

**Copy of the Records of the Burgh of Dundee
Being the Acts & Decrees of the Council anent Maltmen & Brewers**

Dundee the seventh of December 1669

The Councill considering the great loss sufferit by the late storme yt yr is no probability to get any subsidie by assessment on the towne or uyr wayes from the Parliament for repairing yrof and yt it is necess'r that the merk of ye Boll voluntarily offered by the Maltmen be continwed qll the toune repaire the sd losse & be fred of ther debts & ingadgments. Therefore they ordayne that Jon Kinloch deane of Gild convene the haill gildry & the maltmen as being ane pt of the gildry. And als yt James Louson collector convene the haill free Crafts & declare the premises' to them & report ther Judgment therannt wt all possible conveniency.

At Dundie the eighth day of December 1669 years

Which day the Provest baillzies & Counsell being co'venit and having formerly takin to yr consideration not only the co'tinowance of ye great burdens of debt they ly under Bot also that sad & extraordinary loss's by the late tempest wherby the peers. Bulworks & uy're were demolishit for ye greater part on the thretine day of October last. And anent many overtures had been proposed among them in ther debates for enabling them & ther successors for to pay ther debts for the qch the toune stands engaged by bonds & in some measure to goe about the repairing of the bulwarke. The continuance of that Imposition of ane merk Scots upon each boll of Malt brewed wtin this burgh by and attour the tua Merks payit by the brewers for his Maj. anuitie qch hath been formerly condishendit to be the gildry is nesess'r & expedient to be And according to the laudable custome having comissionat Jon. Kinloch dean of gild & James Lowsone collector of the Crafts that they would covocat & convene ther Heall distinct & rexive incorporanes to know ther willingness of the continwance of the forsd Merk upon the boll as above ment. And this day being appointit for hearing ther rexive reports yranent The sd Jon. Kinloch deane of gild copeared & declared that According to the desire of the counsel he had covocat the gildry whereof the Maltmen copeared most frequently. And they all unanimously codischendit & agreeet that the forsd Merk upon each boll of Malt to be brewed wtin this burgh & no more sould be uplifted and payit for the tounes use to such psone or psones as the Magistrats & cosell for the tyme sall appoint.

And also copeared the sd James Lowsone collector & declarit that according to the desire of the sd cosell he had coveeenit the haill free trads & crafts of this burgh & having impartit the Counsells desire to them in maner above speit. They did all agree unanimously to the continuance of sd merk upon the boll of Malt to be brewed wtin this Burgh & no more sould be upliftit & payit for the tounes use to such psone or psones as sall be nominat be the counsell for the tyme. And therefore the sds provest baillzies counsel collector & deacons of crafts heirby enact Statute & ordayne that the forsd Mark upon each Boll Malt to be brewed wtin this Burgh be continowit to be payit for the use of the sd Burgh ay & qll the same be freed of all ther debts resting & contractit be them upon bonds & that by & attour the forsd annuities of twa marks due to his Maj. as sd is.

And ordaynes that this pnt Act have the full force strength & autoritie of ane municipall Act & Statue coforme to the remanent Municipall acts of this Burgh. In testimony yrof the sds Provest baillzies Counsell collector & deacons of Craftes have subt this pnts.

At Dundy the tenth day of Janr 1670 being the day of the head court of the sd Burgh & yrin the sd Act wes publicly red ratified & Subt as sd is.

Sic Subscribitur

John Tarbett provest
D. Zeaman bailzie
William Rait bailzie
Jon Scrymsour Bailie
John Kinloch Dene of gild
W. Guthrie counselor
Wiilam Watson counseller
George Forrester counsellor
David Fouller Counselor
W. Smyth Thesswrer
John Melvill
James Aikman Counsalor

James Balfour Coseler
Alexr. Robertson Counsellor
James Allan counsellor
Tho. Lyndsay Conceller
James Lowson collector
Ja. Nicoll
D. Nicoll
William Chrystie Deckin to the Shomakis
Andrew Dale deickein to the tealeors
F. Specnce Decan to the bonet makers
Johne Mastertone daken to the flochores
Robert Hamilton dicon of the hamermen
John Wallace deacone to the Walkeres

At Dundie the fourt day of Januar 1670

The counsel considering the abuse of Se'all unfree psones in toune venting Aill and beir to the great prejudice of the free Maltmen. The Counsell therefore Ordaynes the th'r to convean the sds unfree ventners & tapsters & eyr cause ym pduce yr burgh ships or discharge them from farder venting or tapping of Aill & beir and each cotraveener vnder the payne of five pounds Scots *toties quoties*.

Tuesday 21 Octob 1690

The sd day the draught of the contract betwixt the Town and the brewars was presented and red & approven by the Counsele & deacons of crafts. And the Counsell appoints the dean of Gild to call a gild Court this afternoon and get the same approven by the whole body of the Gildrie. And the conveiner to call ane Conveiner Court & to get the Samen approven yrin by the Se'all trades & incorporanes of this burgh. And after the same is approven the conveiner & hail deacons of crafts to meet with the Counsell this night & subscribe the same Contracts.