ANGUS LICENSING BOARD - 5 NOVEMBER 2015

(d) STROMA BISTRO & BAR (FORMERLY QUAY RESTAURANT), 1 - 4 WHARF STREET, MONTROSE, DD10 8BD

Names and Address of Applicant

Sarras Cuisine Limited, 15 Academy Street, Forfar, DD8 2HA

Type of Licence: Premises Licence - On/Off Sales

The Board is asked to note that Premises Licence no. 224 was issued in respect of these premises. The licence was surrendered on 5 November 2014 and this was reported to the Board on 8 January 2015.

Confirmation Notice

The confirmation notice has been received.

- **1. Description of Premises –** Restaurant with dining area with 55 covers and a small lounge with seating area for a further 25-30 people.
- 2. Core times when alcohol will be sold for consumption on the premises:-

Sunday to Thursday 11.00 to 24.00 Friday and Saturday 11.00 to 01.00

Core times when alcohol will be sold for consumption off the premises:-

Monday to Sunday 11.00 to 22.00

The Board is asked to note that the hours are within Board's policy.

- 3. Seasonal Variations to include Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, Hogmanay, New Years Day and any other such dates that may be included in Angus Licensing Board's Statement of Licensing Policy in the future.
- 4. Activities to be provided-
- (a) within core licensed hours only bar meals; club meetings and live performances.
- (b) within and outwith core licensed hours restaurant facilities; receptions and recorded music in order to offer facilities for functions such as christenings and funerals prior to core hours.

The applicant has confirmed that no alcohol to be provided outwith core licensing hours.

- (c) facility for patrons to collect meals from the restaurant menu for consumption at home. This facility would be offered between the hours of 5pm to 9pm daily.
- **4. Capacity** 85 (Restaurant area 55; Lounge area 30).
- **5. Children and Young Persons** aged 0 to 17 years to be permitted in restaurant area.

It is requested that the Board note that Local Children's conditions shall apply.

Comments Received

COMMUNITIES, ENVIRONMENTAL & CONSUMER PROTECTION submitted a Memorandum of Observation dated 12 October 2015.

The proposal is to change the use from a restaurant to a public house. The premises were previously used as a public house prior to being a restaurant. During the time as a public house there were complaints of noise relating to live and recorded music emanating from the premises with subsequent investigations by officers of this division concluding that the complaints were warranted. It was also considered that the insulation between the licenced premises and the residential property above was inadequate. Discussions at that time with the public house involved the possibility of commissioning of an acoustic consultant to investigate and offer a programme of works to resolve the situation. The lack of any record of such a report would indicate that this did not take place.

Despite the above history, this division would not be totally opposed to the change of use to a public house. However, the proximity of residential properties coupled with the absence of any evidence to demonstrate that remedial works have been undertaken in respect of the insulation, we would oppose the provision of music in any form.