



Leicester  
City Council

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

Held: MONDAY, 13 APRIL 2026 at 10:00 am

P R E S E N T:

Councillor Dr Barton (Chair)

Councillor Cank

Councillor Cassidy

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**1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR**

Councillor Barton was appointed as Chair.

**2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies for absence.

**3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

**4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 2 March 2026 were recorded as a true and accurate record.

**5. PRIVATE SESSION**

RESOLVED:

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

Paragraph 1

Information relating to an individual.

Paragraph 2

Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual.

Paragraph 7

Information relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime.

B1) Application to Transfer an Existing Premises Licence Holder and Vary the Designated Premises Supervisor - Eagle Mini Market, 215 Hinckley Road, LE3 0TG

**6. APPLICATION TO TRANSFER AN EXISTING PREMISES LICENCE HOLDER AND VARY THE DESIGNATED PREMISES SUPERVISOR - EAGLE MINI MARKET, 215 HINCKLEY ROAD, LE3 0TG**

Councillor Barton, as Chair led on introductions and outlined the procedure the hearing would follow.

The Director of Neighbourhood and Environmental Services submitted a report on an application to transfer an existing licence holder and vary the designated premises supervisor for a premises licence for Eagle Mini Market, 215 Hinckley Road, LE3 0TG.

The applicant and his licensing agent Mr Rob Edge were in attendance. Also in attendance were Sergeant Nicholas Golden, Leicestershire Police, Mr Ian Stone and Mr Jacob Szmega from Leicestershire County Council's Trading Standards department. Also present were the Senior Regulatory Officer and the Legal Adviser to the Sub-Committee.

The Senior Regulatory Officer presented the report and outlined details of the application.

A representation was received on 19 March 2026 from Leicestershire Police in relation to the prevention of crime and disorder. Leicestershire Police were concerned that the appointment of the applicant as the licence holder and designated premises supervisor would undermine the prevention of crime and disorder licensing objective.

Sergeant Golden from Leicestershire Police was given the opportunity to outline the details of their representation, with the Trading Standards officers from Leicestershire County Council presenting their witness statements to the Sub-Committee. They answered questions from Members.

Mr Edge and the applicant were given the opportunity to address the Sub-Committee and answered questions from the Members.

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 the decision and reasons would be 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 Governance Services Officers to withdraw from the meeting. Members then deliberated in private to consider their decision.

The Sub-Committee recalled the Legal Adviser to the Sub-Committee to give advice on the wording of the decision. The observer from Legal Services also returned at that time.

**RESOLVED:**

The Sub-Committee's decision is that it is appropriate for the promotion of the crime prevention objective to **REJECT** the application.

The reasons for the decision would be provided in writing to all parties within five working days.

Any appeal against this decision must be made within 21 days of the date of this decision to the Magistrates Court.

**7. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS**

With there being no further business, the meeting closed at 11:11am.

