

# PART 1 - BACKGROUND

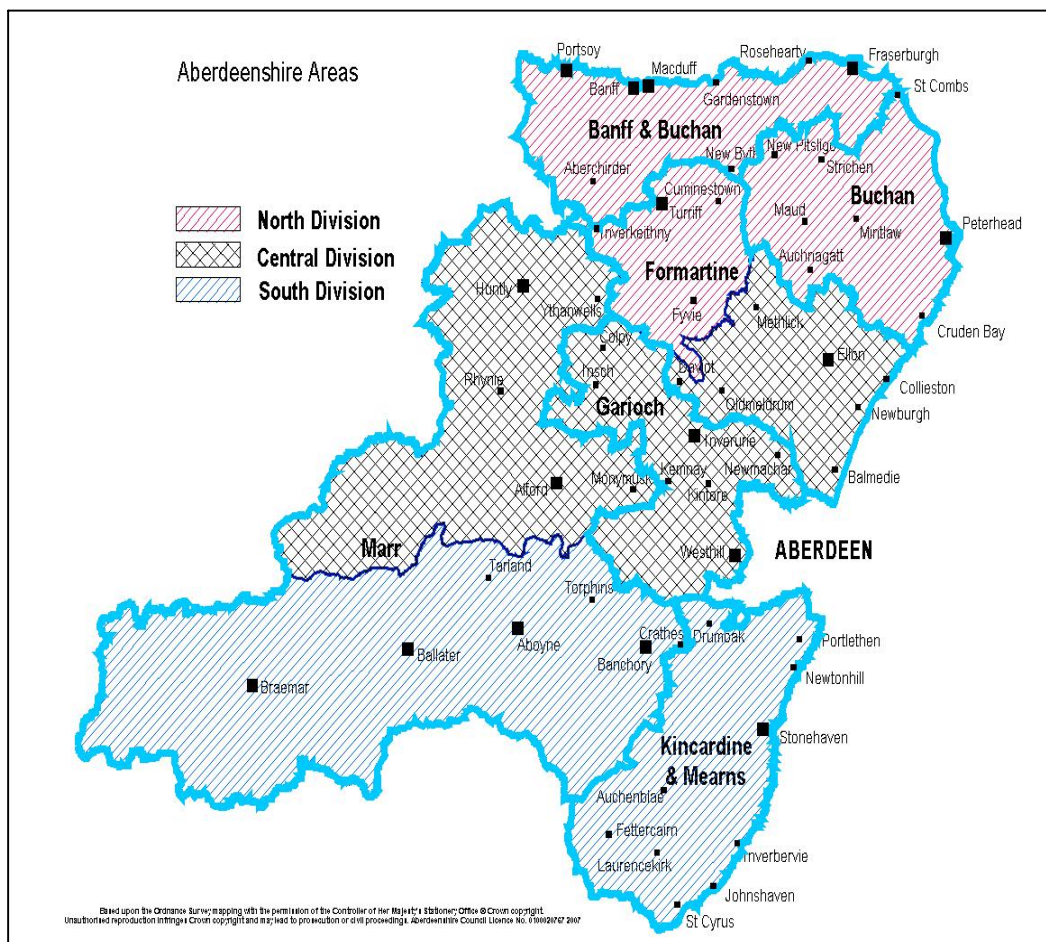
## Licensing Boards

### A Profile of Aberdeenshire

Aberdeenshire is a predominantly rural area in the north east of Scotland. Traditionally, it has been economically dependent upon the primary sector (agriculture, fishing, forestry) and related processing industries. Within the last 30 years, the emergence of the oil and gas industry and the development of the service sector have broadened Aberdeenshire's economic base, leading to rapid population growth.

Aberdeenshire extends to 6,313 sq km (2,437 sq miles), representing 8% of Scotland's overall territory. The landscape varies from mountainous Cairngorms, through rich agricultural lowlands to rugged coastline.

Aberdeenshire is divided into 3 Areas for the purposes of administration and provision of Licensing services. These are North, Central and South Aberdeenshire.







**The Central Aberdeenshire Divisional Licensing Board**

The Central Divisional Board consists of eight members of Aberdeenshire Council with a quorum of four Members.

The current members of the Board are:

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Please note that the canvassing of Board Members in relation to applications is an offence.

The Board is supported by a Clerk, 2 Depute Clerks and administrative support staff.

The Clerk is Karen Wiles, Head of Service, Legal and Governance, Corporate Services



The Depute Clerks are Jill Joss and Sandy Munro.

## **The South Aberdeenshire Divisional Licensing Board**

The South Divisional Board consists of six members of Aberdeenshire Council with a quorum of three Members.

The current members of the Board are:

<p><b>Carl Nelson - Chair</b>          21 Dunnyfell Road          Muchalls          Stonehaven          Kincardineshire          AB39 3RP          01569 730733 (Home)          01569 731697 (Fax)          0 7881 588905 (Mobile)          Email: <a href="mailto:cllr.c.nelson@aberdeenshire.gov.uk">cllr.c.nelson@aberdeenshire.gov.uk</a></p>	
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The Depute Clerk is Caroline Tough.

### **Local Licensing Forums**

Each Council (not licensing Board) must establish a Local Licensing Forum for their area. The Forum is supposed to be representative of the community as a whole and not individuals or organisations. The role of the Forum is to advise the Licensing Board on general matters of policy and not individual cases.

Aberdeenshire Council has appointed 3 Local Licensing Forums, one for each divisional Licensing Board area.

Each Licensing Board and the respective Forum will meet jointly at least once a year. Each Forum will meet more often, at least four times per year, in public.

More information on the licensing forums can be found at:-

<http://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/licensing/local-forums/index.asp>

The forums also have a discussion site where members of the public can discuss licensing or alcohol issues in their local area. More information can be found at:-

<http://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/licensing/local-forums/discussions.asp>