



Location Plan
- Ossians Hotel
- Volunteer Arms
- Skipinnish Ceilidh House

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FORT WILLIAM COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Ross, Skye & Lochaber Licensing Committee
Fort William.

Licensing Applications - Fort William

Dear

I write on behalf of Fort William Community Council in respect of three recent liquor licensing alteration applications.

These applications are on behalf of

1. Skipinnish Celidh House, Fort William
2. Ossian's Hotel, Fort William and
3. Volunteer Arms Public House.

Fort William Community Council would wish to make representations as follows:

Skipinnish Celidh House: Core terminal hours should remain unchanged on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays.

F.W.C.C. takes the view that such an extension to the terminal hours would also extend the dispersal time of patrons until nearly 4 a.m. There is already a problem of dispersal, often with a limited availability of taxis, resulting in disturbance to neighbours. An extra hour would exacerbate the problem. Fort William Community Council has no issue with any of the other proposed changes.

Ossian's Hotel: Core terminal hours should remain unchanged on Fridays and Saturdays.

F.W.C.C. takes the view that such an extension to the terminal hours would also extend the dispersal time of patrons until nearly 4 a.m. There is already a problem of dispersal, often with a limited availability of taxis, resulting in disturbance to neighbours. An extra hour would exacerbate the problem. Fort William Community Council has no issue with any of the other proposed changes.

Volunteer Arms Public House: Core terminal hours should remain unchanged on Fridays and Saturdays.

F.W.C.C. takes the view that such an extension to the terminal hours would also extend the dispersal time of patrons until nearly 3 a.m. There is already a problem of dispersal, often with a limited availability of taxis, resulting in disturbance to neighbours. An extra hour would exacerbate the problem. Fort William Community Council has no issue with any of the other proposed changes.

Yours sincerely,

Neil M. Clark
(Chairman)

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THE HIGHLAND LICENSING BOARD

POLICY HOURS (ADOPTED ON 1 OCTOBER 2013)

The following core hours will generally be the maximum hours permitted by the Board. Applicants seeking earlier opening hours or later terminal hours will require to satisfy the Board that these are justified (see section 2.2 of the Board's Policy Statement) and that they will not conflict with any of the licensing objectives.

Off-sales :

- **Monday to Sunday: 1000 hours to 2200 hours**

General On-sales premises :

These are premises such as public houses, hotel bars and members' clubs which offer no significant entertainment facilities and where the consumption of alcohol is the principal activity:-

- **Monday to Sunday: 1100 hours to 0100 hours the following day**

Food-led operations :

These are premises at which the sale of alcohol is ancillary to the provision of food and is only sold to persons taking table meals. Early opening from **0900 hours** will be permitted provided that on any one day the terminal hour is such that the continuous period during which alcohol may be sold does not exceed 14 hours. Subject to appropriate adjustment where opening is sought after 0900 hours but before 1000 hours, or after 1000 hours but before 1100 hours, the permitted hours will accordingly be as follows:-

- **Monday to Sunday: 0900 hours to 2300 hours,
1000 hours to 2400 hours, or
1100 hours to 0100 hours the following day**

Late opening premises/Hybrid Premises :

These are premises, or parts of premises, which the Board is satisfied offer, from a certain point on certain evenings, significant entertainment facilities and where the provision of alcohol for consumption on the premises is ancillary to the significant entertainment provided. Nightclubs and discotheques may fall within this category. They may also include "hybrid" premises which operate as a general on-sales premises during the day but then offer significant entertainment from a certain point in the evening:-

- **Monday to Wednesday: 1100 hours to 0100 hours the following day**
- **Thursday to Saturday: 1100 hours to 0300 hours the following day**
- **Sunday: 1100 hours to 0100 hours the following day**