

SOUTH AYRSHIRE LICENSING BOARD.

Minutes of a hybrid webcast meeting held on 16 May 2024 at 10.00 a.m.

Present: Councillors William Grant (Chair), Laura Brennan-Whitefield, Martin Kilbride, Bob Pollock, Gavin Scott and Duncan Townson.

Present
Remotely: Councillor Lee Lyons.

Attending: K. Briggs, Service Lead – Legal and Licensing and Depute Clerk to the Board; L. McChristie, Co-ordinator - Licensing and Depute Clerk to the Board; C. Andrew, Licensing Standards Officer; J. McClure, Committee Services Lead Officer and E. Moore, Committee Services Assistant.

Opening Remarks

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting, outlined the procedures for conducting this meeting and advised that it would be broadcast live.

1. Declarations of Interest

The Chair called the Sederunt for the meeting and having called the roll, Councillor Pollock advised that, in terms of the Councillors' Code of Conduct, he would declare an interest in item 7(d)(2) below as he was a member of this Club. No further declarations of interest by Members of the Panel were made.

2. Date of Next Board Meeting

The Chair advised that the next Board meeting would be held on Thursday 13 June 2024 at 10.00 a.m.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The [Minutes](#) of the Meeting of South Ayrshire Licensing Board of 18 April 2024 (issued) were submitted.

Decided: to approve the Minutes of the previous meeting.

4. Update by Licensing Standards Officer (LSO)

The Licensing Standards Officer advised

- (1) that there had been a number of events over the past few weeks in South Ayrshire that had benefited from an Occasional Licence, including the Scottish Grand National Festival, the Ayr County Agricultural Show and the Pavilion Festival at Ayr Low Green; and that the Board approved some applications for extended hours for premises who hoped to take advantage of the anticipated increase in people in the area on these dates and had recognised them as of local or national importance;

- (2) that there had been no major licensing issues in relation to any of these events and in all cases the applicants had worked with the LSO and Police Scotland in advance and on the day;
- (3) that during these events, the local hospitality trade were expected to benefit from a significant additional number of people visiting the area and this week, accompanied by the Licensing Board Chair, she had met with some of the local premises managers and staff to discuss the impact these events had on business with it generally being reported that whilst everyone agreed it was very positive to have events in the area, in many cases they did not increase business and in some cases the associated road closures and diversions also discouraged regular customers on those dates. This seemed to depend on the type of event and target audience and, after further discussion it had been agreed that South Ayrshire had a wide variety of quality hospitality premises and any future event that was able to showcase these would be a positive and welcomed;
- (4) that with the recent sunny weather, many premises had been working hard to ensure that their outside drinking areas were ready for the summer and she reminded managers that any activities that were taking place in the outside drinking area must be contained in the operating plan and it was a local condition of premises licences in South Ayrshire that there should be no use of these areas beyond 10pm; and that, to include music, musicians, televisions or stages for example a non-minor variation application would first be required. She further reported that the Licensing Board Chair had recently visited some outdoor drinking areas to gain a better understanding of what was available; and
- (5) that many part-time and temporary staff had recently joined the licensed trade in South Ayrshire for what was hoped would be a busy summer season, that staff working in licensed premises required a minimum of two hours mandatory training and this must be documented and evidence of this available for inspection; and that in order to keep information consistent and to offer assistance, she would be providing a free staff training session at Maybole Town Hall on Thursday 6 June from 9.30am which was available for anyone who worked in licensed premises in South Ayrshire, however, spaces must be booked in advance.

The Chair outlined that he had been pleased to visit various premises and hear the experiences of members of the trade and their ideas for the future; advised of the importance of staff undertaking training; and encouraged all members of the trade to attend the training session in Maybole on 6 June 2024.

The Board

Decided: to note the update from the LSO.

5. **Revocation of Personal Licences**

There was submitted a [report](#) (issued – Members only) of 2 May 2024 by the Clerk to the Licensing Board advising of the revocation of three Personal Licences.

The Board

Decided: to note the revocation of three Personal Licences since the last Board meeting.

6. Applications for Transfers Granted Under Delegated Powers

There was submitted a [report](#) (issued) of 2 May 2024 by the Clerk to the Licensing Board advising of the following determination of applications for the Transfer of Licences between the last Board meeting and this Board:-

- (1) Bruce's Well, 91 Portland Street, Troon – transferred to RTY Commercial Ltd on 3 April 2024;
- (2) The Thistle Inn, 68 Main Road, Ayr – transferred to Dreamar Pubs Ltd on 11 April 2024;
- (3) 25 Burns Statue Square, Ayr – transferred to ATM Bars and Restaurants Ltd on 16 April 2024; and
- (4) The Corner Pocket, 23 Seaton Street, Maybole – transferred to Brian Kennan on 16 April 2024.

The Board

Decided: to note the transfers granted under delegated powers.

7. Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005

(a) Application for Provisional Premises Licence

The Board considered the following application:

Applicant

Motor Fuel Limited

Off Sale

Premises

Troon (Dukes Road) Service Station
Jubilee Road
Troon

Every Day 10.00 am to 10pm

Having heard from the Co-ordinator (Licensing) and the applicant's representative, the Board

Decided: to grant the above application.

(b) Application for Premises Licence

The Board considered the following application:

Applicant

Priya Authentic Indian Kitchen

On Sale
Off Sale

Premises

Priya Authentic Indian Kitchen
58 Sandgate
Ayr

Every Day 12pm to 11pm
Every Day 12pm to 10pm

Having heard from the Co-ordinator (Licensing) and the applicant's representative and following discussion on the hours when children could be present on the premises, the Board

Decided: to grant the above application.

(c) [Application for Variation of Premises Licence](#)

The Board noted that the following application would be considered at a future Board meeting:

Applicant

Campbell Retailers Ltd

Premises

Braefoot Stores
1-2 Braefoot
Annbank

Extending the shop and installing a "Beer Cave"
Increasing floor space and position in the store.

(d) [Applications for Occasional Licence](#)

The Board considered the following applications:-

Applicant

(1) Neil Edward Worcester

Premises

Royal Troon Golf Course
Craigend Rd
Troon

Golf Open 2024 – 13/07/2024 to 22/07/2024
On Sale 10.00 am to 12.00 am
Off Sale 10.00 am to 10.00 pm

Having heard from the Licensing Standards Officer and the applicant, the Board

Decided: to grant the above application subject to the condition that all alcohol is to be decanted and not served in glassware or bottles, with the exception of Champagne bottles which may be used within the designated champagne premises and an associated outdoor delineated area but must not be taken out with this area

Having previously declared an interest in this item, Councillor Pollock left the room during consideration of the following application.

Applicant

(2) Kevin Quinn

Premises

Troon and District Sports Club
Marr Rugby Club
Isle of Pin Road
Troon

Golf Open 2024 – 14/07/2024 to 21/07/2024
On Sale 10.00 am to 11.00 pm

Having heard from the Licensing Standards Officer and the applicant, the Board

Decided: to grant the above application.

Councillor Pollock re-joined the meeting at this point.

(e) Application for Extended Hours

The Board considered the following application:-

<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Premises</u>
(1) M.E.T. Corporate Ltd	Mulligans 7-9 Arthur Street Ayr

Golf Open Troon 2024 – 14/07/2024 to 21/07/2024 - 09.00 am to 11.00 am

Having heard from the Licensing Standards Officer and the applicant's representative, the Board

Decided: to grant the above application.

(f) Premises Licence Ceasing to Exist

The Board noted that the following licence now ceased to exist as the licence had been surrendered.

(1) Priya Authentic Indian Kitchen, 6 Cumbrae Drive, Ayr

Decided: to note the Premises Licence ceasing to exist.

8. Closing Remarks

The Chair thanked everyone in attendance and concluded the meeting.

The meeting ended at 11.05 a.m.