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NOTICE OF MEETING - LICENSING APPLICATIONS SUB-COMMITTEE 3 MARCH 2026

A meeting of the Licensing Applications Sub-Committee will be held on Tuesday, 3 March 2026 at 5.00 pm in the Council Chamber, Civic Offices, Bridge Street, Reading, RG1 2LU (from Monday 26 January the public entrance to the Civic Centre will be on Bridge Street). The Agenda for the meeting is set out below.

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1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST		
Councillors to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests they may have in relation to the items for consideration.		
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To confirm the Minutes of the Licensing Applications Sub-Committee meetings held on 11 December, 16 December and 23 December 2025.		
3. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC		
At this point, the following motion will be moved by the Chair:		
<i>“That, pursuant to Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) members of the press and public be excluded during consideration of the following items on the agenda, as it is likely that there would be disclosure of exempt information as defined in the relevant paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of that Act.”</i>		

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4. AN APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A SCHOOL TRANSPORT VEHICLE DRIVER'S LICENCE AND REPORTS TO CONSIDER THE SUSPENSION/REVOICATION OF PRIVATE HIRE AND SCHOOL TRANSPORT VEHICLE DRIVER'S LICENCES.

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A report asking the Sub-Committee to consider:

- an application for the grant of a Private Hire (School Transport) Driver's Licence;
- a report to consider the suspension/revocation of a Private Hire Driver's Licence; and
- a report to consider the suspension/revocation of a Private Hire (School Transport) Driver's Licence.

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Present: Councillors Woodward (Chair), Asare and Dennis.

32. APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A PREMISES LICENCE MUSKAAN ENTERPRISES, 10-12 OXFORD ROAD READING

The Sub-Committee considered a report on an application for the grant of a premises licence in respect of Muskaan Enterprises Ltd, 10-12 Oxford Road, Reading, RG1 2LG. A copy of the application for a premises licence was attached to the report at Appendix RS-1.

The report stated that the premises licence applied for would be to authorise the following licensable activities and hours:

Sale by Retail of Alcohol (Off the Premises):

Sunday to Thursday	from 0700hrs until 2300hrs
Friday to Saturday	from 0700hrs until 0000hrs

Hours the Premises is Open to the Public:

Sunday to Thursday	from 0700hrs until 2300hrs
Friday to Saturday	from 0700hrs until 0000hrs

A schedule of conditions agreed by the Applicant, Thames Valley Police and the Council's Licensing Team was appended to the report at Appendix RS-2.

The report stated that the 28-day statutory consultation period for the application had closed on 17 November 2025. During this period a valid representation had been received from Alexandra Novikova, a local resident, and a copy of the representation was attached to the report at Appendix RS-3.

The report stated that in determining the application the Licensing Authority had a duty to discharge its functions with a view to promoting the four licensing objectives:

- The prevention of crime and disorder;
- Public safety;
- The prevention of public nuisance;
- The protection of children from harm.

The report stated that any decision made in relation to the premises licence should be appropriate and proportionate with a view to promoting the four licensing objectives. The Licensing Authority could amend, alter, or refuse an application should it be deemed appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives.

The report also stated that, when determining the application, the Licensing Authority must have regard to the representations received, the Licensing Authority's own Statement of Licensing Policy and to any relevant section of the statutory guidance issued to licensing authorities by the Secretary of State. The report highlighted Section 18(6) of the Licensing

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Act 2003, which required that any relevant representations be considered in the context of the likely effect of the grant of the premises licence would have on the promotion of the licensing objectives.

The report set out paragraphs from the Council's Statement of Licensing Policy (specifically paragraphs: 1.6, 3.1, 3.2, 5.6, 5.7, 6.1, 6.2, 6.5, 6.11 to 6.13, 7.2, 7.6, 7.7, 7.12, 8.6, 10.1 and 10.3) and from the Secretary of State's Guidance issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act, dated February 2025 (specifically paragraphs: 1.2 to 1.5, 8.41 to 8.49, 9.12, 9.38 to 9.40, 9.42 and 9.43). Relevant case law examples were also provided for consideration by the Sub-Committee.

Robert Smalley, Senior Licensing & Enforcement Officer, Reading Borough Council, attended the hearing, presented the report and addressed the Sub-Committee.

The Applicant, Singh Pal Molotr and his representative, Malinder Kaur, attended the meeting, addressed the Sub-Committee on the application and asked and responded to questions. Melinder Kaur, on behalf of the applicant, also proposed an additional condition requiring twice-daily litter collection outside the premises and a reduction in the operating hours as follows:

Sale by Retail of Alcohol (Off the Premises):

Sunday to Thursday	from 0700hrs until 2200hrs
Friday to Saturday	from 0700hrs until 2300hrs

Hours the Premises is Open to the Public:

Sunday to Thursday	from 0700hrs until 2200hrs
Friday to Saturday	from 0700hrs until 2300hrs

Local resident, Alexandra Novikova, who had submitted a representation, attended the meeting, addressed the Sub-Committee, asked and responded to questions.

Resolved –

- (1) **That, having considered the application for the grant of the premises licence in respect of Muskaan Enterprises Ltd, 10-12-Oxford Road, Reading, RG1 7LA, and having taken into consideration:**
- **the Licensing Act 2003;**
 - **the Secretary of State's Guidance issued under section 182 of that Act;**
 - **the Council's Statement of Licensing Policy;**
 - **the likely effect of imposing the options available to the Sub-Committee under the Secretary of State's Guidance upon on the promotion of the four Licensing Objectives;**

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and having read and considered the written reports and representations received from:

- the Council's Licensing Team;
- the Applicant;
- the local resident;
- the Premises Licence Conditions agreed between Thames Valley Police, the Council's Licensing Team and the Applicant;

and having considered the oral representations made by those present at meeting;

the Sub-Committee concluded that it was appropriate and proportionate to grant with the agreed conditions as set out in Appendix RS-2 and subject to the changes below, the premises licence as follows:

Sale by Retail of Alcohol (Off the Premises):

Sunday to Thursday	from 0700hrs until 2200hrs
Friday to Saturday	from 0700hrs until 2300hrs

Hours the Premises is Open to the Public:

Sunday to Thursday	from 0700hrs until 2200hrs
Friday to Saturday	from 0700hrs until 2300hrs

(2) That the Sub-Committee's reasons be noted as follows:

- (a) The application had attracted one representation from a local resident, Alexandra Novikova, who opposed the grant of the licence and contended that this would undermine each of the four licensing objectives of prevention of crime and disorder, prevention of public nuisance, public safety and the protection of children from harm.
- (b) The Sub-Committee noted that no representations had been received from any Responsible Authority. In particular, the Sub-Committee noted Paragraph 2.1 of the Guidance to the Act which stated that the police were the Licensing Authority's main source of information on crime and disorder, and noted that no representation had been received from Thames Valley Police. The Applicant had agreed a comprehensive set of conditions with both Thames Valley Police and the Reading Borough Council licensing team.
- (c) In making its decision, the Sub-Committee had regard to the provisions of the Licensing Act 2003, the Secretary of State's Guidance issued under section 182 of that Act, and the Reading Borough Council Statement of Licensing Policy. It noted

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Paragraph 1.18 of the revised guidance that required licensing authorities to consider the need to promote growth and deliver economic benefits.

- (d) Each member of the Sub-Committee read and considered the application and accompanying documents and listened carefully to the representations made at the meeting.**
- (e) The Sub-Committee must consider the likely effect of the granting of the application upon the promotion of the four Licensing Objectives: In the view of the Sub-Committee, there was no evidence that the grant of the licence as applied for and amended would undermine the licensing objectives.**
- (f) The decision of the Sub-Committee was therefore to grant the application as modified and subject to the agreed conditions.**
- (g) The Applicant had proposed that there could be an additional condition requiring twice-daily litter collection outside the premises. The Sub-Committee welcomed the proposal but did not require it to be made a condition on the licence.**

(At the Meeting the Chair advised all parties to the hearing that they had the right of appeal to the Magistrates Court within 21 days of receipt of the written decision).

(The meeting started at 9.30 am and closed at 10.36 am)

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Present: Councillors Woodward (Chair), Edwards and Mitchell.

33. MINUTES

The Minutes of the meetings held on 28 October 2025 and 27 November 2025 were confirmed as correct records and signed by the Chair.

34. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

Resolved

That, pursuant to Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), members of the press and public be excluded during consideration of the following item of business as it was likely that there would be disclosures of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 5 specified in Part 1 of Schedule 12A (as amended) to that Act.

35. APPLICATIONS FOR THE GRANT AND RENEWAL OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE DRIVER'S LICENCES AND REPORTS TO CONSIDER THE SUSPENSION/REVOCAION OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE DRIVER'S LICENCES

The Sub-Committee considered a report that set out the cases relating to the following:

- An application for the grant of a Private Hire Vehicle Driver's Licence. Applicant: AM. (Appendix 1);
- An application for the renewal of a Private Hire Vehicle Driver's Licence. Licence Holder: SH. (Appendix 2);
- A report to consider the suspension/revocation of a Hackney Carriage Vehicle Driver's Licence. Licence Holder: CM. (Appendix 3);
- A report to consider the suspension/revocation of a Private Hire Vehicle Driver's Licence. Licence Holder: AJ. (Appendix 4); and
- An application for the renewal of a Private Hire Vehicle Driver's Licence. Licence Holder: AJ. (Appendix 5).

Summaries detailing the circumstances relating to each of the cases were attached to the report at Appendices 1 to 5.

AM attended the hearing, addressed the Sub-Committee and responded to questions.

SH attended the hearing, addressed the Sub-Committee and responded to questions.

CM attended the hearing and was represented by Adonis Daniel. Both addressed the Sub-Committee and responded to questions. CM's wife also attended the hearing.

AJ attended the hearing and was accompanied by their daughter KJ. Both addressed the Sub-Committee and responded to questions.

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Nicola Butler, Senior Licensing Enforcement Officer, presented the reports to the Sub-Committee and asked and responded to questions. Mike Harding and Ben Williams, Licensing Enforcement Officers, also attended the hearings and asked and responded to questions.

In relation to the cases set out in Appendices 4 and 5, copies of Additional Information that had been provided by AJ to Licensing Officers had been circulated to members of the Sub-Committee by email ahead of the meeting.

In relation to the cases set out in Appendices 4 and 5, the parties present for the hearing agreed to hear the cases together as the decisions required related to the same matter.

In reaching its decisions the Sub-Committee endeavoured throughout to strike a fair balance between the interests of the applicants and licence holders and the concerns of the Licensing Officers, but its overriding consideration was to the safeguarding of the public. The Sub-Committee also gave due consideration to the written material contained in the paperwork, the oral evidence provided at the meeting, and to relevant legislation, guidance and the policies of Reading Borough Council, including but not limited to:

- The Town Police Clauses Act 1847;
- The Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976;
- The Taxis and Private Hire Vehicles (Safeguarding and Road Safety) Act 2022;
- The Secretary of State's Guidance;
- The Equality Act 2010;
- Reading Borough Council's Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicle Convictions Policy (November 2023);
- Reading Borough Council's Hackney Carriage driver and vehicle conditions;
- Reading Borough Council's Private Hire driver, vehicle and operator conditions;
- The Fit and Proper Person Test.

Resolved –

- (1) That the application for a Private Hire Vehicle Driver's Licence in respect of AM (case at Appendix 1) be granted as sought, subject to the issue of a written warning regarding AM's future conduct and the need for honest dealings with the public and with Licensing.

REASONS:

- (a) In coming to its decision the Sub-Committee took into account the relevant legislation and the written and oral evidence presented at the hearing.
- (b) The Sub-Committee endeavoured throughout to strike a fair balance between the interests of the Applicant and the concerns of Licensing Enforcement Officers, but its overriding consideration was the safeguarding of the public.

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- (c) The Sub-Committee heard from Licensing Officers and from the Applicant.
- (d) The Sub-Committee were concerned that the Applicant had not revealed his convictions for driving matters, including the major conviction for driving without insurance, but accepted the Applicant's explanation for the offences and for the failure to note them on the application.

(AM was advised of their right of appeal)

- (2) That the application for the renewal of the Private Hire Vehicle Driver's Licence held by SH (case at Appendix 2) be granted, subject to the issue of a written warning regarding SH's future conduct and the need for honest dealings with the public and with Licensing.

REASONS:

- (a) In coming to its decision, the Sub-Committee took into account the relevant legislation, the relevant caselaw, and considered the written and oral evidence presented to it at the hearing.
- (b) The Sub-Committee heard from Licensing Officers and from the Applicant.
- (c) The Sub-Committee noted that SH had wrongly answered "no" to the question "*have you ever been refused a driver's licence/vehicle licence/operator's licence or had such a licence suspended or revoked by Reading Borough Council or any other council?*"
- (d) The Sub-Committee noted that honesty was a vital component of every fit and proper person to hold a Private Hire Vehicle Driver's Licence, and the Sub-Committee was concerned both at the Applicant's behaviour in the Fareham test, and by their failure to admit to the refusal on their renewal application.
- (e) The Sub-Committee was however reassured by the Applicant's explanation, including their personal circumstance at the time, which it accepted.
- (f) The Sub-Committee found that, on balance, SH was a fit and proper person to hold a licence.

(SH was advised of their right of appeal)

- (3) That the Hackney Carriage Vehicle Driver's Licence held by CM (case at Appendix 3) be revoked with effect from the end of 21 days notice of the

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decision being given to the driver, due to the Sub-Committee not considering CM to be a fit and proper person to hold such a licence, and for the following reasonable causes pursuant to Section 61 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976:

REASONS:

- (a) In coming to its decision the Sub-Committee took account of the relevant legislation and carefully considered the written evidence and oral evidence presented to it at the hearing.
- (b) The Sub-Committee endeavoured throughout to strike a fair balance between the interests of CM and the concerns of Licensing Officers, but its overriding consideration was the safeguarding of the public.
- (c) The Sub-Committee noted CM's long history of enforcement interaction with the Council's Licensing Team, dating from November 2006 up to October 2025, noting that the instances listed included a suspension, nine written warnings and seven verbal warnings, not including the five incidents that gave rise to the current hearing.
- (d) The Sub-Committee noted that three of the recent incidents had occurred after CM's performance meeting with officers that had resulted in the issuing of a final warning.
- (e) The Sub-Committee noted that the pattern and consistency of complaints against CM were mutually supporting and left CM's position untenable.
- (f) The Sub-Committee found that when answering questions, CM sought to minimise the impact of his transgressions, placed the blame on others, and found it difficult to take responsibility for his own actions. The Sub-Committee was not convinced that CM would mend his ways.
- (g) The Sub-Committee found that, for the reasons set out above, CM was not a fit and proper person to hold a Hackney Carriage Vehicle Driver's Licence and therefore revoked the licence.

(CM was advised of his right to appeal against the decision to Reading Magistrates' Court, Civic Centre, Castle Road, Reading, RG1 7TQ, within 21 days, starting from the day he was notified by the licensing authority of the decision.)

- (4) That, with regard to the Private Hire Vehicle Driver's Licence held by AJ (cases at Appendices 4 and 5), the Sub-Committee grants the application for renewal, but suspends the licence for four weeks for the reasons set out below. The grant of the renewal application was also subject to the condition that AJ successfully completes and passes the extended driving assessment

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by 3 February 2026. If AJ fails to do so within the specified time, no licence shall be issued, and the application shall be deemed refused.

REASONS:

- (a) In coming to its decision, the Sub-Committee carefully considered the written evidence and oral evidence presented to it at the hearing.
- (b) The Sub-Committee endeavoured throughout to strike a fair balance between the interests of Applicant and the concerns of Licensing Enforcement Officers, but its overriding consideration was the safeguarding of the public.
- (c) The Sub-Committee heard from Licensing Officers and from the Applicant, AJ, and his daughter.
- (d) The Sub-Committee noted that it had allowed AJ to keep his Private Hire Vehicle Driver's Licence, the last time he was before the Sub-Committee on 23 September 2025 when it had required AJ to complete an accredited remedial driving assessment as soon as one was available, and with a reasonable time as defined by the Licensing Team. The Sub-Committee noted that AJ had failed to do so, having booked himself onto the wrong course.
- (e) The Sub-Committee was concerned that AJ had not declared his 2023 speeding conviction and penalty points, noting that he had declined to engage with the Licensing Team about this issue when it had been raised.
- (f) The Sub-Committee noted that it was AJ's son who had completed the application form, and that he had been told of the conviction before doing so, but that he had not remembered to include it.
- (g) The Sub-Committee noted Private Hire Vehicle Condition 19.2, which gave a maximum of 28 days for any driver to notify the Licensing Team of any motoring conviction, and that AJ had failed to do so.
- (h) The Sub-Committee were concerned that AJ was actively deciding not to abide by his licence conditions, or by the decisions taken by Reading Borough Council officers or the Licensing Sub-Committee.
- (i) The Sub-Committee required immediate engagement with its decisions by AJ and gave him one last chance to conform to expectation by booking and completing the right course before the end of 3 February 2026.
- (j) Accordingly, the Sub-Committee allowed AJ to renew his licence but suspended it for four weeks until he had completed the Taxi Driver

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Remedial Training course, which was to be completed before 3 February 2026. If AJ failed to pass the course, within the specified timeframe, the licence would not be renewed, and the application will be deemed refused.

(AJ was advised of his right to appeal against the decision to Reading Magistrates' Court, Civic Centre, Castle Road, Reading, RG1 7TQ, within 21 days, starting from the day he was notified by the licensing authority of the decision.)

(Exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 5)

(The meeting started at 5 pm and closed at 8.22 pm)

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Present: Councillors Woodward (Chair), Tarar (Vice-Chair) and Edwards.

36. MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 28 November 2025 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

37. GRANT OF A PREMISES LICENCE - MINA'S 1A BUCKLAND ROAD READING

The Sub-Committee considered a report on an application for the grant of a premises licence in respect of Mina's, 1A Buckland Road, Reading, RG2 7SP. A copy of the application for a premises licence was attached to the report at Appendix RS-1.

The report stated that the premises licence applied for would be to authorise the following licensable activities and hours:

Sale by Retail of Alcohol (On and Off the Premises):

Monday to Sunday 0900hrs until 2300hrs

Hours the Premises is Open to the Public:

Monday to Saturday 0730hrs until 2330hrs
Sunday 0800hrs until 2330hrs

A schedule of conditions agreed by the Applicant, Thames Valley Police and the Council's Licensing Team was appended to the report at Appendix RS-2.

The report stated that the 28-day statutory consultation period for the application had closed on 17 November 2025. During this period valid representations had been received from Ms Janet Withers - Local Resident – Attached as **Appendix RS-3** and Ms Margaret Hunter - Local Resident – Attached as **Appendix RS-4**.

The report stated that in determining the application the Licensing Authority had a duty to discharge its functions with a view to promoting the four licensing objectives:

- The prevention of crime and disorder;
- Public safety;
- The prevention of public nuisance;
- The protection of children from harm.

The report stated that any decision made in relation to the premises licence should be appropriate and proportionate with a view to promoting the four licensing objectives. The Licensing Authority could amend, alter, or refuse an application should it be deemed appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives.

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The report also stated that, when determining the application, the Licensing Authority must have regard to the representations received, the Licensing Authority's own Statement of Licensing Policy and to any relevant section of the statutory guidance issued to licensing authorities by the Secretary of State. The report highlighted Section 18(6) of the Licensing Act 2003, which required that any relevant representations be considered in the context of the likely effect of the grant of the premises licence would have on the promotion of the licensing objectives.

The report set out paragraphs from the Council's Statement of Licensing Policy (specifically paragraphs: 1.6, 3.1, 3.2, 5.6, 5.7, 6.1, 6.2, 6.5, 6.24 to 6.26, 7.2, 7.6, 7.12, 8.6, 10.1 and 10.3) and from the Secretary of State's Guidance issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act, dated February 2025 (specifically paragraphs: 1.2 to 1.5, 8.41 to 8.49, 9.12, 9.38 to 9.40, 9.42 and 9.43). Relevant case law examples were also provided for consideration by the Sub-Committee.

Robert Smalley, Senior Licensing & Enforcement Officer, and Ben Williams, Licensing & Enforcement Officer, Reading Borough Council, attended the hearing, presented the report and addressed the Sub-Committee. Nicola Butler, Senior Licensing Enforcement Officer, attended the meeting as an observer.

The Applicant, Jean Michel Parisotto and his representative, Manuel Rocha, attended the meeting, addressed the Sub-Committee on the application and asked and responded to questions.

Local residents, Ms Janet Withers and Ms Margaret Hunter, who had submitted representations, did not attend the meeting. Their written representations were considered by the Sub-Committee.

Resolved -

- (1) That, having considered the application submitted by MJ Butequim Ltd for the grant of the premises licence in respect of Mina's, 1A Buckland Road, Reading, RG2 7SP, and having taken into consideration:**
- the Licensing Act 2003;**
 - the Secretary of State's Guidance issued under section 182 of that Act;**
 - the Council's Statement of Licensing Policy;**
 - the likely effect of imposing the options available to the Sub-Committee under the Secretary of State's Guidance upon on the promotion of the four Licensing Objectives;**

and having read and considered the written reports and representations received from:

- the Council's Licensing Team;**
- the Applicant;**
- the local residents;**
- the Premises Licence Conditions agreed between Thames Valley Police, the Council's Licensing Team and the Applicant;**

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and having considered the oral representations made by those present at meeting;

the Sub-Committee concluded that it was appropriate and proportionate to grant with the agreed conditions as set out in Appendix RS-2, the premises licence as follows:

Sale by Retail of Alcohol (On and Off the Premises):

Monday to Sunday 0900hrs until 2300hrs

Hours the Premises is Open to the Public:

Monday to Saturday 0730hrs until 2330hrs

Sunday 0800hrs until 2330hrs

(2) That the Sub-Committee's reasons be noted as follows:

(a) During the consultation period, conditions had been agreed with the Applicant, Thames Valley Police and the Council Licensing Team as set out at Appendix RS-2;

(b) The conditions were wide-ranging and comprehensive.

(c) The hours proposed were consistent with other similar establishments in the area.

(d) The ownership of the café had recently changed and the applicant's approach to local residents seemed open and cooperative. This is shown by the actions of the applicant such as:

- The applicant had put up signage regarding parking following the representations from the local residents contained in the report being received by the applicant.
- The applicant had moved the bins following the representations from the local residents contained in the report being received by the applicant.
- Alcohol had previously been sold at the premises whilst Temporary Event Notices were in place without any complaints or issues being raised by members of the public and/or Licensing and/or Thames Valley Police.
- The Licensing Team commended the approach taken by the applicant in agreeing the conditions.

(e) There would be no vertical drinking.

(f) Some of the issues raised by local residents were not premises licence specific but were more general planning-related concerns and not relevant to the grant of a premises licence.

(g) There had been only two objections from local residents.

(h) The Sub-Committee had carefully considered the concerns raised by the local residents but considered that they were likely to be

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met by the conditions and any enforcement actions by the relevant Council officers and/or the Police.

At the meeting the Chair advised the applicant and other parties present that they would be informed of their right of appeal when they were sent a written copy of the Sub-Committee's full decision.

(The meeting started at 9.30am and closed at 10.00 am)

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