

MINUTE of MEETING of the WEST LOTHIAN LICENSING BOARD held within MS TEAMS VIRTUAL MEETING ROOM, on 14 MAY 2021.

Present – Councillors Peter Heggie (Chair), Alison Adamson, David Dodds, Damian Doran-Timson, Bruce Fairbairn and George Paul

Apologies – Councillor Dom McGuire

In Attendance –

Gary McMullan, Depute Clerk, West Lothian Licensing Board
Douglas Froom, Licensing Standards Officer, West Lothian Council
Inspector McMahon, Police Scotland
PC Barry Collet, Police Scotland

1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR AND OPENING REMARKS

In the absence of the Convener, nominations for Chair were invited from the members present in the absence of the Convener.

Councillor Doran-Timson, seconded by Councillor Dodds, nominated Councillor Heggie to chair the meeting. There were no other nominations and Councillor Heggie was unanimously appointed Chair of the meeting.

The Chair spoke of the recent passing of Councillor Dave King. He wished to pay respects to Councillor King who had been a very valued member of many council committees and the Board having served as a local councillor for almost three decades. The Chair extended his deepest condolences to the family of Councillor King and to his Labour Group colleagues. The Board then observed a minute's silence in memory of Councillor King.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made.

3. MINUTE

The Board confirmed the draft Minute of its Meeting held on 9 April 2021 as a correct record. The Minute was thereafter signed by the Chair.

4. APPLICATION FOR VARIATION OF PREMISES LICENCE

The licence holder's agent and Police Scotland took part in the MS Teams virtual meeting. Introductions were made and procedures explained.

The Board considered a report (copies of which had been circulated) by the Clerk with regard to the application for non-minor variation of the premises licence. A list of the variations sought in the application were fully set out within the report.

The report recommended that the Board consider and determine the application for the variation of premises licence having regard to the content of the report and any submissions made by or on behalf of the licence holder.

The report also recommended that if minded to grant the application, the Board should consider varying the conditions of the licence to replace the existing children's conditions with some or all of the style local children and young person's conditions contained in subsection 3.7 of its policy. The licence holder's agent confirmed his client was happy to accept the replacement children and young person's conditions.

Decision

To grant the variation of premises licence subject to the inclusion of the Board's current local conditions for children and young persons