

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

Minutes of a meeting held at the Council Offices, Narborough

MONDAY, 7 APRIL 2025

Present:-

Cllr. Nick Chapman (Chairman)

Cllr. Susan Findlay

Cllr. Janet Forey

Cllr. Roger Stead

Officers present:-

Anna Farish	- Environmental Services Manager
Jamie Osborne	- Licensing Team Leader
Gemma Dennis	- Corporate Services Group Manager
Avisa Birchenough	- Democratic Services & Scrutiny Officer
Nicole Cramp	- Democratic & Scrutiny Services Officer

267. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

The Democratic & Scrutiny Services Officer invited nominations from the Sub-Committee for the election of Chairman for this meeting only.

DECISION

That Cllr. Nick Chapman be elected Chairman of the Licensing Sub-Committee for this meeting only.

268. DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS FROM MEMBERS

No disclosures were received.

269. APPLICATION TO VARY A PREMISES LICENCE- LEICESTER LIONS RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB, LUTTERWORTH ROAD, BLABY LE8 4DY

Considered – Report of the Licensing Team Leader.

The Licensing Team Leader presented the report.

The Applicant put forward their case to vary the Premises Licence.

The Environmental Health Officer presented their representation.

The Objector presented their representation.

The Applicant gave a closing speech.

The Sub-Committee then retired at 12:30pm to consider the application in closed session.

The Sub-Committee returned at 2.02pm to announce its decision.

DECISION

In reaching its decision the sub-committee has had regard to the applicant and objectors, together with the Council's statement of Licensing Policy and Guidance. The following variations to the license are approved:

The outdoor performance of live music hours be extended to 23:00 on Saturdays. The hours for the playing of recorded music outdoors be extended to 23:00 on Saturdays.

The hours for the supply of alcohol for consumption on the premises be extended to 23:00 on Saturdays.

The hours that the premises are open to the public be extended to 23:00 on Saturdays.

Subject to the following amended condition:

Six outdoor events per year will be permitted at the location, two of which will be a music type festival. Adequate warning of the proposed dates for each event will be given to the relevant authorities (no later than 3 months prior to it taking place).

All other existing conditions to be re-imposed.

1. All licensable activities in the outside areas will cease 30 minutes before the terminal hour.
2. A full Event Management plan must be submitted no later than 2 months prior to the events taking place and needs to be signed off and agreed by all the relevant authorities no later than one month before the event.
3. A Risk Assessment will be submitted no later than 2 months prior to the commencement of the event.

4. The maximum number of people who attend the events will be restricted to 2500 each day.
5. All licensable activity will be planned and organised by the Leicester Lions RFC Ltd management team along with event organisers, suppliers, contractors, customers and the general public to ensure all four licensing objectives are promoted to the fullest.
6. We will take into account the highest standard of duty of care, safety, consideration and planning to all involved included other stakeholders within the club, nearby residents and businesses and the general public.

The prevention of crime and disorder:

1. Security Industry Association personnel will be present at each event and in accordance with the industry and Purple Guide guidelines and calculations. We will work directly with the event organizer to ensure this meets all requirements and guidelines for crime and disorder prevention and public safety.
2. Each Event Management Plan shall show evidence of this.
3. We will carry out and enforce by all staff policies and strategies such as Challenge 25 and age identification checks at all events. Staff will be trained in or require to be trained in these policies which will provide assurances for the prevention of under-age drinking and signage will be on display.
4. There will be no irresponsible drinks promotions, there will be provision of specified alcohol-free drinks for sale and use of correct measures and volumes of alcohol. The responsible person will also carry out a responsibility to refuse service to any individual.
5. CCTV will be in place, working and usable to be called upon at any time to assist and be provided to Police.
6. Entry times and means of access to the premises for each event will be set and controlled, to be fully stated in all Event Management Plans. Security and staff will be positioned to control entry and prevent re-entry (other than staff).
7. The use of plastic glasses will be enforced on the premises. No glass bottles containing any beverages of any kind, opened or sealed, shall be allowed to be admitted to the premises by any customer. No glass bottle or container shall be taken from the premises.
8. All staff will be provided with training and briefed on the drug policy applicable to the premises.
9. An incident log will be kept and updated with the occurrence of any crimes, ejections, complaints or other incidents.

The prevention of public nuisance:

1. At the time of events, noise management will be carried out in line with a pre-set guideline with the event organizer. Maximum noise levels will be confirmed, set and agreed with the event organizer and a plan in place in the event of this level being exceeded e.g. turning down music.
2. Professional noise management personnel will be used and will work

- closely with the event organizer and licence holder.
3. Each Event Management Plan shall show evidence of this.
 4. Plans will be in place at any event to manage noise and behaviour at the end of event and the departure of public from the premises away from the premises.
 5. Safe and controlled exit routes and instruction will be communicated by personnel and signage will be in place.
 6. Each Event Management Plan shall show evidence of this.
 7. When possible, for indoor amplified music, all doors and windows will be kept closed other than for access and egress or emergency exits.
 8. For all events a waste management plan will ensure litter and waste is cleared ongoing, throughout each event. This is to include the pavement immediately outside the premises.
 9. Recycling points and bins will be in position. Disposal of waste bottles, where noise will be audible to neighbouring properties, will not occur between 11pm and 8am.
 10. Each Event Management Plan shall show evidence of this.

The protection of children from harm:

1. No child under the age of 18, unaccompanied by an adult, shall be allowed on the premises.
2. The licence holder will ensure a child protection policy is in place.
3. Each Event Management Plan shall show evidence of this.
4. Staff policies and strategies such as Challenge 25 will be used to carry out and enforce age identification checks at all events.
5. Staff will be trained in or require to be trained in these policies in order to prevent under -age drinking and signage will be on display to this effect.
6. Each Event Management Plan shall show evidence of this.

Reason:

The Sub-Committee having listened to all representations were satisfied that extending the hours of operation to 23:00 and having one additional music event per year is considered appropriate subject to re-imposing the original conditions attached to the existing license in order to meet the 4 licensing objectives.

THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 2.02 P.M.