

Argyll and Bute Licensing Board

10th November 2020**VARIATION OF A PREMISES LICENCE****NAME OF PREMISES:** The Royal Bar, 8 West Clyde Street, Helensburgh, G84 8SQ**APPLICANT:** Star Pubs & Bars Ltd, 3-4 Broadway Park, South Gyle Broadway, Edinburgh, EH12 9JZ**AGENT:** N/A**DESCRIPTION OF PREMISES:**

The premises forms part of a tenemental building of three storeys with rear access and is situated on front street of town. The premises consists of one bar operation with kitchen facilities, cellar and both male and female toilets. Opposite is a Public Car Park with space for 200-250 cars and premises are connected on both sides by other retail units. Above premises are three private residential flats

	EXISTING CORE HOURS	
	ON SALES	OFF SALES
Monday	11.00 to 24.00	11.00 to 22.00
Tuesday	11.00 to 24.00	11.00 to 22.00
Wednesday	11.00 to 24.00	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 24.00	12.30 to 22.00

DETAILS OF VARIATIONS SOUGHT:-

The applicant wishes to vary the licence as follows:-

- 1) To add an external drinking area to the premises.
- 2) Change of layout plan as above.

CURRENT ACTIVITIES:- Bar meals; Celebrations, Funerals, Club or other group meetings; Recorded music; Live performances; Dance facilities; Gaming; Indoor/Outdoor sports and televised sport.

LSO: The Royal Bar has had a recent change in management. The Premises Licence has been reviewed along with the current Operating Plan to ensure it meets the requirements of the business plan going forward.

This application is to establish an outside seating area to the front of the premises to assist in increasing capacity at this particular moment in time, and for a more permanent fixture.

Applications for Occasional Licences have been submitted to allow use, prior to this Board meeting.

The applicant has submitted a layout plan to include this area. The layout depicts one table each side of the centre doorway to allow seating for eight people.

I am informed the plan is being submitted for planning permission and has been forwarded to the Roads Department for approval and to the EHO to establish adherence to social distancing.

Although the current Covid restriction demands closure of the entire premises at 10pm the Board may wish to formally impose a 10pm cut off as per current Board policy.

EHO

In order to maintain 1m social distancing, a mitigating measure advised by government guidance suggests an increase in the distance between tables to 1.5m which will allow for the customers to move in and out of their seats without bothering neighbouring tables. The attached plan appears to allow for this measure.

POLICE COMMENTS: No Police objections

OBJECTIONS/REPRESENTATIONS: None

POINTS FOR CONSIDERATION:-

- (1) Although there has been a relaxation with regard to planning requirements until the end of March, this is only a temporary measure and planning permission will need to be obtained as this is to be a permanent addition to the licensed premises.
- (2) Feedback will be provided from Environmental Health/ Licensing Standards Officer to confirm that the outside area is complying with Covid requirements in terms of layout, management arrangements, etc.

