INVERCLYDE LICENSING BOARD

THURSDAY 19 SEPTEMBER 2013 AT 10.00 A.M.

Present: Councillors Ahlfeld, Campbell-Sturgess, Loughran, McColgan, McEleny, Shepherd and Wilson.

Chair: Councillor Ahlfeld presided.

In attendance: Mr James Douglas and Fiona Denver (for Clerk to the Board); Inspector Wood and Inspector Adams (Police Scotland); John Cushnaghan, Licensing Standards Officer

Apologies: Provost Moran, Councillor Brennan with Councillor McColgan substituting for Councillor Brennan; Ms Andrina Hunter (Community Health & Care Partnership).

Declarations of Interest: There were no declarations of interest intimated.

LICENSING (SCOTLAND) ACT 2005 REVIEW OF PREMISES LICENCE

Decision as per attached list.

LICENSING (SCOTLAND) ACT 2005 APPLICATION FOR PERSONAL LICENCE

Decision as per attached list.

LICENSING (SCOTLAND) ACT 2005 FESTIVE SEASON POLICY 2013 – 2014

The Board considered a report by the Depute Clerk to determine the 2013 – 2014 Festive Season Policy with regard to extended hours of Premises Licences and Occasional Licence applications.

Mr Douglas addressed the Board on the background of the report for consideration.

After discussion Councillor McEleny moved the same policy as permitted last year for the period Friday 13 December 2013 to Thursday 2 January 2014 inclusive which was unanimously agreed.

LICENSING (SCOTLAND) ACT 2005 POLICY REVIEW – DATE OF MEETING

The Depute Clerk advised the Board the consultation process has been concluded and a meeting is required to be set to discuss all points raised with a suggested date of 10 October 2013.

The Board agreed meeting date of 10 October 2013 solely for Review of Policy Statement.

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LICENSING (SCOTLAND) ACT 2005

(1) REVIEW OF PREMISES LICENCE

<u>No</u>	Name and Address of Licence Holder	Address of Premises	Review Requested By	<u>Decision</u>
1.	Greenock Wanderers Clubhouse Fort Matilda Playing Fields Octavia Terrace Greenock	Greenock Wanderers Rugby Football Club Fort Matilda Playing Fields Octavia Terrace Greenock	Inverclyde Licensing Board	WRITTEN WARNING WITH CONDITIONS

Ms Rayner, Messrs Patten & Prentice was present representing the licence holder. Ms Watt and Mr Lee, signatories to the review request were present and Mr John Cushnaghan, Licensing Standards Officer was in attendance.

Mr Douglas advised the Board that a Public Review of Premises Licence had been requested. Following receipt of the request, the Licensing Standards Officer and Police Scotland were asked to submit any comments. Mr Douglas read the letter dated 7 May 2013 and e-mail dated 14 May 2013 from Ms Watt and local residents, reports dated 5 June, 30 August and 12 September 2013 from Licensing Standards Officer and Police Scotland letter dated 10 September 2013.

The Board heard Ms Watt is support of the review, Mr Cushnaghan in respect of his reports and Inspector Wood in support of the Chief Superintendent's comments.

The Board heard Ms Rayner in support of the Club who intimated that certain measures had already been put in place by the Committee with regard to functions being held within the premises.

After discussion the Board agreed the ground for review of the Premises Licence were met and Councillor Shepherd moved a written warning be given with the condition that the signing in book is supervised, functions are stewarded appropriately and the Licensing Standards Officer was to visit the premises when a function was being held and report back to the Board on his findings. As an amendment Councillor Wilson moved that no action be taken as the Club has already put certain procedures in place. On a vote 2 Members voted for the amendment and 5 Members for the motion which was declared carried.

Mr Douglas confirmed the decision of the Board as:-

- (a) the grounds for review of Premises Licence was met;
- (b) a written warning be given to the Club with the following conditions:-
 - (i) signing in book be supervised at all times;
 - (ii) functions are monitored and stewarded appropriately; and
 - (iii) the Licensing Standards Officer visit the premises when a function is being held and report back to the Board on results thereof.

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(2) APPLICATION FOR PERSONAL LICENCE

No Name and Address of Licence Holder

Decision

 Mr Ahmad Akhtar Masood Wemyss Bay Hotel Greenock Road Wemyss Bay **REFUSED**

Mr Masood was not present or represented.

Mr Douglas advised the Board that a Police objection had been received and read the letter dated 31 July 2013 from the Chief Superintendent.

The Board heard Inspector Wood in support of the Police objection.

After discussion Councillor McEleny moved grant of the application. As an amendment Councillor Campbell moved refusal of the application. On a vote, 2 Members voted for the motion and 5 Members for the amendment which was declared carried.

Mr Douglas confirmed the Board's decision to refuse the application.