
Application for a new premises licence

Licensing (Hearings) Sub-Committee

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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 Clarendon Superstore, 208 Clarendon Park Road, 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 18 November 2025 from JAS Supermarket (EM) LTD for a new premises licence for Clarendon Superstore, 208 Clarendon Park Road, Leicester. A copy of the application is attached at Appendix A.

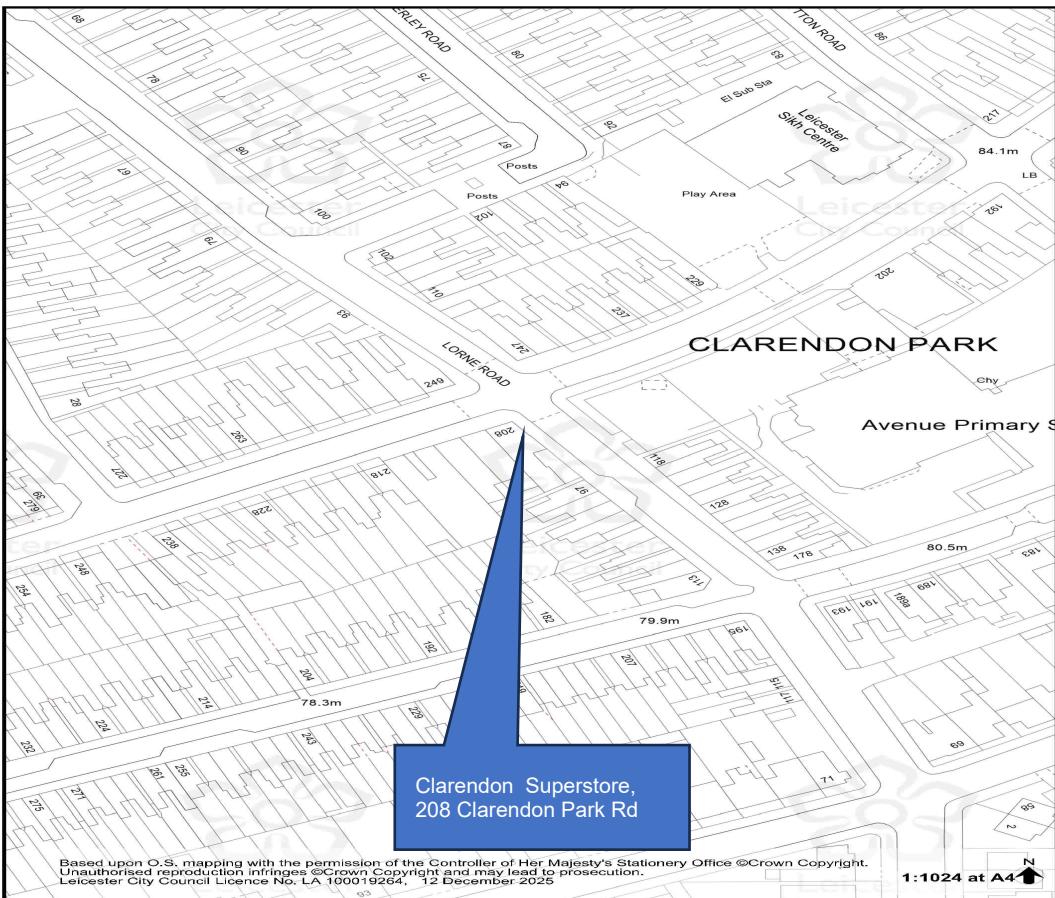
3.2 The application is as follows:

Licensable activity	Proposed hours
Sale of alcohol (off the premises)	Monday – Sunday 07:00 – 00:00
Opening hours	Monday – Sunday 07:00 – 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 18 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 11th December 2025 from a member of public. The representation relates to crime and disorder, public safety and prevention of public nuisance. The representee states the area is a residential one, with the road already busy and having parking issues. Granting the licence will only create more nuisance and public safety issues to have cars arriving, revving and trying to park on a yellow single line at all hours. The school is near which will add more danger for crossing. Alcohol sales will cause a problem with drug and alcohol users potentially gathering outside, causing a concern for added crime in the area. The shop has not been trading for years so there was no footfall or traffic to the area, and the residents are concerned that the impact the opening of the shop will be detrimental.

A copy of the representation is attached at Appendix B1.

4.2 A representation was received on 12th December 2025 from a member of public. The representation relates to crime and disorder and prevention of public nuisance. The member of public states that although they do not object to a premises being open, there already is a Co-Op and another small shop selling similar goods. The main objection is about the hours proposed in the application. The premises is amongst dense housing, on a road that quiets significantly by 11pm, therefore

selling alcohol after this time risks drawing people into the area already having drunk in local bars (most of which close by 11pm) hence raising noise levels and potential for gathering. The representee adds that they would likely withdraw their objection if the shop was to close by 11pm.

A copy of the Representation is attached at Appendix B2.

4.3 A representation was received on 13th December 2025 from a member of public. The representation relates to all four Licensing objectives. The representee states the premises is a corner property directly opposite an infant school, located within a high-density residential area. The area already benefits from two licensed premises selling alcohol and the area is currently subject to a recognised increase in crime and anti-social behaviour. The addition of a further alcohol outlet, particularly with late night trading hours is likely to increase alcohol related crime and disorder, which will raise concerns regarding public safety, especially during nighttime periods. As the area is predominantly residential, late alcohol sales are likely to result in increased noise, disturbance and litter.

The representee states that the immediate proximity of the premises to an infant school is of significant concern, as increased availability of alcohol heightens the risk of children being exposed to inappropriate behaviour, intoxicated individuals and anti-social conduct, particularly during school opening and closing times. In the light of the above, the representee is asking that the application is refused or alternatively, the substantially reduced hours and robust conditions be imposed should the licence be granted.

A copy of the Representation is attached at Appendix B3.

4.4 A representation was received on 15th December 2025 from a member of public. The representation relates to all four licensing objectives. The representee is concerned about the very same issues as the representation received on 13th December.

A copy of the Representation is attached at Appendix B4.

4.5 A representation was received on 16th December 2025 from a Member of Parliament on behalf of the constituents. The representation relates to prevention of public nuisance, public safety and protection of children from harm. The representee states that the residents have raised serious concerns about the potential impact the application may have on the local area, which is predominantly residential and located close to a school. The issues that are highlighted include increased risk to public safety, parking congestion, traffic problems, late-night noise disturbance and the potential for anti-social behaviour linked to alcohol sales.

A copy of the representation is attached at Appendix B5.

4.6 A representation was received from a member of public on 16th December 2025. The representation relates to prevention of crime and disorder and prevention of public nuisance. The representee states they do not object to the premises location itself, but to the lateness of the terminal hour. There are already issues with street drinking and drug taking in the nearby Clarendon Park Road Gardens

and Clarendon Park Play Area – allowing such a late closing hour would encourage people to purchase further alcohol for street consumption once the premises licensed for ON sales have closed, increasing the likelihood of public nuisance, crime and disorder. The representee is proposing if the terminal hour is brought forward to 10:00pm, they are prepared to withdraw the representation.

A copy of the representation is attached at Appendix B6.

4.7 A representation was received by a member of public. The representation relates to crime and disorder. The representee states that there are already too many licensed premises in the area and adding another one too close to the houses will only attract anti-social behaviour.

A copy of the representation is attached at Appendix B7.

4.8 A representation was received on 16th December 2025 by a local Councillor. The representation relates to prevention of crime and disorder and prevention of public nuisance. The representee states that the main concern is the lateness of the terminal hour. There is already a business offering comparable goods and services, striking a reasonable balance in this primarily residential area. The representee also adds that there are already issues with street drinking and drug taking in the nearby park and play area, resulting in public nuisance and crime and disorder. The representee is proposing if the terminal hour is brought forward to 10:00pm, they are prepared to withdraw the representation.

A copy of the representation is attached at Appendix B8.

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. 22nd December 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: 22nd December 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.

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