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NOTICE OF MEETING - LICENSING APPLICATIONS SUB-COMMITTEE 10 SEPTEMBER 2026

A meeting of the Licensing Applications Sub-Committee will be held on Thursday, 10 September 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 - THE BIRYANI LOUNGE, 89 WOKINGHAM ROAD, READING, RG6 1LH PARK 3 - 48

To consider an application for the grant of a premises licence in respect of The Biryani Lounge, 89 Wokingham Road, Reading, RG6 1LH.

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LICENSING ACT 2003 HEARING Thursday, 10 September 2026 @ 09:30HRS
APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A PREMISES LICENCE

1. Premises:

The Biryani Lounge
89 Wokingham
Road, Reading.
RG6 1LH

2. Applicant:

The Biryani Lounge Limited

3. Background:

There is currently no licence in force at the premises.

The premises is located at 89 Wokingham Road, Reading.

The Biryani Lounge describes itself as a 35-cover sit-down restaurant specialising in authentic biryani and traditional Indian cuisine. The application states the premises will operate as a non-alcoholic venue, with no intention to sell or serve alcohol on the premises.

The application has been submitted by The Biryani Lounge Limited and is attached **Appendix MH001**.

During the consultation period, the Applicant, Thames Valley Police, and Reading Borough Council's Licensing Enforcement and Food Safety Teams agreed a set of conditions. These conditions are attached at **Appendix MH002**.

4. Licensable activities applied for:

The application is for the grant of a premises licence and originally requested the following activities:

Late night refreshment:

Monday to Sunday – 23:00hrs to 04:00hrs

Hours the Premises is Open to the Public:

Monday to Sunday – 11:00hrs to 04:00hrs

However, during the consultation period, the Applicant, Thames Valley Police, and Licensing Enforcement agreed to amend the activities as follows:

Late night refreshment:

Monday to Sunday – 23:00hrs to 02:00hrs

Hours the Premises is Open to the Public:

Monday to Sunday – 11:00hrs to 02:00hrs

Confirmation of this change can be found in **Appendix MH003**.

5. Temporary Event Notices

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.

6. Date of receipt of application: 21/07/2026

7. Date of closure of period for representations: 18/08/2026

8. Representations received:

During the 28-day consultation period for the application, 1 representation was received from:

1. Mr and Mrs Burns – attached as **Appendix MH004**.

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:

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.

Late Night Refreshment (takeaways) and Conditions – General Approach

6.19 Late night food outlets are a major contributor to crime and disorder and anti-social behaviour within Reading. Applicants who wish to provide hot food or drink after 2300hrs and up to 0500hrs, will need to demonstrate that their proposed operation will not exacerbate issues of crime and disorder in that locality.

6.20 Applicants for late night refreshment are expected to take cognisance of the Secretary of State's Guidance and to include appropriate and proportionate measures within their operating schedule to assist in actively promoting the licensing objectives.

6.21 The licensing authority will expect all applicants who wish to provide late night refreshment to include measures for adequate staff training; measures to ensure that no public nuisance occurs from the premises as well as additional measures to assist in crime prevention such as CCTV and door supervisors.

6.22 Public nuisance can often occur from takeaways being sited in residential areas. This could be in relation to the use of delivery vehicles and the congregating of customers outside the premises. Applicants are expected to make an assessment of their proposed locality and implement measures to avoid disturbing local residents such as the use of electric bikes and the implementation of a dispersal policy.

6.23 Where it is practical, the authority will also look to ensure that all packaging used for the provision of hot food and drink shall be made of recyclable materials or be biodegradable. This will include all fixed premises and static vans.

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.

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 (December 2023)

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:

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 MH001 – Application form
Appendix MH002 – Agreed Conditions
Appendix MH003 - Change in Application
Appendix MH004 - Representation from Mr and Mrs Burns

Application for a premises licence to be granted under the Licensing Act 2003

Please read the following instructions first

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

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

I/We The Biryani Lounge Ltd

(Insert name(s) of applicant)

apply for a premises licence under section 17 of the Licensing Act 2003 for the premises described in Part 1 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

Part 1 – Premises details

Postal address of premises or, if none, ordnance survey map reference or description			
The Biryani Lounge, 89 Wokingham Road			
Post town	Reading	Postcode	RG6 1LH
Telephone number at premises (if any)		[REDACTED]	
Non-domestic rateable value of premises		£ 	

Part 2 - Applicant details

Please state whether you are applying for a premises licence as **appropriate** **Please tick as**

a)	an individual or individuals *	☐	please complete section (A)
b)	a person other than an individual *	☐	
i	as a limited company/limited liability partnership	☒	please complete section (B)
ii	as a partnership (other than limited liability)	☐	please complete section (B)
iii	as an unincorporated association or	☐	please complete section (B)
iv	other (for example a statutory corporation)	☐	please complete section (B)

c)	a recognised club	☐	please complete section (B)
d)	a charity	☐	please complete section (B)
e)	the proprietor of an educational establishment	☐	please complete section (B)
f)	a health service body	☐	please complete section (B)
g)	a person who is registered under Part 2 of the Care Standards Act 2000 (c14) in respect of an independent hospital in Wales	☐	please complete section (B)
ga)	a person who is registered under Chapter 2 of Part 1 of the Health and Social Care Act 2008 (within the meaning of that Part) in an independent hospital in England	☐	please complete section (B)
h)	the chief officer of police of a police force in England and Wales	☐	please complete section (B)

* If you are applying as a person described in (a) or (b) please confirm (by ticking yes to one box below):

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

(A) individual applicants (fill in as applicable)

Title			
Surname			
First names			
Date of birth		I am 18 year old or over	☐
Nationality			
Current residential address if different from premises address			
Post town		Postcode	
Daytime contact telephone number			
E-mail address (optional)			

Where applicable (if demonstrating a right to work via the Home Office online right to work checking service), the 'share code' provided to the applicant by that service

Second individual applicant (if applicable)

Mr	Mrs	Miss	Ms	Other Title (for example, Rev)	
Surname			First names		
Date of birth or over		I am 18 years old		Please tick yes	
Nationality					
Current residential address if different from premises address					
Post town				Postcode	
Daytime contact telephone number					
E-mail address (optional)					
Where applicable (if demonstrating a right to work via the Home Office online right to work checking service), the 'share code' provided to the applicant by that service: (please see note 15 for information)					

(B) Other applicants

Please provide name and registered address of applicant in full. Where appropriate please give any registered number. In the case of a partnership or other joint venture (other than a body corporate), please give the name and address of each party concerned.

Name	The Biryani Lounge Ltd
Address	89 Wokingham Road, Reading, England, RG6 1LH
Registered number (where applicable)	
13707863	

Description of applicant (for example, partnership, company, unincorporated association etc.)

Private Limited Company

Telephone number (if any)

E-mail address (optional)

Part 3 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

Please give a general description of the premises (please read guidance note 1)

The Biryani Lounge is a mid-sized Indian restaurant situated in Reading, specialising in authentic biryani dishes and traditional Indian cuisine. The premises function primarily as a sit-down dining establishment, featuring a kitchen and a front-of-house service area. The venue is designed to accommodate approximately 35 covers. The business caters to a diverse clientele, including families, professionals, and food enthusiasts, operating as a welcoming, community-focused dining establishment. It is important to note that The Biryani Lounge is a non-alcoholic dining venue, and there are no intentions to sell or serve alcohol on the premises.

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

What licensable activities do you intend to carry on from the premises?

(please see sections 1 and 14 and Schedules 1 and 2 to the Licensing Act 2003)

Provision of regulated entertainment (please read guidance note 2)		Please tick all that apply
a)	plays (if ticking yes, fill in box A)	☐
b)	films (if ticking yes, fill in box B)	☐
c)	indoor sporting events (if ticking yes, fill in box C)	☐
d)	boxing or wrestling entertainment (if ticking yes, fill in box D)	☐
e)	live music (if ticking yes, fill in box E)	☐
f)	recorded music (if ticking yes, fill in box F)	☐
g)	performances of dance (if ticking yes, fill in box G)	☐
h)	anything of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g) (if ticking yes, fill in box H)	☐

<u>Provision of late night refreshment</u> (if ticking yes, fill in box I)	☒
<u>Supply of alcohol</u> (if ticking yes, fill in box J)	☐

In all cases complete boxes K, L and M

A

Plays Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			<u>Will the performance of a play take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 3)	
Day	Start	Finish		
Mon			<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 4)	
Tue				
Wed			<u>State any seasonal variations for performing plays</u> (please read guidance note 5)	
Thur				
Fri			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the performance of plays at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 6)	
Sat				
Sun				

B

Films Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			<u>Will the exhibition of films take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 3)	
Day	Start	Finish		
Mon			<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 4) 	
Tue				
Wed			<u>State any seasonal variations for the exhibition of films</u> (please read guidance note 5) 	
Thur				
Fri			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the exhibition of films at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 6) 	
Sat				
Sun				

C

Indoor sporting events Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 4)
Day	Start	Finish	
Mon			
Tue			
Wed			<u>State any seasonal variations for indoor sporting events</u> (please read guidance note 5)
Thur			
Fri			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for indoor sporting events at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 6)
Sat			
Sun			

D

Boxing or wrestling entertainments Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			<u>Will the boxing or wrestling entertainment take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 3)	
Day	Start	Finish		
Mon			<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 4)	
Tue				
Wed			<u>State any seasonal variations for boxing or wrestling entertainment</u> (please read guidance note 5)	
Thur				
Fri			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for boxing or wrestling entertainment at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 6)	
Sat				
Sun				

E

Live music Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			<u>Will the performance of live music take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 3)	
Day	Start	Finish		
Mon			<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 4)	
Tue				
Wed			<u>State any seasonal variations for the performance of live music</u> (please read guidance note 5)	
Thur				
Fri			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the performance of live music at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 6)	
Sat				
Sun				

F

Recorded music Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			<u>Will the playing of recorded music take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 3)	
Day	Start	Finish		
Mon			<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 4)	
Tue				
Wed			<u>State any seasonal variations for the playing of recorded music</u> (please read guidance note 5)	
Thur				
Fri			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the playing of recorded music at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 6)	
Sat				
Sun				

G

Performances of dance Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			<u>Will the performance of dance take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 3)	
Day	Start	Finish		
Mon			<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 4)	
Tue				
Wed			<u>State any seasonal variations for the performance of dance</u> (please read guidance note 5)	
Thur				
Fri			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the performance of dance at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 6)	
Sat				
Sun				

H

Anything of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g) Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			<u>Please give a description of the type of entertainment you will be providing</u> 	
Day	Start	Finish	<u>Will this entertainment take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 3)	
Mon				
Tue			<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 4)	
Wed				
Thur			<u>State any seasonal variations for entertainment of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g)</u> (please read guidance note 5)	
Fri				
Sat			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the entertainment of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g) at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 6)	
Sun				

I

Late night refreshment Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			Will the provision of late night refreshment take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick (please read guidance note 3)	Both
Day	Start	Finish		
Mon	23:00-04:00		<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 4) The establishment will be serving hot food to patrons.	
Tue	23:00-04:00			
Wed	23:00-04:00		<u>State any seasonal variations for the provision of late night refreshment</u> (please read guidance note 5) No seasonal variations.	
Thur	23:00-04:00			
Fri	23:00-04:00		<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the provision of late night refreshment at different times, to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 6) No non-standard or odd timings.	
Sat	23:00-04:00			
Sun	23:00-04:00			

J

Supply of alcohol Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			Will the supply of alcohol be for consumption – please tick (please read guidance note 8)	
Day	Start	Finish		
Mon			State any seasonal variations for the supply of alcohol (please read guidance note 5)	
Tue				
Wed				
Thur				
Fri			Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the supply of alcohol at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 6)	
Sat				
Sun				

State the name and details of the individual whom you wish to specify on the licence as designated premises supervisor (Please see declaration about the entitlement to work in the checklist at the end of the form):

Name	
Date of birth	
Address	
Postcode	
Personal licence number (if known)	
Issuing licensing authority (if known)	

K

Please highlight any adult entertainment or services, activities, other entertainment or matters ancillary to the use of the premises that may give rise to concern in respect of children (please read guidance note 9).

No adult entertainment or services will be provided.

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Hours premises are open to the public Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			<u>State any seasonal variations</u> (please read guidance note 5) No seasonal variations apply to the opening hours.
Day	Start	Finish	<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the Non standard timings. Where you intend the premises to be open to the public at different times from those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 6) No non-standard or odd timings apply to the opening hours, including bank holidays.
Mon	11:00-04:00		
Tue	11:00-04:00		
Wed	11:00-04:00		
Thur	11:00-04:00		
Fri	11:00-04:00		
Sat	11:00-04:00		
Sun	11:00-04:00		

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

a) General – all four licensing objectives (b, c, d and e) (please read guidance note 10)

0.1: Prominent, clear notices shall be displayed at every public entrance stating the actual operating hours of the premises.

b) The prevention of crime and disorder

- 1.1 A CCTV system shall be installed and maintained covering all public areas including the dining area, entrance, exit, service counter, and external frontage, recording continuously during all hours the premises are open to the public.
- 1.2 CCTV recordings shall be retained for a minimum of 31 days and made available to Police or authorized officers upon request within 24 hours.
- 1.3 CCTV shall be of sufficient quality to identify persons and shall display the correct time and date stamp.
- 1.4 At least one member of staff trained in CCTV operation shall be on duty at all times the premises are open.
- 1.5 An incident log shall be maintained recording all incidents of crime, disorder, antisocial behaviour, refusals of service, and ejections from the premises. This shall be made available to Police or authorized officers upon request.
- 1.6 A direct telephone number for the Designated Premises Supervisor/Manager shall be made available to Police and the local authority.
- 1.7 The premises shall maintain a register of staff working each shift, including names, roles, and contact details.
- 1.8 The premises shall operate a policy of refusing service to persons who are drunk, behaving in a disorderly manner, or causing harassment to other customers or staff.
- 1.9 All staff shall be trained in conflict management and how to defuse potential incidents, with training refreshed at least annually.
- 1.10 Contact details for the local Police shall be prominently displayed in staff areas.
- 1.11 The premises shall maintain adequate internal and external lighting throughout operating hours to ensure public safety and natural surveillance.

c) Public safety

2.1 Maximum customer capacity shall not exceed 45 persons in the dining area at any one time.

2.2 All exits shall be kept clear and unobstructed at all times the premises are open to the public.

2.3 All fire exits shall be clearly marked with illuminated signage.

2.4 Emergency lighting shall be installed and maintained in working order throughout the premises.

2.5 Fire safety equipment shall be serviced annually by a competent person, with certification records maintained for inspection.

2.6 All staff shall be trained in fire evacuation procedures, with records of training maintained.

2.7 Fire evacuation drills shall be conducted at least twice per year.

2.8 First aid equipment shall be available on the premises at all times and at least one member of staff on duty shall hold a valid first aid qualification.

2.9 The premises shall maintain adequate lighting both internally and externally during all operating hours.

2.10 Floor surfaces shall be maintained in a safe condition, free from spillages, trip hazards, and defects.

2.11 Customer toilet facilities shall be regularly checked and maintained in a clean and safe condition throughout operating hours, with cleaning logs maintained.

2.12 Adequate ventilation shall be maintained in the dining area and kitchen at all times.

2.13 A minimum of 3 members of staff shall be on duty at all times during late night hours (23:00-04:00), with at least one member being a designated manager or supervisor.

2.14 All furniture and fittings shall be maintained in a safe condition and regularly inspected for defects.

2.15 Hot food service areas shall be clearly marked and staff trained to prevent customer access to hazardous areas.

d) The prevention of public nuisance

- 3.1 Clear and prominent notices shall be displayed at all exits requesting customers to leave quietly and respect neighbouring residents.
- 3.2 Staff shall actively monitor customer behaviour outside the premises and shall request customers to disperse quietly.
- 3.3 No customers shall be permitted to congregate or loiter outside the premises after service, and staff shall encourage prompt dispersal.
- 3.4 The external area immediately outside the premises shall be kept clear of litter and shall be swept/cleared at least twice during late night operating hours and at close of business.
- 3.5 A minimum of 4 litter bins shall be provided within the customer area
- 3.6 Refuse shall only be placed outside for collection between 07:00-19:00 and shall be stored in appropriate lidded bins in a designated storage area when not awaiting collection.
- 3.7 Cooking extraction and ventilation systems shall be regularly maintained and cleaned in accordance with manufacturer's guidance to prevent odour nuisance, with maintenance records kept for at least 12 months.
- 3.8 Deliveries and collections from suppliers shall only take place between 07:00-21:00 Monday to Saturday, and 09:00-18:00 on Sundays and Bank Holidays.
- 3.9 No music or amplified sound shall be played at a level audible outside the premises after 23:00 hours.
- 3.10 Background music played internally shall be controlled to ensure it does not cause nuisance to neighbouring properties.
- 3.11 A telephone number shall be made available and publicised for residents to contact the premises with any concerns.
- 3.12 A complaints log shall be maintained and reviewed at least monthly by management, with appropriate action taken to address recurring issues.
- 3.13 Windows and doors shall be kept closed after 23:00 hours except for access and egress, to minimize noise breakout.
- 3.14 Staff shall not congregate outside the premises during breaks in a manner that causes noise or obstruction.
- 3.15 External waste bins shall not be moved, emptied, or deposited between 23:00-07:00.
- 3.16 Any external seating or dining area shall not be used after 23:00 hours.
- 3.17 Customers waiting for takeaway orders shall be managed inside the premises where possible to prevent external congregation.
- 3.18 Delivery and collection drivers shall be prohibited from:
- Leaving engines running while waiting for orders (unless required for vehicle safety)
 - Congregating in groups outside the premises
 - Playing loud music from vehicles
 - Sounding horns or causing noise disturbance
- 3.19 Signage shall be displayed requesting delivery drivers to respect local residents, minimize noise, and not idle their engines.

e) The protection of children from harm

- 4.1 Children under 16 must be accompanied by a responsible adult when on the premises after 23:00 hours.
- 4.2 All staff shall be trained to identify vulnerable children and know how to contact appropriate authorities if safeguarding concerns arise.
- 4.3 The premises shall display safeguarding contact information for local services in staff areas.
- 4.4 Staff shall be vigilant to lone children or children in distress and shall follow safeguarding procedures.
- 4.5 The premises shall maintain a safeguarding policy which is reviewed annually.

Part 4 – Signatures (please read guidance note 11)

Signature of applicant or applicant's solicitor or other duly authorised agent (see guidance note 12). **If signing on behalf of the applicant, please state in what capacity.**

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, or have conducted an online right to work check using the Home Office online right to work checking service which confirmed their right to work (please see note 15)
Signature	<i>Sai Pacha</i>
Date	24/06/2026
Capacity	Director

For joint applications, signature of 2nd applicant or 2nd applicant's solicitor or other authorised agent (please read guidance note 13). **If signing on behalf of the applicant, please state in what capacity.**

Signature	
Date	
Capacity	

Contact name (where not previously given) and postal address for correspondence associated with this application (please read guidance note 14)

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Post town		Postcode	
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Telephone number (if any)	
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If you would prefer us to correspond with you by e-mail, your e-mail address (optional)

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Notes for Guidance

1. Describe the premises, for example the type of premises, its general situation and layout and any other information which could be relevant to the licensing objectives. Where your application includes off-supplies of alcohol and you intend to provide a place for consumption of these off-supplies, you must include a description of where the place will be and its proximity to the premises.
2. In terms of specific regulated entertainments please note that:
 - Plays: no licence is required for performances between 08:00 and 23.00 on any day, provided that the audience does not exceed 500.
 - Films: no licence is required for 'not-for-profit' film exhibition held in community premises between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day provided that the audience does not exceed 500 and the organiser (a) gets consent to the screening from a person who is responsible for the premises; and (b) ensures that each such screening abides by age classification ratings.
 - Indoor sporting events: no licence is required for performances between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, provided that the audience does not exceed 1000.
 - Boxing or Wrestling Entertainment: no licence is required for a contest, exhibition or display of Greco-Roman wrestling, or freestyle wrestling between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, provided that the audience does not exceed 1000. Combined fighting sports – defined as a contest, exhibition or display which combines boxing or wrestling with one or more martial arts – are licensable as a boxing or wrestling entertainment rather than an indoor sporting event.
 - Live music: no licence permission is required for:
 - a performance of unamplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, on any premises.
 - a performance of amplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day on premises authorised to sell alcohol for consumption on those premises, provided that the audience does not exceed 500.
 - a performance of amplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, in a workplace that is not licensed to sell alcohol on those premises, provided that the audience does not exceed 500.
 - a performance of amplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, in a church hall, village hall, community hall, or other similar community premises, that is not licensed by a premises licence to sell alcohol, provided that (a) the audience does not exceed 500, and (b) the organiser gets consent for the performance from a person who is responsible for the premises.
 - a performance of amplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, at the non-residential premises of (i) a local authority, or (ii) a school, or (iii) a hospital, provided that (a) the audience does not exceed 500, and (b) the organiser gets consent for the performance on the relevant premises from: (i) the local authority concerned, or (ii) the school or (iii) the health care provider for the hospital.
 - Recorded Music: no licence permission is required for:

- any playing of recorded music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day on premises authorised to sell alcohol for consumption on those premises, provided that the audience does not exceed 500.
 - any playing of recorded music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, in a church hall, village hall, community hall, or other similar community premises, that is not licensed by a premises licence to sell alcohol, provided that (a) the audience does not exceed 500, and (b) the organiser gets consent for the performance from a person who is responsible for the premises.
 - any playing of recorded music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, at the non-residential premises of (i) a local authority, or (ii) a school, or (iii) a hospital, provided that (a) the audience does not exceed 500, and (b) the organiser gets consent for the performance on the relevant premises from: (i) the local authority concerned, or (ii) the school proprietor or (iii) the health care provider for the hospital.
 - Dance: no licence is required for performances between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, provided that the audience does not exceed 500. However, a performance which amounts to adult entertainment remains licensable.
 - Cross activity exemptions: no licence is required between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, with no limit on audience size for:
 - any entertainment taking place on the premises of the local authority where the entertainment is provided by or on behalf of the local authority;
 - any entertainment taking place on the hospital premises of the health care provider where the entertainment is provided by or on behalf of the health care provider;
 - any entertainment taking place on the premises of the school where the entertainment is provided by or on behalf of the school proprietor; and
 - any entertainment (excluding films and a boxing or wrestling entertainment) taking place at a travelling circus, provided that (a) it takes place within a moveable structure that accommodates the audience, and (b) that the travelling circus has not been located on the same site for more than 28 consecutive days.
3. Where taking place in a building or other structure please tick as appropriate (indoors may include a tent).
 4. For example the type of activity to be authorised, if not already stated, and give relevant further details, for example (but not exclusively) whether or not music will be amplified or unamplified.
 5. For example (but not exclusively), where the activity will occur on additional days during the summer months.
 6. For example (but not exclusively), where you wish the activity to go on longer on a particular day e.g. Christmas Eve.
 7. Please give timings in 24 hour clock (e.g. 16.00) and only give details for the days of the week when you intend the premises to be used for the activity.
 8. If you wish people to be able to consume alcohol on the premises, please tick 'on the premises'. If you wish people to be able to purchase alcohol to consume away from the premises, please tick 'off the premises'. If you wish people to be able to do both, please tick 'both'.

9. Please give information about anything intended to occur at the premises or ancillary to the use of the premises which may give rise to concern in respect of children, regardless of whether you intend children to have access to the premises, for example (but not exclusively) nudity or semi-nudity, films for restricted age groups or the presence of gaming machines.
10. Please list here steps you will take to promote all four licensing objectives together.
11. The application form must be signed.
12. An applicant's agent (for example solicitor) may sign the form on their behalf provided that they have actual authority to do so.
13. Where there is more than one applicant, each of the applicants or their respective agent must sign the application form.
14. This is the address which we shall use to correspond with you about this application.
15. Entitlement to work/immigration status for individual applicants and applications from partnerships which are not limited liability partnerships:

A licence may not be issued to an individual or an individual in a partnership which is not a limited liability 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 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 the right 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 which an applicant has provided, to demonstrate their entitlement to work in the UK (which do not need to be certified) as per information published on gov.uk and in guidance.
- 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).

Home Office online right to work checking service.

As an alternative to providing a copy of original documents, 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 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, 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 shared digitally. 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 copies of documents as set out above.

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.

The Biryani Lounge – TVP & RBC Proposed Conditions

- 1) The premises licence holder shall ensure the premises' digitally recorded CCTV system cameras shall continually record whilst the premises are open to the public and recordings shall be kept for a minimum of 31 days with time and date stamping. The entire licensable area shall be covered by the CCTV. There shall be at least one camera positioned at each entry and exit point to monitor any external areas to the premises. This includes any areas designated for tables and chairs and/or a designated smoking area. Data recordings shall be made immediately available to an authorised officer of Thames Valley Police or Reading Borough Council 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.
- 2) Signage advising customers that CCTV is in use shall be positioned in prominent positions.
- 3) The need for door supervisors to possibly be employed on any day when the premises is operating, shall be risk assessed. A written risk assessment for every day shall be carried out by the DPS or nominated representative and produced upon request to authorised officers of Reading Borough Council and Thames Valley Police.
- 4) All Door Supervisors employed at the premises will be deployed with digitally recording Body Worn Video (BWV). The BWV will be used to record all incidents which occur inside or outside of the premises involving customers, prospective customers or any staff member that impact on any of the four licensing objectives. Cameras shall continually record from when the Door Supervisor commences their duties until the premises is closed to the public. Data recordings shall be made immediately available to an authorised officer of Thames Valley Police or an officer from the Reading Borough Council together with facilities for viewing upon request, subject to the provisions of the Data Protection Act.
- 5) The Premises Licence Holder (PLH) shall ensure that all door supervisors whilst employed at the premises shall wear hi visibility jackets/ tabards in bright green, yellow or orange in order that they can be clearly visible and identifiable at all times to the public. When tabards are worn, hi visibility armbands must also be

worn that incorporate displaying SIA badges. If hi visibility full sleeved jackets are worn the PLH must ensure that all door supervisors badges are also displayed via an easily visible arm band of a different hi visibility colour to the jacket that is being worn.

- 6) All staff shall be trained to record any incident which has an impact on any of the four licensing objectives, or instances when authorised officers from Reading Borough or Thames Valley Police have attended the premises in a register (whether physical or electronic). If the record is in physical form, then it should be documented in a bound book similar to an A4 day by day diary and marked incident book. The book/register must be completed within 24 hours of the incident and will record the following:

- a) all crimes relating to the premises
- b) all ejections of persons
- c) any complaints received
- d) any incidents of disorder
- e) any faults in the CCTV system
- f) any visit by a relevant authority or emergency service.

This record shall be available for inspection by an Officer of Thames Valley Police or an authorised officer of Reading Borough Council upon request and shall be retained for one year. The record shall be signed off by the DPS or nominated representative at the end of each trading session⁴. Spillages and breakages will be removed as soon as possible to reduce risks to staff and patrons.

- 7) The premises shall operate a policy of refusing service to persons who are drunk, behaving in a disorderly manner, or causing harassment to other customers or staff.
- 8) The premises shall maintain a register of staff working each shift, including names, roles, and contact details.
- 9) The premises shall maintain adequate internal and external lighting throughout operating hours to ensure public safety and natural surveillance.
- 10) Contact details for the local Police shall be prominently displayed in staff areas.
- 11) No noise shall emanate from the premises nor vibration be transmitted through the structure of the premises that gives rise to a nuisance.

- 12) Clear and legible notices must be prominently displayed requesting customers to respect the needs of local residents and leave the area quietly.
- 13) There shall be no noise or odours caused by the kitchen extraction equipment that gives rise to a nuisance.
- 14) Where the premises provide late night refreshments for consumption off the premises sufficient waste bins must be provided at or near the exits, to enable the disposal of waste.
- 15) There shall be no deliveries to the premises between 23:00 and 07:00 the following day.
- 16) All waste shall be properly presented and placed out for collection no earlier than 30 minutes before the scheduled collection times. Between the hours of 23:00 to 07:00 the following morning no waste/glass bottles will be moved or deposited outside.
- 17) The premises licence holder shall provide, on induction, training for all staff, including door supervisors, on how to identify and safeguard vulnerable persons who attend and leave the premises. This training shall include, but not be limited to:
- The premises' procedure for when a customer seeks assistance and appears to be vulnerable
 - How to identify and engage with a vulnerable customer
 - How to engage with any other parties associated with the vulnerable customer
 - How to log all concerns, interactions and actions taken, or not taken, and the reasons why
 - Crime scene preservation related to spiking and sexual offences
 - How and when to make contact with the Police, SCAS and Street Pastors to report an incident or concerns, and, where the premises has Town Safe Radios, the correct and effective use of the radios.

Training must include evidence that the trainee has gained knowledge and understanding of the training, which may consist of a test or quiz, completed by the trainee.

Such training sessions are to be documented and refreshed every six months. All training sessions are to be documented in English. Records of training shall be kept for a minimum of two years and be made available to an authorised officer of Thames Valley Police and Reading Borough Council upon request.

- 18) A written entry, closure, and dispersal policy for controlling the opening, closing of the premises and the departure of customers at the conclusion of the licensed activities shall be put in place and shall be actively operated. This policy shall be made available to any authorised Officer of Thames Valley Police or an authorised officer of Reading Borough Council.
- 19) Staff shall actively monitor customer behaviour outside the premises and shall request customers to disperse quietly.
- 20) No customers shall be permitted to congregate or loiter outside the premises after service, and staff shall encourage prompt dispersal.
- 21) The external area immediately outside the premises shall be kept clear of litter and shall be swept/cleared at least twice during late night operating hours and at close of business.
- 22) A minimum of 4 litter bins shall be provided within the customer area.
- 23) Maximum customer capacity shall not exceed 45 persons in the dining area at any one time.
- 24) A minimum of 3 members of staff shall be on duty at all times during late night hours (23:00-04:00), with at least one member being a designated manager or supervisor.
- 25) Cooking extraction and ventilation systems shall be regularly maintained and cleaned in accordance with manufacturer's guidance to prevent odour nuisance, with maintenance records kept for at least 12 months.
- 26) A telephone number shall be made available and publicised for residents to contact the premises with any concerns.
- 27) A complaints log shall be maintained and reviewed at least monthly by management, with appropriate action taken to address recurring issues.
- 28) Windows and doors shall be kept closed after 23:00 hours except for access and egress, to minimize noise breakout.

- 29) Staff shall not congregate outside the premises during breaks in a manner that causes noise or obstruction.
- 30) Customers waiting for takeaway orders shall be managed inside the premises where possible to prevent external congregation.
- 31) Delivery and collection drivers shall be prohibited from:
- Leaving engines running while waiting for orders (unless required for vehicle safety)
 - Congregating in groups outside the premises
 - Playing loud music from vehicles
 - Sounding horns or causing noise disturbance
- 32) Signage shall be displayed requesting delivery drivers to respect local residents, minimize noise, and not idle their engines.
- 33) Children under 16 must be accompanied by a responsible adult when on the premises after 23:00 hours.
- 34) The premises shall maintain a safeguarding policy which is reviewed annually.
- 35) Staff shall be vigilant to lone children or children in distress and shall follow safeguarding procedures.
- 36) The premises shall display safeguarding contact information for local services in staff areas.

Harding, Mike

From: The Biryani Lounge <[REDACTED]>
Sent: 13 August 2026 09:09
To: Williams, Ben
Subject: Re: PR202607-1279970 - Licence Application

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 RBC Staff and Councillors

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Dear Ben,

Good Morning!

Thank you for sending the suggested conditions over. I would like to confirm that I am happy with those and also accept your proposed reduction of hours to 02:00am.

Please may I ask you to confirm whether yours and the police's objection are now withdrawn?

Best,
 Sai Krishna Pacha

On Thu, 6 Aug 2026 at 18:45, Williams, Ben [REDACTED] wrote:

Good afternoon,

I am emailing in regards to your application for a late night refreshment Licence for The Biryani Lounge. I have read your application and considered it and I do have some concerns. I would propose a reduction in hours to 02:00hrs and for you to also accept my proposed conditions which are attached. I have also spoken to Thames Valley Police who have submitted an objection to your application and they have advised that if you were to accept my conditions and agree to reduce your hours to 02:00hrs they would be willing to withdraw their objection.

Please could you let me know your thoughts on this as soon as possible. Please note that if I don't have your response by 12th August I will have to consider objecting to your application.

Regards

Ben Williams

Licensing & Enforcement Officer

Licensing | Public Protection

Directorate of Economic Growth and Neighbourhood Services

Co-Chair of the RBC LGBTQIA+ Network

Reading Borough Council

Civic Offices, Bridge Street, Reading, RG1 2LU

Are you thinking about applying for a new licence or varying your current one? Take advantage of our pre-application consultation:

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Licensed Premises: <https://www.reading.gov.uk/business/licences/alcohol-and-entertainment-licences/premises-licence/>

To access the licensing section of our website, please click this link:

<https://www.reading.gov.uk/business/licences/>

Ema [REDACTED]

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Kind Regards
Sai Krishna Pacha



From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 04 August 2026 12:39
To: Licensing <Licensing@reading.gov.uk>
Subject: Biryani lounge opening hours

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We write with regard to the late hours opening of this establishment and it's frequencies ie 7 days a week until 4 am .

We object to this on the following grounds .

- 1 Recent anti social behaviour in the area .
- 2 There are already too many take away food businesses in this area
- 3 rubbish they generate is never cleared promptly ,bins not emptied, and more rubbish will find its way into the neighbour hood
- 4 late night traffic will cause nuisance for neighbours .
- 5 we already have too many uber eats traffic delivery's in and around the neighbourhood.and continuous coming and going will create much noise when the many choose to sleep.!

Mr and Mrs Burns
 Bulmershe Rd
 Reading

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