REBECCA'S 30 OLD SNEDDON STREET PAISLEY PA3 2AL	MARK GEORGE SUTHERLAND C/O HUNTER & ROBERTSON SOLICITORS LP 14 PAISLEY	30 June 2017	
3	SHOP 72 GREENOCK ROAD BISHOPTON PA7 5JB	KEystore BISHOPTON LIMITED C/O	21 July 2017	
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Confirmation(s) of the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005

Premises

Applicant

Date Received

Comments

1	SHELL ERSKINE CENTREHOLME ROUNDABOUT ERSKINE RENFREWSHIRE PA8 6EY	SHELL UK OIL PRODUCTS LIMITED C/O LOCKETT & CO 13 CHURCH STREET KIDDERMINSTER WORCESTERSHIRE DY10 2AH	21 June 2017	
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Personal Licence(s) [redacted]

Applicant

Date Received

Comments

1 JASON MCCARTAN

7 April 2017

2 SABA CHAUDHARY

10 April 2017

3 SCOTT MALCOLM HENDRY

10 April 2017

4 CALUM JOHN WISHART

13 April 2017

5 AMBER HAYLEY MACKINNON

19 April 2017

6 LAURA MARGARET MCEWAN

27 April 2017

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Applicant

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1	CHELSEY COCHRANE	27 April 2017	
2	DAVID LAZZERINI	28 April 2017	
3	LAUREN COWAN	28 April 2017	
4	JASON WILLIAM JAMES KANE	4 May 2017	
5	AMANDA GORMAN	4 May 2017	
6	GILLIAN EMMA MATHESON	9 May 2017	
7	NATASHA DICKSON	8 May 2017	
8	MICHELLE SHIELDS	8 May 2017	
9	SYLVIA PHILLIPS	8 May 2017	

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10	JOHN LAPPIN EVANS		5 May 2017	
11	BENJAMIN THOMPSON		5 May 2017	
12	LAURA WOOD		17 May 2017	
13	DAVID ANDREW JAMES EARLIE		22 May 2017	
14	WILLIAM MATHIESON		19 May 2017	

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WEDNESDAY 6 SEPTEMBER 2017

- a. Report by Clerk to the Licensing Board - Delegated list of revocation of personal licences (for members information)

To: RENFREWSHIRE LICENSING BOARD

By: CLERK TO THE LICENSING BOARD

Date: 6 SEPTEMBER 2017

**Subject: DELEGATED REVOCATION OF PERSONAL
LICENCES**

1. SUMMARY

- 1.1 Attached as Appendix I is a list of Personal Licences that were revoked under delegated powers on 11 July, 2017 and 10 August 2017 where the Personal Licenceholder failed to comply with the requirement to produce evidence of refresher training in terms of Section 87(3) of the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005.

2. RECOMMENDATION

For Members Information

Contact Officer: - Douglas Campbell (Ext 7172)

Personal Licence

No:	PersonalLicence Holder	Status	Date Revoked
RC/1252	Michael John Davidson	Revoked	11/07/2017
RC/1253	Gillian Alana Fairley	Revoked	11/07/2017
RC/1254	Margaret Rose Forrester	Revoked	11/07/2017
RC/1256	Peter Tramita	Revoked	11/07/2017
RC/1257	Gillian Sheridan	Revoked	11/07/2017
RC/1258	Yvonne Muldoon	Revoked	10/08/2017
RC/1259	Colin James Stewart	Revoked	10/08/2017
RC/1260	Joanne Angela Lowe	Revoked	10/08/2017
RC/1261	Bajiter Singh Pall	Revoked	10/08/2017

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ADDITIONAL ITEMS

- 1. Report by Clerk to the Licensing Board - Chief Constable's Report to the Licensing Board**

- 2. Report by Clerk to the Licensing Board - Extended Hours for the Festive Period 2017/2018**

Renfrewshire Council

To: Renfrewshire Licensing Board

On: 6th September 2017

**Report
by
Clerk to the Licensing Board**

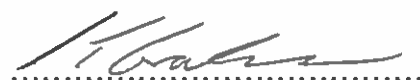
Chief Constable's Report to the Licensing Board

1. Summary

- 1.1. Section 12A of the 2005 Act requires the Chief Constable, on an annual basis, to provide a report to the Licensing Board setting out the Chief Constable's views about policing in connection with the 2005 Act in the Board's area and any steps taken, or intended to be taken, in that year or the following year, to prevent the sale or supply of alcohol to children or young people in that area.
- 1.2. Police Scotland have recently provided a report in respect of the above matters for the year to 31st March 2017. A copy of this report is attached as Appendix 1.
- 1.3. The Board has the power to request the Chief Constable or an Officer nominated on his behalf to attend a meeting of the Board to discuss the terms of the report.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1. It is recommended that the Board –
 - 2.1.1 Note the content of the report attached as Appendix 1 to this report.



Kenneth Graham
Clerk to the Licensing Board



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Keeping people safe

FOREWORD

It gives me great pleasure to provide my second annual licensing report, in accordance with section 12(A) of the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005.

This report outlines what activity has been undertaken over the last twelve months for Renfrewshire which provides me with the opportunity to outline how our services will be delivered over the coming year.

Police Scotland continues to face an increasing range of demands against the backdrop of a challenging financial environment, however we will continue to work in partnership at local and national level to ensure that our communities are safe. I cannot understate the importance of empowering our people to work with others, to innovate and solve problems.

Over the last year we have seen success in our preventative problem solving approach, with officers and staff resolving issues proportionately and at the earliest opportunity. This has been possible due to the active partnerships which exist across the licensing sector, which have led to an increase in positive outcomes.

In the year ahead our approach will continue to be based on prevention and collaboration to ensure the most efficient and effective service delivery. I will encourage officers and staff to utilise the range of options available to ensure improved licensing standards, reduced violence and to positively influence behaviour and cultural attitudes across Scotland.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to record my thanks to all who work towards the shared aim of effective licensing regulation and I am sure that with the continued hard work and dedication of all staff, Police Scotland will continue to deliver a service that our communities can be proud of.

Mr Philip Gormley QPM
Chief Constable
Police Service of Scotland

Police Scotland Licensing Overview

The National Licensing Policy Unit (NLPU) sits within the Specialist Crime Division – Safer Communities based at Dalmarnock Police Office, Glasgow.

The NLPU upholds the two tier structure for licensing which supports both national and local priorities through service delivery. They have overall responsibility for determining and delivering national licensing strategy and policy, by providing advice, guidance and support to divisional licensing teams.

Each of the 13 Local Policing divisions have a licensing team committed to the day to day management of licensing administration, complying with statutory requirements as well as addressing any issues that may arise within licensed premises within their local area.

Police Scotland Licensing is supported and governed by a National IT solution known as 'Innkeeper'.

LICENSING BOARD AREA

The Licensing Board area is policed by Renfrewshire & Inverclyde Division

Chief Superintendent Jim Downie is the Local Police Commander with responsibility for all policing functions.

Chief Inspectors Alison Kennedy and Simon Wright were the Local Area Commanders for Renfrewshire with responsibility for the management of personnel, local service delivery, community engagement and partnership working to ensure local and national priorities are met for the reporting period. From 01 May 2017 Chief Inspector Martin Gallagher has replaced Chief Inspector Kennedy.

Covering an area of 261 sq. km (101 sq. miles), Renfrewshire is bounded by the Firth of Clyde to the north, by East Renfrewshire to the south, by Inverclyde to the west, by North Ayrshire to the southwest, and by the City of Glasgow to the east. Renfrewshire is the ninth smallest Scottish council area in size, the ninth largest in population and the sixth highest in population density, with 54 per cent of its land used for agriculture. About one sixth of the area is developed, primarily for urban use.

Renfrewshire has a diverse economy which has benefited from the presence of Glasgow International Airport. Tourism is developing with historic attractions in Paisley (the Abbey, Town Hall, Coats Observatory, Museum and Art Gallery, and the Sma' Shot Cottages), Kilbarchan (Weavers Cottage), as well as several country parks in the council area. Iconic sites such as the Braehead Shopping Centre, the Soar Complex and Glasgow Airport, attract over 29 million visitors per year.

Paisley has submitted a bid to become UK City of Culture in 2021, as part of far-reaching regeneration plans to put the town on the map as a cultural and tourist destination.

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Renfrewshire has a rich history in effective partnership working which helps to deliver highly successful policing, impacting positively on local communities.

There are currently 438 licensed premises in Renfrewshire, 139 licensed off sales premises, 108 licensed premises for on sales only and 191 licensed premises for both on and off sales.

Local Policing Priorities

The policing priorities for Renfrewshire, identified following public consultation and engagement are as follows;

- Drunk or Disorderly Behaviour
- Assault and Violent Crime
- Drug Dealing and Use
- Housebreaking and Other Theft

OPERATION OF THE LICENSING (SCOTLAND) ACT 2005

Alcohol misuse, exacerbated by its accessibility, availability and affordability, is commonly acknowledged as a contributory factor in incidents of violence, disorder and antisocial behaviour.

Police Scotland continues to work with its partner agencies, including the licensed trade, to reduce the impact alcohol misuse has on local communities. By working together we can target those who fail or simply refuse to promote responsible trading practices. Together we can improve the safety and wellbeing of people, places and communities in Scotland.

Partnerships

Partnership working is key to delivering tangible outcomes and we continue to strengthen our relationships with all agencies, community representatives and local residents to ensure our services are co-ordinated, effective and efficient and address the needs of our communities

Some examples of work carried out during the past 12 months include:

- Working with Renfrewshire Council Licensing and Trading Standards officers, a seminar for the Renfrewshire Liquor Licensing Trade was held on the 29th November 2016 at The Little Steak House, Sma Shot Lane, Paisley. Premises licence holders, management and staff from all on sale premises were invited to attend the event. Inputs were delivered on drug trends and legal highs, bystanders, protecting people at risk of harm, taxi safety and enforcement, road policing and drink driving, crime scene management, and counter terrorism. This has become an annual event and plans are already in place for next year.

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- “The Bar Code” Initiative was developed in conjunction with Renfrewshire Council Trading Standards, I Am Me and Renfrewshire Alcohol and Drugs Partnership. A comprehensive information booklet was sent to every licensed premises in Renfrewshire, offering advice and guidance on duty of care, intoxication prevention tools, identification policies and children and young person policies. The booklet also provided information on the I Am Me scheme, the Best Bar None accreditation scheme and advice from the Alcohol and Drugs Partnership.
- Best Bar None is a National Award Scheme aimed at raising standards and rewarding licensed premises who undertake positive management practices in support of a safe night out. Successfully piloted in Glasgow in 2005, premises across 58 towns and cities across Scotland now participate. In 2012, the scheme was brought to Renfrewshire, led by Renfrewshire Trading Standards in partnership with Police Scotland. In 2016, 12 licensed premises applied for the scheme, with establishments awarded silver and gold awards over various categories. Four premises have subsequently been nominated for national awards under the following categories: Best Nightclub, Best Independent Bar, Heart of the Community and Premises Showing Innovative Ideas and Social Responsibility. The scheme is popular amongst the licensing trade in Renfrewshire, with premises already enquiring about entry to the 2017 event.
- Paisley 2021 has been set up to coordinate Paisley’s bid for the 2021 UK City of Culture. Police Scotland continue to support this application recognising the positive impact it could have on the local community and opportunities it offers for the night time economy within Renfrewshire.
- Purple Flag is an accreditation process for towns similar to the Green Flag award for parks and the Blue Flag for beaches. It leads to Purple Flag status for town & city centres that meet or surpass standards of excellence in managing the evening and night time economy (ENTE). It is a positive initiative that indicates where an entertaining, diverse, safe and enjoyable night out can be enjoyed throughout the UK and Ireland. Paisley achieved this status in January 2017 following a review by independent assessors. Police Scotland fully supported the application and as the process involves regular assessment, continues to do so through collaborative working and ensuring the licensing trade adhere to the licensing objectives.
- Street Stuff is an award-winning diversionary project which has been running in Renfrewshire since 2009, aimed at diverting young people away from disorder and antisocial behaviour. It has resulted in a 75% reduction in reported antisocial behaviour incidents involving youths in areas that they visit. The partnership consists of Renfrewshire Council, St Mirren Football Club, Engage Renfrewshire, Police Scotland and Scottish Fire and Rescue Service and offers a range of free activities including football, dance and a

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youth bus. The past two years has seen a 38% rise in attendees, and Street Stuff is now a recognised and respected player in the local community.

- Local community police officers undertake dedicated night-time economy policing plan which focuses on alcohol related incidents, antisocial behaviour, violence and drugs misuse. Its objective is to ensure the safety, wellbeing and enjoyment of the public. It provides a targeted and coordinated approach to deter, detect and disrupt antisocial behaviour. Officers engaged in this plan work closely with Community Wardens and Street Pastors.
- The Radiolink system provides a direct link between CCTV operators and various licensed premises within Paisley, ensuring a swift and effective police response to incidents as well as providing reassurance to staff.

Problem Solving

Police Scotland currently have 3 levels for categorising licensed premises that come to our attention:

- Monitored – Premises that require extra support and supervision. This can include premises coming to police attention through incidents or newly opened premises with inexperienced staff. A low key approach is used to address issues before they escalate.
- Intervention – A formal intervention agreement is put in place to improve the safe and legitimate operation of a premises. This intervention plan, which contains a list of conditions, is agreed between all parties. The intervention period would last a minimum of three months and be subject to review.
- Problematic – Premises deemed problematic will normally be the subject of a premises licence review submission by Police Scotland to the Licensing Board.

Any categorised premises will be subject to regular inspections to ensure compliance and will form part of the tasking regime for the night time economy action plans. All inspections, pro-active, re-active or planned are submitted via the Innkeeper system.

Figures for the period 1st April 2016 to 31st March 2017 show that 13 premises were monitored and subject to regular inspections. Due to continued negative inspection reports and incidents one of the monitored premises was upgraded to intervention with an extensive list of conditions in place. The intervention will be in place for 3 months until 1st July 2017 and will be re-assessed on completion.

Summary

Appendices A and B provide details of all crimes/offences detected within Renfrewshire and the volume of applications processed by Police Scotland for licensed premises within Renfrewshire in terms of the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005, between 1 April 2016 and 31 March 2017.

Section 1 – Unlicensed sale of alcohol – 2 reports were submitted to the Procurator Fiscal against personal licence holders due to failures identified in their compliance with the conditions of their licence.

Section 22 – Objections and Representations – There were no premises applications subject to an objection or representation by Police Scotland.

Section 36 – Review Applications – There were no premises subject of a review application.

Section 63 – Sale or supply out-with licensed hours – There were no offences of this nature reported.

Section 72 – Personal Licence Applications – During the previous 12 months, Police Scotland made three submissions to the Board recommending refusal. One individual had their licence granted, one was refused whilst the other is waiting to be heard.

Section 84 – Personal Licence Reviews – One individual was the subject of a personal licence review which was heard by the board but no further action taken.

Section 94 – Exclusion Orders – There were no exclusion orders.

Section 97 – Closure Orders – There have been no closure orders.

Section 111-116 – Drunkenness/Disorder Offences 27 persons were charged under these sections during this year. Many of the offences were dealt with by way of a Fixed Penalty Notice.

The total number of offences recorded under the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005 has fallen from 52 in 2015-16 to 44 in 2016-2017.

PREVENTING THE SALE OR SUPPLY OF ALCOHOL TO CHILDREN OR YOUNG PEOPLE

Police Scotland, in conjunction with partner agencies make a positive impact on outcomes for children and families, by addressing the unlawful sale and supply of alcohol to young persons, by licensed premises or by proxy (agent purchase).

Identifying young people that drink, or those on the periphery of offending through alcohol will allow interventions to be progressed and consistently applied. Parent alert schemes or formal warnings, diversionary activities such as Street Stuff, Police Scotland Youth Volunteers and Street Pastors complement ongoing enforcement activity within our communities.

Police officers attached to the Safer Communities Department routinely provide inputs across schools in Renfrewshire in partnership with local community initiatives and 3rd sector organisations. Through Early and Effective Intervention (EEI) we and our partners aim to divert young people from offending, and reduce their need for, or dependence on, alcohol or drugs. Research suggests that the earlier intervention is delivered to a young person the more likely they are to engage and not re-offend. Consideration is also given to the impact of offending upon victims and communities.

The provision of test purchasing in terms of section 105 of the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005 is a tactic which is used where there is an underlying body of evidence to suggest that alcohol is being unlawfully sold or supplied to a child or young person from a particular off sales premises or that the participating premises are located within an area where all off-sale licensed premises are being subjected to a test purchase operation, in a non-discriminatory manner, to raise awareness in relation to the unlawful sale or supply of alcohol in licensed premises.

Since the 1st of April 2016, premises across Renfrewshire were tested on 38 occasions by Police Scotland, with two premises failures. The involved staff members and, if appropriate, premises management, were charged with offences in contravention of the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005. Both premises passed re-tests and as a result, no licence review application was submitted to Renfrewshire Council.

A Facebook appeal for test purchase operators saw an overwhelming response from across the region sparking debate in several national newspapers. Four young people were subsequently recruited.

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TACKLING SERIOUS ORGANISED CRIME (SOC)

The Serious Organised Crime Taskforce was set up to ensure Scotland can respond robustly to the threat posed by organised crime, identify improvements, and ensure all agencies are working to the same aims to raise public awareness. Membership of the group includes the Solicitor General; the Police Service of Scotland; the Prison Service; Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs (HMRC); National Crime Agency (NCA); Society of Local Authority Chief Executives (SOLACE); Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary Scotland (HMICS) and Scottish Business Resilience Centre (SBRC).

Its remit is to work together to help deliver the Scottish Government's commitment to tackling serious organised crime by:

- Identifying priorities for tackling serious organised crime (SOC) in Scotland.
- Sharing best practice and improving co-ordination between law enforcement agencies and others;
- Identifying innovative ways of working together and encouraging better ways of working together;
- Developing a coherent Scottish response on reserved and other SOC issues; and
- Making proposals for legislation, research and other measures to tackle SOC.

There are several groups operating within the Renfrewshire area, some of which have connections to the licensed trade, via licensed premises, second hand dealers, tanning salons and car wash facilities. Police Scotland, in conjunction with our partner agencies, have identified innovative ways to disrupt such organisations who are targeted through multi-agency days of action. Whilst it can be difficult to link these groups to serious crimes, targeting other crimes has proven to be a useful tool in disrupting their operations.

PROPOSED ACTIVITY FOR THE YEAR AHEAD

Test Purchase Operations

Further recruitment of young people will ensure these operations continue to be carried out by Police Scotland throughout 2017 and 2018.

Enforcement Operations

The Licensing department will continue to plan and co-ordinate multi agency operations with officers from Home Office Immigration Enforcement (HOIE), Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs (HMRC) and Renfrewshire Council targeting all forms of licensed premises and persons within the area.

Licensing Seminar

This annual event for the Renfrewshire liquor trade will continue to be part of the festive safety campaign. Licensing staff will liaise with partners to identify appropriate topics for discussion as well as a suitable venue.

NATIONAL PERSPECTIVE

Our Priorities and Policing Plans continue to be shaped by the objectives contained within Scottish Government's Strategic Objectives and National Outcomes and the Strategic Police Plan that are delivered locally.

Consultation and engagement with the public informs our local and national Strategic Assessments, identifies our priorities and provides the evidence base for local policing teams across Scotland to deliver operational plans to prevent crime and disorder and Keep People Safe.

Our National Priorities are:

- **Violence Disorder and Antisocial Behaviour**
- **Serious Organised Crime**
- **Road Safety and Road Crime**
- **Protecting People at Risk of Harm**
- **Counter Terrorism**

The National Licensing Policy Unit (NLPU) is a specialist department based in Glasgow. The officers within the unit work with divisional licensing teams and partner agencies to help shape policy and strategy around the police licensing function. They provide practical and tactical advice to police licensing practitioners, operational officers, supervisors and policing commanders and ensure that legislation governing the sale and supply of alcohol and other civic licensed activity is applied and reported consistently in accordance with the Licensing Objectives

During 2017/18, from a licensing perspective, our particular focus will be on the following;

- Scrutiny of the serious incidents of violence, disorder and antisocial behaviour linked to licensed premises.
- Working closely with partners within a National Licensing Trade Forum we will continue to develop and promote positive partnership working between Police Scotland and the Licensed trade, in order to increase legal understanding and support a shared aim of best practice, responsible operation and respect.
- The implementation and ongoing development of a National ICT Licensing System, known as "Inn Keeper", to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of liquor and civic licensing administration and management.

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- The implementation and ongoing development of a Licensing Admin tool which provides divisional licensing officers with an ICT product which negates the need to research police systems independently and which builds on our problem solving approach.

To conclude we would like to thank you for your continued support and stress the importance of this collaborative, problem solving approach, which ensures that police, licence holders and licensed premises staff have a better understanding of their responsibilities. This strengthens locally-led alcohol licensing practices, in order to preserve order and promote safety and public health.

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APPENDIX A

Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005

Review Applications 1st April 2016 – 31st March 2017

Renfrewshire Board Area

Type of Application	Total
Section 36 Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005 – Application for Review of Premises Licence	0
Section 84 Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005 –Review of Personal Licence (conduct inconsistent with Licensing objectives)	1
Total	1

Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005

Applications Received 1st April 2016 – 31st March 2017

Renfrewshire Board Area

Type of Application	Total
Premises Licence	3
Provisional Premises Licence	7
Extended Hours	85
Major Variation	38
Minor Variation	128
Occasional Licence	495
Personal Licence	147
Premises Transfer	23
Total	926

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APPENDIX B

Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005

Number of Crimes and Offences 1st April 2016 – 31st March 2017

Renfrewshire Board Area

Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005	Offence	Total
Section 1(1)	Liquor licensing laws, other offences	2
Section 1(3)	Liquor licensing laws, other offences	0
Section 43(3)&(5)	Liquor licensing laws, other offences	1
Section 52(2)	Liquor licensing laws, other offences	0
Section 102(1)	Sale of alcohol to person under 18 years of age	4
Section 103	Sale of alcohol to person under 18 years of age	1
Section 103(1)	Sale of alcohol to person under 18 years of age	0
Section 105(1)	Person under 18 buying excisable liquor or consuming in bar	1
Section 105(4)(A)	Liquor licensing laws, other offences	4
Section 105(4)(B)	Liquor licensing laws, other offences	0
Section 106(1)	Person under 18 buying excisable liquor or consuming in bar	4
Section 111(1)	Licensed persons, other offences	2
Section 111(2)	Drunk and attempting to enter licensed premises	0
Section 113	Licensed persons, other offences	0
Section 115(1)(a)	Disorderly on licensed	16

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	premises	
Section 116	Refusing to quit a licensed premises	9
Total		44

To: Renfrewshire Licensing Board

On: 6th September 2017

Report by Clerk to the Licensing Board

**Extended Hours for the Festive Period 2017/2018
under the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005**

INTRODUCTION

1. Policy

It has been the normal practice of the Renfrewshire Licensing Board to make a policy for extended hours for the festive period. In previous years, this policy was considered at the Board's October quarterly meeting under the Licensing (Scotland) Act 1976 regime and a similar practice has continued, since 2009, under the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005.

The Board has in terms of its current Statement of Licensing Policy at Paragraph 15.4 set out the following:-

"The Board has an existing practice permitting longer licensed hours over the festive period and that will continue to be the case. The festive period for the purposes of this aspect of the policy will be determined by the Board on an annual basis."

Accordingly, the Board now require to determine the festive period for such longer licensed hours to apply for the festive period 2017/2018.

It should be noted that many premises licence holders when making an application for a premises licence to the Board included within the Seasonal Variations section of their applications a reference to the hours to be determined by the Board in respect of their festive policy to be applied to their licences as a seasonal variation. Accordingly, such licence holders will not require to make further application to the Board for "extended hours" to cover the festive period determined by the Board. Other licence holders who have not included a seasonal variation in their operating plans are required to submit separate applications for extended hours.

2. Consultation on Festive Policy

The views of the members of the Local Licensing Forum have been sought. With the exception of the Renfrewshire Health and Social Care Partnership, whose response is attached at Appendix 1, the responses received from the Forum members support premises operating during additional hours similar to 2016/2017. Police Scotland have confirmed that they have no objections to similar hours being allowed. In their response, Renfrewshire Health and Social Care Partnership ("the Partnership") raise concerns in relation to extending the licensing hours over the festive period and

highlight Renfrewshire's poor relationship with alcohol and resulting health inequalities. They state that extending the licensing hours over the festive period will impact adversely on health and wellbeing and the wider community. They refer to local initiatives which seek to address alcohol-related harms and suggest that no festive extension of licensed hours should be agreed.

Members should note that, in recent years, the Board have agreed festive hours policies which have been more restrictive than the hours allowed previously, following upon previous concerns raised primarily by police and health representatives. Prior to that, the "festive policy" hours had been in place for almost a decade and a festive policy has operated within Renfrewshire since the time of the former Renfrew District Licensing Board.

Having regard to Paragraph 15.4 of the Board's own Statement of Licensing Policy as set out at Paragraph 1, previous festive policy hours and the views of the membership of Renfrewshire Licensing Forum, the Board will require to determine if they wish a similar festive policy to 2016/2017. The proposed festive hours set out below reflect similar hours allowed by the Board during the festive period 2016-2017.

Discussions have taken place with Renfrewshire Council's Tasking and Deployment Manager, who has confirmed that all public space CCTV is monitored 24 hours a day. The Tasking and Deployment Manager supports the additional licensing hours proposed and will ensure the 24 hour Community Safety Partnership hub is utilised, using the Daily Tasking Process and the CCTV Control Room, should the Board agree the hours set out below. The Radiolink system, which provides a direct link between CCTV operators within the Partnership Hub and various licensed Premises within Paisley, will ensure an effective response to incidents as well as reassurance to members of staff working within these licensed premises.

3. Proposed Festive Policy Hours

If the Board so determine, it is proposed that the extended hours for the festive period 2017/2018 are as follows:-

"Festive Period" to be defined as the period (i) from Friday 8th December 2017 to Saturday 9th December 2017, inclusive, and (ii) Friday 15th December 2017 to Tuesday 2nd January 2018 inclusive, and the proposed policy hours are set out below.

References to the terminal hour below are to the last hour's trading on any day affected by the proposed policy and shall be construed so that the terminal hour stated will be on the morning immediately after the trading date shown, so that the terminal hour stated for Sunday 17th December 2017 in respect of on sale premises (including registered clubs) other than those with the primary purpose of offering entertainment in the form of dancing is 1am on Monday 18th December 2017.

All Licensed on sale premises (including registered clubs), except premises the primary purpose of which is to offer entertainment in the form of dancing

Terminal Hour – 1.00am	Sunday 17th, Monday 18th, Tuesday 19th, Wednesday 20th, Thursday 21 st , Monday 25th, Tuesday 26th, Wednesday 27th, Thursday 28 th all December 2017, Monday 1 st and Tuesday 2nd, both January 2018.
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Terminal Hour – 2.00 am.	Friday 8 th , Saturday 9 th , Friday 15th, Saturday 16th, Friday 22nd, Saturday 23 rd , Friday 29 th , Saturday 30 th , all December 2017.
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Terminal Hour – 3.00 am.	Sunday 24 th December 2017 & Sunday 31 st December 2017
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On Sales Premises, the primary purpose of which is to offer entertainment in the form of Dancing

Terminal Hour – 3.00 am	Sunday 17th, Monday 18th, Tuesday 19th, Wednesday 20th, Thursday 21 st , Monday 25th, Tuesday 26th, Wednesday 27th, Thursday 28 th all December 2017, Monday 1 st and Tuesday 2nd, both January 2018.
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Terminal Hour – 4.00 am where premises are members of Paisley Town Centre Radio Link	Friday 8 th , Saturday 9 th , Friday 15th, Saturday 16th, Friday 22nd, Saturday 23 rd , Friday 29 th , Saturday 30 th , all December 2017.
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Terminal Hour – 4.00 am	Sunday 24 th December 2017 & Sunday 31 st December 2017
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4. Last Date for Applications

As indicated previously at Paragraph 1, a number of licence holders have included the Board's festive policy hours in their operating plans and no further application is required. In relation to those licence holders who will require to submit extended hours applications, it is proposed that such applications be submitted at least 28 days in advance of the first date applied for to allow for the timeous processing of applications.

5. Requirement for Notification

It has been the Board's practice in recent years that all premises licence holders who had provided in their Operating Plans for a seasonal variation, in relation to the festive hours, advise both the police authority and Renfrewshire Council of the dates

on which they intended to utilise their seasonal hours. Police Scotland have previously indicated that this practice has operated successfully. It is therefore proposed that similar notification be given by those licence holders by Friday 1st December this year.

6. Recommendations

6.1 It is recommended that:-

The Board agree that there be extended hours for the festive period having regard to its position as set out at Paragraph 15.4 of the Statement of Licensing Policy which indicates that the current policy of allowing longer licensed hours over the festive period will continue;

6.2 Thereafter, the Board approve the proposed hours and dates detailed in this Report for the festive period, or such other hours as the Board considers appropriate, and authorise the Clerk to take such steps as required to advise appropriate individuals and organisations of this year's festive policy;

6.3 The Board agree, in cases where premises licence holders have the benefit of festive hours included in their Operating Plans, that those licence holders require to advise the Board and Police Scotland no later than 1st December 2017 of the dates they intend to utilise their seasonal hours during the festive period;

6.4 The Board agree in cases where licence holders have not included the Board's festive policy in their operating plans that extended hours applications will be required. Such applications should be made at least 28 days in advance of the first date for which extended hours are sought.



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Kenneth Graham
Clerk to the Licensing Board



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Dear Sir/Madam,

SUBJECT: Festive terminal hours 2017/18

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed festive terminal hours for 2017/18.

With a new Licensing Board and the eyes of the UK on Paisley's bid to become the UK City of Culture in 2021, there is an opportunity for Renfrewshire Council to lead the way in promoting sensible drinking. The Council can encourage people to drink only in moderation over the festive period by retaining current licensing terminal hours.

Renfrewshire's poor relationship with alcohol and the resulting health inequalities are well documented. Most recent data shows that the rate of alcohol related hospital stays in Renfrewshire was 945.3 (per 100,000 population) which is 42% higher than the Scottish average. Similarly, the rate of alcohol related deaths is 13% higher than the Scottish average with the current rate at 24.7 (per 100,000). Extending terminal hours will enhance access, visibility and promotion of alcohol which will influence drinking patterns and problems. This can have very serious consequences for health and wellbeing and the wider community. Binge drinking is associated with increased risk of injury as a result of accidents, increased risk taking behaviours and can have significant impact on health in the longer term. Recent guidance has been issued by the Chief Medical Officer to reflect new evidence which shows increased health risks associated with alcohol with cancer in particular. Alcohol Treatment Services in Renfrewshire received just over 700 referrals in the last financial year.

Renfrewshire HSCP and Renfrewshire Alcohol and Drug Partnership (ADP) work throughout the year to minimise the harm caused by alcohol. Public campaigns have been developed such as Brighter Renfrewshire Alcohol Awareness Week (BRAW), which aims to increase awareness of the risks associated with alcohol and will be repeated during the festive period as a way of encouraging people to make sensible decisions about their alcohol consumption. The Safe Bus funded by Renfrewshire ADP will also continue to mitigate the harms caused by excess alcohol consumption by offering a point of safety in Paisley town centre for those who become intoxicated over the weekends running up to Christmas and the New Year. Extending the licensing hours over the festive period is incongruent with the objectives of these initiatives, supported by the Community Planning Partnership and the Alcohol and Drug Partnership.

I would ask that Renfrewshire Licensing Board consider promoting safe and sensible drinking by not extending licensing hours over the festive period.

Yours faithfully,



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