Argyll and Bute Licensing Board

24th April 2018

VARIATION OF A PREMISES LICENCE

NAME OF PREMISES:	The Machrie Hotel and Golf Links, Port Ellen, Isle of Islay, PA42 7AN	
APPLICANT:	Machrie Links and Hotel Limited, 6 Killoch Place, Ayr, KA7 2EA	
AGENT:	Wallace Hodge, 6 Killoch Place, Ayr, KA7 2EA	

DESCRIPTION OF PREMISES:

The premises are a detached hotel located adjacent to Machrie Golf Course, Machrie, Isle of Islay comprising golf bar, cocktail bar, restaurant, function suite, golf shop and bedrooms.

	EXISTING CORE HOURS		
	ON SALES	OFF SALES	
Monday	11.00 to 01.00	11.00 to 22.00	
Tuesday	11.00 to 01.00	11.00 to 22.00	
Wednesday	11.00 to 01.00	11.00 to 22.00	
Thursday	11.00 to 01.00	11.00 to 22.00	
Friday	11.00 to 01.00	11.00 to 22.00	
Saturday	11.00 to 01.00	11.00 to 22.00	
Sunday	11.00 to 01.00	12.30 to 22.00	

DETAILS OF VARIATIONS SOUGHT:-

The applicant wishes to vary the licence as follows:-

1) The premises has undergone a complete refurbishment and therefore change of layout of the premises.

- 2) Removal of seasonal variaton.
- 3) To add theatre, films and outdoor drinking as activities.

4) To add the following wording at question 5(f) Any other activities:- 'At the discretion of the licensee residents and guests of residents will be permitted to purchase and consume alcohol after the terminal hour.'

- 5) Change to the wording at the Children and Young Person conditions.
- 6) Increase in capacity from 200 to 250.
- 7) Change of premises manager.

CURRENT ACTIVITIES:- Accommodation; Conference facilities; Restaurant facilities; Bar meals; Receptions including weddings, funerals etc.; Club or other group meetings; Recorded music; Live performances; Dance facilities; Indoor/outdoor sport and televised sport.

CURRENT CHILDRENS AND YOUNG PERSONS CONDITIONS:-

TERMS - Children and young persons will be permitted entry to all parts of the premises to which the public have access at all times. When entering the golf bar and cocktail bar, children and young persons must (a) be accompanied by an adult and there for the purpose of having a meal, provided they remove therefrom by 9.00pm or (b) they are in the hotel as part of a pre-booked function (wedding, birthday party etc.)

AGES - Children up to the age of 16 and young persons aged 16 and 17 years.

TIMES - Children and young persons will be permitted entry to all parts of the premises to which the public have access at all times. When entering the golf bar and cocktail bar, children and young persons must (a) be accompanied by an adult and there for the purpose of having a meal, provided they remove therefrom by 9.00pm or (b) they are in the hotel as part of a pre-booked function (wedding, birthday party etc.)

PARTS - Children and young persons will be permitted entry to all parts of the premises to which the public have access at all times. When entering the golf bar and cocktail bar, children and young persons must (a) be accompanied by an adult and there for the purpose of having a meal, provided they remove therefrom by 9.00pm or (b) they are in the hotel as part of a pre-booked function (wedding, birthday party etc.)

PROPOSED CHILDRENS AND YOUNG PERSONS CONDITIONS:-

TERMS - Subject to strict control by staff children will be permitted access provided they are accompanied by a supervisory adult or parent. Young persons who are unaccompanied will be allowed at the discretion of supervisory staff.

Separate child areas will be provided in locker rooms at the golf facility where no alcohol will be sold or be available for consumption.

AGES - Children up to the age of 15 and young persons aged 16 and 17 years.

TIMES - At all times at the discretion of supervisory staff.

PARTS - All public areas and bedrooms.

LSO: This is an application for a major variation to the operating plan. The premises has been extensively refurbished and the applicant's proposals highlight this. The applicant has liaised with the LSO during this application and there are no concerns.

Layout Plan

An updated layout plan has been submitted with the application depicting the premises and licensed area.

Operating Plan - Proposed updates as follows:

Question 1 – Statement of Core Hours - there will be both on and off sales of alcohol

Question 2 – On Sales Hours – 1100 hours to 0100 hours (Mon-Sun)

Question 3 – Off Sales Hours – 1100 hours to 2200 hours (Mon-Sat) and 1230 hours to 2200 Hours (Sun)

Question 4 – Seasonal Variation – no seasonal variation

Question 5 – Activities – add – Theatre; Films and Outdoor Drinking all within and outwith core hours Question 5 – Outwith Core Hours Statement –

"There may be occasional golf club meetings funerals, weddings, or conferences outwith licensing hours, but no alcohol will be available, for sale during such times; piped music or televised sport may be played in public areas."

Question 5(f) – Additional Activities –

"At the discretion of the licensee, residents and guests of residents will be permitted to purchase and consume alcohol after the terminal hours"

NB. There is no provision in the 2005 Act for a guest to purchase alcohol. Consider the following wording –

At the discretion of the licensee, residents may purchase and consume, with any guest, alcohol after the terminal hour."

The Board may also wish to include a statement in relation to outdoor drinking curfew similar to -

"The terminal hour for outdoor drinking will be 2200 hours for persons aged 18 years and over and 2000 hours for children and young persons."

EHO

No comments received.

POLICE COMMENTS: No Police objections.

OBJECTIONS/REPRESENTATIONS: None

POINTS FOR CONSIDERATION:-

- (1) Major refurbishment of the premises resulting in changes to the layout. Anticipated will be compete and ready to trade by late May.
- (2) Removal of seasonal variation.

- (3) Addition of theatre, films and outdoor drinking as activities. Terminal hour for outdoor area.
- (4) Increase in capacity from 200 to 250.
- (5) Consider terms for children and young persons.
 - Children to be accompanied by a supervisory parent or adult.
 - Unaccompanied young persons will be allowed at the discretion of staff.
 - Access at all times.
 - Access to all public areas and bedrooms.
- (6) Change of Premises Manager