
Application for a review of an existing premises licence

Licensing (Hearings) Sub-Committee

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Lead director/officer: Tj Mavani

Useful information

- Ward(s) affected: Castle
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1. Summary

- 1.1 This report outlines an application for a review of an existing premises licence for City Off Licence and summarises the representations 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
 - 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.

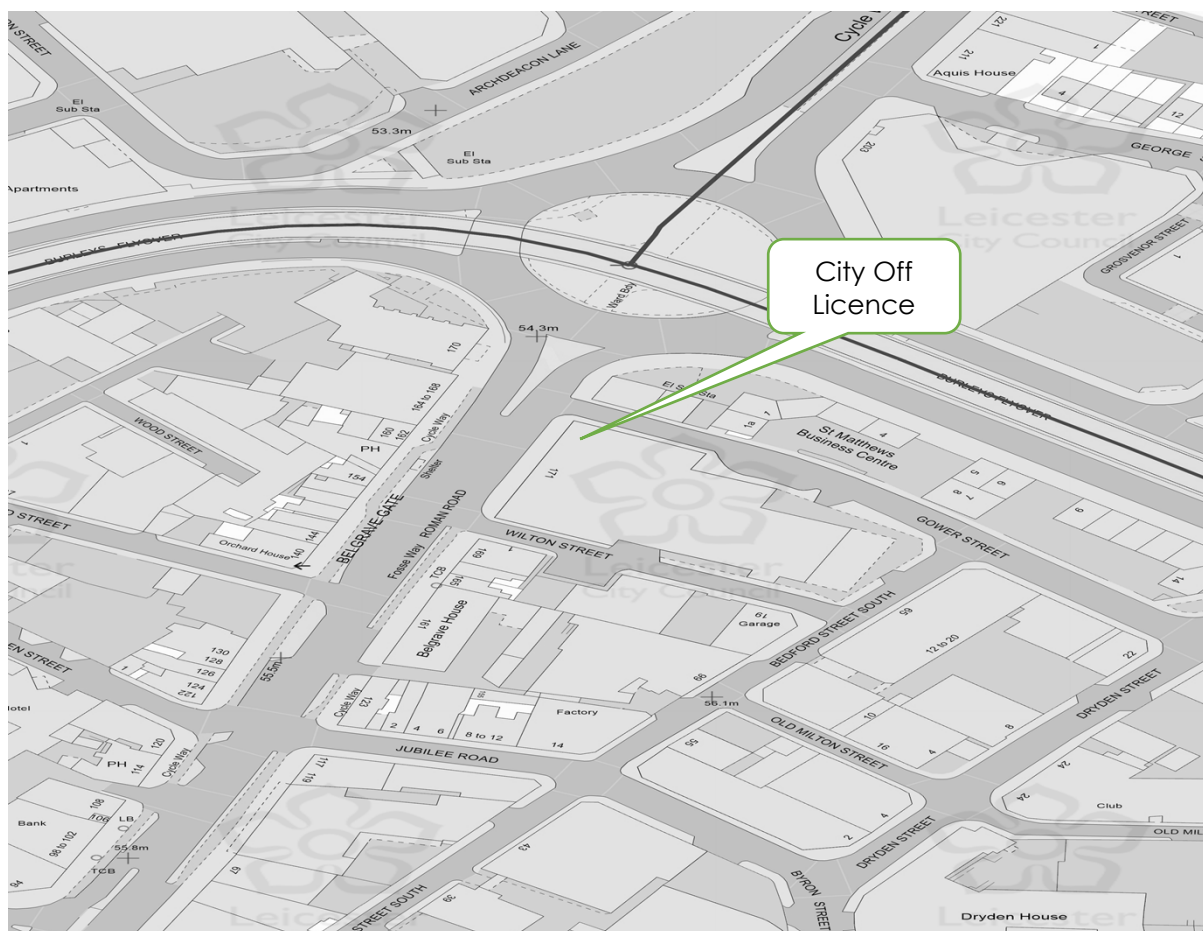
3. Application and promotion of the licensing objectives

- 3.1 An application was received on 17 February 2026 from Leicestershire Police for a review of the existing premises for City Off Licence, 171a Belgrave Gate, Leicester. The application was made on the grounds of the prevention of crime and disorder, public safety and the protection of children from harm. A copy of the application is attached at Appendix A.
- 3.2 Leicestershire Police are concerned about the premises and believe the operator is not abiding by the law, not adhering to the conditions of the licence and not promoting the licensing objectives, putting customers at risk of harm,
- 3.3 The activities and hours permitted by the existing licence are as follows:

Licensable activity	Current hours
Supply of Alcohol	Monday to Sunday 07.30 – 23.00
Opening Hours	Monday to Sunday 07.30 – 23.00

- 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 representations have been received in relation to this application.

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
2.1 – 2.6	Crime & Disorder
2.7 – 2.14	Public Safety
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
9.31 – 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
5	General Principles
6	Premises Licences and Club Premises Certificates
8	Areas of Special Interest and Pre Consultation
12	Enforcement and Reviews

6. Points for clarification

6.1 The applicant for the review and the licence holder have been asked to clarify certain points at the hearing, as follows:

By the premises licence holder

1. Whether the licence holder considers that the concerns outlined in the review are valid, and if not why not.
2. Whether the licence holder wishes to propose any additional steps for the promotion of the licensing objectives.

By the applicant making the review

1. Whether they have any additional information to support the review.
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

There are no significant financial implications arising from the contents of this report.

Jade Draper Principal Accountant
17th March 2026

7.2 Legal Implications

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

7.3 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: 17th March 2026

7.4 Climate Emergency implications

There are unlikely to be any significant climate emergency implications directly associated with this report and the licensing process.

Duncan Bell, Change Manager

7.5 Other implications

Crime and Disorder – see paragraph 3.1

8. Background information and other papers

None

9. Summary of appendices:

Appendix A – Application

Appendix B – Existing licence

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