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City Council

## **LICENSING (HEARINGS) SUB-COMMITTEE**

**DATE: MONDAY, 16 MAY 2022**

**TIME: 10:00 am**

**PLACE: Meeting Room G.02, Ground Floor, City Hall, 115 Charles Street, Leicester, LE1 1FZ**

### **Members of the Sub-Committee**

Councillors Khan, Pickering and Shelton.

Members of the Sub-Committee are summoned to attend the above meeting to consider the items of business listed overleaf.

for Monitoring Officer

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# LEICESTER CITY COUNCIL LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE PROCEDURAL GUIDE

## INTRODUCTORY PHASE

**The meeting will be held in public unless stated otherwise in the report.**

Present at the hearing will be Members of the Licensing Sub-Committee (minimum 3 Members), Officers from the Licensing Authority, a Legal Adviser to the Sub-Committee, an Officer from Democratic Services.

1. Participants at the meeting will introduce themselves as follows:
  - a. Members and Officers
  - b. Statutory Consultees (if any)
  - c. The Applicant and any representatives
  - d. Persons who have made representations
2. The Chair will check that the Applicant has received a copy of the Officer report.

## INFORMATION GATHERING

**(\*Please Note – for the purposes of a hearing to determine an application in a Cumulative Impact Zone (CIZ), the Applicant will present their case first)**

3. The Licensing Officer presents the report (previously circulated)

Questions (for clarification purposes only):  
Members  
Statutory Consultees (if any)  
Persons who have made representations  
Applicant and Representative(s)
4. Depending on the nature of the report, Statutory Consultees present their comments.

Questions (for clarification purposes only):  
Members  
Officers  
Persons who have made representations  
Applicant and Representative(s)
5. Persons who have made representations  

Questions (for clarification purposes only):  
Members  
Officers  
Statutory Consultees (is any)  
Applicant and Representative(s)

6. \*Applicant's Case

Questions (for clarification purposes only):

Members

Officers

Statutory Consultees

Persons who have made representations

7. Summing up in the following order

Officers

Statutory Consultees

Persons who have made representations

\*Applicant and Representative(s)

8. The Legal Adviser to the Sub-Committee to advise the Sub-Committee in the presence of the Applicant, Representatives, Officers, Statutory Consultees, and persons who have made representations on relevant issues the Members need to be aware of when they come to make their decision.

**DECISION MAKING**

9. Apart from the Sub-Committee Members and the Democratic Support Officer everyone will be asked to withdraw from the meeting The Legal Adviser to the Sub-Committee may be called back to the meeting to advise on the wording of the decision the Sub-Committee Members will have made during private deliberation.

10. The Applicant will be advised that the decision made by the Sub-Committee will be made public within 5 working days of the meeting.

# **PUBLIC SESSION**

## **AGENDA**

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- 1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR**
- 2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
- 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members are asked to declare any interests they may have in the business to be discussed.

- 4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING** **Appendix A**

The minutes of the meeting of Licensing (Hearings) Sub-Committee held on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022 are attached and Members will be asked to confirm them as a correct record.

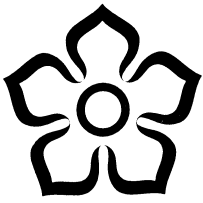
- 5. APPLICATION FOR THE REVIEW OF AN EXISTING PREMISES LICENSE: BLACKBIRD NEWS, 222 BLACKBIRD ROAD, LEICESTER, LE4 0AF** **Appendix B**

The Director of Neighbourhood and Environmental Services submits a report on an application for the review of an existing premises licence for Blackbird News, 222 Blackbird Road, Leicester, LE4 0AF. Report attached.

A copy of the associated documentation is attached for Members only. Further copies are available on the Council's website at [www.Cabinet.leicester.gov.uk](http://www.Cabinet.leicester.gov.uk) or by telephoning Democratic Support on (0116) 4546354.

(Ward affected: Abbey)

- 6. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS**



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# Minutes

Minutes of the Meeting of the  
LICENSING (HEARINGS) SUB-COMMITTEE

Held: THURSDAY, 31 MARCH 2022 at 9:30 am

P R E S E N T:

Councillor Gee (Chair)

Councillor Khan

Councillor Westley

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**1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR**

Councillor Gee was appointed as Chair for the meeting.

**2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Cank. Councillor Khan was present at the meeting.

**3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest made by Members.

**4. BEYOND FESTIVAL, ABBEY PARK GROUNDS, ABBEY PARK ROAD, LEICESTER**

The Director of Neighbourhood and Environmental Services submitted a report on an application for a new premises licence for Beyond Festival, Abbey Park Grounds, Abbey Park Road, Leicester. The application was received from JBR Events Ltd.

Introductions were made and the procedure for the meeting outlined.

Mr Paul Brindley (Applicant, JBR Events Ltd) and Mr Abs Rohomon (Agent) were present. Mr Dave Braithwaite (Deputy Licensing Manager) and PC Anton for Leicestershire Police, Mr Tj Mavani (Licensing Team Manager (Licensing Enforcement, LCC), Mr Chris White (Noise and Pollution Control, LCC) and Mr Theo Markham-Crew (Senior Festival and Events Officer, LCC) were present as persons who had made representations. Also present was the Chief Licensing Officer and the Legal Adviser to the Sub-Committee. Two members

of the public who had made representations were not present, but the representations were be considered by the Sub-Committee.

Prior to commencement of the presentation of the report, Mr Abs Rohomon passed on his condolences to those present for the sad loss of the Chief Constable Simon Cole.

Mr Abs Rohomon then requested that the meeting move into private session when it became necessary to discuss the security of the proposed event. The meeting received legal advice from the Legal Adviser to the Sub-Committee and there were no objections to the request.

AGREED:

That prior to discussing matters of security for the proposed event, the meeting would move into private session.

The Chief Licensing Officer presented the report. It was noted a representation was received on 7 March 2022 from Leicestershire Police on the grounds of all four licensing objectives, namely the prevention of crime and disorder, the prevention of public nuisance, public safety, and the protection of children from harm. The Police were concerned the application failed to promote the four licensing objectives.

A representation was received on 8 March 2022 from the Licensing Enforcement Team on the grounds of all four Licensing objectives. The representee was concerned that the application affected the local community and local policing with regards to noise concerns, likelihood of crime and disorder and security measures surrounding the physical event.

Two representations were received on 9 March 2022 from two members of the public on the grounds of the prevention of crime and disorder and the prevention of public nuisance. They were concerned the application would affect parking in the area and increase crime and disorder.

A representation was received on 4 March 2022 from the Noise Team on the grounds of the prevention of public nuisance. The Noise Team were concerned that noise from the event would cause a disturbance to local residents. The Noise Team had contacted the applicant, and an agreement had been reached to re-word one of the conditions to help prevent disturbance.

Mr Braithwaite and PC Wilson were given the opportunity to outline the details of the Police representation and answered questions from Members and Mr Rohomon.

Mr Mavani was given the opportunity to outline the representation from Licensing Enforcement Team. Mr Chris White (Noise Team) and Mr Markham-Crew (Festival and Events) also made representation. Members asked questions and information was provided.

Mr Rohomon for Mr Brindley outlined the details of the application. At the



request of Mr Rohomon the Chair agreed to move the meeting to Private Session.

RESOLVED:

That the press and public be excluded during consideration of the following information in accordance with the provisions of Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended, because it involved the likely disclosure of 'Exempt' information, as defined in the paragraph detailed below of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act, and taking all the circumstances into account, it was considered that the public interest in maintaining the information as exempt outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information.

Paragraph 3

Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

Mr Rohomon and Mr Brindley continued to present information contained in the Events Management Plan to the Sub-Committee and answered questions from the Police.

The meeting then moved back into Public Session.

Mr Rohomon and Mr Brindley continued to present their application and proposed amended condition and answered questions from Members, the Police and Licensing Enforcement.

All parties were given the opportunity to sum up their positions and make any final comments.

The Sub-Committee received legal advice from the Legal Adviser to the Sub-Committee in the presence of all those present and were advised of the options available to them in making their decision.

The Sub-Committee were also advised of the relevant policy and statutory guidance that needed to be taken into account when making their decision,

In reaching their decision, the Sub-Committee felt they should deliberate in private on the basis that this was in the public interest and as such outweighed the public interest of their deliberation taking place with the parties represented present, in accordance with the Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005.

The Chair announced that full reasons for the decision would be publicly announced and confirmed in writing within five working days. The Chair informed the meeting that the Legal Adviser to the Sub-Committee would be called back to give advice on the wording of the decision.

The Chair then asked all but Members of the Sub-Committee and Democratic Support Officers to withdraw from the meeting. Members then deliberated in private to consider their decision.

In reaching their decision the Sub-Committee Members had carefully considered the written report presented by the Chief Licensing Officer and the written and verbal representations made by Leicestershire Police / the Noise Team / Festival and Events and members of the public. The Members had also considered the representations made by the applicant Mr Brindley for JBR Events Ltd and his representative Mr Rohomon, and the legal advice given to them during the hearing. The Sub-Committee Members had taken account of the Statutory Guidance, the Regulators' Code and the Council's Licensing Policy.

The Sub-Committee recalled the Legal Adviser to the Sub-Committee to give advice on the wording of the decision.

**RESOLVED:**

That the application for a new premises licence for Beyond Festival, Abbey Park Grounds, Abbey Park Road, Leicester be GRANTED subject to the conditions consistent with the operating schedule, conditions contained within the representation from the Licensing Enforcement Team except for condition 14 which will be replaced by the condition consistent with the representation and agreement with the Noise Team, and three additional conditions.

**CONDITIONS CONSISTENT WITH THE OPERATING SCHEDULE**

- The licence is only valid on the last weekend in June (yearly basis), that weekend being Fri/Sat/Sun.
- The licence is subject to permission being granted by the land/building/area owner for specific use of any event/s planned. This must be evidenced in writing upon request by the Licensing Authority. The Licence Holder will comply with any local policies or regulations that relate to that land/building/area.
- The licence is subject to Leicester City Council's Standard Conditions for Places of Public Entertainment, published on the Licensing Authority's website [www.leicester.gov.uk/licensing](http://www.leicester.gov.uk/licensing)
- The licence is subject to the licence holder satisfying the deadlines set in relation to submission of any event plans, risk assessments or any other documents or plans required by the Authorities/Agencies as detailed within permission letter issued by the Local Authority. If these deadlines are not adhered to satisfactorily as deemed by the Licensing Authority, the licence is deemed null and void and all licensable activities will not be licensed.
- The licence holder must submit a fully documented event management plan to the Festivals & Events team which must be completed within the agreed timelines. The plan must include full details relating to at the very least; event management structure and contact details, site plans, programme timings, attendance estimations, site, staging and facilities provisions, Emergency risk assessments and access, public communications,

insurances and any other areas of consideration. Consultation must take place between the licence holder and the Festivals & Events team to achieve this and will be adhered to in full.

- The Licensing Authority will consult with all the required authorities/agencies to ensure that all of the conditions are complied with in full and inform the licence holder if this is not the case which will require immediate compliance and if not the condition/s relating to deadlines will come into force.
- The time restrictions of activities stated on the licence are the maximum allowed, however the time limits stated within the event management plan or risk assessments would be those applicable.
- The licence holder will comply with all reasonable actions or steps directed by or an officer acting on behalf of the Licensing Authority.
- The licence holder will consult with the police in relation to any event/s where this licence will be in use.
- The licence holder will submit to Leicestershire Police (Operations planning department or as directed) any documents that they require as part of a documented plan or risk assessment that must be submitted in line within agreed deadlines.
- The licence holder will complete any reasonable requests or instructions issued by the police in relation to the event/s.
- Full consideration and assessment must take place of the security provision. This must be done in consultation with the police, Festivals & Events Team, and the Licensing Authority. The authorities must be satisfied that the provisions are in place, meet the requirements of any event/s and will be adhered to in full.
- Any personnel that require to be SIA registered must be correctly licensed and must display their SIA identification prominently at all times during any event/s.
- The Licence Holder must ensure that all staff (paid or unpaid) selling alcohol are trained on the law with regards to age restricted sales, in particular what identification can be accepted and that this is properly documented.
- The licence holder will monitor and not exceed the maximum safe capacity for any event. This will be determined by the local authority in consultation with partner agencies and detailed on the event management plan.
- The licence holder will take into account public safety in all aspects of any events and this must be documented within the event management plan and any other risk assessments or documents submitted to the satisfaction of the relevant part of the local authority.
- The licence holder will consult and comply with any required public safety actions directed by the relevant parts of the local authority.
- The licence holder will consult with the Traffic Management/Highways or relevant parts of the local authority if required and submit a management plan in relation to traffic/highways management. This must be to the satisfaction of the local authority and complied with in full.
- A comprehensive noise risk assessment must be completed in consultation with the noise pollution team of the local authority. The authority must be satisfied with this assessment and that it will be adhered to in full.

- The licence holder will take all reasonable steps in order to reduce the chances of any event causing a public nuisance.
- If alcohol is being served or sold, then the age verification scheme 'Challenge 25' must be operated and complied with by all staff members. Staff members must be trained in the scheme and specifically what identification can be accepted. Notices advertising that the premises operates a Challenge 25 scheme must be displayed in a clear and prominent position at the entrance to the event and inside the event at all bar serverly arears where alcohol is being served or sold.
- A refusals log shall be in operation at each area where the sale of alcohol is being conducted. The refusals log shall be maintained throughout the event and be made available immediately to the police or Licensing Authority on request.

#### CONDITIONS CONSISTENT WITH THE REPRESENTATION FROM THE LICENSING ENFORCEMENT TEAM

- The licence is subject to permission being granted by the land/building/area owner for specific use and times of any event/s planned. This must be evidenced in writing upon request by the Licensing Authority. The Licence Holder will comply with any local policies or regulations that relate to that land/building/area.
- The licence is subject to Leicester City Council's Standard Conditions for Places of Public Entertainment, published on the Licensing Authority's website [www.leicester.gov.uk/licensing](http://www.leicester.gov.uk/licensing)
- The licence is subject to the licence holder satisfying the deadlines set in relation to submission of any event plans, risk assessments or any other documents or plans required by the Authorities/Agencies as detailed within permission letter issued by the Local Authority. If these deadlines are not adhered to satisfactorily as deemed by the Licensing Authority, the licence is deemed null and void and all licensable activities will not be licensed.
- The licence holder must submit a fully documented event management plan to the Festivals & Events team which must be completed within the agreed timelines. The plan must include full details relating to at the very least; event management structure and contact details, site plans, programme timings, attendance estimations, site, staging and facilities provisions, Emergency risk assessments and access, public communications, insurances and any other areas of consideration. Consultation must take place between the licence holder and the Festivals & Events team to achieve this and will be adhered to in full.
- The Licensing Authority will consult with all the required authorities/agencies to ensure that all of the conditions are complied with in full and inform the licence holder if this is not the case which will require immediate compliance and if not the condition/s relating to deadlines will come into force.
- The time restrictions of activities stated on the licence are the maximum allowed, however the time limits stated within the event management plan or risk assessments would be those applicable.
- The licence holder will comply with all reasonable actions or steps directed by or an officer acting on behalf of the Licensing Authority.

- The licence holder will consult with the police in relation to any event/s where this licence will be in use.
- The licence holder will submit to Leicestershire Police (Operations planning department or as directed) any documents that they require as part of a documented plan or risk assessment that must be submitted in line within agreed deadlines.
- The licence holder will complete any reasonable requests or instructions issued by the police in relation to the event/s.
- Full consideration and assessment must take place of the security provision. This must be done in consultation with the police, Festivals & Events Team and the Licensing Authority. The authorities must be satisfied that the provisions are in place, meet the requirements of any event/s and will be adhered to in full.
- Any personnel that require to be SIA registered must be correctly licensed and must display their SIA identification prominently at all times during any event/s.
- The Licence Holder must ensure that all staff (paid or unpaid) selling alcohol are trained on the law with regards to age restricted sales, in particular what identification can be accepted and that this is properly documented.
- The Noise Management Plan, within a prescribed timeframe and manner stipulated by the Leicester City Council Noise and Pollution Team, will be made available to relevant agencies, partner organisations and relevant person/s within community organisations for comment. Any comments may inform the noise management plan including adapting or changing any necessary elements in a proportionate manner based on the event plan each year. This will be arbitrated through the Leicester City Council Noise and Pollution Team.
- The licence holder will take all reasonable steps in order to reduce the chances of any event causing a public nuisance.
- The licence holder will monitor and not exceed the maximum safe capacity for any event. This will be determined by the local authority in consultation with partner agencies and detailed on the event management plan.
- The licence holder will take into account public safety in all aspects of any events and this must be documented within the event management plan and any other risk assessments or documents submitted to the satisfaction of the relevant part of the local authority.
- The licence holder will consult and comply with any required public safety actions directed by the relevant parts of the local authority.
- The licence holder will consult with the Traffic Management/Highways or relevant parts of the local authority if required and submit a management plan in relation to traffic/highways management. This must be to the satisfaction of the local authority and complied with in full.
- If alcohol is being served or sold, then the age verification scheme 'Challenge 25' must be operated and complied with by all staff members. Staff members must be trained in the scheme and specifically what identification can be accepted. Notices advertising that the premises operates a Challenge 25 scheme must be displayed in a clear and prominent position at the entrance to the event and inside the event at all

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- A refusals log shall be in operation at each area where the sale of alcohol is being conducted. The refusals log shall be maintained throughout the event and be made available immediately to the police or Licensing Authority on request.

#### CONDITION CONSISTENT WITH THE REPRESENTATION FROM THE NOISE TEAM

- A comprehensive noise management plan must be completed in consultation with the noise pollution team of the local authority. This is to be completed for each event that the licence authorises. Should the local authority noise team deem a noise management plan is not required, this will be indicated in writing to the event organiser. The authority must be satisfied with this assessment and that it will be adhered to in full.

#### ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS

- The main event as described in the event manual and documented through the Safety Advisory Group process will only take place on the Saturday (of the three-day licence).
- No event of a similar nature to that of the event on the Saturday will take place on the Friday or Sunday of the three-day licence period, with capacity on the Friday and Sunday reduced to a maximum of 4,999.
- All plans submitted in advance of the event must have the full agreement from all relevant authorities/agencies.

The applicant would be provided with the reasons for the decision in writing within five working days.

All parties would be advised of the right to appeal the decision to the Magistrates Court.

#### **5. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS**

There being no other items of urgent business, the meeting closed at 1.17pm.

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# **Application for a review of an existing premises licence**

Licensing (Hearings) Sub-Committee

Decision to be taken by: Licensing (Hearings)  
Sub-Committee

Date of meeting: 16/05/2022

Lead officer: Deborah Bragg

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### Useful information

- Ward(s) affected: Abbey
- Report author: Amy Day
- Author contact details: 0116 454 3054
- Report version number: 1

## 1. Summary

- 1.1 This report outlines an application for a review of an existing premises licence for Blackbird News and summarises the representation received. It also highlights the licensing objectives, the relevant parts of the guidance and regulations, and the pertinent sections of the Licensing Authority's Licensing Policy.

## 2. Determination to be made

- 2.1 Having considered the application and representation, Members must consider whether to
- Reject the review application
  - Modify the conditions of the licence
  - Exclude a licensable activity from the scope of the licence
  - Remove the designated premises supervisor
  - Suspend the licence for a period not exceeding three months
  - Revoke the licence
- 2.2 Where Members take the decision to reject the review application, they are permitted to issue an informal warning to the licence holder and / or recommend improvement within a particular period of time.

## 3. Application and promotion of the licensing objectives

- 3.1 An application was received on 28 March 2022 from Leicestershire Fire & Rescue Service for a review of the existing premises licence for Blackbird News, 222 Blackbird Road, Leicester. The application was made on the grounds of public safety. A copy of the application is attached at Appendix A.
- 3.2 Leicestershire Fire & Rescue Service are concerned that the premises has failed to take a fire risk assessment and has been non-compliant with an enforcement notice under article 30 of the Fire Safety Order.
- 3.3 The activities and hours permitted by the existing licence are as follows:

Licensable activity	Current hours
Supply of Alcohol	Mon – Sat 08.00 – 23.00 Sunday 10.00 – 22.30 Good Friday 08.00 – 22.30 Christmas Day 12.00 – 15.00 & 19.00 – 22.30
Opening Hours	Unrestricted



3.4 The existing licence is attached at Appendix B.

3.5 In arriving at its decision on the application, the Licensing Authority's primary consideration must be the promotion of the licensing objectives.

3.6 Location Plan



#### 4. Representation(s)

4.1 No additional representations were received during the statutory representation period.

#### 5. Statutory guidance and statement of licensing policy

5.1 Any decision made by the Licensing Authority must be in accordance with the licensing objectives. In addition, the government has issued guidance under section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003. The parts of the guidance that are particularly relevant in this case are as follows:

Section	Heading
1.2 – 1.5	Licensing objectives and aims

1.15 – 1.16	General Principles
1.17	Each application on its own merits
2.7 – 2.14	Public Safety
8.41 – 8.49	Steps to promote the licensing objectives
9.11 – 9.12	Role of responsible authorities
9.31 – 9.41	Hearings
9.42 – 9.44	Determining actions that are appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives
10.1 – 10.3	Conditions - general
10.8 – 10.9	Imposed conditions
10.10	Proportionality
10.13 - 10.15	Hours of trading
10.25 – 10.66	Mandatory conditions in relation to the supply of alcohol
11.1 – 11.29	Reviews
13.10 – 13.11	Giving reasons for decisions
14.51 – 14.52	Licensing Hours

5.2 The relevant parts of the Licensing Authority’s Statement of Licensing Policy are as follows:

Section	Heading
4	Promotion of the Licensing Objectives
4.14 – 4.19	Public Safety
5	General Principles
6.43 – 6.26	Conditions
12	Enforcement and Reviews

## 6. Points for clarification

6.1 The applicant and the parties making the representation have been asked to clarify certain points at the hearing, as follows:

*By the applicant*

1. Whether the applicant considers that the concerns outlined in the representations are valid, and if not why not.
2. In the light of the representations made, whether the applicant wishes to propose any additional steps for the promotion of the licensing objectives.

*By the parties making the representations*

1. Whether they have any additional information to support the representation they have made.
2. Whether there are any additional steps that could be taken which would be equally effective in the promotion of the licensing objectives.

## 7. Financial, legal, equalities, climate emergency and other implications

### 7.1 Financial implications

None.

**7.2 Legal implications**

Legal advice specific to the application will be provided at the meeting by Legal Officers.

**7.3 Equalities implications**

None.

**7.4 Climate Emergency implications**

There are unlikely to be any significant climate emergency implications directly associated with this report and the licensing process. Aidan Davis, Sustainability Officer, Ext 28 3384

**7.5 Other implications (You will need to have considered other implications in preparing this report. Please indicate which ones apply?)**

None.

**8. Background information and other papers:**

None.

**9. Summary of appendices:**

Appendix A – Application

Appendix B – Existing licence

**10. Is this a private report (If so, please indicate the reasons and state why it is not in the public interest to be dealt with publicly)?**

No.

**11. Is this a “key decision”? If so, why?**

No.



**Application for the review of a premises licence or club premises certificate under the  
Licensing Act 2003**

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**I Sarah Mason**

*(Insert name of applicant)*

**apply for the review of a premises licence under section 51**

**Part 1 – Premises or club premises details**

<b>Postal address of premises or, if none, ordnance survey map reference or description</b> Blackbird News 222 Blackbird Road	
<b>Post town</b> Leicester	<b>Post code (if known)</b> LE4 0AF

<b>Name of premises licence holder or club holding club premises certificate (if known)</b> Pirthrap Sriskandarsh
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<b>Number of premises licence or club premises certificate (if known)</b>
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**Part 2 - Applicant details**

I am

Please tick ✓ yes

- 1) an individual, body or business which is not a responsible authority (please read guidance note 1, and complete (A) or (B) below)
- 2) a responsible authority (please complete (C) below)
- 3) a member of the club to which this application relates (please complete (A) below)

**(A) DETAILS OF INDIVIDUAL APPLICANT** (fill in as applicable)

Please tick ✓ yes

Mr

Mrs

Miss

Ms

Other title  
(for example, Rev)

**Surname**

**First names**

**I am 18 years old or over**

Please tick ✓ yes

**Current postal  
address if  
different from  
premises  
address**

**Post town**

**Post Code**

**Daytime contact telephone number**

**E-mail address  
(optional)**

**(B) DETAILS OF OTHER APPLICANT**

Name and address

Telephone number (if any)

E-mail address (optional)

**(C) DETAILS OF RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY APPLICANT**

Name and address Leicestershire Fire and Rescue Service 4 Geoff Monk Way Birstall LE4 3BU
Telephone number (if any) <b>0116 210 5555</b>
E-mail address (optional) Firesafety.advisors@leics-fire.gov.uk

**This application to review relates to the following licensing objective(s)**

- Please tick one or more boxes ✓
- 1) the prevention of crime and disorder
  - 2) public safety
  - 3) the prevention of public nuisance
  - 4) the protection of children from harm

**Please state the ground(s) for review (please read guidance note 2)**

Failure to undertake a fire risk assessment.

Non-compliant with an enforcement notice under article 30 of the Fire Safety Order

Failure to ensure the safety of employees and members of the public.



**Please provide as much information as possible to support the application** (please read guidance note 3)

In October 2020, a fire broke out at 222 Blackbird Road. The fire crews at the time put up two domestic smoke alarms. Fire Protection Officer Cyril Abadie attended and confirmed that as part of the terms of his licensing he needed a fire risk assessment. He also advised to get interlinked alarms for the shop and the flat above.

Fire Protection Officer Vicky Finn attended on 9 December 2021 to undertake a fire safety audit. It was noted that no fire risk assessment had been undertaken, there were compartmentation issues between the shop and the flat, no interlinked alarms had been fitted, no training had been undertaken with employees, the escape routes were blocked with stock and the rear escape was locked with a key. Fire Protection officer Vicky Finn wrote to the owner advising how he can rectify these issues and gave a three-month timeline. An enforcement notice was issued under article 30 the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety Order 2005).

On 16 March 2022 at 2pm, myself fire protection officer Sarah Mason and fire protection officer Sophie Smith attended for the follow up on the enforcement notice to ascertain what work had been carried out to ensure the enforcement notice had been complied with. I, FPO Mason, asked for a copy of the risk assessment, this hadn't been completed. I asked what training had been provided, the owner confirmed they'd had it 6 months before, I questioned this as the audit in December confirmed they hadn't had training and no training has been done since. The owner confirmed that hadn't sorted the compartmentation issues between the shop and the flat. The rear escape was still difficult to get to because of stock, the rear fire door was locked and the key left next to the door. An interlinked alarm was fitted between the shop and the flat above which was fitted by LFRS as an interim measure.

Please tick ✓ yes

Have you made an application for review relating to the premises before

If yes please state the date of that application

Day	Month	Year
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

**If you have made representations before relating to the premises please state what they were and when you made them**

Please tick ✓

yes

- I have sent copies of this form and enclosures to the responsible authorities and the premises licence holder or club holding the club premises certificate, as appropriate
- I understand that if I do not comply with the above requirements my application will be rejected

**IT IS AN OFFENCE, UNDER SECTION 158 OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003, TO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT IN OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS APPLICATION. THOSE WHO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT MAY BE LIABLE ON SUMMARY CONVICTION TO A FINE OF ANY AMOUNT.**

**Part 3 – Signatures** (please read guidance note 4)

**Signature of applicant or applicant’s solicitor or other duly authorised agent** (please read guidance note 5). **If signing on behalf of the applicant please state in what capacity.**

Signature 


.....

Date **22/03/2022**

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Capacity **Fire Protection Officer**

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<b>Contact name (where not previously given) and postal address for correspondence associated with this application</b> (please read guidance note 6) Leicestershire Fire and Rescue Service 4 Geoff Monk Way	
<b>Post town</b> Birstall	<b>Post Code</b> LE4 3BU
<b>Telephone number (if any)</b> 0116 210 5555	
<b>If you would prefer us to correspond with you using an e-mail address your e-mail address (optional)</b> 	



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**LEIPRM0215**



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Part 1 - Premises Details

POSTAL ADDRESS OF PREMISES, OR IF NONE, ORDNANCE SURVEY MAP REFERENCE OR DESCRIPTION

**Blackbird News**

222 Blackbird Road, Leicester, Leicestershire, LE4 OAF.

Telephone 2620363

WHERE THE LICENCE IS TIME LIMITED THE DATES

Not applicable

Expires **no expiry**

LICENSABLE ACTIVITIES AUTHORISED BY THE LICENCE

- the supply of alcohol

THE TIMES THE LICENCE AUTHORISES THE CARRYING OUT OF LICENSABLE ACTIVITIES

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THE OPENING HOURS OF THE PREMISES

Description	Time From	Time To
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WHERE THE LICENCE AUTHORISES SUPPLIES OF ALCOHOL WHETHER THESE ARE ON AND / OR OFF SUPPLIES

- J. Supply of alcohol for consumption OFF the premises only

Part 2

NAME, (REGISTERED) ADDRESS, TELEPHONE NUMBER AND EMAIL (WHERE RELEVANT) OF HOLDER OF PREMISES LICENCE

Kirit Parmar	222 Blackbird Road, Leicester, Leicestershire, LE4 OAF.
Mina Parmar	222 Blackbird Road, Leicester, Leicestershire, LE4 OAF.

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**NAME, ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF DESIGNATED PREMISES SUPERVISOR WHERE THE PREMISES LICENCE AUTHORISES THE SUPPLY OF ALCOHOL**

Paresh PARMAR

**PERSONAL LICENCE NUMBER AND ISSUING AUTHORITY OF PERSONAL LICENCE HELD BY DESIGNATED PREMISES SUPERVISOR WHERE THE PREMISES LICENCE AUTHORISES FOR THE SUPPLY OF ALCOHOL**

Licence No. BLP0454

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**ANNEXES**

**Annex 1 - Mandatory conditions**

No supply of alcohol may be made under the premises licence -

- a) at a time when there is no designated premises supervisor in respect of the premises licence, or
- b) at a time when the designated premises supervisor does not hold a personal licence or his personal licence is suspended.

Every supply of alcohol under the premises licence must be made or authorised by a person who holds a personal licence.

**Annex 2 - Conditions consistent with the operating schedule**

The restrictions in this Annex do not prohibit any sale, supply or consumption of alcohol previously permitted by the Licensing Act 1964.

Alcohol shall not be sold or supplied unless it is paid for before or at the time when it is sold or supplied.

Alcohol shall not be sold or supplied except during the hours permitted by the licence.

Alcohol shall not be sold in an open container or be consumed in the licensed premises.

**Annex 3 - Conditions attached after a hearing by the Licensing Authority**

None





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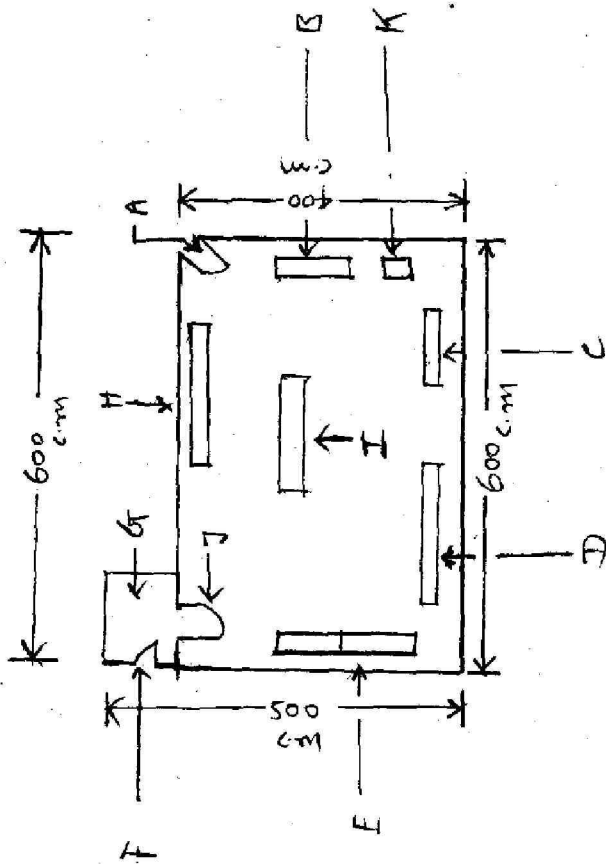
**STATE WHETHER ACCESS TO THE PREMISES BY CHILDREN IS RESTRICTED OR PROHIBITED**





Annex 4 - Plan

BLACK BIRD NEWS & OFF LICENCE 1:100



- A - FRONT DOOR
- B - ICECREME FRIDGE
- C - COUNTER
- D - WINE & SPIRIT & BEER
- E - COLD DRINK FRIDGE
- F - FIRE EXIT
- G - STORE ROOM
- H - NEWS & MAGZ
- I - GROCERYS
- J - DOOR FOR STORE
- K - FIRE EXTINGUISHER

