

Agenda Item	7.1
Report No	HLB/022/15

Guidelines for the grant of extended hours during major events in Lochaber

Report by Clerk to the Licensing Board

Summary

This Report invites the Board to consider whether to promote guidelines in relation to extended licensing hours for the 2015 Scottish Six Day Trials and the UCI Mountain Bike World Cup Event.

1.0 Background

- 1.1 The Licensing Board specifies guidelines from time to time in relation to applications for extended hours during major events. In the past, guidelines have been promoted in the Lochaber Area for the Scottish Six Day Trials and UCI Mountain Bike World Championships and the guidelines specify the latest generally acceptable terminal hour.
- 1.2 It would be beneficial to licensees if the Board could fix similar guidelines for the following major events due to be held in Lochaber in 2015, namely:-

Scottish Six Day Trials

The event will run from Friday 1 May to Saturday 9 May 2015 with riders and spectators travelling from all over the world to what is deemed by the organisers to be “the greatest motorcycle event in the world”.

The Scottish two day pre “65” motorcycle trial will take place in the hills around Kinlochleven on Friday 1 and Saturday 2 May 2015.

The Six Day Trial event is launched with a parade of approximately 270 competition bikes and their riders through Fort William High Street on the afternoon of Sunday 3 May 2015 with the trials commencing on the morning of Monday 4 May and concluding on Saturday 9 May 2015 with a prize giving that evening.

Suggested hours are: –

(i) Friday 8 May 201

Late Opening Premises: until 0400 hours the following day
Other On Sale Premises: until 0200 hours the following day

(ii) Saturday 9 May 2015

Late Opening Premises: until 0400 hours the following day
Other On Sale Premises: until 0200 hours the following day

UCI Mountain Bike World Cup 2015

The event will be run over the weekend of Saturday 6 June and Sunday 7 June 2015. The multi-award-winning UCI Mountain Bike World Cup takes place across Europe and North America from April to August and has been coming to Fort William since June 2002. It is held at the Nevis Range Mountain Resort in Fort William.

Suggested hours are: –

(i) **Friday 5 June 2015**

Late Opening Premises: until 0400 hours the following day
Other On Sale Premises: until 0200 hours the following day

(ii) **Saturday 6 June 2015**

Late Opening Premises: until 0400 hours the following day
Other On Sale Premises: until 0200 hours the following day

(iii) **Sunday 7 June 2015:** until 0200 hours the following day

2.0 **Legislation**

2.1 The Licensing Board may on the application of the holder of a Premises Licence in respect of any licensed premises, extend hours of licensed premises in connection with a special event of local or national significance.

2.2 It is recommended that if the Board are of a mind to fix guidelines for the above events Premises Licence Holders be invited to apply for Extended Hours on an individual basis under Section 68 of the legislation as opposed to a “blanket” General Extension under Section 67. Each application can therefore be considered on its own merits.

3.0 **Conditions**

Following the introduction of the Criminal Justice and Licensing (Scotland) Act 2010, which introduced a new section 70A to the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005, it is now possible for the Board to vary the conditions of operation for a licensed premises on granting an extended hours application for the purposes of any of the licensing objectives.

The following mandatory condition will apply to any premises open after 0100 hours:-

(i) A person trained to the satisfaction of the Licensing Board in administering first aid must be present on the premises from 0100 hours until the premises closes.

It is recommended that the following condition should be attached to any Extended Hours which are granted:

(ii) A designated person who is the holder of a personal licence must be present on the premises from 2200 hours until the premises closes.

4.0 **Recommendation**

Members are invited to indicate whether they wish to introduce guidelines, and if so, the period and times to be so covered, and any guideline conditions.

Designation: Clerk to the Licensing Board

Background Papers: The Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005 / Application Form

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