

Minute

Orkney Islands Area Licensing Board

Thursday, 3 July 2025, 14:30.

Council Chamber, Council Offices, School Place, Kirkwall.



Present

Duncan A Tullock, Kristopher D Leask, David Dawson, Steven B Heddle, Rachael A King, Gwenda M Shearer and Owen Tierney.

Clerk

- Gavin Mitchell.

In Attendance

Orkney Islands Council:

- Erik Knight, Head of Finance.
- Karen Bevilacqua, Service Manager (Legal Services).
- Lillian Rendall, Legal Clerk.
- Katy Russell-Duff, Committees Officer.

Police Scotland:

- Sergeant Eric Bruce.

Apology

- Alexander G Cowie.

Declarations of Interest

- No declarations of interest were intimated.

Chair

- Duncan A Tullock, Convener.

1. Draft Minute of Meeting held on 1 May 2025

After consideration of the draft Minute of the Meeting of the Orkney Islands Area Licensing Board held on 1 May 2025, copies of which had been circulated, the Board:

Resolved, on the motion of Duncan A Tullock, seconded by Kristopher D Leask, that the Minute of the Meeting of the Orkney Islands Area Licensing Board held on 1 May 2025 be approved as a true record.

2. Combined Annual Functions and Financial Report

After consideration of a report by the Clerk to the Board, copies of which had been circulated, the Board noted the combined annual functions and financial report for the Licensing Board for financial year 2024/25, attached as Appendix 1 to the report by the Clerk to the Board.

3. Application for Premises Licence

Old Library Coworking Ltd – The Old Library, 8 Laing Street, Kirkwall

Calvin Cooper, representing the applicant, Old Library Coworking Ltd, was present during consideration of this item.

After consideration of a report by the Clerk to the Board, copies of which had been circulated, the Board:

Noted:

3.1. That, on 17 April 2025, Old Library Coworking Ltd submitted an application for a premises licence in respect of The Old Library, 8 Laing Street, Kirkwall, which requested the following:

- On-sale operating hours as follows:
 - 11:00 to 24:00 on Mondays to Sundays.
- Activities, including conference facilities, receptions (for example weddings, funerals, birthdays, retirements), club or other group meetings, recorded music, live performances, films, gaming, televised sport, with external caterers to be used to provide catering at various events.
- Children and young persons to be permitted on the premises between 11:00 and 21:00 on Mondays to Sundays.

3.2. That the on-sale operating hours requested above were within those permitted in terms of the Board's Statement of Alcohol Licensing Policy.

3.3. That no objections or representations had been received in relation to the application from Old Library Coworking Ltd for a premises licence in respect of The Old Library, 8 Laing Street, Kirkwall.

After hearing representations from Calvin Cooper in support of the application from Old Library Coworking Ltd for a premises licence in respect of The Old Library, 8 Laing Street, Kirkwall, on the motion of Owen Tierney, seconded by David Dawson, the Board:

Resolved:

3.4. That the application from Old Library Coworking Ltd for a premises licence in respect of The Old Library, 8 Laing Street, Kirkwall, be granted as follows:

- On-sale operating hours as follows:
 - 11:00 to 24:00 on Mondays to Sundays.
- Activities, including conference facilities, receptions (for example, weddings, funerals, birthdays, retirements), club or other group meetings, recorded music, live performances, films, gaming, televised sport, with external caterers to be used to provide catering at various events.
- Children and young persons to be permitted on the premises between 11:00 and 21:00 on Mondays to Sundays.

4. Conclusion of Meeting

At 14:47 the Convener declared the meeting concluded.

Signed: Duncan A Tullock.