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NOTICE OF MEETING - LICENSING APPLICATIONS SUB-COMMITTEE 8 JULY 2026

A meeting of the Licensing Applications Sub-Committee will be held on Wednesday, 8 July 2026 at 9.30 am in the Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Bridge Street, Reading RG1 2LU. The Agenda for the meeting is set out below.

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WARDS

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- (a) Councillors to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests they may have in relation to the items for consideration;
- (b) Councillors to declare whether they wish to speak on the grounds they:
 - i. Have submitted a relevant representation; or
 - ii. Will be speaking on behalf of someone who has submitted a relevant representation.

2. APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A PREMISES LICENCE - SIP N VAPE, 53 DONKIN HILL, CAVERSHAM, READING, RG4 5DG CAVERSHAM 3 - 40

To consider an application for the grant of a premises licence in respect of Sip n Vape, 53 Donkin Hill, Caversham, Reading, RG4 5DG.

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LICENSING ACT 2003 HEARING WEDNESDAY 08 JULY @ 09:30HRS
APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A PREMISES LICENCE

1. Premises:
Sip n Vape 53 Donkin Hill Caversham Reading RG4 5DG
2. Applicant:
Mr Paramjeet Singh Shdana
3. Background:
<p>There is currently no licence in force at the premises. The premises has previously been a kitchen showroom and is adjacent to a hair salon and a tile showroom.</p> <p>The application has been submitted on behalf of Sip N Vape and is attached as <u>Appendix NB-1</u></p> <p>Thames Valley Police and Reading Borough Council's Licensing teams have agreed conditions with the applicant which are attached as <u>Appendix NB-2</u></p>
4. Proposed licensable activities and hours:
<p>The application is for the grant of a premises licence for the following activities:</p> <p><u>Sale by Retail of Alcohol (Off the Premises):</u> Monday to Sunday from 0700hrs until 2300hrs</p> <p><u>Hours the Premises is Open to the Public:</u> Monday to Sunday from 0700hrs until 2300hrs</p>
5. Temporary Event Notices
<p>In considering any application the Licensing Authority should be aware of the possible use of Temporary Event Notices to authorise licensable activities. A premises can extend the hours or scope of their operation by the use of Temporary Event Notices. Up to 15 events per year can be held under this provision at a particular premises. These events may last for up to 168 hours provided less than 500 people are accommodated and provided the total number of days used for these events does not exceed 21 per calendar year.</p>
6. Date of receipt of application: 18 May 2026
7. Date of closure of period for representations: 15 June 2026

8. Representations received:

During the 28-day consultation period for the application, representations were received from:

1. Ms Louise Black - local resident – attached as **Appendix NB-3**
2. Ms Elena Shishkanova – local resident – attached as **Appendix NB-4**

9. Powers of the Authority in determining an application for the grant of a premises licence

The Licensing authority, when determining an application for the grant of a premises licence may:

- Grant the application as applied for
- Grant the application with modifications
- Refuse the application

10. Licensing Objectives and Reading Borough Council's Licensing Policy Statement

In considering representations received the Licensing Authority has a duty to carry out its functions with a view to promoting the four licensing objectives, which are as follows:

- The Prevention of Crime and Disorder
- Public Safety
- The Prevention of Public Nuisance
- The Protection of Children from Harm

Any conditions that are placed on a premises licence should be appropriate and proportionate with a view to promoting the licensing objectives. The Licensing Authority can amend, alter, or refuse an application should it be deemed appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives.

In determining this application, the Licensing Authority must also have regard to the representations received, the Licensing Authority's statement of licensing policy and any relevant section of the statutory guidance to licensing authorities.

11. The Council's Licensing Policy Statement (2023):

1.6 The predominantly urban nature of Reading as a town means that an appropriate balance needs to be struck between the needs of local business and the needs of local residents. This licensing policy seeks to encourage all stakeholders to engage in the licensing process so that the needs of all can be taken into account and issues dealt with in a spirit of partnership and cooperation.

3. Licensing and integration with other legislation

3.1 Many other pieces of legislation impact directly or indirectly on the licensing regime. The Licensing Authority must have regard to the following when it discharges its responsibilities under the Licensing Act 2003 and in relation to the promotion of the four licensing objectives:

Crime and Disorder Act 1998

3.2 This Act requires local authorities and other bodies to consider crime and disorder reduction. Section 17 of the Act states that it shall be the duty of each authority, to exercise its various functions with due regard to the likely effect of the exercise of those functions on, and the need to do all that it reasonably can to prevent, crime and disorder in its area (including anti social and other behaviour) adversely affecting the local environment. This links specifically with the licensing objective of prevention of crime and disorder and the licensing authority will take into account all reasonable measures that actively promote this licensing objective.

5. Licensing Applications

Grant and Full Variations

5.6 During the 28-day consultation period, the authority will scrutinise the application along with all of the other Responsible Authorities to judge whether it undermines the promotion of the licensing objectives. The application will be made available to any person who requests to see it. As per Section 18 (6) of the Licensing Act 2003, it will consider the likely effect of granting any licence on the promotion of the licensing objectives. The authority will expect all applicants to have taken cognisance of the Secretary of State's Guidance; local strategies and initiatives; this policy and any other known local issues before submitting their application and that these matters are addressed within the operating schedule of the application.

5.7 Whilst many applications will be resolved without the need for a committee hearing, any matters or representations that are not resolved will trigger a hearing before the properly constituted Licensing Applications Committee for determination.

6. Licensing Conditions

General Approach

6.1 Conditions shall be appropriate and proportionate for the promotion of the licensing objectives and shall be unambiguous and clear in their stated aims. Conditions will also be tailored to the type, location and characteristics of the particular premises and the relevant licensable activities. Any condition imposed by the Authority shall also aim to avoid duplication of other legislation unless there is a requirement to impose such a condition in order to promote the licensing objectives (for example, a capacity limit for public safety reasons). This shall apply to all relevant applications (grant/variation of a premises licence or club premises certificate)

6.2 The operating schedule within an application should contain an assessment from the proposed licence holder of what they believe are appropriate and proportionate measures to enable them to carry out their proposed licensable activities. This assessment should be arrived at by taking cognisance of this policy and the Secretary of State's guidance which outlines the matters that an applicant should take into account such as issues in the locality and why their proposed measures are suitable for their proposed operation.

6.5 Any conditions imposed upon a premises licence or club premises certificate will be tailored to that type of premises and the style of operation. Consideration will also be given to the locality of the premises; issues in the locality; the issues set out in the Guidance and any policy, initiative or other matter the licensing authority wishes to take into account in order to promote the four licensing objectives.

Off Licences and Conditions – General Approach

6.11 Shops selling alcohol for consumption off the premises can be the focus of antisocial behaviour, crime and disorder and public disturbance. In the town centre and Oxford Road area, for example, there are significant issues with street drinking and the associated anti-social behaviour this causes.

6.12 Any applications for off licences shall be considered in the light of all relevant matters that may undermine the licensing objectives such as street drinking in that locality as well as the availability of high strength beers, lagers and ciders and the detrimental effect those products have on health outcomes. This approach will apply to the whole Borough of Reading and the authority will seriously consider any representation made to it by Thames Valley Police, Public Health or other responsible authorities which indicate that the availability or sale of high strength beers, lagers and cider are likely to be detrimental to the promotion of the four licensing objectives.

6.13 When considering applications for off licences, the authority would expect applicants to acknowledge the above issues within their operating schedule.

7. Licensing Hours

General Approach

7.2 When an application receives representations, the authority may consider reducing the opening hours and times for licensable activities if it considers it appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives.

Licensed Premises in Residential Areas

7.6 When dealing with applications and issuing licences, the authority is likely to impose stricter conditions on premises operating in residential areas if it considers it appropriate and proportionate to do so. This will apply to all premises types.

7.7 Generally, any licensed premises looking to open past 11pm (2300hrs) in a residential area will need to demonstrate clearly in their operating schedule that public nuisance will not result from later operation. As part of the operating schedule, applicants should read the Secretary of State's Guidance, this policy and any other relevant document and ensure that robust measures are included in any application.

7.12 The licensing authority will seek the input of the Council's Environmental Protection and Nuisance team when looking at measures that may be appropriate for the prevention of public nuisance. This will include taking cognisance of any representations that are submitted as part of the application process or any

enforcement action they have taken under their own legislation – such as noise abatement notices.

8. Children in Licensed Premises

8.6 The Authority will expect all licence holders or premises that wish to allow children on to their premises to ensure that access is restricted where appropriate. This would include, ensuring that all children are accompanied and that they do not have access to or sight of alcohol.

10. Administration, Exercise and Delegation of Functions

10.1 The powers of the Licensing Authority under the Licensing Act 2003 may be carried out by the Licensing Committee; by a Sub Committee or by one or more officers acting under delegated authority. The Licensing Committee will consist of between 10-15 members and the committee may establish one or more sub-committees consisting of two or three members.

10.3 A Licensing Sub-Committee shall hear all applications where relevant representations have been received and applications for the review of a premises licence that may have been submitted by Responsible Authorities or any other persons.

12. Amended Guidance issued under section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 (February 2026)

Licensing Objectives and Aims:

1.2 The legislation provides a clear focus on the promotion of four statutory objectives which must be addressed when licensing functions are undertaken.

1.3 The licensing objectives are:

- The Prevention of Crime and Disorder
- Public Safety
- The Prevention of Public Nuisance
- The Protection of Children from Harm

1.4 Each objective is of equal importance. There are no other statutory licensing objectives, so that the promotion of the four objectives is a paramount consideration at all times.

1.5 However, the legislation also supports a number of other key aims and purposes. These are vitally important and should be principal aims for everyone involved in licensing work. They include:

- protecting the public and local residents from crime, anti-social behaviour and noise nuisance caused by irresponsible licensed premises.

Steps to promote the licensing objectives:

8.41 In completing an operating schedule, applicants are expected to have regard to the statement of licensing policy for their area. They must also be aware of the expectations of the licensing authority and the responsible authorities as to the steps that are appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives, and to demonstrate knowledge of their local area when describing the steps they propose to take to promote the licensing objectives. Licensing authorities and responsible authorities are expected to publish information about what is meant by the promotion of the licensing objectives and to ensure that applicants can readily access advice about these matters. However, applicants are also expected to undertake their own enquiries about the area in which the premises are situated to inform the content of the application.

8.42 Applicants are, in particular, expected to obtain sufficient information to enable them to demonstrate, when setting out the steps they propose to take to promote the licensing objectives, that they understand:

- the layout of the local area and physical environment including crime and disorder hotspots, proximity to residential premises and proximity to areas where children may congregate;
- any risk posed to the local area by the applicants' proposed licensable activities; and
- any local initiatives (for example, local crime reduction initiatives or voluntary schemes including local taxi-marshalling schemes, street pastors and other schemes) which may help to mitigate potential risks.

8.43 Applicants are expected to include positive proposals in their application on how they will manage any potential risks. Where specific policies apply in the area (for example, a cumulative impact assessment), applicants are also expected to demonstrate an understanding of how the policy impacts on their application; any measures they will take to mitigate the impact; and why they consider the application should be an exception to the policy.

8.44 It is expected that enquiries about the locality will assist applicants when determining the steps that are appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives. For example, premises with close proximity to residential premises should consider what effect this will have on their smoking, noise management and dispersal policies to ensure the promotion of the public nuisance objective. Applicants must consider all factors which may be relevant to the promotion of the licensing objectives, and where there are no known concerns, acknowledge this in their application.

8.45 The majority of information which applicants will require should be available in the licensing policy statement in the area. Other publicly available sources which may be of use to applicants include:

- the Crime Mapping website;
- Neighbourhood Statistics website;
- websites or publications by local responsible authorities;
- websites or publications by local voluntary schemes and initiatives; and
- on-line mapping tools.

8.46 While applicants are not required to seek the views of responsible authorities before formally submitting their application, they may find them to be a useful source of expert advice on local issues that should be taken into consideration when making an application. Licensing authorities may wish to encourage co-operation between applicants, responsible authorities and, where relevant, local residents and businesses before applications are submitted in order to minimise the scope for disputes to arise.

8.47 Applicants are expected to provide licensing authorities with sufficient information in this section to determine the extent to which their proposed steps are appropriate to promote the licensing objectives in the local area. Applications must not be based on providing a set of standard conditions to promote the licensing objectives and applicants are expected to make it clear why the steps they are proposing are appropriate for the premises.

8.48 All parties are expected to work together in partnership to ensure that the licensing objectives are promoted collectively. Where there are no disputes, the steps that applicants propose to take to promote the licensing objectives, as set out in the operating schedule, will very often translate directly into conditions that will be attached to premises licences with the minimum of fuss.

8.49 For some premises, it is possible that no measures will be appropriate to promote one or more of the licensing objectives, for example, because they are adequately covered by other existing legislation. It is however important that all operating schedules should be precise and clear about the measures that are proposed to promote each of the licensing objectives.

The role of responsible authorities

9.12 Each responsible authority will be an expert in their respective field, and in some cases, it is likely that a particular responsible authority will be the licensing authority's main source of advice in relation to a particular licensing objective. For example, the police have a key role in managing the night-time economy and should have good working relationships with those operating in their local area⁵. The police should usually therefore be the licensing authority's main source of advice on matters relating to the promotion of the crime and disorder licensing objective. However, any responsible authority under the 2003 Act may make representations with regard to any of the licensing objectives if they have evidence to support such representations. Licensing authorities must therefore consider all relevant representations from responsible authorities carefully, even where the reason for a particular responsible authority's interest or expertise in the promotion of a particular objective may not be immediately apparent. However, it remains incumbent on all responsible authorities to ensure that their representations can withstand the scrutiny to which they would be subject at a hearing.

Hearings

9.38 In determining the application with a view to promoting the licensing objectives in the overall interests of the local community, the licensing authority must give appropriate weight to:

- the steps that are appropriate to promote the licensing objectives;
- the representations (including supporting information) presented by all the parties;
- this Guidance;
- its own statement of licensing policy.

9.39 The licensing authority should give its decision within five working days of the conclusion of the hearing (or immediately in certain specified cases) and provide reasons to support it. This will be important if there is an appeal by any of the parties. Notification of a decision must be accompanied by information on the right of the party to appeal. After considering all the relevant issues, the licensing authority may grant the application subject to such conditions that are consistent with the operating schedule. Any conditions imposed must be appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives; there is no power for the licensing authority to attach a condition that is merely aspirational. For example, conditions may not be attached which relate solely to the health of customers rather than their direct physical safety. Any conditions added to the licence must be those imposed at the hearing or those agreed when a hearing has not been necessary.

9.40 Alternatively, the licensing authority may refuse the application on the grounds that this is appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives. It may also refuse to specify a designated premises supervisor and/or only allow certain requested licensable activities. In the interests of transparency, the licensing authority should publish hearings procedures in full on its website to ensure that those involved have the most current information.

Determining actions that are appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives

9.42 Licensing authorities are best placed to determine what actions are appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives in their areas. All licensing determinations should be considered on a case-by-case basis. They should take into account any representations or objections that have been received from responsible authorities or other persons, and representations made by the applicant or premises user as the case may be.

9.43 The authority's determination should be evidence-based, justified as being appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives and proportionate to what it is intended to achieve.

13. The Licensing Act 2003

The Licensing Act 2003 under Section 18 (6) also states that any relevant representation should be considered in the context of:

(a) the likely effect of the grant of the premises licence on the promotion of the licensing objectives.

Therefore, in the context of the grant of a licence, it is reasonable for the Licensing Authority to base its decision on an application on what the likely effects of granting a licence would have on the promotion of the licensing objectives.

14. Relevant Case law for consideration:

(R) on the application of Hope and Glory Public House v Westminster City Council (2011) EWCA Civ31 illustrates that licensed premises, and the activities that take place in those premises, exist in a dynamic environment and should not be looked at entirely in isolation and confirms that this can include the impact that licensable activities have on a range of factors such as crime, the quality of life for residents and visitors to the area, and demand for licensed premises.

East Lindsey District Council v Abu Hanif (t/a Zara's Restaurant) (2016) this underpins the principles widely acknowledged within the Licensing Act 2003 that the licensing objectives are prospective, and that the prevention of crime and disorder requires a prospective consideration of what is warranted in the public interest, having regard to the twin considerations of prevention and deterrence.

15. Appendices

Appendix NB-1: Premises Licence Application Form

Appendix NB-2: Agreed conditions between Thames Valley Police, Reading Borough Council's Licensing Team and the Applicant

Appendix NB-3: Representation by Ms Louise Black - local resident

Appendix NB-4: Representation by Ms Elena Shishkanova - local resident

Appendix NB-5: Further comments by Ms Elena Shishkanova – local resident

Appendix NB-6: Further comments by Ms Louise Black

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* required information

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You can save the form at any time and resume it later. You do not need to be logged in when you resume.

System reference

Not Currently In Use

This is the unique reference for this application generated by the system.

Your reference

You can put what you want here to help you track applications if you make lots of them. It is passed to the authority.

Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?

- Yes No

Put "no" if you are applying on your own behalf or on behalf of a business you own or work for.

Applicant Details

* First name

Paramjeet Singh

* Family name

Shdana

* E-mail

Main telephone number

Include country code.

Other telephone number

- Indicate here if the applicant would prefer not to be contacted by telephone

Is the applicant:

- Applying as a business or organisation, including as a sole trader
 Applying as an individual

A sole trader is a business owned by one person without any special legal structure. Applying as an individual means the applicant is applying so the applicant can be employed, or for some other personal reason, such as following a hobby.

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Address

* Building number or name	<input type="text"/>
* Street	<input type="text"/>
District	<input type="text"/>
* City or town	<input type="text"/>
County or administrative area	<input type="text"/>
* Postcode	<input type="text"/>
* Country	<input type="text" value="United Kingdom"/>

Agent Details

* First name	<input type="text" value="Manpreet Singh"/>
* Family name	<input type="text" value="Kapoor"/>
* E-mail	<input type="text"/>
Main telephone number	<input type="text"/>
Other telephone number	<input type="text"/>

Include country code.

Indicate here if you would prefer not to be contacted by telephone

Are you:

- An agent that is a business or organisation, including a sole trader
- A private individual acting as an agent

A sole trader is a business owned by one person without any special legal structure.

Agent Business

Is your business registered in the UK with Companies House? Yes No

Note: completing the Applicant Business section is optional in this form.

Registration number	<input type="text" value="10291684"/>
Business name	<input type="text" value="Personal Licence Courses UK Ltd"/>
VAT number	<input type="text" value="-"/>
Legal status	<input type="text" value="Private Limited Company"/>
Your position in the business	<input type="text" value="Employee"/>
Home country	<input type="text" value="United Kingdom"/>

If your business is registered, use its registered name.

Put "none" if you are not registered for VAT.

The country where the headquarters of your business is located.

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Agent Registered Address

Address registered with Companies House.

Building number or name	<input type="text" value="145"/>
Street	<input type="text" value="Station Road"/>
District	<input type="text"/>
City or town	<input type="text" value="West Drayton"/>
County or administrative area	<input type="text"/>
Postcode	<input type="text" value="UB7 7ND"/>
Country	<input type="text" value="United Kingdom"/>

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PREMISES DETAILS

I/we, as named in section 1, apply for a premises licence under section 17 of the Licensing Act 2003 for the premises described in section 2 below (the premises) and I/we are making this application to you as the relevant licensing authority in accordance with section 12 of the Licensing Act 2003.

Premises Address

Are you able to provide a postal address, OS map reference or description of the premises?

- Address OS map reference Description

Postal Address Of Premises

Building number or name	<input type="text" value="Sip N Vape"/>
Street	<input type="text" value="53 Donkin Hill"/>
District	<input type="text" value="Caversham"/>
City or town	<input type="text" value="Reading"/>
County or administrative area	<input type="text"/>
Postcode	<input type="text" value="RG4 5DG"/>
Country	<input type="text" value="United Kingdom"/>

Further Details

Telephone number	<input type="text"/>
Non-domestic rateable value of premises (£)	<input type="text" value="6,600"/>

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APPLICATION DETAILS

In what capacity are you applying for the premises licence?

- An individual or individuals
- A limited company / limited liability partnership
- A partnership (other than limited liability)
- An unincorporated association
- Other (for example a statutory corporation)
- A recognised club
- A charity
- The proprietor of an educational establishment
- A health service body
- A person who is registered under part 2 of the Care Standards Act 2000 (c14) in respect of an independent hospital in Wales
- A person who is registered under Chapter 2 of Part 1 of the Health and Social Care Act 2008 in respect of the carrying on of a regulated activity (within the meaning of that Part) in an independent hospital in England
- The chief officer of police of a police force in England and Wales

Confirm The Following

- I am carrying on or proposing to carry on a business which involves the use of the premises for licensable activities
- I am making the application pursuant to a statutory function
- I am making the application pursuant to a function discharged by virtue of Her Majesty's prerogative

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INDIVIDUAL APPLICANT DETAILS

Applicant Name

Is the name the same as (or similar to) the details given in section one?

- Yes No

If "Yes" is selected you can re-use the details from section one, or amend them as required. Select "No" to enter a completely new set of details.

First name

Family name

Is the applicant 18 years of age or older?

- Yes No

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Current Residential Address

Is the address the same as (or similar to) the address given in section one?

If "Yes" is selected you can re-use the details from section one, or amend them as required. Select "No" to enter a completely new set of details.

Yes No

Building number or name	<input type="text"/>
Street	<input type="text"/>
District	<input type="text"/>
City or town	<input type="text"/>
County or administrative area	<input type="text"/>
Postcode	<input type="text"/>
Country	<input type="text" value="United Kingdom"/>

Applicant Contact Details

Are the contact details the same as (or similar to) those given in section one?

If "Yes" is selected you can re-use the details from section one, or amend them as required. Select "No" to enter a completely new set of details.

Yes No

E-mail	<input type="text"/>
Telephone number	<input type="text"/>
Other telephone number	<input type="text"/>
* Date of birth	<input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> dd mm yyyy
* Nationality	<input type="text" value="British"/>
Right to work share code	<input type="text"/>

[Documents that demonstrate entitlement to work in the UK](#)
[Right to work share code if not submitting scanned documents](#)

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OPERATING SCHEDULE

When do you want the premises licence to start? / /
dd mm yyyy

If you wish the licence to be valid only for a limited period, when do you want it to end / /
dd mm yyyy

Provide a general description of the premises

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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 for consumption of these off- supplies you must include a description of where the place will be and its proximity to the premises.

Off Licence and Convenience Store

If 5,000 or more people are expected to attend the premises at any one time, state the number expected to attend

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PROVISION OF PLAYS

[See guidance on regulated entertainment](#)

Will you be providing plays?

- Yes No

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PROVISION OF FILMS

[See guidance on regulated entertainment](#)

Will you be providing films?

- Yes No

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PROVISION OF INDOOR SPORTING EVENTS

[See guidance on regulated entertainment](#)

Will you be providing indoor sporting events?

- Yes No

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PROVISION OF BOXING OR WRESTLING ENTERTAINMENTS

[See guidance on regulated entertainment](#)

Will you be providing boxing or wrestling entertainments?

- Yes No

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PROVISION OF LIVE MUSIC

[See guidance on regulated entertainment](#)

Will you be providing live music?

- Yes No

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PROVISION OF RECORDED MUSIC

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Will you be providing recorded music?

Yes No

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PROVISION OF PERFORMANCES OF DANCE

[See guidance on regulated entertainment](#)

Will you be providing performances of dance?

Yes No

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PROVISION OF ANYTHING OF A SIMILAR DESCRIPTION TO LIVE MUSIC, RECORDED MUSIC OR PERFORMANCES OF DANCE

[See guidance on regulated entertainment](#)

Will you be providing anything similar to live music, recorded music or performances of dance?

Yes No

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LATE NIGHT REFRESHMENT

Will you be providing late night refreshment?

Yes No

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SUPPLY OF ALCOHOL

Will you be selling or supplying alcohol?

Yes No

Standard Days And Timings

MONDAY

Start

End

Start

End

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.

TUESDAY

Start

End

Start

End

WEDNESDAY

Start

End

Start

End

THURSDAY

Start

End

Start

End

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FRIDAY

Start End

Start End

SATURDAY

Start End

Start End

SUNDAY

Start End

Start End

Will the sale of alcohol be for consumption:

- On the premises Off the premises Both

If the sale of alcohol is for consumption on the premises select on, if the sale of alcohol is for consumption away from the premises select off. If the sale of alcohol is for consumption on the premises and away from the premises select both.

State any seasonal variations

For example (but not exclusively) where the activity will occur on additional days during the summer months.

NONE

Non-standard timings. Where the premises will be used for the supply of alcohol at different times from those listed in the column on the left, list below

For example (but not exclusively), where you wish the activity to go on longer on a particular day e.g. Christmas Eve.

NONE

State the name and details of the individual whom you wish to specify on the licence as premises supervisor

Name

First name

Family name

Date of birth / /
dd mm yyyy

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Enter the contact's address

Building number or name	<input type="text"/>
Street	<input type="text"/>
District	<input type="text"/>
City or town	<input type="text"/>
County or administrative area	<input type="text"/>
Postcode	<input type="text"/>
Country	<input type="text" value="United Kingdom"/>
Personal Licence number (if known)	<input type="text"/>
Issuing licensing authority (if known)	<input type="text" value="London Borough of Hounslow"/>

PROPOSED DESIGNATED PREMISES SUPERVISOR CONSENT

How will the consent form of the proposed designated premises supervisor be supplied to the authority?

- Electronically, by the proposed designated premises supervisor
- As an attachment to this application

Reference number for consent form (if known)

If the consent form is already submitted, ask the proposed designated premises supervisor for its 'system reference' or 'your reference'.

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ADULT ENTERTAINMENT

Highlight any adult entertainment or services, activities, or other entertainment or matters ancillary to the use of the premises that may give rise to concern in respect of children

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 etc gambling machines etc.

NONE

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HOURS PREMISES ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Standard Days And Timings

MONDAY

Start

End

Start

End

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.

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TUESDAY

Start End

Start End

WEDNESDAY

Start End

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THURSDAY

Start End

Start End

FRIDAY

Start End

Start End

SATURDAY

Start End

Start End

SUNDAY

Start End

Start End

State any seasonal variations

For example (but not exclusively) where the activity will occur on additional days during the summer months.

NONE

Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises to be open to the members and guests at different times from those listed in the column on the left, list below

For example (but not exclusively), where you wish the activity to go on longer on a particular day e.g. Christmas Eve.

NONE

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LICENSING OBJECTIVES

Describe the steps you intend to take to promote the four licensing objectives:

a) General – all four licensing objectives (b,c,d,e)

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List here steps you will take to promote all four licensing objectives together.

1. Strict implementation of challenge 25 policy
2. CCTV to be installed and 28 days recording system
3. All staff to be trained in responsible alcohol retailing

b) The prevention of crime and disorder

1. CCTV shall be installed to Home Office Guidance standards and maintained in a good working condition and recordings shall be kept for 31 days and shall be made available to police and authorised Officers from the council.
2. The CCTV system shall be capable of obtaining clear facial recognition images and a clear head and shoulders image of every person entering or leaving the premises.
3. The CCTV system shall display on any recordings, the correct date and time of the recording.
4. A member of staff trained in the use of the CCTV system shall be available at the premise at all times that the premises are open to the public.
5. A CCTV camera shall be installed to cover the entrance of the premises and further cameras installed to cover the internal area and servery counter.
6. A suitable intruder alarm complete with panic button shall be fitted and maintained.
7. An incident log shall be kept at the premises, and made available for inspection on request to an authorised officer of the council or the Police, which will record the following:
 - (a) all crimes reported to the venue
 - (b) all ejections of patrons
 - (c) any complaints received
 - (d) any incidents of disorder
 - (e) all seizures of drugs or offensive weapons
 - (f) any faults in the CCTV system
 - (g) any refusal of the sale of alcohol
 - (h) any visit by a relevant authority or emergency service.
8. Staff training must be documented and based on legislation and operating procedures. All training shall be signed and dated, and a copy of such records will be available for inspection by Police and local authority enforcement officers.
9. All staff employed at the premises will have UK right to work status checked, once passed that stage they shall be offered employment.
- 10 Spirits (with the exception of spirit mixers and pre-mixed spirit drinks) shall be located behind the counter.
11. A current written authorisation list shall be displayed in a prominent position on the premises confirming the details of all current staff that have been authorised to sell alcohol by a Personal Licence Holder. The authorisation list shall include, the name of the staff member authorised, the name and personal licence details of the person authorising them to sell alcohol. This list shall also contain the date and signature of the staff member authorised and countersigned by the authorising Personal Licence Holder.
12. A section 57 notice shall be displayed in a prominent position detailing the location of the Part A of the premises licence, and a list of staff members that have an awareness of its location and content.
13. The premises licence holder shall not sell super strength beer, lager or cider with an alcohol content of 6.5% ABV (alcohol by volume) or greater. This restriction shall not apply in respect of specialist branded, premium priced products – for example craft ales, local or microbrewery specialist products, boxed gifts or national celebratory/commemorative beer,

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lager or cider with an alcohol content of 6.5% ABV or greater.

14. Invoices for all alcohol, tobacco and vape products to be made available immediately when requested by council officers or Police Officers.

c) Public safety

1. Installation of appropriate safety equipment

2. Fire exit signs displayed

3. CCTV working at all times

d) The prevention of public nuisance

1. Clearly legible and suitable notices shall be displayed at all exits requesting customers to respect the needs of local residents and businesses to leave the premises and area quietly.

2. Staff shall actively discourage and disperse all persons who congregate outside the premises so as to minimise disturbance to local residents and businesses. Any incidents shall be recorded in the incident register.

3. The premises and area immediately outside the premises shall be kept clear of all forms of litter whilst the premises is open for licensable activities.

e) The protection of children from harm

1. A challenge 25 policy will be in force, where any person looking under the age of 25 shall be asked to prove their age when attempting to purchase alcohol and signs to this effect will be displayed at the premises. Challenge 25 posters displayed where alcohol is sold.

2. The only acceptable ID will be those with photographic identification documents, including passport, photo-card, driving license or proof of age card bearing the PASS hologram.

3. An refusal book shall be kept at the premises and updated as and when required, and made available for inspection on request to an Licensing Officer, Police or other responsible authority.

4. A sign stating "No proof of age – No sale" shall be displayed at the point of sale.

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NOTES ON DEMONSTRATING ENTITLEMENT TO WORK IN THE UK

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Entitlement to work/immigration status for individual applicants and applications from partnerships which are not limited liability partnerships:

A licence may not be held by an individual or an individual in a partnership who is resident in the UK who:

- does not have the right to live and work in the UK; or
- is subject to a condition preventing him or her from doing work relating to the carrying on of a licensable activity.

Any premises licence issued in respect of an application made on or after 6 April 2017 will become invalid if the holder ceases to be entitled to work in the UK.

Applicants must demonstrate that they have an entitlement to work in the UK and are not subject to a condition preventing them from doing work relating to the carrying on of a licensable activity. They do this in one of two ways: 1) by providing with this application copies or scanned copies of the documents listed below (which do not need to be certified), or 2) by providing their 'share code' to enable the licensing authority to carry out a check using the Home Office online right to work checking service (see below).

Documents which demonstrate entitlement to work in the UK

- An expired or current passport showing the holder, or a person named in the passport as the child of the holder, is a British citizen or a citizen of the UK and Colonies having the right of abode in the UK [please see note below about which sections of the passport to copy].
- An expired or current passport or national identity card showing the holder, or a person named in the passport as the child of the holder, is a national of a European Economic Area country or Switzerland.
- A Registration Certificate or document certifying permanent residence issued by the Home Office to a national of a European Economic Area country or Switzerland.
- A Permanent Residence Card issued by the Home Office to the family member of a national of a European Economic Area country or Switzerland.
- A **current** Biometric Immigration Document (Biometric Residence Permit) issued by the Home Office to the holder indicating that the person named is allowed to stay indefinitely in the UK, or has no time limit on their stay in the UK.
- A **current** passport endorsed to show that the holder is exempt from immigration control, is allowed to stay indefinitely in the UK, has the right of abode in the UK, or has no time limit on their stay in the UK.
- A **current** Immigration Status Document issued by the Home Office to the holder with an endorsement indicating that the named person is allowed to stay indefinitely in the UK or has no time limit on their stay in the UK, **when produced in combination with** an official document giving the person's permanent National Insurance number and their name issued by a Government agency or a previous employer.
- A birth or adoption certificate issued in the UK, **when produced in combination with** an official document giving the person's permanent National Insurance number and their name issued by a Government agency or a previous employer.
- A birth or adoption certificate issued in the Channel Islands, the Isle of Man or Ireland **when produced in combination with** an official document giving the person's permanent National Insurance number and their name issued by a Government agency or a previous employer.
- A certificate of registration or naturalisation as a British citizen, **when produced in combination with** an official document giving the person's permanent National Insurance number and their name issued by a Government agency or a previous employer.

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- A **current** passport endorsed to show that the holder is allowed to stay in the UK and is currently allowed to work and is not subject to a condition preventing the holder from doing work relating to the carrying on of a licensable activity.
- A **current** Biometric Immigration Document (Biometric Residence Permit) issued by the Home Office to the holder which indicates that the named person can currently stay in the UK and is allowed to work relation to the carrying on of a licensable activity.
- A **current** Residence Card issued by the Home Office to a person who is not a national of a European Economic Area state or Switzerland but who is a family member of such a national or who has derivative rights or residence.
- A **current** Immigration Status Document containing a photograph issued by the Home Office to the holder with an endorsement indicating that the named person may stay in the UK, and is allowed to work and is not subject to a condition preventing the holder from doing work relating to the carrying on of a licensable activity **when produced in combination with** an official document giving the person's permanent National Insurance number and their name issued by a Government agency or a previous employer.
- A Certificate of Application, **less than 6 months old**, issued by the Home Office under regulation 18(3) or 20(2) of the Immigration (European Economic Area) Regulations 2016, to a person who is not a national of a European Economic Area state or Switzerland but who is a family member of such a national or who has derivative rights of residence.
- Reasonable evidence that the person has an outstanding application to vary their permission to be in the UK with the Home Office such as the Home Office acknowledgement letter or proof of postage evidence, or reasonable evidence that the person has an appeal or administrative review pending on an immigration decision, such as an appeal or administrative review reference number.
- Reasonable evidence that a person who is not a national of a European Economic Area state or Switzerland but who is a family member of such a national or who has derivative rights of residence in exercising treaty rights in the UK including:-
 - evidence of the applicant's own identity – such as a passport,
 - evidence of their relationship with the European Economic Area family member – e.g. a marriage certificate, civil partnership certificate or birth certificate, and
 - evidence that the European Economic Area national has a right of permanent residence in the UK or is one of the following if they have been in the UK for more than 3 months:
 - (i) working e.g. employment contract, wage slips, letter from the employer,
 - (ii) self-employed e.g. contracts, invoices, or audited accounts with a bank,
 - (iii) studying e.g. letter from the school, college or university and evidence of sufficient funds; or
 - (iv) self-sufficient e.g. bank statements.

Family members of European Economic Area nationals who are studying or financially independent must also provide evidence that the European Economic Area national and any family members hold comprehensive sickness insurance in the UK. This can include a private medical insurance policy, an EHIC card or an S1, S2 or S3 form.

Original documents must not be sent to licensing authorities. If the document copied is a passport, a copy of the following pages should be provided:-

- (i) any page containing the holder's personal details including nationality;
- (ii) any page containing the holder's photograph;
- (iii) any page containing the holder's signature;
- (iv) any page containing the date of expiry; and
- (v) any page containing information indicating the holder has permission to enter or remain in the UK and is permitted to work.

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If the document is not a passport, a copy of the whole document should be provided.

Your right to work will be checked as part of your licensing application and this could involve us checking your immigration status with the Home Office. We may otherwise share information with the Home Office. Your licence application will not be determined until you have complied with this guidance.

Home Office online right to work checking service

As an alternative to providing a copy of the documents listed above, applicants may demonstrate their right to work by allowing the licensing authority to carry out a check with the Home Office online right to work checking service.

To demonstrate their right to work via the Home Office online right to work checking service, applicants should include in this application their 9-digit share code (provided to them upon accessing the service at <https://www.gov.uk/prove-right-to-work>) which, along with the applicant's date of birth (provided within this application), will allow the licensing authority to carry out the check.

In order to establish the applicant's right to work, the check will need to indicate that the applicant is allowed to work in the United Kingdom and is not subject to a condition preventing them from doing work relating to the carrying on of a licensable activity.

An online check will not be possible in all circumstances because not all applicants will have an immigration status that can be checked online. The Home Office online right to work checking service sets out what information and/or documentation applicants will need in order to access the service. Applicants who are unable to obtain a share code from the service should submit copy documents as set out above.

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NOTES ON REGULATED ENTERTAINMENT

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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:
 - o a performance of unamplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, on any premises.
 - o 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.
 - o 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.
 - o 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.
 - o 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:
 - o 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.
 - o 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.
 - o 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.

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- 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:
 - o any entertainment taking place on the premises of the local authority where the entertainment is provided by or on behalf of the local authority;
 - o 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;
 - o any entertainment taking place on the premises of the school where the entertainment is provided by or on behalf of the school proprietor; and
 - o 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.

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PAYMENT DETAILS

This fee must be paid to the authority. If you complete the application online, you must pay it by debit or credit card.

The fee payable will be based on the rateable value of the property. Band A - 0 - 4300 - Fee Payable - 100 Band B - 4301 - 33,000 - Fee Payable - 190 Band C - 33,001 - 87,000 - Fee Payable - 315 Band D - 87,001 - 125,000 - Fee payable - 450 Band E - 125,001 and over - Fee payable - 635 Additional fees apply to outdoor events.

* Fee amount (£)

190.00

DECLARATION

* Applicable to individual applicants only, including those in a partnership which is not a limited liability partnership] I understand I am not entitled to be issued with a licence if I do not have the entitlement to live and work in the UK (or if I am subject to a condition preventing me from doing work relating to the carrying on of a licensable activity) and that my licence will become invalid if I cease to be entitled to live and work in the UK (please read guidance note 15

* The DPS named in this application form is entitled to work in the UK (and is not subject to conditions preventing him or her from doing work relating to a licensable activity) and I have seen a copy of his or her proof of entitlement to work, if appropriate (please see note 15)

Ticking this box indicates you have read and understood the above declaration

This section should be completed by the applicant, unless you answered "Yes" to the question "Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?"

* Full name

Manpreet S Kapoor

* Capacity

Agent

* Date

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IT IS AN OFFENCE UNDER SECTION 24B OF THE IMMIGRATION ACT 1971 FOR A PERSON TO WORK WHEN THEY KNOW, OR HAVE REASONABLE CAUSE TO BELIEVE, THAT THEY ARE DISQUALIFIED FROM DOING SO BY REASON OF THEIR IMMIGRATION STATUS. THOSE WHO EMPLOY AN ADULT WITHOUT LEAVE OR WHO IS SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS AS TO EMPLOYMENT WILL BE LIABLE TO A CIVIL PENALTY UNDER SECTION 15 OF THE IMMIGRATION, ASYLUM AND NATIONALITY ACT 2006 AND PURSUANT TO SECTION 21 OF THE SAME ACT, WILL BE COMMITTING AN OFFENCE WHERE THEY DO SO IN THE KNOWLEDGE, OR WITH REASONABLE CAUSE TO BELIEVE, THAT THE EMPLOYEE IS DISQUALIFIED

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1. The premises licence holder shall not sell super strength beer, lager, or cider with an alcohol content of 6.5% ABV (alcohol by volume) or greater are sold at these premises.
2. Spirits (except for spirit mixers and pre-mixed spirit drinks) shall be located behind the counter.
3. There shall be no single cans of beer, lager or cider sold at the premises.
4. There will be no sale of miniature size spirits (5cl) or spirit mixers.
5. Staff shall actively discourage and disperse persons who congregate outside the premises so as to minimise disturbance to local residents and businesses. Any incidents shall be recorded in the incident register.
6. Clearly legible and suitable notices shall be displayed at all exits requesting customers to respect the needs of local residents and businesses and to leave the premises and area quietly.
7. The premises licence holder shall monitor the area immediately outside of the premises for evidence of customers consuming alcohol in the street that has been purchased on the premises. Where it reasonably appears to the premises licence holder that a person is attempting to purchase alcohol for consumption in the street near the premises, the sale shall be refused.
8. The immediate vicinity outside of the premises and in any external areas associated with the premises shall be kept clear of litter whilst the premises is open for licensable activities.
9. A current written authorisation list shall be displayed in a prominent position on the premises confirming the details of all current staff that have been authorised to sell alcohol by a Personal Licence Holder. The authorisation list shall include, the name of the staff member authorised, the name and personal licence details of the person authorising them to sell alcohol. This list shall also contain the date and signature of the staff member authorised and countersigned by the authorising Personal Licence Holder.
10. A section 57 notice shall be displayed in a prominent position detailing the location of the Part A of the premises licence, and a list of staff members that have an awareness of its location and content.

11. The Premises Licence Holder shall ensure that a Challenge 25 proof of age scheme is implemented at the premises, whereby any person who appears to be under the age of 25 is required to provide identification confirming that they are at least 18 years old before being served alcohol.

Only the following forms of identification shall be accepted:

- A passport;
- A photocard driving licence;
- Military ID
- A proof of age card bearing the PASS hologram.

Signage to advise customers of the Challenge 25 Policy in place will be displayed throughout the premises where age-restricted products are stocked or purchased.

12. The premises licence holder shall ensure the premises' digitally recorded CCTV system cameras shall continually record while the premises are open to the public and recordings shall be kept for a minimum of 31 days with correct time and date stamping. The entire licensable area shall be covered with the CCTV. There shall be at least one camera positioned at each entry and exit point to monitor any external areas to the premises. CCTV images and data recordings shall be made available, without delay to an authorised officer of Reading Borough Council or Thames Valley Police together with facilities for viewing upon request, subject to the provisions of the Data Protection Act and GDPR legislation. Recorded images shall be of such quality as to be able to identify the recorded person in any light. At least one member of staff on the premises at any time during operating hours shall be trained to access and download material from the CCTV system.

13. Signage advising customers that CCTV is in use shall be positioned in prominent positions.

14. Staff employed to sell alcohol shall undergo training upon induction. This shall include, but not be limited to:

- Understanding of the four licensing objectives
- The premises age verification policy (Challenge 25)
- Dealing with refusals
- Proxy Purchasing
- Recognising valid identify documents which are not in the English Language
- Identifying attempts by intoxicated persons to purchase alcohol.
- Identifying signs of intoxication

- Conflict Management
- How to identify and safeguard vulnerable persons who attend and leave the premises.
- Child sexual exploitation
- The four licensing objectives
- The offences which can be committed under the Licensing Act 2003
- Conditions of the premises licence.

Refresher training shall be provided to all staff every 6 (six) months. Evidence of training shall be recorded by way of signed training records, which are to be kept for a minimum of 2 (two) years of the date of the training, and will be made available upon request by a Police Officer or authorised officer of Reading Borough Council.

15. The Premises Licence Holder shall ensure that all persons employed at the premises have their right to work in the United Kingdom verified prior to commencing employment.

Such checks shall be conducted in accordance with current Home Office guidance and shall include verification and copying of original documentation.

Copies of all right to work documentation shall be:

- Retained securely at the premises;
- Recorded in a consistent and auditable manner;
- Kept for the duration of the individual's employment and for any additional period required in line with prevailing Government legislation and guidance;

These records shall be made readily available for inspection by authorised officers of the Licensing Authority, Police, or other relevant enforcement bodies upon request.

The Premises Licence Holder shall ensure that no person is permitted to work at the premises unless their right to work in the UK has been satisfactorily established.

16. The premises licence holder shall have available on the premises, for inspection by an authorised officer of Reading Borough Council or Thames Valley Police at any reasonable time, true copies of invoices, receipts, or other records of transactions for all alcohol, tobacco & vape products purchased in the preceding six months. All alcohol products shall only be purchased from outlets registered with HMRC's Alcohol Wholesale Registration Scheme.

17. The Premises Licence Holder shall ensure that all appropriate safety equipment is installed, maintained, and operational at the premises in accordance with relevant statutory requirements and risk assessments, including (but not limited to):

- Fire detection and alarm systems;
- Fire-fighting equipment (e.g. extinguishers);
- Emergency lighting;
- First aid equipment;

All such equipment shall be:

- Regularly inspected and maintained in accordance with manufacturer's instructions and applicable legislation;
- Serviced by a competent person where required;
- Kept in good working order at all times;

Records of installation, maintenance, and servicing shall be retained at the premises and made available for inspection by authorised officers upon request.

18. The Premises Licence Holder shall ensure that adequate and clearly visible fire exit signage is installed and maintained throughout the premises in accordance with relevant fire safety legislation and guidance.

Such signage shall:

- Clearly identify all emergency escape routes and fire exits;
- Be illuminated or photoluminescent where appropriate to ensure visibility in low light or emergency conditions;
- Be kept unobstructed, legible, and in good condition at all times;

All emergency escape routes shall be kept unobstructed and be clear at all times.

19. The Premises Licence Holder shall take all reasonable steps to ensure that the CCTV at the premises is working at all times. Any faults in the CCTV system shall be recorded in the premises incident book/register.

20. All Staff to be trained to record refusals of sales of any age-restricted product in a refusals book or electronic register. If the record is in a written format, then this shall be document in a bound book, such as an a4 day-by-day diary, used exclusively for refusals. The book/register shall contain:

- Details of the time and date the refusal was made.
- The identity of the staff member refusing the sale.
- Details of the age-restricted product the person attempted to purchase.

This book shall be available for inspection to an authorised officer of Reading Borough Council or Thames Valley Police. A weekly review of the refusal's book/register shall

also be conducted and signed off by the Designated Premises Supervisor, or their nominated representative.

Appendix NB-3

From: [Louise Black](#)
To: [Licensing](#)
Subject: as fwd enf Re 53 Donkin Hill- 1272992 - Sip & Vape
Date: 09 June 2026 17:16:26

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To who it concerns,

I am wring to register my objection for a licence until 11 pm at the above address.

The site is positioned in a quiet residential area occupied by families.

Similar establishments in the immediate area end at 10pm.

In granting a licence beyond others closing, there is a significant risk the retailer will attract trade from outside the community. There is also an increased risk of antisocial behaviour which would impact residents enjoyment and feeling of safety in their homes.

L Black
[REDACTED]

Timney, Riley

To: Licensing
Subject: RE: Objection to premises licence application "Sip and Vape", RG4 5DG

From: elena sh <[REDACTED]>
Sent: 29 May 2026 17:50
To: Licensing <Licensing@reading.gov.uk>
Subject: Objection to premises licence application "Sip and Vape", RG4 5DG

Dear Sir or Madam,

I wish to formally object to the premises licence application submitted by "Sip and Vape" (53 Donkin Hill, RG4 5DG) for the sale of alcohol between 7am and 11pm daily in the area.

This area is predominantly residential, surrounded by family homes and flats, with many elderly residents and children living nearby. There are already three existing off-licences operating within a very short distance of this location. In addition, the area already has a sufficient number of takeaway food businesses. Local residents do not need another off-licence, takeaway-style business, or late-opening commercial premises in this neighbourhood.

The proposed opening hours for alcohol sales, from early morning until late evening every day, are excessive for a residential area and risk increasing noise, anti-social behaviour, littering, public nuisance, and disturbance to residents. Many children walk through this area daily when travelling to and from school, and residents are concerned about the negative impact another alcohol outlet could have on community safety and wellbeing.

Furthermore, local residents still do not have clear information regarding the exact nature of this business, whether it will operate primarily as a convenience store, vape shop, cafe, takeaway, or off-licence. This lack of clarity creates additional concern regarding the long-term impact on the area and the possibility of increased late-evening activity.

The licensing objectives include the prevention of crime and disorder, prevention of public nuisance, and protection of children from harm. In my view, granting this application would undermine these objectives given the already high concentration of alcohol-selling premises and takeaways nearby, together with the residential character of the area.

I respectfully ask the Licensing Authority to refuse this application in order to protect the local community and preserve the residential nature, safety, and wellbeing of the area.

Thank you.

With kind regards

Elena Shishkanova

Appendix NB-5

From: [elena.sh](#)
To: [Butler, Nicola](#)
Subject: Re: Objection to Premises Licence Application - Sip and Vape - PR202605-1272992
Date: 16 June 2026 14:42:56
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Hi Nicola.

In response to your email:

My address is: [REDACTED]

Taking into account that a lot of Hightown school children are always around in this area going to school and returning home, we have more than enough alcohol selling shops in the area..Living here , I always see drunk noisy people, creating troubles to the local residents ... sometimes even teenagers asking change for alcohol...or drinking alcohol on the bench just near ...opposite the co-op...(it could be better to have this bench removed at all)

Hope you will take the right decision .

Thank you.

With kind regards

Elena Shishkanova

From: [Louise Black](#)
To: [Butler, Nicola](#)
Subject: Re: Notice of hearing - Sip N Vape, Donkin Hill, Caversham - 08 July 2026 @ 09.30
Date: 29 June 2026 10:29:54
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Dear Nicola,

I am unable to attend the hearing.

In considering the application I request note is made that:

- * the premises is located in an urban, residential area
- * the few retail premises in the area operate between 06:00 - 22:00 which if a licence is to be granted I would invite the committee to approve this same period
- * responsible drinkers and vapours do not pop to the corner shop between 22:00 and 23:00
- * no effective measures to mitigate residence disturbance is offered
- * the best mitigation to antisocial behaviour from alcohol and vaping is to make it less available. Bring licenced to 22:00 would better support this.

Kind regards

Louise Black

On Tue, 23 Jun 2026, 14:06 Butler, Nicola, <Nicola.Butler@reading.gov.uk> wrote:

Dear Ms Black

Please find attached a notice of the hearing in relation to the application for a premises licence for Sip N Vape, Donkin Hill, Reading. I have also included a copy of the report.

Please can you let me know whether you will be attending the hearing by completing and returning the form attached to the notice. If you have any further questions, please let me know.

Regards

Nicola Butler

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