

## NTBCC Licensing Report – March 2023

### 1. Regulatory Committee      *Last meeting:* 13 March      *Next meeting:* 1 May

Order of business will be available at this location, when published:

[Agenda for Regulatory Committee on Monday, 1st May, 2023, 10.00 am](#)

### 2. Alcohol licence registers

**Licensing Board**      *Last meeting:* 27 March      *Next meeting:* 24 April

#### ➤ New Statement of Licensing Policy is @DRAFT

With regards to **overprovision**, the Board is still awaiting the data that is currently gathered by NHS Lothian (with the help of the University of Edinburgh, and Alcohol Focus Scotland?) about numbers, capacities and descriptions of premises situated within designated overprovision localities – as defined in the previous Board’s policy – and any other localities within the Board’s area that would have showed signs of being overprovision localities since.

Meanwhile, the Board has scheduled a number of **evidence gathering sessions** (all due to be webcast?) to go through key themes – see [Agenda 310323.pdf](#)

- The first one took place on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March, with representatives from the licensed trade and licensing agents. The discussion was constructive and informative on many fronts – the webcast can be found here: [Licensing Board evidence session - Friday 31 March 2023, 9:30am](#);
- The next session is due to be held (likely remotely) with members of community councils and other residential groups – possibly on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> April in the evening; further details will emerge when invitations are issued;
- A third and last session will be held with statutory consultees, e.g. NHS Lothian and Police Scotland – possibly on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April.

#### ➤ Applications on agenda for Board meeting 27/3/23

**4 (BF) Picardy Place → 23-27 Broughton Street Lane** (The Keller Taproom) – Variation of Premises licence application **469823**, to amend trading hours as follows:

	EXISTING LICENSED HOURS		PROPOSED LICENSING HOURS	
	ON SALE	OFF SALE	ON SALE	OFF SALE
Monday	17:00-03:00		13:00-03:00	10:00-22:00
Tuesday	17:00-03:00		13:00-03:00	10:00-22:00
Wednesday	17:00-03:00		13:00-03:00	10:00-22:00
Thursday	17:00-03:00		13:00-03:00	10:00-22:00
Friday	17:00-03:00		13:00-03:00	10:00-22:00
Saturday	17:00-03:00		13:00-03:00	10:00-22:00
Sunday	17:00-03:00		13:00-03:00	10:00-22:00

The application mostly concerns the rear of the property at 4 (BF) Picardy Place. Due to falling numbers, the area used as a nightclub has been reduced by circa 1/3 and now operates as Uno Mas, with its main entrance still at 4 (BF) Picardy Place. The rear of the property – which this application focuses on – was converted into a micro brewery with a German style bar attached, and started trading as ‘The Keller Taproom’ ([22/00430/LBC | Internal alterations at basement level \(linked to micro brewery installation\) | 4 Picardy Place Edinburgh EH1 3JT](#)). Its main entrance was introduced at 23-27 Broughton St Lane – additionally to remaining as an emergency exit for the nightclub.

Although the overall property now operates under two ‘brands’, physical segregation hasn’t fully taken place and The Keller Taproom’s operations can still extend to an adjacent function suite, when not used by Uno Mas. This allows both ‘brands’ to operate under the same (hybrid) licence, hence the requested extended hours to introduce Offsale operations (for the retail, dispatch and collection of products from the micro-brewery) and allow Onsales to start earlier in the day (for the German style bar), while retaining the same terminal hours of 3am (for the multipurpose late night entertainment venue incorporating bar, nightclub and function suite).

NTBCC objected to operations extending from 10hrs to 17hrs daily (Onsale & Offsale hours combined). Onsale hours starting earlier were supported if they terminated by as much earlier – i.e. 11pm daily, so as to respect local residential amenity. (One objection was made by a local resident on Forth Street, who also faces Broughton Street Lane, to both the planning LBC and this licensing application.)

The application was granted by majority vote 5 to 3 (see below), with undertaking by the Applicant to share contact details with local residents.

(5) Cllr Fullerton, Cllr Key, Cllr Work, Cllr Young, Cllr Rust, - GRANT;

(3) Cllr Graham, Cllr Booth, Cllr Flannery - GRANT without off sales.

➤ New applications

The March listing only had a couple – one in Greenside, the other within St James Quarter; both consisting in variation of existing premise licences.

Small changes were requested, none consisting in an increase of operating hours or capacity. NTBCC didn't make a representation.

3. Civic & Miscellaneous licence registers

**Licensing Sub-Committee**      *Last meeting:* 13 March      *Next meeting:* 17 & 18 April

Order of business will be available at these locations, when published:

[Agenda for Licensing Sub-Committee on Monday, 17th April, 2023, 9.30 am](#)

[Agenda for Licensing Sub-Committee on Tuesday, 18th April, 2023, 9.30 am](#)

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