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DISTRICT COUNCIL
NORTH OXFORDSHIRE

Committee: **Licensing Acts Sub Committee**

Date: **Tuesday 15 April 2025**

Time: **3.00 pm**

Venue: **39 Castle Quay, Banbury, Oxfordshire, OX16 5FD**

Membership

Councillor Rebecca Biegel
Councillor Barry Wood

Councillor Chris Pruden

AGENDA

1. Appointment of Chairman of the Sub-Committee

2. Declarations of Interest

Members are asked to declare any interest and the nature of that interest that they may have in any of the items under consideration at this meeting.

Note: Any Member with a disclosable pecuniary interest will not be able to participate in the hearing, and should therefore notify the Monitoring Officer in advance so that arrangements may be made for an alternate Member to attend.

3. Premises Licence Review Hearing (Pages 3 - 46)

Report of Health Protection, Compliance and Licensing Manager

Purpose of report

To consider an objection to a full variation received from the premises below to extend opening hours on a Friday and Saturday premises licence relating to:

The White Hart, 4 Sheep Street, Bicester, OX26 6TB: PRM0233

Recommendations

There are no recommendations, but in considering the representations received and what is appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives, the steps the Sub-Committee have are as follows:

- issue the licence as applied for or
- issue the licence with amended hours or licensable activities or
- reject the application if it is considered necessary in order to promote the licensing objectives

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Declarations of Interest

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Shiraz Sheikh
Monitoring Officer

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This report is public	
Premises Licence Review Hearing	
Committee	Licensing Act Sub-Committee
Date of Committee	15 April 2025
Report of	Jan Southgate, Health Protection, Compliance and Licensing Manager

Purpose of report

To consider an objection to a full variation received from the premises below to extend opening hours on a Friday and Saturday premises licence relating to:

The White Hart, 4 Sheep Street, Bicester, OX26 6TB: PRM0233

To set out the background information pertaining to this Variation Application in relation to The White Hart, 4 Sheep Street, Bicester, OX26 6TB: PRM0233.

1. Recommendations

There are no recommendations, but in considering the representations received and what is appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives, the steps the Sub-Committee have are as follows:

- issue the licence as applied for or
- issue the licence with amended hours or licensable activities or
- reject the application if it is considered necessary in order to promote the licensing objectives

2. Executive Summary

- 2.1 To consider an objection to the Variation to increase the hours of Late-Night Refreshment, Alcohol Sales and Regulated Entertainment for The White Heart, 4 Sheep Street, Bicester. The variation applied for is to increase the Licensing hours on Friday and Saturday from the current hours of 3am to 4am for Alcohol Sales with 30 minutes drinking up time and 4:30am for Regulated Entertainment. The variation also seeks to amend the conditions in annex 2 of the licence. By removing it in its entirety and replaced with the conditions as set out in part 3 of the variation, see appendix 3.

Implications & Impact Assessments

Implications	Commentary
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Finance	There are no financial implications arising from this report. Kelly Wheeler, Finance Business Partner, 1 April 2025			
Legal	The legal requirements are set out in the report.			
Risk Management	There are no risk implications arising directly from this report. Any risks related to this report will be managed through the service operational risk and escalated to the Corporate Leadership Risk register as and when deemed necessary. Celia Prado-Teeling, Performance Team Leader, 4 April 2025			
Impact Assessments	Positive	Neutral	Negative	Commentary
Equality Impact				N/A
A Are there any aspects of the proposed decision, including how it is delivered or accessed, that could impact on inequality?		/		
B Will the proposed decision have an impact upon the lives of people with protected characteristics, including employees and service users?		/		
Climate & Environmental Impact				N/A
ICT & Digital Impact				N/A
Data Impact				N/A
Procurement & subsidy				N/A
Council Priorities	N/A			
Human Resources	N/A			
Property	N/A			
Consultation & Engagement	When an application for a Variation to a Premises License is received the applicant must display a Blue Notice at or near the relevant premises. The consultation period runs for 28 days from the day after the application is received. This gives Interested Parties and Responsible Authorities the opportunity to make representations in relation to the application.			

	<p>The 28 day consultation period ran from the 6 March until the 3 April, 2025. The application has been advertised in accordance with the regulations, with the required Blue Notices being displayed at the premises, photographic evidence of the notices affixed at the premises were received on the 6 March 2025. The Variation was advertised on 13 March 2025 with a Public Notice being placed in the Bicester Advertiser.</p> <p>During the consultation period 1 objection to the licence variation was received from Thames Valley Police, this was received on the 24 March 2025.</p> <p>Details of the objection is attached to this report as Appendix 3. It should be noted, under section 13(4) of the Act the Licensing Authority may submit objection as one of the responsible authorities.</p> <p>Environmental Health, Planning, Health Protection, Oxfordshire Fire and Rescue Service, Oxfordshire Safeguarding Children's Board, Trading Standards, Home Office immigration and the Secretary of State responded with either 'no objections' or 'no comments' to make' or did not respond to the consultation.</p> <p>All information and evidence from the License holder, interested parties, and responsible Authorities will be presented to the committee by the respective parties.</p>
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Supporting Information

3. Background

3.1 The White Hart is a Public House situated in Bicester at 4 Sheep Street, Bicester OX26 6TB.

3.2 The White Hart holds a premises licence (originally issued in 2019 and variation agreed in 2020) which currently allows licensable activities as listed below:

Sale of Alcohol Thursday 10.00 - 0200 (on and off the premises)
Sale of Alcohol Sunday to Thursday 10.00 - 01.00 (on and off the premise)
Sale of Alcohol Friday to Saturday 10.00 – 03.00 (on and off the premises)

Late Night Refreshment (indoors) Sunday 23.00 – 02.00
Late Night Refreshment (indoors) Friday and Saturday 23.00 – 03.00
Late Night Refreshment (indoors) Monday to Thursday 23.00 – 01.30

Regulated Entertainment (indoors) Sunday 10.00 – 01.30
Regulated Entertainment (indoors) Friday and Saturday 10.00 – 03.30
Regulated Entertainment (indoors) Monday to Wednesday 10.00 – 01.00

4. Details

- 4.1 On the 5 March 2025 the Licensing Authority received an application from Spirit Pub Company (Leased) Limited for The White Hart, 4 Sheep Street, Bicester OX26 6TB. The application seeks to vary a premises licence under Section 34 of the Licensing Act 2003. The application is recorded under application number 21963. A copy of the application is attached as **Appendix 1**. A copy of the plan of the premises is attached as **Appendix 2**.

- 4.2 The variation application seeks to permit the following extension to the licensing hours:

The hours applied for are as follows:

Opening Hours Friday – Saturday 09:00 – 04:30

Sale of Alcohol (on and off sales)

Friday - Saturday 10:00 – 04:00

Regulated Entertainment Friday – Saturday 10:00 – 04:30

Late Night Refreshment Friday – Saturday 23:00 – 04:00

The opening hours shall also be extended to allow for 30 minutes drinking up time, meaning the pub will close at 4:30am.

The variation also seeks to amend the conditions in annex 2 of the licence. By removing it in its entirety and replaced with the conditions as set out in part 3 of the variation, see appendix 3.

- 4.3 The application was validated on the 5 March and the consultation process began on the 6 March and ran until 3 April 2025.
- 4.4 A hearing was arranged on the 15 April 2025 in accordance with Schedule 1 of The Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005.
- 4.5 Members of the Licensing Sub-Committee are asked to determine the application as the Licensing Authority has received a representation stating that the grant of this application would undermine the prevention of crime and disorder, and public safety licensing objectives.
- 4.6 The Licensing Authority may only consider aspects relevant to the application that have been raised in the representation.
- 4.7 Members of the Licensing Sub-Committee are requested to determine the application having regard to the operating schedule, representations received, the Councils Statement of Licensing Policy, revised guidance issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 and the four licensing objectives.
- 4.8 An authorisation is required in respect of any premises where it is intended to conduct one or more of the licensable activities, these being:

(a) Sale of alcohol

(b) Supply of alcohol (in respect of a club)

- (c) Regulated Entertainment
- (d) Provision of Late Night Refreshment

An appropriate authorisation is either, a premises licence, a club premises certificate, or a Temporary Event Notice.

- 4.9 Licence holders are required, when offering any licensable activity, to ensure that they promote the licensing objectives at all times. The operating schedule of the application contains detail of all the activities applied for and the control measures that the applicant will have in place in order to promote these objectives. Such measures will, where appropriate be converted into enforceable conditions on any licence issued.

The four licensing objectives are:

- (a) Prevention of crime and disorder
 - (b) Prevention of public nuisance
 - (c) Public Safety
 - (d) Protection of children from harm.
- 4.10 Where representations have been received from a responsible authority or any other person, and the concerns have not been resolved through mediation between all parties, the Licensing Act 2003 requires that these applications should be determined by the Licensing Authority's Licensing Committee. The Licensing Act 2003 allows for applications such as this one to be delegated to a Sub-Committee. In accordance with those rules, the Scheme of Delegation set out in the Council's Constitution states that the Licensing Sub-Committee has responsibility for dealing with this application.

5. Alternative Options and Reasons for Rejection

- 5.1 At the end of the consultation period the licensing authority must hold a hearing if relevant representations are received. It must take such steps as it considers appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives, which are:

- the prevention of crime and disorder
- public safety
- the prevention of public nuisance
- the protection of children from harm

- 5.2 The steps the Sub-Committee can take are to:

- issue the licence as applied for;
- issue the licence with amended hours or licensable activities
- reject the application if it is considered necessary in order to promote the licensing objectives

6 Conclusion and Reasons for Recommendation

- 6.1 There is no recommendation.

Decision Information

Key Decision	N/A
Subject to Call in	N/A
If not, why not subject to call in	N/A
Ward(s) Affected	Bicester East

Document Information

Appendices	
Appendix 1	Current Premises Licence (2020)
Appendix 2	Licence Plan
Appendix 3	Full Variation Application
Appendix 4	Objection to Full Variation
Report Author	Mr Jan Southgate, Health Compliance and Licensing Manager
Report Author contact details	01295 753744 licensing@cherwell-dc.gov.uk

LICENSING ACT 2003

PREMISES LICENCE



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NORTH OXFORDSHIRE

PART A – Part 1

The White Hart 4 Sheep Street Bicester OX26 6TB	Licence Ref:	PRM0233
	Date Granted:	21.04.2020
	Valid from: Valid to:	Not Time Limited
	Issue date:	21.04.2020
	Tel No.:	

Premises Licence Holder	Greene King Brewing And Retailing Limited Westgate Brewery Bury St Edmunds Suffolk IP33 1QT
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Licensable Activities - Alcohol Sales

Activity	Days of Week	Open	Close
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Licensable Activities - Other

Activity	Days of Week	Open	Close
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Late Night Refreshment (Indoors)	Friday and Saturday	23:00	03:00
Late Night Refreshment (Indoors)	Monday to Thursday	23:00	02:00
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New Years Eve from the end of permitted hours on New Years Eve to the start of permitted hours on the following day (or, if there are no permitted hours on the following day, midnight on 31 December)

Opening Hours

Days of Week	Open	Close
Friday and Saturday	09:00	03:30
Monday to Wednesday	09:00	02:00
Thursday	09:00	02:30
Sunday	09:00	01:30

Seasonal Variations

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PART A - Part 2

Registered number of holder, for example company number, charity number

Registered Company Number 03298903

Name of designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises for the supply of alcohol

Mr John O'Leary
The White Hart
4 Sheep Street
Bicester
OX26 6TB

Personal licence number and issuing authority of personal licence held by designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises for the supply of alcohol

Licence Number: 05JO/00AQ/WGPD/LQYY
Licensing Authority: London Borough Of Harrow



Michael Sands
Licensing Officer
21 April 2020

Annex 1 – Mandatory conditions

Mandatory Conditions

All Premises Licence authorising supply of alcohol

The licence is granted subject to the Mandatory conditions for sale of alcohol as set out in the Licensing Act 2003 as amended by the Licensing Act 2003 (Mandatory Licensing Conditions) Order 2010 and Order 2014.

1. No Supply of alcohol may be made under the Premises Licence -
 - a) At a time when there is no Designated Premises Supervisor in respect of the Premises Licence; or
 - b) At a time when then the Designated Premises Supervisor does not hold a Personal Licence or his Personal Licence is suspended
2. Every supply of alcohol under the Premises Licence must be made, or authorised by a person who holds a Personal Licence
- 3.1 The responsible person must ensure that staff on relevant premises do not carry out, arrange or participate in any irresponsible promotions in relation to the premises
- 3.2 In this paragraph, an irresponsible promotion means any one or more of the following activities, or substantially similar activities, carried on for the purpose of encouraging the sale or supply of alcohol for consumption on the premises.
 - a) games or other activities which require or encourage, or are designed to require or encourage, individuals to -
 - i. drink a quantity of alcohol within a time limit (other than to drink alcohol sold or supplied on the premises before the cessation of the period in which the responsible person is authorised to sell or supply alcohol), or
 - ii. drink as much alcohol as possible (whether within a time limit or otherwise);
 - b) provision of unlimited or unspecified quantities of alcohol free or for a fixed or discounted fee to the public or to a group defined by a particular characteristic in a manner which carries a significant risk of undermining a licensing objective;
 - c) provision of free or discounted alcohol or any other thing as a prize to encourage or reward the purchase and consumption of alcohol over a period of 24 hours or less in a manner which carries a significant risk of undermining a licensing objective;
 - d) selling or supplying alcohol in association with promotional posters or flyers on, or in the vicinity of, the premises which can reasonably be considered to condone, encourage or glamorise anti-social behaviour or to refer to the effects of drunkenness in any favourable manner.
 - e) dispensing alcohol directly by one person into the mouth of another (other than where that other person is unable to drink without assistance by reason of disability).
4. The responsible person must ensure that free potable water is provided on request to customers where it is reasonably available
- 5.1 The premises licence holder or club premises certificate holder must ensure that an age verification policy is adopted in respect of the premises in relation to the sale or supply of alcohol.
- 5.2 The designated premises supervisor in relation to the premises licences must ensure that the supply of alcohol at the premises is carried on in accordance with the age verification policy.
- 5.3 The policy must require individuals who appear to the responsible person to be under 18 years of age (or such older age as may be specified in the policy) to produce on request, before being served alcohol, identification bearing their photograph, date of birth and either:-
 - a. a holographic mark or
 - b. an ultraviolet feature
6. The responsible person must ensure that -
 - a) where any of the following alcoholic drinks is sold or supplied for consumption on the premises (other than alcoholic drinks sold or supplied having been made up in advance ready for sale or supply in a securely closed container) it is available to customers in the following measures:-
 - i. beer or cider: ½ pint;
 - ii. gin, rum, vodka or whiskey: 25ml or 35ml; and
 - iii. still wine in a glass: 125ml; and

- b) these measures are displayed in a menu, price list or other printed material which is available to customers on the premises; and
- c) where a customer does not in relation to a sale of alcohol specify the quantity of alcohol to be sold, the customer is made aware that these measures are available.

Minimum Drinks Pricing

- 1. A relevant person shall ensure that no alcohol is sold or supplied for consumption on or off the premises for a price which is less than the permitted price
- 2. For the purposes of the condition set out in paragraph 1 -
 - a. "duty" is to be construed in accordance with the Alcoholic Liquor Duties Act 1979
 - b. "permitted price" is the price found by applying the formula -

$$P=D+(D \times V)$$

Where: -

- i. P is the permitted price
 - ii. D is the amount of duty chargeable in relation to the alcohol as if the duty were charged on the date of the sale or supply of alcohol, and
 - iii. V is the rate of value added tax chargeable in relation to the alcohol as if the value added tax were charged on the date of the sale or supply of alcohol;
- c. "relevant person" means, in relation to premises in respect of which there is in force a premises licence -
 - i. The holder of the premises licence
 - ii. The designated premises supervisor (if any) in respect of such a licence, or
 - iii. The personal licence holder who makes or authorises a supply of alcohol under such a licence;
 - d. "relevant person" means, in relation to premises in respect of which there is in force a club premises certificate, any member or officer of the club present on the premises in a capacity which enables the member or officer to prevent the supply in question; and
 - e. "value added tax" means value added tax charged in accordance with Value Added Tax Act 1994
3. Where the permitted price given by Paragraph (b) of paragraph 2 would (apart from the paragraph) not be a whole number of pennies, the price given by that sub-paragraph shall be taken to be the price actually given by that sub-paragraph rounded up to the nearest penny.

4.1 Sub-paragraph (2) applies where the permitted price given by Paragraph (b) of paragraph 2 on a day ("the first day") would be different from the permitted price on the next day ("the second day") as a result of a change to the rate of duty or value added tax

4.2 The permitted price which would apply on the first day applies to sales or supplies of alcohol which take place before the expiry of the period of 14 days beginning on the second day

If the Premises Licence allows Exhibition of Films

- 1. Where a premises licence authorises the exhibition of films, the licence must include a condition requiring the admission of children to the exhibition of any film to be restricted in accordance with this section.
- 2. Where the film classification body is specified in the licence, unless subsection (3)(b) applies, admission of children must be restricted in accordance with any recommendation by that body.

3. Where

- (a) The film classification body is not specified in the licence, or
- (b) The relevant licensing authority has notified the holder of the licence that this subsection applies to the film in question,

admission of children must be restricted in accordance with any recommendation made by that licensing authority.

4. In this section "children" means any person aged under 18; and

"film classification body" means the person or persons designated as the authority under Section 4 of the Video Recordings Act 1984(c39) (authority to determine suitability of video works for classification).

If the Premises Licence has conditions in respect of Door Supervision except theatres, cinemas, bingo halls and casinos

1. Where a premises licence includes a condition that at specified times one or more individuals must be at the premises to carry out a security activity, each such individual must:

(a) be authorised to carry out that activity by a licence granted under the Private Security Industry Act 2001; or

(b) be entitled to carry out that activity by virtue of section 4 of the Act.

2. But nothing in subsection (1) requires such a condition to be imposed:

(a) in respect of premises within paragraph 8(3)(a) of Schedule 2 to the Private Security Industry Act 2001 (c12) (premises with premises licences authorising plays or films) ; or

(b) in respect of premises in relation to:

(i) any occasion mentioned in paragraph 8(3)(b) or (c) of that Schedule (premises being used exclusively by club with club premises certificate, under a temporary event notice authorising plays or films or under a gaming licence), or

(ii) any occasion within paragraph 8(3)(d) of that Schedule (occasions prescribed by regulations under that Act.

3. For the purposes of this section:

(a) "security activity" means an activity to which paragraph 2(1)(a) of that Schedule applies, and, which is licensable conduct for the purposes of that Act, (see Section 3(2) of that Act) and

(b) paragraph 8(5) of that Schedule (interpretation of references to an occasion) applies as it applies in relation to paragraph 8 of that Schedule.

Annex 2 – Conditions consistent with the operating schedule

General - all four licensing objectives

We have applied for an extended period between the cessation of the supply of alcohol and the closure of the premises to give us the option to allow for a more gradual dispersal of customers. The style and operation of the pub will not differ significantly during the extended hours. Where this is appropriate, non-alcoholic refreshment will be available in the extended period.

The premises will respect Spirit Group's Approach to Responsible Drinking (a copy of which was enclosed in support of this application). Our policies change at regular intervals to reflect current trends and it would be inappropriate to standardise them on a permanent basis. The enclosed policy is included for information only and not as suggested conditions or to form part of any other Operating Schedule.

The prevention of crime and disorder

When door staff are used they will be Security Industry Authority (SIA) approved and operate in accordance with the security industry guidelines.

A zero tolerance towards illegal drugs will be enforced at all times.

If a disc jockey is used on any night then he/she will ask customers to leave quietly.

If a CCTV system is installed at this site, it will continue to operate during the additional hours of trading and notices will be displayed.

All instances of crime and disorder will be reported to the police and will be kept in an incident log book.

Public Safety

Public safety is integral to the way that the Spirit Group runs its business and is reviewed regularly through our health and safety policy. This policy is fully briefed and trained to all management and staff and we will continue to train our staff to the standards required by relevant legislation. Free drinking water will be available at all times.

The prevention of public nuisance

Additional patrols will take place by members of staff, internally and externally, to limit any noise pollution when entertainment is being offered within the premises.

If appropriate, notices will be displayed asking our customers to respect our neighbours when leaving the premises.

Where already used text/radio pagers will continue to be used for the additional hours of trading and will be monitored by a responsible member of staff.

Soft drinks and non-alcoholic refreshment will be available if we decide to use the option to stay open for an extended period between the cessation of the supply of alcohol and the closure of the premises (see above under General).

All external doors/windows must be kept closed other than for access and egress in all rooms when events involving amplified music or speech are taking place.

No licensable activities or consumption of alcohol will take place externally after 23:00.

The protection of children from harm

When children are allowed upon the premises, any entertainment offered within the premises will be suitable for young persons. Children will be required to be supervised by the accompanying adult at all time.

Soft drinks and non-alcoholic drinks will be available. A recognised Proof of Age Policy will be enforced.

LICENSING ACT 2003 PREMISES LICENCE



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PART B

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	Valid to:	Not Time Limited
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Opening Hours

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Registered number of holder, for example company number, charity number

Registered Company Number 03298903

Name of designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises for the supply of alcohol

Mr John O'Leary

State whether access to the premises by children is restricted or prohibited

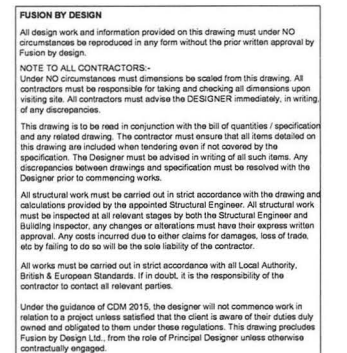
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Michael Sands
Licensing Officer
21 April 2020

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 Perimeter of Licensed Area

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Appendix 3

Application to vary a premises licence under the Licensing Act 2003

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Before completing this form please read the guidance notes at the end of the form. If you are completing this form by hand please write legibly in block capitals. In all cases ensure that your answers are inside the boxes and written in black ink. Use additional sheets if necessary.

You may wish to keep a copy of the completed form for your records.

I/We **Spirit Pub Company (Leased) Limited**

(Insert name(s) of applicant)

being the premises licence holder, apply to vary a premises licence under section 34 of the Licensing Act 2003 for the premises described in Part 1 below

Premises licence number PRM0233

Part 1 – Premises Details

Postal address of premises or, if none, ordnance survey map reference or description The White Hart 4 Sheep Street
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Post town	Bicester	Postcode	OX26 6TB
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Telephone number at premises (if any)	
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Non-domestic rateable value of premises	£107500
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Part 2 – Applicant details

Daytime contact telephone number	
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E-mail address (optional)	
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Current postal address if different from premises address	Westgate Brewery
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Post town	Bury St Edmunds	Postcode	IP33 1QT
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Part 3 - Variation

Please tick as appropriate

Do you want the proposed variation to have effect as soon as possible? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If not, from what date do you want the variation to take effect?

DD	MM	YYYY
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Do you want the proposed variation to have effect in relation to the introduction of the late night levy? (Please see guidance note 1) ☐ Yes ☒ No

Please describe briefly the nature of the proposed variation (Please see guidance note 2)

This is an application to extend the terminal hours on Fridays and Saturdays for all currently permitted licensable activities by one hour. The opening hours shall also be extended to allow for 30 minutes drinking up time, meaning the pub will close at 4:30am. The new hours shall read as follows:

Opening Hours

Friday – Saturday 09:00 – 04:30

Sale of Alcohol (on and off sales)

Friday - Saturday 10:00 – 04:00

Regulated Entertainment

Friday – Saturday 10:00 – 04:30

Late Night Refreshment

Friday – Saturday 23:00 – 04:00

This is also an application to amend the conditions in annex 2 of the licence. Annex 2 will be removed in its entirety and replaced with the following conditions:

1. An incident log will be kept at the premises, recording any significant incidents or any refusal of the sale of alcohol. It will be made available to an authorised officer of the Police or Council on request. It must be completed within 24 hours of the occurrence and must record: a) the date and time of the incident or refusal, b) names of staff and persons involved (if known), c) detail of the incident or refusal. Incidents to be recorded should include (but not be limited to) any crime or disorder, injuries to staff or customers, refusal of the sale of alcohol, ejections, the banning of customers, seizures of drugs/weapons, or any visit by relevant authorities or emergency services, and the purpose of the visit.
2. The provision of door security will be on a risk assessed basis. A copy of the risk assessment will be made available to local Constabulary upon request. All door supervisors must be licensed by the Security Industry Association (SIA). Door supervisors will be easily identifiable by means of either high visibility clothing, uniform, or fluorescent band and will display their SIA accredited badge at all times while on duty. At the commencement of duty, all door supervisors will sign an attendance book recording their SIA number and signature. The attendance book shall be made available to the Police or an authorised officer of the Licensing Authority upon request.
3. A CCTV system shall be installed at the premises and maintained in good working order and used at all times when the premises are open for licensable activities.

Any CCTV footage shall be held for at least 28 days and shall be made available to an officer of the Licensing Authority or Police on reasonable request.

4. The Premises shall draw up and implement a drugs policy. Staff will be trained in relation to the police and a copy shall be made available to the Police or an authorised officer of the Council upon request.
5. On Friday and Saturday nights, the premises shall operate a last entry time for new customers of 03:00. Signs will be positioned on the entrances, clearly visible to customers, notifying them of this last entry time.
6. The DPS/ manager will undertake a weekly inspection of the public areas of the premises to identify anything might present an identifiable risk to public safety. Any risks identified that are deemed to be unreasonable must be rectified at the earliest possible opportunity.
7. The premises shall draw up and implement a dispersal policy. Staff will be trained in relation to the police and a copy shall be made available to the Police or an authorised officer of the Council upon request.
8. All windows and doors shall remain closed when Regulated Entertainment (in the form of amplified live or recorded music) is taking place on the Premises, save for access and egress.
9. Notices will be displayed at each exit requiring customers to respect the neighbours when leaving the premises.
10. A member of staff or security staff will regularly monitor the garden area from 11pm until the end of licensable activities to manage customers and prevent any public nuisance.
11. The DPS/Manager will draw up and implement a noise management plan ('the plan'). The plan will set out what measurements will be in place to ensure that entertainment will not cause a public nuisance to residents in the immediate vicinity of the premises. The plan will be implemented in full during entertainment held at the premises. The plan will be revisited periodically and amended to reflect changes in the law and where entertainment will be held and will take into account any best practice or advice provided by the Council Environmental Protection Officer from time to time. The plan will be disseminated to all staff required to implement it and will be made available to responsible authorities on request.
12. A Challenge 25 policy shall be implemented and full and appropriate identification shall be sought from any person who appears under the age of 25. The only acceptable forms of identification shall be passport, photo driving licence, those carrying the PASS logo or any other form of ID (hard-copy or digital) approved by the Home Office for the purposes of age verification for sales of alcohol.
13. Notices shall be displayed indicating that the Challenge 25 policy is in force.
14. Staff training shall include the Challenge 25 policy and its operation. In particular staff shall be trained to take such action as is necessary to prevent the sale of alcohol to persons over the age of 18 where those customers are engaged in the distribution of alcohol to persons under the age of 18. The training shall be given to a new member of staff before they commence paid employment and all staff shall be re-trained yearly. All training shall be documented.

All other hours, activities and conditions are to remain unchanged by this application.

If your proposed variation would mean that 5,000 or more people are expected to attend the premises at any one time, please state the number expected to attend:

Part 4 Operating Schedule

Please complete those parts of the Operating Schedule below which would be subject to change if this application to vary is successful.

Provision of regulated entertainment (Please see guidance note 3)	Please tick all that apply
a) plays (if ticking yes, fill in box A)	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) films (if ticking yes, fill in box B)	<input type="checkbox"/>
c) indoor sporting events (if ticking yes, fill in box C)	<input type="checkbox"/>
d) boxing or wrestling entertainment (if ticking yes, fill in box D)	<input type="checkbox"/>
e) live music (if ticking yes, fill in box E)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
f) recorded music (if ticking yes, fill in box F)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
g) performances of dance (if ticking yes, fill in box G)	<input type="checkbox"/>
h) anything of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g) (if ticking yes, fill in box H)	<input type="checkbox"/>

Provision of late night refreshment (if ticking yes, fill in box I) ☒

Supply of alcohol (if ticking yes, fill in box J) ☒

In all cases complete boxes K, L and M

A

Plays Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			<u>Will the performance of a play take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 4)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish			
Mon			<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 5)		
Tue					
Wed			<u>State any seasonal variations for performing plays</u> (please read guidance note 6)		
Thur					
Fri			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the performance of plays at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 7)		
Sat					
Sun					

B

Films Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			<u>Will the exhibition of films take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 4)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish	<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 5)		
Mon					
Tue			<u>State any seasonal variations for the exhibition of films</u> (please read guidance note 6)		
Wed			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the exhibition of films at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 7)		
Thur					
Fri					
Sat					
Sun					

C

Indoor sporting events Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			<u>Please give further details</u> (please read guidance note 5)
Day	Start	Finish	
Mon			
			<u>State any seasonal variations for indoor sporting events</u> (please read guidance note 6)
Tue			
Wed			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for indoor sporting events at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 7)
Thur			
Fri			
Sat			
Sun			

D

Boxing or wrestling entertainments Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			<u>Will the boxing or wrestling entertainment take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 4)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish			
Mon			<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 5)		
Tue					
Wed			<u>State any seasonal variations for boxing or wrestling entertainment</u> (please read guidance note 6)		
Thur					
Fri			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for boxing or wrestling entertainment at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 7)		
Sat					
Sun					

E

Live music Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			<u>Will the performance of live music take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 4)	Indoors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish	<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 5)		
Mon					
Tue					
			<u>State any seasonal variations for the performance of live music</u> (please read guidance note 6)		
Wed					
Thur					
			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the performance of live music at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 7)		
Fri					
	1000				
Sat		0430			
	1000				
Sun		0430			

F

Recorded music Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			<u>Will the playing of recorded music take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 4)	Indoors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish	<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 5)		
Mon					
Tue					
			<u>State any seasonal variations for the playing of recorded music</u> (please read guidance note 6)		
Wed					
Thur					
			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the playing of recorded music at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 7)		
Fri					
	1000				
Sat		0430			
	1000				
Sun		0430			

G

Performances of dance Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			<u>Will the performance of dance take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 4)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish			
Mon			<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 5)		
Tue					
Wed			<u>State any seasonal variations for the performance of dance</u> (please read guidance note 6)		
Thur					
Fri			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the performance of dance at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 7)		
Sat					
Sun					

H

Anything of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g) Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			Please give a description of the type of entertainment you will be providing		
Day	Start	Finish	<u>Will this entertainment take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 4)	Indoors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mon				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tue			<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 5)		
Wed					
Thur			<u>State any seasonal variations for entertainment of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g)</u> (please read guidance note 6)		
Fri					
Sat			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the entertainment of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g) at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 7)		
Sun					

Late night refreshment Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			<u>Will the provision of late night refreshment take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 4)	Indoors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish	<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 5)		
Mon					
Tue					
			<u>State any seasonal variations for the provision of late night refreshment</u> (please read guidance note 6)		
Wed					
Thur					
			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the provision of late night refreshment at different times, to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 7)		
Fri					
	2300				
Sat		0400			
	2300				
Sun		0400			

J

Supply of alcohol Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			Will the supply of alcohol be for consumption – please tick (please read guidance note 9)	On the premises	<input type="checkbox"/>	
				Off the premises	<input type="checkbox"/>	
				Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Day	Start	Finish	<u>State any seasonal variations for the supply of alcohol</u> (please read guidance note 6)			
Mon						
Tue						
Wed						
Thur						<u>Non-standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the supply of alcohol at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 7)
Fri						
	1000					
Sat		0400				
	1000					
Sun		0400				

K

<p>Please highlight any adult entertainment or services, activities, other entertainment or matters ancillary to the use of the premises that may give rise to concern in respect of children (please read guidance note 10).</p> <p>n/a</p>

L

Hours premises are open to the public Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			<u>State any seasonal variations</u> (please read guidance note 6)
Day	Start	Finish	
Mon			
Tue			
Wed			
Thur			
Fri			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend the premises to be open to the public at different times from those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 7)
	0900		
Sat		0430	
	0900		
Sun		0430	

Please identify those conditions currently imposed on the licence which you believe could be removed as a consequence of the proposed variation you are seeking.

We have applied for an extended period between the cessation of the supply of alcohol and the closure of the premises to give us the option to allow for a more gradual dispersal of customers. The style and operation of the pub will not differ significantly during the extended hours. Where this is appropriate, nonalcoholic refreshment will be available in the extended period.

The premises will respect Spirit Group's Approach to Responsible Drinking (a copy of which was enclosed in support of this application). Our policies change at regular intervals to reflect current trends and it would be inappropriate to standardise them on a permanent basis. The enclosed policy is included for information only and not as suggested conditions or to form part of any other Operating Schedule.

When door staff are used they will be Security Industry Authority (SIA) approved and operate in accordance with the security industry guidelines.

A zero tolerance towards illegal drugs will be enforced at all times.

If a disc jockey is used on any night then he/she will ask customers to leave quietly.

If a CCTV system is installed at this site, it will continue to operate during the additional hours of trading and notices will be displayed.

All instances of crime and disorder will be reported to the police and will be kept in an incident log book.

Public safety is integral to the way that the Spirit Group runs its business and is reviewed regularly through our health and safety policy. This policy is fully briefed and trained to all management and staff and we will continue to train our staff to the standards required by relevant legislation. Free drinking water will be available at all times.

Additional patrols will take place by members of staff, internally and externally, to limit any noise pollution when entertainment is being offered within the premises.

If appropriate, notices will be displayed asking our customers to respect our neighbours when leaving the premises.

Where already used text/radio pagers will continue to be used for the additional hours of trading and will be monitored by a responsible member of staff.

Soft drinks and non-alcoholic refreshment will be available if we decide to use the option to stay open for an extended period between the cessation of the supply of alcohol and the closure of the premises (see above under General).

All external doors/windows must be kept closed other than for access and egress in all rooms when events involving amplified music or speech are taking place.

No licensable activities or consumption of alcohol will take place externally after 23:00.

When children are allowed upon the premises, any entertainment offered within the premises will be suitable for young persons. Children will be required to be supervised by the accompanying adult at all time.

Soft drinks and non-alcoholic drinks will be available. A recognised Proof of Age Policy will be enforced.

Please tick as appropriate

- I have enclosed the premises licence ☒
- I have enclosed the relevant part of the premises licence ☐

If you have not ticked one of these boxes, please fill in reasons for not including the licence or part of it below

Reasons why I have not enclosed the premises licence or relevant part of premises licence.

Copy enclosed.

M Describe any additional steps you intend to take to promote the four licensing objectives as a result of the proposed variation:

a) General – all four licensing objectives (b, c, d and e) (please read guidance note 11)

b) The prevention of crime and disorder

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The provision of door security will be on a risk assessed basis. A copy of the risk assessment will be made available to local Constabulary upon request. All door supervisors must be licensed by the Security Industry Association (SIA). Door supervisors will be easily identifiable by means of either high visibility clothing, uniform, or fluorescent band and will display their SIA accredited badge at all times while on duty. At the commencement of duty, all door supervisors will sign an attendance book recording their SIA number and signature. The attendance book shall be made available to the Police or an authorised officer of the Licensing Authority upon request.

A CCTV system shall be installed at the premises and maintained in good working order and used at all times when the premises are open for licensable activities. Any CCTV footage shall be held for at least 28 days and shall be made available to an officer of the Licensing Authority or Police on reasonable request.

The Premises shall draw up and implement a drugs policy. Staff will be trained in relation to the police and a copy shall be made available to the Police or an authorised officer of the Council upon request.

On Friday and Saturday nights, the premises shall operate a last entry time for new customers of 03:00. Signs will be positioned on the entrances, clearly visible to customers, notifying them of this last entry time.

c) Public safety

The DPS/ manager will undertake a weekly inspection of the public areas of the premises to identify anything might present an identifiable risk to public safety. Any risks identified that are deemed to be unreasonable must be rectified at the earliest possible opportunity.

d) The prevention of public nuisance

The premises shall draw up and implement a dispersal policy. Staff will be trained in relation to the police and a copy shall be made available to the Police or an authorised officer of the Council upon request.

All windows and doors shall remain closed when Regulated Entertainment (in the form of amplified live or recorded music) is taking place on the Premises, save for access and egress.

Notices will be displayed at each exit requiring customers to respect the neighbours when leaving the premises.

A member of staff or security staff will regularly monitor the garden area from 11pm until the end of licensable activities to manage customers and prevent any public nuisance.

The DPS/Manager will draw up and implement a noise management plan ('the plan'). The plan will set out what measurements will be in place to ensure that entertainment will not cause a public nuisance to residents in the immediate vicinity of the premises. The plan will be implemented in full during entertainment held at the premises. The plan will be revisited periodically and amended to reflect changes in the law and where entertainment will be held and will take into account any best practice or advice provided by the Council Environmental Protection Officer from time to time. The plan will be disseminated to all staff required to implement it and will be made available to responsible authorities on request.

e) The protection of children from harm

A Challenge 25 policy shall be implemented and full and appropriate identification shall be sought from any person who appears under the age of 25. The only acceptable forms of identification shall be passport, photo driving licence, those carrying the PASS logo or any other form of ID (hard-copy or digital) approved by the Home Office for the purposes of age verification for sales of alcohol.

Notices shall be displayed indicating that the Challenge 25 policy is in force.

Staff training shall include the Challenge 25 policy and its operation. In particular staff shall be trained to take such action as is necessary to prevent the sale of alcohol to persons over the age of 18 where those customers are engaged in the distribution of alcohol to persons under the age of 18. The training shall be given to a new member of staff before they commence paid employment and all staff shall be re-trained yearly. All training shall be documented.

Checklist:

Please tick to indicate agreement

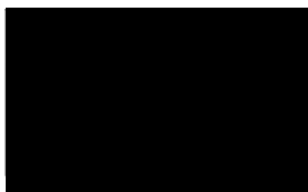
- I have made or enclosed payment of the fee; or ☒
- I have not made or enclosed payment of the fee because this application has been made in relation to the introduction of the late night levy. ☐
- I have sent copies of this application and the plan to responsible authorities and others where applicable. ☒
- I understand that I must now advertise my application. ☒
- I have enclosed the premises licence or relevant part of it or explanation. ☒
- I understand that if I do not comply with the above requirements my application will be rejected. ☒

IT IS AN OFFENCE, UNDER SECTION 158 OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003, TO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT IN OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS APPLICATION. THOSE WHO

MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT MAY BE LIABLE ON SUMMARY CONVICTION TO A FINE OF ANY AMOUNT.

Part 5 – Signatures (please read guidance note 12)

Signature of applicant (the current premises licence holder) or applicant's solicitor or other duly authorised agent (please read guidance note 13). If signing on behalf of the applicant, please state in what capacity.

Signature	
Date	05 March 2025
Capacity	Solicitor to applicant

Contact name (where not previously given) and address for correspondence associated with this application (please read guidance note 15) Matthew May TLT Solicitors One Redcliff Street			
Post town	Bristol	Post code	BS1 6TP
Telephone number (if any)	0333 006 1739		
If you would prefer us to correspond with you by e-mail, your e-mail address (optional) Matthew.may@TLT.com			

Notes for Guidance

This application cannot be used to vary the licence so as to extend the period for which the licence has effect or to vary substantially the premises to which it relates. If you wish to make that type of change to the premises licence, you should make a new premises licence application under section 17 of the Licensing Act 2003.

1. You do not have to pay a fee if the only purpose of the variation for which you are applying is to avoid becoming liable for the late night levy
2. Describe the premises. For example, the type of premises, its general situation and layout and any other information which could be relevant to the licensing objectives. Where your application includes off-supplies of alcohol and you intend to provide a place of consumption of these off-supplies of alcohol, you must include a description of where the place will be and its proximity to the premises.
3. In terms of specific regulated entertainments please note that:

- Plays: no licence is required for performances between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, provided that the audience does not exceed 500.
- Films: no licence is required for 'not-for-profit' film exhibition held in community premises between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day provided that the audience does not exceed 500 and the organiser (a) gets consent to the screening from a person who is responsible for the premises; and (b) ensures that each such screening abides by age classification ratings.
- Indoor sporting events: no licence is required for performances between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, provided that the audience does not exceed 1000.
- Boxing or Wrestling Entertainment: no licence is required for a contest, exhibition or display of Greco-Roman wrestling, or freestyle wrestling between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, provided that the audience does not exceed 1000. Combined fighting sports – defined as a contest, exhibition or display which combines boxing or wrestling with one or more martial arts – are licensable as a boxing or wrestling entertainment rather than an indoor sporting event.
- Live music: no licence permission is required for:
 - a performance of unamplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, on any premises.
 - a performance of amplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day on premises authorised to sell alcohol for consumption on those premises, provided that the audience does not exceed 500.
 - a performance of amplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, in a workplace that is not licensed to sell alcohol on those premises, provided that the audience does not exceed 500.
 - a performance of amplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, in a church hall, village hall, community hall, or other similar community premises, that is not licensed by a premises licence to sell alcohol, provided that (a) the audience does not exceed 500, and (b) the organiser gets consent for the performance from a person who is responsible for the premises.
 - a performance of amplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, at the non-residential premises of (i) a local authority, or (ii) a school, or (iii) a hospital, provided that (a) the audience does not exceed 500, and (b) the organiser gets consent for the performance on the relevant premises from: (i) the local authority concerned, or (ii) the school or (iii) the health care provider for the hospital.
- Recorded Music: no licence permission is required for:
 - any playing of recorded music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day on premises authorised to sell alcohol for consumption on those premises, provided that the audience does not exceed 500.
 - any playing of recorded music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, in a church hall, village hall, community hall, or other similar community premises, that is not licensed by a premises licence to sell alcohol, provided that (a) the audience does not exceed 500, and (b) the organiser gets consent for the performance from a person who is responsible for the premises.
 - any playing of recorded music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, at the non-residential premises of (i) a local authority, or (ii) a school, or (iii) a hospital, provided that (a) the audience does not exceed 500, and (b) the organiser gets consent for the performance on the relevant premises from: (i) the local authority concerned, or (ii) the school proprietor or (iii) the health care provider for the hospital.
- Dance: no licence is required for performances between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, provided that the audience does not exceed 500. However, a performance which amounts to adult entertainment remains licensable.
- Cross activity exemptions: no licence is required between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, with no limit on audience size for:

- any entertainment taking place on the premises of the local authority where the entertainment is provided by or on behalf of the local authority;
 - any entertainment taking place on the hospital premises of the health care provider where the entertainment is provided by or on behalf of the health care provider;
 - any entertainment taking place on the premises of the school where the entertainment is provided by or on behalf of the school proprietor; and
 - any entertainment (excluding films and a boxing or wrestling entertainment) taking place at a travelling circus, provided that (a) it takes place within a moveable structure that accommodates the audience, and (b) that the travelling circus has not been located on the same site for more than 28 consecutive days.
4. Where taking place in a building or other structure please tick as appropriate (indoors may include a tent).
 5. For example state type of activity to be authorised, if not already stated, and give relevant further details, for example (but not exclusively) whether or not music will be amplified or unamplified.
 6. For example (but not exclusively), where the activity will occur on additional days during the summer months.
 7. For example (but not exclusively), where you wish the activity to go on longer on a particular day e.g. Christmas Eve.
 8. Please give timings in 24 hour clock (e.g. 16.00) and only give details for the days of the week when you intend the premises to be used for the activity.
 9. If you wish people to be able to consume alcohol on the premises, please tick 'on the premises'. If you wish people to be able to purchase alcohol to consume away from the premises, please tick 'off the premises'. If you wish people to be able to do both, please tick 'both'.
 10. Please give information about anything intended to occur at the premises or ancillary to the use of the premises which may give rise to concern in respect of children regardless of whether you intend children to have access to the premises, for example (but not exclusively) nudity or semi-nudity, films for restricted age groups or the presence of gaming machines.
 11. Please list here steps you will take to promote all four licensing objectives together.
 12. The application form must be signed.
 13. An applicant's agent (for example solicitor) may sign the form on their behalf provided that they have actual authority to do so.
 14. Where there is more than one applicant, each of the applicants or their respective agents must sign the application form.
 15. This is the address which we shall use to correspond with you about this application.

Division/Station : Cherwell and West Oxfordshire LPA

From : Ian Wares
TVP Licensing officer

To : Cherwell District Council
Licensing Dept

Ref : Full Variation White Hart, Bicester. Date : 24th March 2025 Tel.No. 07800 703588

Subject :

Thames Valley Police Objection to a full variation application

As licensing officer for Thames Valley Police, I am authorised to make representation in relation to applications and notifications submitted under the Licensing Act 2003 on behalf of the Chief Constable as a responsible authority

I am writing to formally present Thames Valley Police's objection against the application by the Spirit Pub Company Ltd, for a Full Variation submitted on Thursday 6th March 2025 to extend the licensable activities at the White Hart, 4 Sheep Street, Bicester, OX26 6TB on Friday and Saturday nights.

Proposed Variation for Friday and Saturdays

- To extend the Sale of alcohol a until 04:00hrs and then a 30 minute drinking up time until 04:30hrs.
- Late Night Refreshment until 04:00hrs.
- Regulated Entertainment until 04:30hrs.
- Closing time 04:30hrs.

Current Operation

- Sale of alcohol until 03:00hrs.
- Late Night refreshment until 03:00hrs.
- Regulated Entertainment until 03:30hrs
- Closing time 03:30hrs.

The premises

The White Hart like any other premise in the town suffers from incidents throughout the year, these are connected both within and immediately outside. Some incidents in the town centre can be identified with customers from the White Hart. As can be seen from the list below the premise has been associated with 13 incidents that have been reported to the police in the last 12 months. Some inside some directly outside and others associated with White Hart customers in the town.

The list shows both positive and negative side of the way the premise is run. As can be seen most incidents are reported at or very near the closing time of the premise now to extend the hours would only be to extend the incident times. Some of the incidents show good work by door staff in refusing drunk customers entry, if the hours to extend were granted then customers from other venues would want as they do now attempt to get into the premise.

1. Saturday 21st December 2024 at 01:10hrs – Sexual assault in the premises.
2. Saturday 1st December 2024 at 03:30hrs - Assault outside the premises.
3. Saturday 2nd November 2024 at 00:30hrs – Sexual assault in the premises.
4. Friday 11th October 2024 at 03:04hrs – Fight and assault outside the premises.

5. Sunday 1st September 2024 at 01:43hrs – Barred male entered the premises and was removed by door staff, the male attempted to assault the staff.
6. Sunday 18th August 2024 at 18:00hrs – Male refused service as he was too intoxicated, he then caused disorder and tried to assault staff.
7. Sunday 4th August 2024 at 00:43hrs - large group of travellers fighting inside and outside the premises.
8. Saturday 25th May 2024 at 01:40hrs – Male ejected from the premises and was trying to re-enter and was causing disorder.
9. Friday 15th May 2024 at 02:21hrs – Male assaulted inside the premises.
10. Sunday 7th April 2024 at 01:44hrs – Intoxicated male removed from the premises and was causing problems outside with the door staff.
11. Saturday 30th March 2024 at 02:40hrs – Serious assault by a doorman assaulting a customer with a knuckle duster.
12. Saturday 30th March 2024 at 02:16hrs – Female assaulted by a male in the premises.
13. Saturday 30th March 2024 at 03:18hrs – Male who had previously be refused entry seen by officers approaching the the premises swinging a baseball bat.

Police concerns

The White Hart currently closes at 03:30hrs on Friday and Saturdays and is the last premises in Bicester to close on these days. Both the Local Policing Team Inspector and Sergeant state that the White Hart is where most of the incidents occur in the town and normally around closing time. They also feel that policing response to Nightsafe only provides an overlap and additional resources for the Night Time Economy until 04:00hrs and a later closing would have a significant impact on the effectiveness of the police response and public safety.

Thames Valley Police are objecting to this application as they believe that there is a high risk that there will an increase in crime and ASB in the area which may undermine the Prevention of Crime and Disorder and Public safety Objectives.

IAN C.R.WARES
Licensing Officer
Thames Valley Police.