

Application for Extended Hours

	Applicant	Premises	Event	Date(s) Requested	Times Requested
1.	Sprig Limited	Printhouse 154 High Street Ayr	Scottish Grand National	11 to 12 April 2025	02.30 – 03.30* *Outwith Board Policy
2.	Sprig Limited	Printhouse 154 High Street Ayr	Rock the Nile	19 April.2025	02.30 – 03.30* *Outwith Board Policy
3.	Sprig Limited	Printhouse 154 High Street Ayr	Easter Sunday	20 April 2025	02.30 – 03.30* *Outwith Board Policy
4.	Sprig Limited	Printhouse 154 High Street Ayr	Pavilion Weekend Festival and Bank Holiday	3 to 4 May 2025	02.30 – 03.30* *Outwith Board Policy
5.	Sprig Limited	Printhouse 154 High Street Ayr	Bank Holiday Sunday	25 May 2025	02.30 – 03.30* *Outwith Board Policy

Sprig Ltd – Printhouse, Nile Court, Ayr
Extended Hours Applications
20th April 2025 – Easter Sunday
11th & 12th April 2025 – Scottish Grand National Festival
25th May 2025 – Spring Bank Holiday

Report by Licensing Standards Officer

I refer to the Extended Hours application submitted for the above premises which is situated in Nile Court in Ayr.

The applications request a terminal hour of 3.30am which equates to an additional trading hour and each refers to 'an event of local or national significance'. The 'events' in question are all annual dates on the calendar which have always been recognised by the Board and for which these and other premises have enjoyed an additional trading hour.

These particular premises are established as a late night opening venue and unlike the other premises who have the ability to open late, these premises operate regularly at weekends on a weekly basis. As there is a multi agency joint action group who focus on introducing resources to this geographical part of Ayr on dates when larger numbers are expected in the area, these early applications are welcome as they will help with forward planning, both for the venue and for the partner agencies.

I have no objections to the grant of these Occasional Licences as they all represent events of local or national significance and associated holiday dates in South Ayrshire:

20th April 2025 – Easter Sunday
11th & 12th April 2025 – Scottish Grand National Festival
25th May 2025 – Spring Bank Holiday

I would ask the Board to consider granting delegated powers to the Depute Clerk to grant further applications to this venue with this operator as the applicant for 'events of local or national significance' that have been previously recognised and who do not receive any negative reports from the LSO or Police Scotland up to 31st December 2025. This would prevent this type of application (with the latest terminal hour of 3.30am) having to be considered at a Board meeting if there were no objections. If the Board were in agreement this would not include any 'special events to be catered for on the premises' or any suggested dates of 'local or national significance' that have not previously been granted.

This would be a repeat of the practice adopted by the Board last year, which proved successful but had only been delegated until 31st December 2024.

Catrina Andrew
Licensing Standards Officer
29th January 2025

Sprig Ltd – Printhouse, Nile Court, Ayr
Extended Hours Application – 19th April 2025
Report by Licensing Standards Officer

I refer to the Extended Hours application submitted for the above premises which is situated in Nile Court in Ayr which is a mixed residential and commercial area.

The application requests a terminal hour of 3.30am on Saturday 19th April 2025 and refers to 'a special event to be catered for on the premises' with the reason given as 'Rock the Nile'.

These premises have developed the 'Rock the Nile' event over the past years and it has been very well attended raising money for charity. I have been contacted by the applicant in advance of this application to ensure all questions have been answered and I am also aware that the applicant has been in discussion with the local Police Inspector.

Considering the above I am satisfied that there is a unique and significant event taking place on the premises and one which the Board has previously supported as a reason for extension of trading hours.

This application requests hours beyond 2.30am and therefore under the Board's current policy it is unable to be granted under delegated powers and must be decided at a Board meeting.

I can confirm that these premises do apply for and are regularly granted additional trading hours until 3.30am throughout the year.

Catrina Andrew
Licensing Standards Officer
29th January 2025

Sprig Ltd – Printhouse, Nile Court, Ayr
Extended Hours Application – 3rd & 4th May 2025
Report by Licensing Standards Officer

I refer to the Extended Hours application submitted for the above premises which is situated in Nile Court in Ayr.

The application requests a terminal hour of 3.30am on Saturday 3rd and Sunday 4th May 2025 and refers to 'an event of local or national significance' with the reason given as 'Ayr Pavilion Festival Weekend'.

Members will be aware of the two-day music festival that debuted on Ayr Low Green on 29th & 30th April 2023 and the larger follow up event in 2024 which proved to be a very busy and successful event for the area and for which a number of local venues enjoyed additional trading hours.

This event is again in the planning stages and will obtain an Occasional Licence to allow it to go ahead with an even larger anticipated crowd in May this year.

I am aware that the operator of Printhouse has links with the Pavilion Festival organiser and the headlining DJ played at the venue early in his career. The past two years this venue successfully operated additional trading hours during the weekend for those who wished to continue to celebrate following the terminal hour of the festival and hosted some of the performers from the event itself.

These premises have managed to maintain a regular weekly clientele and operate in a 'nightclub-style' manner and thus the application to extend the hours for a relevant local event is likely to be anticipated by patrons.

Having spoken direct to the operator and considering a similar application was granted to these premises the past two years with no reported issues, I have no objections to the extended hours as requested.

Catrina Andrew
Licensing Standards Officer
29th January 2025