

NTBCC Licensing Report – October 2023

1. **Regulatory Committee** *Last meeting:* 2 Oct *Next meeting:* 4 Dec
(Note: Regulatory Committee meetings are webcast in full.)

1.1. Order of business for the last meeting is available here:

[Agenda for Regulatory Committee on Monday, 2nd October, 2023, 10.00 am](#)

➤ **Short Term Lets (STL) Licensing** came into effect on **1 October 2023**

Hosts and operators who started operating a property as STL prior to 1 October 2022, had until 30 September 2023 to submit a licence application, in order to continue operating beyond that date while their application is considered.

No one else can now operate a property as STL, until they have a licence.

All hosts and operators must have a licence by **1 July 2024**.

Additionally, the Regulatory Committee has instructed officers to work with advertising platforms, such as AirBnB and Booking.com, to ensure that valid licence numbers or licence application reference numbers are displayed on each of their Edinburgh STL posts.

With regards to volumes of applications, as at 18 September 2023:

Total no. applications	703
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Of the 703 total:

No. applications processed	369 (106 home letting, 80 secondary letting, 83 home sharing, 100 home letting and sharing)
No. applications granted	206

The Council's approach to STL enforcement can be found here: [Short Term Let Enforcement in Edinburgh.pdf](#)

Further information (incl. FAQs) can be found here: [Licences and permits applications – STL Licensing](#)

➤ **Street Trading and Market Operators consultation** (closes 13 Dec)

On 1 May 2023 the Regulatory Committee agreed to review the current Street Trading and Market Operator Policy, particularly about the licensing of these activities in the city centre. This is because there have been several changes in the city since the policy was originally agreed. For instance, there have been changes to the layout of popular street trading locations such as The Mound Precinct and Playfair Steps. Demand for the return of street trading locations at Hunter Square and the High Street continues. The Regulatory Committee considers that this must be balanced against the desire of organisers of temporary events for use of these locations.

Full details can be found here: [Street Trading and Market Operators - City of Edinburgh Council - Citizen Space](#)

➤ **Public Entertainment Licensing (PEL) – Application Fees**

Of possible interest... the legal query that has been raised about the free structure for sunbed and tanning premises, this deputation was quite informative: [Regulatory Committee - Monday 2 October 2023, 10:00am - Start video at 0:04:31 - City of Edinburgh Council Webcasts \(public-i.tv\)](#)

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

[Agenda for Regulatory Committee on Monday, 4th December, 2023, 10.00 am](#)

2. [Alcohol licence registers](#)

Licensing Board

Last meeting: 25 & 29
Sept

Next meeting: 27 Nov

(Note: Only the business section at the start of Licensing Board meetings is webcast.)

➤ **New Statement of Licensing Policy** – ETA for publishing is end of **November 2023**.

Having taken account of the responses received to its [first phase of consultation](#), the Board has published a new draft policy statement, which they're now inviting comment on through a second phase of consultation. The amended draft policy statement can be viewed here: [statement-of-licensing-policy-review--tracked---250923--v4-1.pdf](#)

The Board's final discussion in relation to the proposed changes can be viewed here: [Licensing Board \(Additional Meeting\) - Friday 29 September 2023, 9:30am](#)

Public views can be submitted here: [Licensing Board Policy Consultation - Phase 2 - City of Edinburgh Council - Citizen Space](#) until 12 November.

➤ New application(s) – none were published in September.

➤ Previous application(s)

Occasional 504176 85-87 Rose Street, EH2 3DT

A Planning certificate for Premises licence (Section 50) was submitted after our last month's report, and subsequently granted on 27 September: [23/04761/S50 | Request for a Planning Section 50 Certificate \(Licensing \(Scotland\) Act 2005\) | 85 - 87 Rose Street New Town Edinburgh EH2 3DT](#)

Presumably, a Provisional/New Premises licence application has been submitted, or will be so soon too?

3. [Civic & Miscellaneous licence registers](#)

Licensing Sub-Committee

Last meeting: 11 & 12 Sept

Next meeting: 10 & 13 Oct

(Note: Licensing Sub-Committee meetings are not webcast.)

3.1. Order of business for the last couple of meetings is available here:

[Agenda for Licensing Sub-Committee on Monday, 11th September, 2023, 9.30 am](#)

[Agenda for Licensing Sub-Committee on Tuesday, 12th September, 2023, 9.30 am](#)

➤ New application(s) for Late Hour Catering were requested as follows:

507268 **133 Princes Street**, Edinburgh, EH2 4AH **Mon-Sun 23.00-05.00** (Hot food restricted to 2am Sun-Thurs and 3am Fri & Sat)

Closing date for written submission: 12 October 2023

3.2. Order of business for the next couple of meetings will be published here, when available:

[Agenda for Licensing Sub-Committee on Tuesday, 10th October, 2023, 9.30 am](#)

[Agenda for Licensing Sub-Committee on Friday, 13th October, 2023, 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 – noting that the register was last updated July 2023 at the time of writing.

5 October 2023