
Application for a new premises licence

Licensing (Hearings) Sub-Committee

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

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Lead director/officer: Bobby Smiljanic

Useful information

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1. Summary

- 1.1 This report outlines an application under the Licensing Act 2003 for a new premises licence for Teatime, 122 Granby Street, Leicester and summarises the representations received. It also highlights the licensing objectives and the relevant parts of both the statutory guidance and the Licensing Authority's Licensing Policy.

2. Determination to be made

- 2.1 Having considered the application and representations, Members must consider whether to
- Grant the licence without modification;
 - Grant the licence subject to conditions;
 - Exclude from the licence any of the licensable activities;
 - Refuse to accept the proposed premises supervisor;
 - Reject the application.

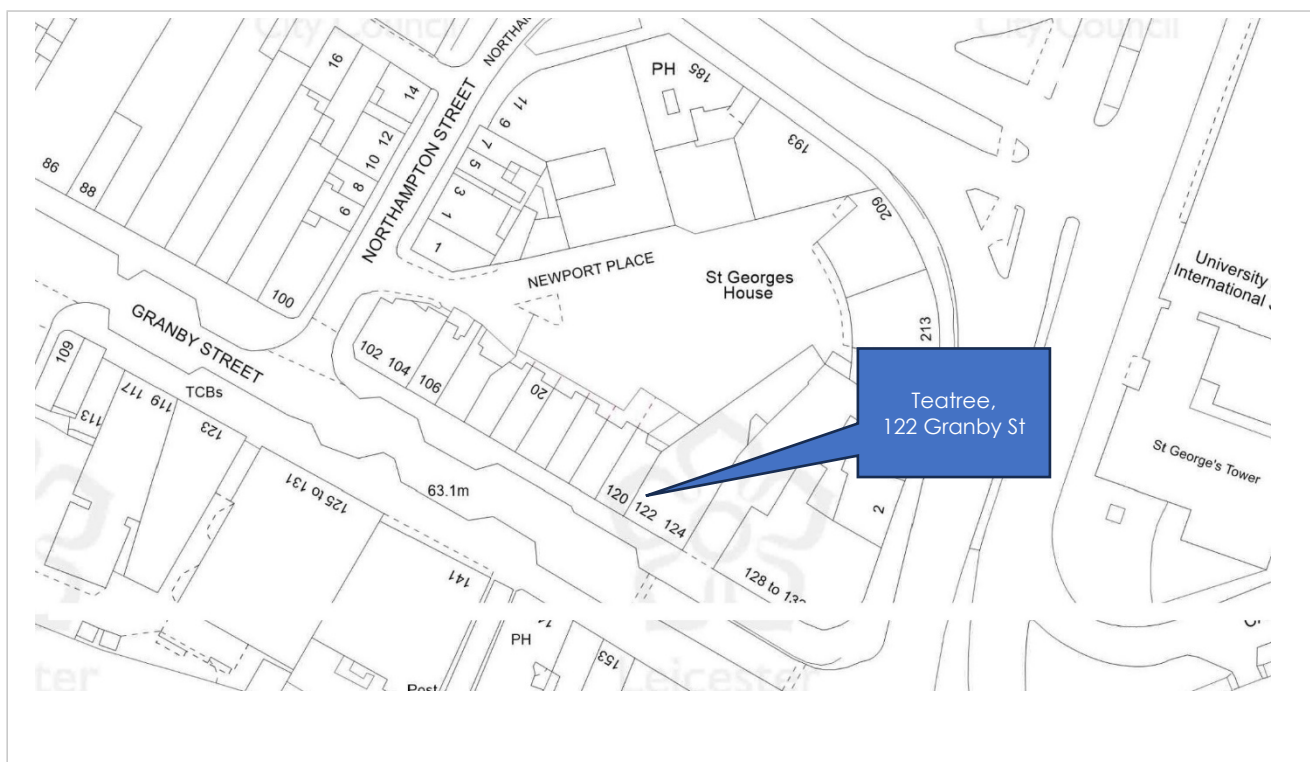
3. Application and promotion of the licensing objectives

- 3.1 An application was received on 04 July 2025 from Tea Time Leicester Ltd for a new premises licence for Teatime, 122 Granby Street, Leicester. A copy of the application is attached at Appendix A.

- 3.2 The application is as follows:

Licensable activity	Proposed hours
Late Night Refreshment (indoors)	Monday - Saturday 23:00 – 02:00 Sunday 23:00 – 00:00
Opening hours	Monday – Saturday 07:00 – 02:00 Sunday 08:00 – 00:00

- 3.3 The steps the applicant proposes to take to promote the licensing objectives are set out in the operating schedule (see Section M of Appendix A).
- 3.4 In arriving at its decision on the application, the Licensing Authority's primary consideration must be the promotion of the licensing objectives.
- 3.5 Location Plan



4. Representations

- 4.1 A representation was received on 1st August 2025 from eight members of public/business owners operating on Granby Street. The representation relates to crime and disorder, public safety and prevention of public nuisance. The members of public state they have observed a consistent pattern of disruptive behaviour associated with the operation of the premises, which is negatively affecting their businesses, customers and the wider environment of Granby Street. The most serious and ongoing issues include loitering and littering, when a group of the customers regularly congregate outside the premises, often smoking, littering and staying well over the current closing time of 11pm. The members of public add that the patrons of the premises constantly park on pavements and in pedestrian zones, thus not only obstructing foot traffic, but creating hazard for delivery vehicles and emergency access. The disorder and disruption caused by these issues diminish the appeal of Granby Street, especially during evening hours.

A copy of the representation is attached at Appendix B1.

- 4.2 A representation was received on 2nd August 2025 from a member of public. The representation relates to crime and disorder, prevention of public nuisance and public safety. The member of public states that the establishment has consistently demonstrated inability to control the behaviour of its customers – they are often seen loitering and littering outside the premises, particularly in the late evening hours.
- Allowing the premises to be open until the requested hours will only exacerbate the existing problems, increasing nuisance, safety concerns and overall reduce the attractiveness of Granby Street to families, visitors and local businesses.

A copy of the Representation is attached at Appendix B2.

- 4.3 A representation was received on 4th August 2025 from a member of public. The

representation relates to crime and disorder and prevention of public nuisance. The member of public states that the reason for the representation lies in the ongoing and escalating issues arising from the behaviour of the customers, which the business appears either unwilling or unable to manage. The patrons constantly park in the pedestrian zone, blocking access to taxi drivers, food delivery partners and emergency services, and severely disrupt operations of nearby businesses. Despite being aware of the disruption, no visible efforts have been made by the business to discourage or prevent this misconduct. In addition, the patrons are frequently seen smoking, loitering and congregating outside the premises, particularly during late evening hours, thus creating an uncivil and unwelcome environment especially for the elderly and vulnerable.

A copy of the representation is attached at Appendix B3.

- 4.4 A petition representation was received on 4th August 2025 from seventeen members of public. The representation relates to crime and disorder and prevention of public nuisance. Members of public state that at present the business operates until 11pm and even within these hours is already causing considerable disruption to the peace and wellbeing of neighbouring residents and businesses – the customers park along Granby Street, obstructing pavements and pedestrian access. Furthermore, it is a regular occurrence to see groups of customers loitering outside the premises late into the night, smoking, littering and conversing loudly, thus causing repeated loss of sleep, anxiety and frustration for residents. Extending the hours for the premises would only worsen the already deteriorated quality of life and actively discourage families and professionals from living in the city centre.

A copy of the representation is attached at Appendix B4.

- 4.5 A representation was received on 4th August 2025 from a member of public. The representation relates to crime and disorder and prevention of public nuisance. The member of public states that the business already causes issues to the residents and businesses, by the patrons parking on the street obstructing pavements and pedestrian access and grouping outside the premises, smoking, loitering and conversing loudly. Allowing the requested opening hours to the business will only worsen the already deteriorating quality of life for both the residents and businesses.

A copy of the representation is attached at Appendix B5.

5. Conditions

- 5.1 The conditions that are consistent with the application are attached at Appendix C.

6. Statutory guidance and statement of licensing policy

- 6.1 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
2.1 – 2.6	Crime & Disorder
2.7 – 2.14	Public Safety
2.15 – 2.21	Public nuisance
2.22 – 2.31	Protection of children from harm
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
13.10 – 13.11	Giving reasons for decisions
14.51 – 14.52	Licensing Hours

- 6.2 The relevant parts of the Licensing Authority's Statement of Licensing Policy are as follows:

Section	Heading
4	Promotion of the licensing objectives
5	General Principles
6	Premises Licences and Club Premises Certificates
8	Areas of Specific Interest and Consultation

7. Points for clarification

- 7.1 The applicant and the parties making the representations 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 representation

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.

8. Financial, legal, equalities, climate emergency and other implications

8.1 Financial implications

There are no significant financial implications arising from the contents of this report.
Jade Draper Principal Accountant
1st August 2025

8.2 Legal implications

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

8.3 Equalities implications

Under the Equality Act 2010, public authorities have a Public Sector Equality Duty (PSED) which means that, in carrying out their functions, they have a statutory duty to pay due regard to the need to eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Act, to advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and those who don't and to foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and those who don't.

Protected Characteristics under the Equality Act 2010 are age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation.

There are no direct equalities implications arising from the report. However it is important to consider issues of accessibility to the application process and its associated activities (such as lodging an appeal); The criteria used during determination of an application and its associated activities (such as lodging an appeal).

Signed: Surinder Singh, Equalities Officer
Dated: 1st August 2025

8.4 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.

8.5 Other implications

Paragraph 4 relates to Crime and Disorder.

9. Background information and other papers:

None

10. Summary of appendices:

Appendix A – Application

Appendix B – Representations

Appendix C – Conditions consistent with the application

11. 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

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

No