

Argyll and Bute Licensing Board

14th November 2023

VARIATION OF A PREMISES LICENCE

NAME OF PREMISES: Caol Ila Distillery, Port Askaig, Isle of Islay, PA46 7RL

APPLICANT: Diageo Scotland Limited, 11 Lochside Place, Edinburgh, EH12 9HA

AGENT: Morton Fraser, Quatermile Two, 2 Lister Square, Edinburgh, EH3 9GL

DESCRIPTION OF PREMISES:

Caol Ila Distillery is situated on the coast some two miles from the ferry terminal of Port Askaig, Isle of Islay. Part of a whisky distillery, the licensed areas include a visitor centre, shop, office/reception building, distillery meeting/tasting room, cooperage and external licensed areas.

	EXISTING LICENSED HOURS	
	ON SALES	OFF SALES
Monday	10.00 to 23.00	10.00 to 22.00
Tuesday	10.00 to 23.00	10.00 to 22.00
Wednesday	10.00 to 23.00	10.00 to 22.00
Thursday	10.00 to 23.00	10.00 to 22.00
Friday	10.00 to 23.00	10.00 to 22.00
Saturday	10.00 to 23.00	10.00 to 22.00
Sunday	10.00 to 23.00	10.00 to 22.00

DETAILS OF VARIATIONS SOUGHT:-

The applicants wish to vary the licence as follows:-

- 1) In box 5 (f) of the Operating plan, to insert the following wording:
 1. Both internal and external areas may be used for market purposes where third parties exhibit and sell food, drink and other products.
 2. Light food offerings may be provided within the premises and external areas.

ITEM 5(b)

3. The premises may be used for arts, crafts and creative demonstrations and workshops.
4. Electronic games and interactive facilities may be available on the premises
- 2) Change to the off-sales capacity figure.
- 3) Change to the third floor layout plan.

CURRENT ACTIVITIES: Conference facilities; Restaurant facilities; Bar meals; Celebrations; Funerals; Club or other group meetings; Recorded music; Live performances; Dance facilities; Theatre; Films; and outdoor drinking.

CURRENT WORDING AT Q5(F) ANY OTHER ACTIVITIES:- The premises is associated with Caol Ila distillery and may be used in connection with tours and for other educational activities related to the production of whisky and other alcoholic products at any time.

The premises will be used for education in and promotion of Diageo products to Diageo employees and other parties and may be used more generally for training purposes including outwith core hours.

The premises has retail facilities which sell alcohol and other products.

The premises may be used for the taking and dispatch of orders including by electronic commerce.

The premises may be used for tastings/sampling of whisky and other alcoholic and food products.

The premises may be used for charity events, dinners, talks and cookery and other demonstrations.

The premises may be used as a venue for the Islay Festivals.

LSO COMMENTS: [Caol Ila Distillery](#) is situated on the coast some two miles from the ferry terminal of Port Askaig, on the Isle of Islay. Part of a whisky distillery, the licensed areas include a visitor centre, shop, office/reception building, distillery meeting/tasting room, cooperage and external licensed areas.

Operating Plan

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5. Capacity 26.75m² (alcohol shelving display) and 15.59m³ (alcohol display furniture/cabinets)

Question 7 – Capacity

Current

On sales - 799

Off sales - 37.30 m²

Capacity breakdown - with 1000 for special events/festivals.

Breakdown:-

Brand home 567

Shop 37

Office 60

Cooperage 60

External area 75

Proposed

Off sales 26.75m²; 15.59m³

On sales 799 with 1000 for special events/festivals

Breakdown –

Brand Home 567

Distillery Meeting/Tasting Room 37

Office 60

Cooperage 60

External area 7

The LSO has no concerns with this application.

EHO

The EHO has been made aware of this application and no comments have been received.

POLICE COMMENTS: No Police objections

OBJECTIONS/REPRESENTATIONS: None

POINTS FOR CONSIDERATION:-