

Blaby District Council
Licensing Sub-Committee

Date of Meeting 7 April 2025
Title of Report **Application to Vary a Premises Licence-Leicester Lions Rugby Football Club, Lutterworth Road, Blaby LE8 4DY.**
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1. What is this report about?

- 1.1 The Licensing Sub-Committee is required to determine an application to vary a premises licence BLPR0308, relating to Leicester Lions Rugby Football Club, Lutterworth Road, Blaby LE8 4DY

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That the Licensing Sub Committee determines an application in accordance with the Licensing Act 2003.
Having considered the application and representations, members must consider whether to
- Grant the licence variation without modification
 - Grant the licence variation subject to conditions
 - Reject the application
- Members must give full reasons for any decision made.

3. Reason for Decision Recommended

- 3.1 The Licensing Act 2003 requires that the Licensing Sub Committee determine a variation of a premises licence where relevant representations are received.

4. Matters to consider

4.1 Background

The Licensing Authority received a complete application for a variation to the premises licence for Leicester Lions Rugby Football Club on 5th February 2025. The application was submitted in accordance with the requirements of the Licensing Act by the applicant and requested the following variations to the activities authorised by the current premises licence:

- Increase numbers allowable to attend outdoor events from 2500 to 4999.

- Extend Licensing hours daily from 22:00 to 23:00hrs
- Increase allowable live music events from one per year to two per year.
- Allow for a ten-minute firework display at one of the live music events.

A copy of the full application is attached at Appendix A.

The steps the applicant proposes to take to promote the licensing objectives are set out in the operating schedule (Section M)

A copy of the existing premises licence is attached as Appendix B.

4.2 Relevant Representations

Representations-

Responsible Authorities – A representation has been received from Blaby District Councils, Senior Environmental Health Officer. A copy of this representation is attached at Appendix C.

Other persons- Representations were received from 4 other persons. The representations cover aspects of all four of the licensing objectives. Copies of these representations are attached as Appendix D.

4.3 Appropriate Consultations

The Act requires that the applicant sends a copy of their application to the Licensing Authority and all Responsible Authorities. When the application is accepted the applicant must place a notice detailing the application and the relevant dates for representations to be submitted, once in a local publication and on, at or near to the premises for 28 consecutive days. The Licensing Authority must also display a notice detailing the application on their website for 28 consecutive days commencing on the day after the application has been accepted.

4.4 Significant Issues

There is no requirement for an EINA to be completed for this report.

4.5 In preparing this report, the author has considered issues related to Human Rights, Legal Matters, Human Resources, Equalities, Public Health Inequalities and there are no areas of concern.

5. Environmental impact

- 5.1 No Net Zero and Climate Impact Assessment (NZCIA) is required for this report.

6. Appendix

- 6.1 Appendix A – Application to vary the premises licence
- 6.2 Appendix B – Existing Premises Licence
- 6.3 Appendix C- Representation made by a Responsible Authority.
- 6.4 Appendix D – Representations made by other persons

7. Background paper(s)

- 7.1 The Licensing Sub-Committee shall refer to the current Statement of Licensing Policy, in particular sections;
- 3.0 Licensable Activities
 - 5.0 Licensing Hours
 - 6.0 Promotion of the Licensing Objectives
 - 7.0 Prevention of Public Nuisance
 - 8.0 Prevention of Crime and Disorder
 - 9.0 Public Safety
 - 10.0 The Protection of Children from Harm
 - 19.0 Standardised Conditions.

The current Guidance, issued by the Home Office under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 (updated February 2025) should also be taken into consideration. In particular.

Section 1.2 – 1.5 Licensing objectives and aims

1.15 – 1.17 General Principles

2.0 - 2.38 The Licensing Objectives

9.31 – 9.41 Hearings

9.42 – 9.44 Determining actions that are appropriate for the promotion of the Licensing objectives

10.1 – 10.3 Conditions - general

10.8 – 10.9 Imposed conditions

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