

## THE LORNE BAR, CHALMERS STREET, ARDRISHAIG, PA30 8DX

### LSO

The Lorne Bar is currently a Public House type premises located on the ground floor of a two storey building located in Chalmers Street, Ardrishaig. The applicant proposes to incorporate the business next door, 'The Rumblin' Tum', to make a larger single premises. The applicant has submitted updated Layout and Operating Plans. The full variation application is as follows:

- 1) To change the terminal hour for on sales, to 24:00 daily.
- 2) To change the opening time on Sundays, from 12:00 (on-sales) and 12:30 (off-sales) to 11:00 on and off sales.
- 3) To add a seasonal variation:

Proposed:

*'Early closure during less busy periods and in the absence of customers or lack of trade or any other reason which can hamper smooth functioning of the licensed premises or the wider trading area.'*

Board Policy:

*'The Management reserve the right to open the business one hour later than the commencement of licensed core hours or close one hour earlier than termination of core hours on any day of the week during winter months i.e. 1st October to 31st March.'*

- 4) To add restaurant facilities, bar meals, Club or other group meetings, provision of an ice cream counter, outdoor drinking facilities, dance facilities and takeaways.

The outdoor drinking facilities will be a beer garden to the rear of the premises. If the Board is minded to grant this application, it may wish to impose a usual condition that the use of the outdoor area ceases at 22:00 for persons aged 18 years and over and 20:00 for children and young persons. Also, at Question 6 (*Times*) of the Operating Plan (Children & Young Persons Access), there should be a statement indicating the Board's 20:00 outdoor curfew.

- 5) To delete gaming.
- 6) To add children and young person's conditions:

Proposed:

#### Terms

*Children and young persons are allowed entry to use restaurant facilities or order take away meals, and non-alcoholic drinks, access the ice cream counter before the licensed hours, during licensed hours and outwith licensed hours. Also have the option to come in with parents for breakfast, lunch and dinner.*

#### Ages

*Any Age*

#### Times

*Anytime*

#### Parts

*Anywhere in the café, outside seating or bar apart from the counter where alcohol is served.*

From the above wording, the applicant is proposing that children and young persons be allowed entry to the premises unaccompanied at any time, to use the restaurant facilities; purchase takeaway meals and non-alcoholic drinks, and visit an ice cream counter. This is contrary to Board policy ([Section 13](#)) where children and young persons should only be

allowed on premises if taking a meal and accompanied by a person aged 18 years or over until 22:00 at the latest.

Also, In relation to the provision of an ice cream counter in a licensed premises, there is a convenience store and Co-op mini-market, both of which sell ice cream, in walking distance from the premises.

Suggested Children & Young Persons Wording:

The following wording is in keeping with Board policy and general phrasing used in other applications –

Terms

*Children and young persons are allowed entry in the company of a person aged 18 years or over until 22:00 for the purpose of taking meal.*

Ages

*Children – birth to 15 years*

*Young persons – 16 & 17 years*

Times

*Indoors – at all times prior to 22:00*

*Outdoors – at all times prior to 20:00*

Parts

*All public parts of the premises with exception of the bar area.*

- 7) To change the address of the licence holder.
- 8) To change the address of the premises manager.
- 9) To increase the capacity of the premises from 60 to 120:

The Board may wish to satisfy itself that Building Standards is aware of and has approved this doubling in capacity.

- 10) To change the layout plan to depict the addition of the premises next door and the outdoor drinking area to the rear.

General Comment – Operating Plan

The applicant has modified the allowable activities categories at Question 5 in the proposed operating plan, introducing 'Ice Cream' and 'Café Meals & Beverages'. The operating plan is a legal document and the Sectional headings at Question 5 (and other Questions) should not be amended. I recommend that, if granted by the Board, the provision of ice cream and café meals & beverages be included under Question 5(f) (Any Other Activities).

**EHO**

EHO is liaising with applicant to produce a Covid-19 Risk Assessment.