

NTBCC Licensing Report – April 2024

1. **Regulatory Committee** Last meeting: 5 February Next meeting: 21 June
(Note: Regulatory Committee meetings are webcast in full.)

- 1.1. Order of business for the last meeting can be found here:
[Agenda for Regulatory Committee on Monday, 5th February, 2024, 12.30 pm](#)
- 1.2. Order of business for the next meeting will be published here, when available:
[Agenda for Regulatory Committee on Friday, 21st June, 2024, 10.00 am](#)

2. [Alcohol licence registers](#)

- Licensing Board** Last meeting: 25 March Next meeting(s): 24 & 29 April
(Note: Only the business section at the start of Licensing Board meetings is webcast.)

- 2.1. Order of business for the last meeting can be found here:
[Agenda for Licensing Board on Monday, 25th March, 2024, 9.30 am](#)

- **Supplementary Statement of Licensing Policy on Overprovision** – Consultation.
Public views can be submitted here: [Overprovision of Licensed Premises - City of Edinburgh Council - Citizen Space](#) until 13 May.

Previous responses from statutory consultees provide some useful context:

- [Police Scotland consultation response on Overprovision Apr2023](#)
- [Edinburgh Alcohol and Drug Partnership \(EADP\) consultation response on Overprovision](#)
- [NHS Lothian & EADP additional consultation response on Overprovision](#)

See also: [Scottish Government Liquor Licensing Statistics \(www.gov.scot\)](#) for comparison purposes.

Figures from 2016-2017 are provided as this was the year before the previous Policy was implemented:

	2016-2017			2021-2022					
	on sales	off sales	occasional	on sales		off sales		occasional	
Scotland	11,625 % total	5,117 % total	23,619 % total	11,405 % total vs 2016-2017	5,155 % total vs 2016-2017	23,269 % total vs 2016-2017			
City of Edinburgh	1,435 12%	544 11%	2,568 11%	1,467 13% ↗	485 9% ↘	4,728 20% ↗			
City of Glasgow	1,353 12%	547 11%	3,021 13%	1,352 12% →	583 11% →	843 4% ↘			
Aberdeen City	458 4%	200 4%	295 1%	432 4% →	195 4% →	1,226 5% ↗			
Dundee City	349 3%	147 3%	803 3%	307 3% →	130 3% →	1,507 6% ↗			

Note: The current (2018) Assessment of Overprovision as set out in Chapter 14 and Appendix 2 of the Licensing Board's new [Statement of Licensing Policy](#) (published 27 November 2023) continues to form part of the Board's Statement of Licensing Policy meanwhile.

- New application(s): [Licensing Board – Applications in NTBCC's Area : 21 March 2024](#)

Variation 520373 5-11 Leith Street (The Newsroom)

The premises seek to add an outdoor area to their licensed footprint. The proposed outdoor area, in terms of layout and size (18m²), maps to what the premises have occupied already, under an existing tables & chairs permit granted until 29/9/2024. This 'taster' occupation of the pavement has introduced much congestion at this narrowing and busy end of Leith Street, near an already rather congested 'blind' corner with Waterloo Place.

NTBCC will object.

- Previous Application(s):

Variation 512647 6 Baxter's Place (Planet Bar)

NTBCC had objected to the extension of opening hours from 1am to 3am on Friday & Saturday; the premises being surrounded by residential properties.

We had also queried whether alcohol could be served outside, when outwith the licensed footprint of those premises; we supplied photographic evidence that alcohol had been served outside, and beyond the outdoor area that was requested to be added to the licensed footprint.

The application was GRANTED, subject to these terms of decision:

- Outdoor drinking terminal hour of 2200hrs
- Seasonal variations not to apply after 0300hrs
- Premises to comply with mandatory conditions for late night venues when operating after 0100hrs (*)
- Amended layout plan submitted showing full extent of outdoor area

(*) See here: [Licensing Conditions \(Late Opening Premises\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2007](#)

NTBCC requested a statement of reasons (SOR) in respect to the Board's decision.

Note: **Alcohol can only be served in the licensed footprint of premises** regardless of any tables and chairs permitted area – NTBCC were advised in parallel.

2.2. Order of business for the next meeting will be published here, when available:

[Agenda for Licensing Board on Wednesday, 24th April, 2024, 9.30 am](#)

[Agenda for Licensing Board on Monday, 29th April, 2024, 9.30 am](#)

3. Civic & Miscellaneous licence registers

Licensing Sub-Committee *Last meeting(s):* 4 & 5 March *Next meeting(s):* 22 & 23 Apr
(Note: Licensing Sub-Committee meetings are not webcast.)

3.1. Order of business for the last meeting(s) can be found here:

[Agenda for Licensing Sub-Committee on Monday, 4th March, 2024, 9.30 am](#)

[Agenda for Licensing Sub-Committee on Tuesday, 5th March, 2024, 9.45 am](#)

3.2. Order of business for the next meeting(s) will be published here, when available:

[Agenda for Licensing Sub-Committee on Monday, 22nd April, 2024, 9.30 am](#)

[Agenda for Licensing Sub-Committee on Tuesday, 23rd April, 2024, 9.30 am](#)

4. Tables & Chairs permits

Full (incl. register and guidance notes) can be found here: [Tables and chairs permits](#)

Queries may be best emailed to TablesChairsPermits@edinburgh.gov.uk however as the register is patchy – e.g. permit 509187 for 5-11 Leith Street that was granted from 1/10/2023 to 29/9/2024 isn't listed.

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