THE MORAY LICENSING BOARD

MINUTE OF THE MEETING OF THE MORAY LICENSING BOARD

The Moray Council Chambers, Council Headquarters, High Street, Elgin on Thursday 11 June 2015

PRESENT

Councillors: G Cowie J Divers M Howe M McConachie A McLean R H Shepherd (Convener) C Tuke

APOLOGIES

Apologies were intimated on behalf of Councillor J Allan

IN ATTENDANCE

Sean Hoath, Depute Clerk to the Licensing Board Sergeant Gavin Jardine, Police Scotland

1. PRIOR MINUTES

- (i) The Minutes of the Meeting held on 5 March 2015 were submitted and approved.
- (ii) The Minutes of the Special Meeting held on 14 April 2015 were submitted and approved.

2. LIST OF DECISIONS FOR APPLICATIONS FOR PREMISES LICENCES

(i) Application for a Provisional Premises Licence at Station Hotel, 51 New Street, Rothes, AB38 7BJ

The Depute Clerk introduced the application and advised the applicant's representatives Janet Hood Licensing Consultant and Neil Slessor were in attendance. The Depute Clerk confirmed there had been a site visit and Councillor McConachie reiterated his desire to see an internal steel shutter incorporated. The Board agreed that as the premises was still very much a building site they would like to revisit the premises before confirmation was granted. There were no further questions from the Board and no adverse comments from the Chief Constable therefore the Board agreed to grant the provisional licence.

(ii) Application for Variation to Premises Licence at Benromach Distillery and Malt Whisky Visitor Centre, Invererne Road, Forres, IV36 3EB

The Depute Clerk introduced the application and advised the applicant's representative Neil Urquhart was in attendance. After hearing from the representative about the extension to the visitors centre and there being no adverse comments from the Chief Constable the Board agreed to grant the variation to the licence.

3. Chief Constable's Report Under Section 12A

The Depute Clerk introduced the annual report from the Chief Constable. The Board having no further questions for the Chief Constable's representative noted the contents of the report.

4. **Public Sector Equality Duties**

The Depute Clerk introduced the report. The Board noted the update report on the public sector equality outcomes that had been published on the Council's web pages.

5. Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005 – Personal Licence Review Hearing Following Application for Review by the Chief Constable (Case Number 1 of 2015)

The Depute Clerk introduced the report and outlined the recommendations. The Board noted the requirement to hold a review hearing following the report by the Chief Constable and decided to hold the hearing then as the licence holder would not be in a position to attend a meeting. The Board unanimously agreed to revoke the licence for the purposes of the licensing objectives of preventing crime and disorder and securing public safety.