



Licensing and Gambling Acts Sub-Committee

Date: Wednesday, 15 October 2025
Time: 10.00 am
Venue: Council Chamber, County Hall, Dorchester, DT1 1XJ

Members (Quorum: 3)

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Agenda

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1.	ELECTION OF CHAIR AND STATEMENT FOR THE PROCEDURE OF THE MEETING To elect a Chairman for the meeting and the Chairman to present and explain the procedure for the meeting.	3 - 6
2.	APOLOGIES To receive any apologies for absence.	
3.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST To disclose any pecuniary, other registrable or non-registrable interests as set out in the adopted Code of Conduct. In making their disclosure councillors are asked to state the agenda item, the nature of the	

interest and any action they propose to take as part of their declaration. If required, further advice should be sought from the Monitoring Officer in advance of the meeting.

4. APPLICATION FOR A NEW PREMISES LICENCE FOR UNIT A MARKET HALL, 2 CROWN SQUARE, POUNDBURY, DORCHESTER, DT1 3JJ 7 - 52

An application has been made for a new premises licence for Unit A Market Hall, 2 Crown Square, Poundbury, Dorchester. The application has been out to public consultation. Representations have been received. A Licensing Sub-Committee must therefore consider the application and representations at a public hearing.

5. APPLICATION TO REVIEW THE CLUB PREMISES CERTIFICATE FOR WEYMOUTH ANGLING SOCIETY, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WEYMOUTH. 53 - 88

An application has been made to review the club premises certificate for Weymouth Angling Society, Commercial Road, Weymouth, Dorset. The application has been out to public consultation. A Licensing Sub-Committee must consider the application and representations at a public hearing.

6. URGENT ITEMS

To consider any items of business which the Chairman has had prior notification and considers to be urgent pursuant to section 100B (4) b) of the Local Government Act 1972. The reason for the urgency shall be recorded in the minutes.

7. EXEMPT BUSINESS

There are no exempt items scheduled for this meeting.



THE LICENSING ACT 2003 (HEARINGS) REGULATIONS 2005

Rights of a Party

1. A party has the right to attend the hearing and may be represented by any person.
2. A party is entitled to give further information where the authority has asked for clarification.
3. A party can question another party, and/or address the authority, with consent of the authority.

Failure to Attend

4. If the authority is informed a party does not wish to attend, the hearing may proceed in their absence.
5. If a party has not indicated their attendance and fails to attend the hearing may be adjourned if considered in the public interest, or hold the hearing ensuring the party's representation is considered.
6. Where the authority adjourns the hearing it shall notify the parties of the date, time and place.

Procedural Information

7. At the start of the hearing, the authority shall explain the procedure which it proposes to follow and shall consider any request for permission for another person to appear at the hearing.
8. A hearing shall take the form of a discussion led by the authority and cross-examination shall not be permitted unless the authority considers that it is required.
9. The authority will allow the parties an equal maximum period of time in which to speak.
10. The authority may require any person behaving disruptively to leave, and may refuse that person to return, but such a person may, before the end of the hearing, submit in writing information they would have been entitled to give orally had they not been required to leave.

FOOTNOTE:

In relation to all other matters governed by the Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005 any party or their representative may contact the Licensing Services at Dorset Council and they will be provided with a full copy of the regulations on request.

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE PROCEDURE

1. At the start of the meeting the Chairman will introduce:
 - the members of the sub-committee
 - the council officers present
 - the parties and their representatives
2. The Chairman will then deal with any appropriate agenda items.
3. The Licensing Officer will be asked to outline the details of the application, including details of any withdrawn representations.
4. The applicant or their representative is then invited to present their case.
5. Committee members will be invited to ask questions.
6. Where appropriate the Responsible Bodies e.g. representatives of Police, Fire Services, Environmental Services or Trading Standards will be invited to address the sub-committee on any relevant representations they may have.
7. The Chairman may then allow an opportunity for questions.
8. The Chairman will ask any person who has made representations, who have already expressed a wish to do so, to address the sub-committee. The sub-committee will have read all the papers before them, including any letters of representation. Members of the public are asked to keep their comments concise and to the point.
9. All parties will be given the opportunity to “sum up” their case.
10. The Chairman will ask the Legal Advisor if all relevant points have been addressed before advising all parties present that the sub-committee will withdraw from the meeting to consider its decision in private. The sub-committee will be accompanied by the Democratic Services Officer and the Legal Advisor can be called upon to offer legal guidance.
11. The Chairman will:
 - advise when the sub-committee’s decision will be confirmed in writing.
 - Inform those present of their right to appeal to the Magistrates’ Court.

NOTE

The Chairman may vary this procedure, as circumstances require but will have regard to the rules of natural justice and the Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005.

The meeting will take place in public. However, the public can be excluded from all or part of the meeting where the sub-committee considers that the public interest in so doing outweighs the public interest in the meeting or that part of the meeting, taking place in public.

Under no circumstances must the parties or their witnesses offer the sub-committee information in the absence of the other parties.

The Chairman and the Sub-Committee have discretion whether to allow new information or documents to be submitted and read at the meeting.

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Licensing and Gambling Acts Sub Committee

15 October 2025

Application for a new premises licence for Unit A Market Hall, 2 Crown Square, Poundbury, Dorchester, DT1 3JJ

For Decision

Cabinet Member and Portfolio:

Cllr G Taylor, Health and Housing

Local Councillor(s):

Cllr R Biggs

Executive Director:

S Crowe, Director of Public Health and Prevention

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Report Status: Public

Brief Summary: An application has been made for a new premises licence for Unit A Market Hall, 2 Crown Square, Poundbury, Dorchester. The application has been out to public consultation. Representations have been received. A Licensing Sub-Committee must therefore consider the application and representations at a public hearing.

Recommendation: The Sub-Committee determines the application in the light of written and oral evidence and resolves to take such steps as it considers appropriate and proportionate for the promotion of the licensing objectives:

- a) The prevention of crime and disorder
- b) The prevention of public nuisance
- c) Public safety
- d) The protection of children from harm

Reason for Recommendation: The Sub-Committee must consider all the written representations, the oral representations, and any information given at the hearing before reaching a decision.

1. Background

1.1 Section 4 of the Licensing Act 2003 sets out the duties of the Licensing Authority, it sets out that a Council's licensing functions must be carried out with a view to promoting the four licensing objectives of:

- (a) the prevention of crime and disorder;
- (b) public safety;
- (c) the prevention of public nuisance; and
- (d) the protection of children from harm.

1.2 All applications and decisions are made with due regard to the [Licensing Act 2003](#) (the Act), the [Revised Guidance issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003](#) (the Guidance) and the [Dorset Council Statement of Licensing Policy](#) (the Policy).

2. Details of the application

2.1 An application has been made for a new premises licence for Unit A Market Hall, 2 Crown Square, Poundbury, Dorchester, DT1 3JJ and has been submitted to the Licensing Authority by Mr Angelo Fichera. The application form is attached at Appendix 1.

2.2 The description of the premises given by the applicant is:

The premises will be used as a wine bar and art gallery. The layout consists of a central main hall with two side wings, providing distinct areas for displaying artwork and hosting guests. A portico surrounds the front of the building, offering additional covered space. Alcohol will be sold for consumption both on and off the premises. Customers will be able to consume alcohol within the main hall, the two side wings, and under the front portico, all of which are part of the licensed premises.

2.3 The application is for:

Alcohol sales (consumption on and off the premises)

Monday to Sunday

0900-2300 hours

2.4 The Live Music Act 2012 allows any premises with a licence that allows the consumption of alcohol on the premises to have live amplified music between 08:00 and 23:00 without a licence. This only applies when the audience is under 500 people. The Legislative Reform (Entertainment Licensing) Order 2014 amended the Licensing Act so that there is a similar provision for recorded music, and states that any conditions on a premises relating to any of this entertainment would not have any effect between 8am and 11pm.

2.5 The operating schedule contains the steps which the applicant will take to promote the licensing objectives. These would need to be converted into enforceable conditions on a licence if it is granted. The steps put forward by the applicant include:

All staff will receive comprehensive training in licensing law, responsible alcohol sales, safeguarding, customer service, emergency procedures, and how to handle incidents

Refresher training will be provided regularly.

Written policies and procedures will be in place covering alcohol sales, age verification (Challenge 25), incident reporting, noise management, fire safety, and customer behaviour.

Any incidents involving crime, antisocial behaviour, accidents, refusals of service, or safeguarding concerns will be recorded in an incident log, which will be made available to responsible authorities on request.

Regular checks of safety equipment, escape routes, CCTV, sound levels, and customer welfare will be conducted and documented.

A Challenge 25 policy will be in operation and will require anyone who looks under 25 to present valid photo ID when purchasing alcohol, acceptable forms of ID include a passport, UK driver's licence, or PASS-accredited cards.

Staff will be trained at induction and every six months, training will cover how to challenge for ID and how to spot fake identification.

Signage displayed prominently near the bar to reinforce the Challenge 25 policy.

Records are kept of failed attempts to purchase alcohol by persons unable to produce valid ID. A record is kept at the bar of challenges made under Challenge 25, including time, description, and (if applicable) name of the individual.

All incidents will be recorded in an incident logbook, including the date, time, staff involved, and a summary of the event.

Responsible for managing waste on the frontage of our premises and will keep the area tidy.

Adequate lidded bins will be provided and emptied regularly.

Litter checks will be conducted routinely.

Collection of glasses from external areas (such as under the portico) will take place only between 8:00am and 6:00pm to minimise noise disturbance.

A designated smoking area will be provided outside the premises.

Customers will be reminded to keep noise to a minimum while using this area.

Cigarette disposal bins will be provided and regularly emptied.

The smoking area will be monitored by staff to ensure it is used respectfully and safely.

Clear and respectful signage will be placed at all exits, reminding customers to leave the area quietly and to respect the needs of our residential neighbours

A direct contact method (such as a dedicated phone number) for local residents to reach the duty manager with any concerns or complaints, ensuring timely resolution.

Children under 18 will only be permitted on the premises when accompanied by a responsible adult and only until 9:00pm, unless attending a family-friendly art-related event specifically designed to include children.

3 Responsible Authorities

3.1 Section 13 of the Licensing Act contains the list of Responsible Authorities who must be consulted on each application. Dorset Police, Dorset and Wiltshire Fire Service, Public Health Dorset, the Immigration Authority, Dorset Council Trading Standards, Dorset Council Children's Services, Dorset Council Planning, Dorset Council Licensing, Dorset Council Environmental Protection and Dorset Council Health and Safety have all been consulted.

3.2 Dorset Police requested the following conditions to be added to the licence if it were to be granted, the applicant has agreed to these, their email can be found at Appendix 2:

The premises shall install and maintain a CCTV system. The CCTV system shall continually record whilst the premises is open for licensable activities and during all times when customers remain on the premises. All recordings shall be stored for a minimum period of 28 days with correct date and time stamping. Recordings shall be made available immediately upon the request of Police or authorised officer throughout the preceding 28 day period.

A staff member from the premises who is conversant with the operation of the CCTV system shall be on the premises at all times when the premises is open. This staff member must be able to show a Police or authorised council officer recent data or footage with the absolute minimum of delay when requested. CCTV shall be downloaded on request of the Police or authorised officer of the council.

Appropriate signage advising customers of CCTV being in operation, shall be prominently displayed in the premises.

A documented check of the CCTV shall be completed weekly to ensure all cameras remain operational and the 28 days storage for recordings is being maintained.

Challenge 25 shall be operated at the premises where the only acceptable forms of identification are recognised photographic identification cards, such as a driving licence or passport, or holographically marked PASS scheme identification cards.

Appropriate signage advising customers of the policy shall be prominently displayed in the premises.

All staff involved in the sale of alcohol shall receive training on the law relating to prohibited sales, the age verification policy adopted by the premises and the conditions attaching to the premises licence. Refresher training shall be provided at least once every 6 months. A record shall be maintained of all staff training and that record shall be signed by the person receiving the training and the trainer. The records shall be kept for a minimum of 12 months and made available for inspection by police, licensing or other authorised officers.

A Personal Licence Holder shall be on site at all times when alcohol sales are taking place.

An incident log shall be kept at the premises. The log should include the date and time of the incident and the name of the member of staff involved. The log to be made available immediately on request to an authorised officer of the Council or the Police, which will record the following:

- All crimes reported to the venue
- All ejections of patrons
- Any complaints received
- Any incidents of disorder
- All seizures of drugs or offensive weapons
- Any faults in the CCTV system or searching equipment or scanning equipment
- Any refusal of the sale of alcohol
- Any visit by a relevant authority or emergency service

The holder of the licence shall undertake a risk assessment with regard to the deployment of SIA Door Supervisors at different times of the day and on different days of the week to determine whether it is appropriate to deploy door staff on those days and/or at any other time(s) and to then implement the outcome of the risk assessment. A copy of the risk assessment should be made available to an authorised officer of the Licensing Authority or Dorset Police upon request and for a period of up to 6 months.

Only Door Supervisors who are accredited by the Security Industry Authority (SIA) shall be employed to undertake door supervision activities. When deployed, a record shall be maintained on the premises by the Door Staff.

The record will contain consecutively numbered pages, the full name and full 16-digit registration number of each person on duty, the employer of that person and the date and time he/she commenced duty and finished duty (verified by the individual's signature).

The record will be retained on the premises for a period of twelve months from the date of the last entry and made available to an authorised officer from the Licensing Authority or Police on request.

- 3.3 There were no representations received from any of the other Responsible Authorities.

4 Representations from other persons

- 4.1 The Licensing Act 2003 Section 182 Guidance (the Guidance) sets out at 8.13 the role of “other persons”:

“As well as responsible authorities, any other person can play a role in a number of licensing processes under the 2003 Act. This includes any individual, body or business entitled to make representations to licensing authorities in relation to applications for the grant, variation, minor variation or review of premises licences and club premises certificates, regardless of their geographic proximity to the premises. In addition, these persons may themselves seek a review of a premises licence. Any representations made by these persons must be ‘relevant’, in that the representation relates to one or more of the licensing objectives. It must also not be considered by the licensing authority to be frivolous or vexatious. In the case of applications for reviews, there is an additional requirement that the grounds for the review should not be considered by the licensing authority to be repetitious. Chapter 9 of this guidance (paragraphs 9.4 to 9.10) provides more detail on the definition of relevant, frivolous and vexatious representations.

- 4.2 The Guidance states at paragraph 9.4 what a “relevant” representation is;

“A representation is “relevant” if it relates to the likely effect of the grant of the licence on the promotion of at least one of the licensing objectives. For example, a representation from a local businessperson about the commercial damage caused by competition from new licensed premises would not be relevant. On the other hand, a representation by a businessperson that nuisance caused by new premises would deter customers from entering the local area, and the steps proposed by the applicant to prevent that nuisance were inadequate, would be relevant. In other words, representations should relate to the impact of licensable activities carried on from premises on the objectives.”

- 4.3 There were two relevant representations received from members of the public. The representations were made on the licensing objective of Prevention of Public Nuisance. Their comments can be found at Appendix 3.

- 4.4 An email was sent by Licensing to the people who submitted a representation on behalf of the applicant, addressing the issues raised. The email can be found at Appendix 4.
- 4.5 Following this email both parties responded that the email and conditions requested by Dorset Police had not alleviate their concerns. Their responses can be found at Appendix 5.

5 Relevant Sections of the Licensing Act 2003

- 5.1 Section 4 sets out the general duties of the Licensing Authority;

(1) A licensing authority must carry out its functions under this Act (“licensing functions”) with a view to promoting the licensing objectives.

(2) The licensing objectives are:

- (a) the prevention of crime and disorder;
- (b) public safety;
- (c) the prevention of public nuisance; and
- (d) the protection of children from harm.

(3) In carrying out its licensing functions, a licensing authority must also have regard to:

- (a) its licensing statement published under section 5, and
- (b) any guidance issued by the Secretary of State under section 182.

6 Relevant Sections of the Statutory Guidance issued under Section 182

- 6.1 Paragraphs 1.2, 1.4 and 1.5 of the Revised Guidance issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 issued in December 2023 (The Guidance) sets out the Licensing Objectives and aims;

The legislation provides a clear focus on the promotion of four statutory objectives which must be addressed when licensing functions are undertaken.

Each objective is of equal importance. There are no other statutory licensing objectives, so that the promotion of the four objectives is a paramount consideration at all times.

However, the legislation also supports a number of other key aims and purposes. These are vitally important and should be principal aims for everyone involved in licensing work. They include:

- protecting the public and local residents from crime, anti-social behaviour and noise nuisance caused by irresponsible licensed premises;
- giving the police and licensing authorities the powers they need to effectively manage and police the night-time economy and take action against those premises that are causing problems;
- recognising the important role which pubs and other licensed premises play in our local communities by minimising the regulatory burden on business, encouraging innovation and supporting responsible premises;
- providing a regulatory framework for alcohol which reflects the needs of local communities and empowers local authorities to make and enforce decisions about the most appropriate licensing strategies for their local area; and
- encouraging greater community involvement in licensing decisions and giving local residents the opportunity to have their say regarding licensing decisions that may affect them.

6.2. Paragraph 1.16 of the Guidance sets out how conditions should be formulated;

Conditions on a premises licence or club premises certificate are important in setting the parameters within which premises can lawfully operate. The use of wording such as “must”, “shall” and “will” is encouraged. Licence conditions:

- must be appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives;
- must be precise and enforceable;
- must be unambiguous and clear in what they intend to achieve;
- should not duplicate other statutory requirements or other duties or responsibilities placed on the employer by other legislation;
- must be tailored to the individual type, location and characteristics of the premises and events concerned;
- should not be standardised and may be unlawful when it cannot be demonstrated that they are appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives in an individual case;
- should not replicate offences set out in the 2003 Act or other legislation;

- should be proportionate, justifiable and be capable of being met;
- cannot seek to manage the behaviour of customers once they are beyond the direct management of the licence holder and their staff, but may impact on the behaviour of customers in the immediate vicinity of the premises or as they enter or leave; and
- should be written in a prescriptive format.

6.3. Paragraph 1.19 states;

While licence conditions should not duplicate other statutory provisions, licensing authorities and licensees should be mindful of requirements and responsibilities placed on them by other legislation.

6.4 Paragraphs 9.42 – 9.44 of the Guidance set out how the Licensing Authority will determine an application;

Licensing authorities are best placed to determine what actions are appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives in their areas. All licensing determinations should be considered on a case by-case basis. They should take into account any representations or objections that have been received from responsible authorities or other persons, and representations made by the applicant or premises user as the case may be.

The authority's determination should be evidence-based, justified as being appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives and proportionate to what it is intended to achieve.

Determination of whether an action or step is appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives requires an assessment of what action or step would be suitable to achieve that end. While this does not therefore require a licensing authority to decide that no lesser step will achieve the aim, the authority should aim to consider the potential burden that the condition would impose on the premises licence holder (such as the financial burden due to restrictions on licensable activities) as well as the potential benefit in terms of the promotion of the licensing objectives. However, it is imperative that the authority ensures that the factors which form the basis of its determination are limited to consideration of the promotion of the objectives and nothing outside those parameters. As with the consideration of licence variations, the licensing authority should consider wider issues such as other conditions already in place to mitigate potential negative impact on the

promotion of the licensing objectives and the track record of the business. Further advice on determining what is appropriate when imposing conditions on a licence or certificate is provided in Chapter 10. The licensing authority is expected to come to its determination based on an assessment of the evidence on both the risks and benefits either for or against making the determination.”

7 Options

7.1 The Sub-Committee will determine the application in the light of all of the written representations and any oral evidence from the hearing. They will take such steps as it considers appropriate and proportionate for the promotion of the licensing objectives of;

- a. The prevention of crime and disorder
- b. The prevention of public nuisance
- c. Public safety
- d. The protection of children from harm

The steps that the Sub-Committee may take are:

- a. to grant the licence subject to such conditions as the authority considers appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives and the mandatory objectives
- b. to exclude from the scope of the licence any of the licensable activities to which the application relates;
- c. to refuse to specify a person in the licence as the designated premises supervisor;
- d. to reject the application

8 Financial Implications

Any decision of the Sub Committee could lead to an appeal by any of the parties involved that could incur costs.

9 Environmental Implications

None.

10 Well-being and Health Implications

None.

11 Other Implications

None.

12 Risk Assessment

- 12.1 HAVING CONSIDERED: the risks associated with this decision; the level of risk has been identified as:

Current Risk: Low

Residual Risk: Low

13 Equalities Impact Assessment

Not applicable

14 Appendices

Appendix 1 – Application form

Appendix 2 – Conditions requested by Dorset Police

Appendix 3 – Representations from interested parties

Appendix 4 – Email from applicant to interested parties

Appendix 5 – Response from interested parties

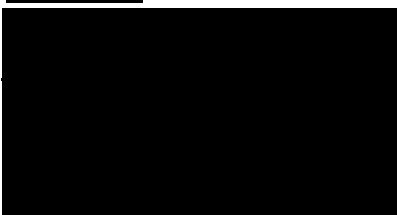
15 Background Papers

[Licensing Act 2003](#)

[Home Office Guidance issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003](#)

[Dorset Council Statement of Licensing Policy 2021](#)

Online Application Details

General Details				
Licence Type	Premises Licence			
Application Type	New premises application			
Fees	Type	Detail	Fee Multiplier	Total
	Business Rateable Value	Band A £0-£4300	x1	£100.00
	Capacity at the Venue	0 to 4,999	x1	£0.00
Total Fee(s)	£100.00			
Location to be Licenced				
I am the	Proposed Licence Holder			
Agent Details				
Proposed Licence Holder Details	Angelo Fichera  			
Additional Proposed Licence Holder(s)				
Additional Contacts				
Premise Alcohol Licence				
Please give a general description of the premises	The premises will be used as a wine bar and art gallery. The layout consists of a central main hall with two side wings, providing distinct areas for displaying artwork and hosting guests. A portico surrounds the front of the building, offering additional covered space. Alcohol will be sold for consumption both on and off the premises. Customers will be able to consume alcohol within the main hall, the two side wings, and under the front portico, all of which are part of the licensed premises.			
If the premises will be open 24 hours every day please indicate what group this falls into				
If 5,000 or more people are expected to attend the premises at any one time, please state the number expected to attend				
Plays	No			
If you only want a part of the premises covered for plays please tell us which part should be covered. If you want the whole area covered please leave blank.				
Will the activity be indoors or outdoors?				
Plays Standard Start Monday				

Plays Standard End Monday	
Plays Standard Start Tuesday	
Plays Standard End Tuesday	
Plays Standard Start Wednesday	
Plays Standard End Wednesday	
Plays Standard Start Thursday	
Plays Standard End Thursday	
Plays Standard Start Friday	
Plays Standard End Friday	
Plays Standard Start Saturday	
Plays Standard End Saturday	
Plays Standard Start Sunday	
Plays Standard End Sunday	
Plays Non Standard Times	
Plays Seasonal Variations	
Plays Further Details	
Films	No
Films Area	
Will the activity be indoors or outdoors?	
Films Standard Start Monday	
Films Standard End Monday	
Films Standard Start Tuesday	
Films Standard End Tuesday	
Films Standard Start Wednesday	
Films Standard End Wednesday	
Films Standard Start Thursday	
Films Standard End Thursday	
Films Standard Start Friday	
Films Standard End Friday	
Films Standard Start Saturday	
Films Standard End Saturday	
Films Standard Start Sunday	
Films Standard End Sunday	
Films Non Standard Times	
Films Seasonal Variations	
Films Further Details	
Indoor Sporting Events	No
Indoor Sporting Events Area	
Indoor Sporting Events Standard Start Monday	
Indoor Sporting Events Standard End Monday	
Indoor Sporting Events Standard Start Tuesday	
Indoor Sporting Events Standard End Tuesday	

Indoor Sporting Events Standard Start Wednesday	
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Indoor Sporting Events Standard End Saturday	
Indoor Sporting Events Standard Start Sunday	
Indoor Sporting Events Standard End Sunday	
Indoor Sporting Events Non Standard Times	
Indoor Sporting Events Seasonal Variations	
Indoor Sporting Events Further Details	
Boxing Or Wrestling Entertainment	No
Boxing Or Wrestling Entertainment Area	
Will the activity be indoors or outdoors?	
Boxing Or Wrestling Entertainment Standard Start Monday	
Boxing Or Wrestling Entertainment Standard End Monday	
Boxing Or Wrestling Entertainment Standard Start Tuesday	
Boxing Or Wrestling Entertainment Standard End Tuesday	
Boxing Or Wrestling Entertainment Standard Start Wednesday	
Boxing Or Wrestling Entertainment Standard End Wednesday	
Boxing Or Wrestling Entertainment Standard Start Thursday	
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Boxing Or Wrestling Entertainment Standard Start Friday	
Boxing Or Wrestling Entertainment Standard End Friday	
Boxing Or Wrestling Entertainment Standard Start Saturday	
Boxing Or Wrestling Entertainment Standard End Saturday	
Boxing Or Wrestling Entertainment Standard Start Sunday	
Boxing Or Wrestling Entertainment Standard End Sunday	
Boxing Or Wrestling Entertainment Non Standard Times	
Boxing Or Wrestling Entertainment Seasonal Variations	
Boxing Or Wrestling Entertainment Further Details	

Live Music	Yes
Live Music Area	
Will the activity be indoors or outdoors?	Indoors and Outdoors
Live Music Standard Start Monday	16:00
Live Music Standard End Monday	21:00
Live Music Standard Start Tuesday	16:00
Live Music Standard End Tuesday	21:00
Live Music Standard Start Wednesday	16:00
Live Music Standard End Wednesday	21:00
Live Music Standard Start Thursday	16:00
Live Music Standard End Thursday	21:00
Live Music Standard Start Friday	15:00
Live Music Standard End Friday	22:00
Live Music Standard Start Saturday	15:00
Live Music Standard End Saturday	22:00
Live Music Standard Start Sunday	12:00
Live Music Standard End Sunday	21:00
Live Music Non Standard Times	9am - 9pm
Live Music Seasonal Variations	
Live Music Further Details	
Recorded Music	Yes
Recorded Music Area	
Will the activity be indoors or outdoors?	Indoors and Outdoors
Recorded Music Standard Start Monday	10:00
Recorded Music Standard End Monday	22:00
Recorded Music Standard Start Tuesday	10:00
Recorded Music Standard End Tuesday	22:00
Recorded Music Standard Start Wednesday	10:00
Recorded Music Standard End Wednesday	22:00
Recorded Music Standard Start Thursday	10:00
Recorded Music Standard End Thursday	22:00
Recorded Music Standard Start Friday	10:00
Recorded Music Standard End Friday	22:00
Recorded Music Standard Start Saturday	10:00
Recorded Music Standard End Saturday	22:00
Recorded Music Standard Start Sunday	10:00
Recorded Music Standard End Sunday	22:00
Recorded Music Non Standard Times	
Recorded Music Seasonal Variations	
Recorded Music Further Details	Recorded music will be played as background music for customers. It will be kept at a modest volume to ensure

	it enhances the atmosphere without interfering with conversation, allowing customers to speak with one another comfortably without raising their voices.
Performance Of Dance	No
Performance Of Dance Area	
Will the activity be indoors or outdoors?	
Performance Of Dance Standard Start Monday	
Performance Of Dance Standard End Monday	
Performance Of Dance Standard Start Tuesday	
Performance Of Dance Standard End Tuesday	
Performance Of Dance Standard Start Wednesday	
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Performance Of Dance Standard End Thursday	
Performance Of Dance Standard Start Friday	
Performance Of Dance Standard End Friday	
Performance Of Dance Standard Start Saturday	
Performance Of Dance Standard End Saturday	
Performance Of Dance Standard Start Sunday	
Performance Of Dance Standard End Sunday	
Performance Of Dance Non Standard Times	
Performance Of Dance Seasonal Variations	
Performance Of Dance Further Details	
Other Standard Activities	No
Other Standard Activities Description	
Other Standard Activities Area	
Will the activity be indoors or outdoors?	
Other Standard Activities Standard Start Monday	
Other Standard Activities Standard End Monday	
Other Standard Activities Standard Start Tuesday	
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Other Standard Activities Standard Start Saturday	
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Other Standard Activities Standard Start Sunday	
Other Standard Activities Standard End Sunday	
Other Standard Activities Non Standard Times	
Other Standard Activities Seasonal Variations	

Other Standard Activities Further Details	
Late Night	No
Late Night Area	
Will the food or drink be consumed indoors or outdoors?	
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Late Night Standard Start Wednesday	
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Late Night Standard End Thursday	
Late Night Standard Start Friday	
Late Night Standard End Friday	
Late Night Standard Start Saturday	
Late Night Standard End Saturday	
Late Night Standard Start Sunday	
Late Night Standard End Sunday	
Late Night Non Standard Times	
Late Night Seasonal Variations	
Late Night Further Details	
Supply Of Alcohol	Yes
Supply Of Alcohol Area	
Is the alcohol for consumption on or off the area covered by the licence	For consumption on and off the premises
Supply Of Alcohol Standard Start Monday	09:00
Supply Of Alcohol Standard End Monday	23:00
Supply Of Alcohol Standard Start Tuesday	09:00
Supply Of Alcohol Standard End Tuesday	23:00
Supply Of Alcohol Standard Start Wednesday	09:00
Supply Of Alcohol Standard End Wednesday	23:00
Supply Of Alcohol Standard Start Thursday	09:00
Supply Of Alcohol Standard End Thursday	23:00
Supply Of Alcohol Standard Start Friday	09:00
Supply Of Alcohol Standard End Friday	23:00
Supply Of Alcohol Standard Start Saturday	09:00
Supply Of Alcohol Standard End Saturday	23:00
Supply Of Alcohol Standard Start Sunday	09:00
Supply Of Alcohol Standard End Sunday	23:00
Supply Of Alcohol Non Standard Times	
Supply Of Alcohol Seasonal Variations	
Opening Hours Standard Start Monday	09:00
Opening Hours Standard End Monday	21:00

Opening Hours Standard Start Tuesday	09:00
Opening Hours Standard End Tuesday	21:00
Opening Hours Standard Start Wednesday	09:00
Opening Hours Standard End Wednesday	21:00
Opening Hours Standard Start Thursday	09:00
Opening Hours Standard End Thursday	21:00
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Opening Hours Standard Start Saturday	09:00
Opening Hours Standard End Saturday	22:00
Opening Hours Standard Start Sunday	09:00
Opening Hours Standard End Sunday	21:00
Opening Hours Non Standard Times	
Opening Hours Seasonal Variations	
Please supply the general steps that would apply to all four licensing objectives	We are committed to operating a responsible, safe, and community-minded wine bar and art gallery. To ensure compliance with all four licensing objectives 2014Prevention of Crime and Disorder, Prevention of Public Nuisance, Public Safety, and Protection of Children from Harm 2014we will take the following general steps: 1.tStaff Training: All staff will receive comprehensive training in licensing law, responsible alcohol sales, safeguarding, customer service, emergency procedures, and how to handle incidents. Refresher training will be provided regularly. 2.tClear Operating Policies: Written policies and procedures will be in place covering alcohol sales, age verification (Challenge 25), incident reporting, noise management, fire safety, and customer behaviour. 3.tIncident Logging and Reporting: Any incidents involving crime, antisocial behaviour, accidents, refusals of service, or safeguarding concerns will be recorded in an incident log, which will be made available to responsible authorities on request. 4.tEffective Management Oversight: A Designated Premises Supervisor (DPS) will be on site or contactable at all times. Managers will be trained to monitor compliance and take immediate action if issues arise. 5.tLiaison with Authorities and Community: We will maintain positive working relationships with Dorset Police, environmental health, licensing officers, and local residents. Complaints or concerns will be addressed promptly. 6.tProactive Risk Management: Regular checks of safety equipment, escape routes, CCTV, sound levels, and customer welfare will be conducted and documented. 7.tVisible Signage: Clear signs will be displayed throughout the premises covering ID checks, respectful behaviour, noise control, fire exits, and safety guidance. 8.tSafe Environment for All: We aim to create a safe and welcoming space for all customers, promoting inclusion, wellbeing, and protection from harm, with a zero-tolerance policy on abuse, violence, or

	illegal activity.
The steps you will be taking to promote the prevention of crime and disorder	Density, Access, Egress, Toilet Provision, and Ventilation The premises comprise a central main hall with two side wings and a surrounding portico. The layout allows for comfortable density of patrons while maintaining clear access and egress routes at all times. Entry and exit points are easily accessible and comply with fire safety regulations, with clear signage and unobstructed pathways. Adequate toilet facilities are available for customer use and will be maintained in a clean and hygienic condition. The premises benefit from natural airflow and mechanical ventilation to ensure a comfortable indoor environment and to minimise build-up of odours. Proof of Age Verification Measures undertaken to meet the Licensing Objectives: 1. We operate a Challenge 25 policy and require anyone who looks under 25 to present valid photo ID when purchasing alcohol. 2. Acceptable forms of ID include a passport, UK driver's licence, or PASS-accredited cards. 3. All staff are trained at induction and receive refresher training every six months. Training covers how to challenge for ID and how to spot fake identification. 4. Signage is displayed prominently near the bar to reinforce the Challenge 25 policy. 5. Staff are supported in all age-related decisions they make, and those decisions will not be overturned by management. 6. Records are kept of failed attempts to purchase alcohol by persons unable to produce valid ID. 7. A record is kept at the bar of challenges made under Challenge 25, including time, description, and (if applicable) name of the individual. 8. Our team is trained to follow safeguarding principles, including identifying signs of child exploitation or modern slavery, in line with Operation Make Safe. Controls for Sales of Alcohol / Drinks Promotions Measures undertaken to meet the Licensing Objectives: 1. Alcohol will be available for consumption both on and off the premises (as permitted under our licence). 2. All sales of alcohol will be made by bar staff only. There is no self-service of spirits. 3. Alcohol service will be supervised by a personal licence holder. 4. Authorisations for staff to sell alcohol are documented and available for inspection by licensing officers. 5. Signage indicating the permitted hours of alcohol sales is displayed at the premises entrance and at the point of sale. 6. We do not and will not offer irresponsible promotions such as unlimited alcohol or excessively discounted drinks. 7. All drinks promotions will comply with the British Beer and Pub Association's code of practice. Prohibited Substances Measures undertaken to meet the Licensing Objectives: 1. We have a zero-tolerance policy toward the use or possession of prohibited substances. 2. Any incidents involving illegal drugs will be recorded and reported to the police. 3. Toilets are checked regularly, and inspections are recorded. 4. Confiscated prohibited items will be securely stored and handed over to police for disposal. Notices Measures undertaken to meet the Licensing Objectives: 1. Public information notices about

zero tolerance of aggression, drug use, and our Challenge 25 policy are clearly displayed. 2.tAll mandatory legal signage is displayed at the entrance and behind the bar. Crime Prevention Schemes / Policies Measures undertaken to meet the Licensing Objectives: 1.tWe will participate in local community safety or PubWatch schemes where available in Poundbury. 2.tAll incidents will be recorded in an incident logbook, including the date, time, staff involved, and a summary of the event. 3.tThe premises is not marketed as a venue for large groups or sporting events, and we do not tolerate disorderly behaviour. Films / Plays / Live Music Measures undertaken to meet the Licensing Objectives: 1.tWhere live music, film screenings, or spoken word events take place, the maximum capacity will be managed to avoid overcrowding. 2.tSeating will be arranged to maintain clear gangways and exits; customers will not be allowed to sit and obstruct exit routes. 3.tNo events will be organised specifically for under-18s. 4.tAll performances will be supervised by staff to ensure customer safety and licensing compliance. Litter and Waste Measures undertaken to meet the Licensing Objectives: 1.tWe are responsible for managing waste on the frontage of our premises and will keep the area tidy. 2.tAdequate lidded bins will be provided and emptied regularly. 3.tLitter checks will be conducted routinely. 4.tCollection of glasses from external areas (such as under the portico) will take place only between 8:00am and 6:00pm to minimise noise disturbance. Lighting Measures undertaken to meet the Licensing Objectives: 1.tExternal lighting will be used during operating hours and designed to avoid causing nuisance to neighbours, while ensuring safety and visibility. Smoking Area Measures undertaken to meet the Licensing Objectives: 1.tA designated smoking area will be provided outside the premises. 2.tCustomers will be reminded to keep noise to a minimum while using this area. 3.tCigarette disposal bins will be provided and regularly emptied. 4.tThe smoking area will be monitored by staff to ensure it is used respectfully and safely. Touting Measures undertaken to meet the Licensing Objectives: 1.tWe do not support or engage in touting or solicitation for trade in public areas. 2.tWe fully support the local authority's 2019s anti-touting policies and will not use flyers or street solicitation to attract customers.

The steps you will be taking to promote the prevention of public nuisance

Measures we have undertaken to meet the Licensing Objectives: 1.tNoise/Vibration: Any background recorded music will be played at a modest volume, allowing customers to converse comfortably without raising their voices. We will not host live music or amplified entertainment that causes noticeable noise or vibration outside the premises. 2.tDoors and Windows: We will ensure that all doors and windows remain closed (except for customer entry and exit) when music is playing, to minimise the risk of noise escaping the premises. 3.tSignage: Clear and respectful signage will be placed at all exits, reminding customers to leave the

	area quietly and to respect the needs of our residential neighbours. 4.tBottle Disposal: Bottles will be placed in external waste bins only during appropriate hours to avoid disturbance u2014 never late at night or early in the morning. 5.tVolume Reduction Before Closing: During the final hour of trading, background music will be further reduced in volume to gently signal the winding down of business for the evening. 6.tOutdoor Music: No music (live or recorded) will be played in any external area, including the portico. If speakers are used outdoors, they will play only background-level music and will be switched off by 10:30pm. 7.tResident Contact: We will provide a direct contact method (such as a dedicated phone number) for local residents to reach the duty manager with any concerns or complaints, ensuring timely resolution. 8.tNoise Officer Requests: We will fully comply with any requests made by authorised Council officers regarding volume reduction or noise control. 9.tManager Monitoring: The manager on duty will monitor noise levels and ensure that the environment remains pleasant for customers while avoiding any nuisance to neighbours. 10.tAmplified Sound: We will ensure that no amplified sound continues beyond the permitted licensing hours. Noxious Smells 1.tThe premises will be properly ventilated to prevent any offensive odours from affecting neighbouring properties. 2.tWaste containers will be emptied regularly to prevent the build-up of unpleasant smells. Light Pollution 1.tExternal lighting will be positioned and managed to avoid causing nuisance to nearby properties, while maintaining a safe and well-lit environment around the premises. Street Furniture We will not place any street furniture, including A-boards or advertising signs, on the public highway. We understand this can obstruct pedestrian movement or promote alcohol consumption in unlicensed areas. Fly Posting We will not engage in or support fly posting or unauthorised display of promotional material in public areas. Litter 1.tAdequate lidded refuse bins will be provided on site. 2.tAll waste receptacles will be kept clean and maintained. 3.tWe will routinely monitor and clean the surrounding area to prevent litter build-up. 4.tCollection of glasses from outdoor areas will be restricted to between 8:00am and 6:00pm to minimise noise during quiet hours.
The steps you will be taking to promote the public safety	Escape Routes Measures we have undertaken to meet the Licensing Objectives: 1.tAll escape routes and exits, including external exits, are kept clear, unobstructed, and free of trip hazards. Surfaces are even and non-slippery. 2.tWhere chairs and tables are provided, internal gangways will remain clear and unobstructed. 3.tExit doors are kept easily openable without the use of keys, cards, or codes. 4.tExit doors are checked regularly to ensure they function properly, and records of these checks are kept. 5.tFire doors are maintained as self-closing and are not held open except by approved devices. 6.tFire-resisting doors to service areas or storage will remain locked when not in use.

7.tStairways and steps will have clearly visible tread edges to minimise trip hazards. Safety Checks Measures we have undertaken to meet the Licensing Objectives: 1.tSafety checks, including perimeter walks, are carried out regularly, and records are kept in a safety logbook. Curtains, Hangings, Decorations, Upholstery Measures we have undertaken to meet the Licensing Objectives: 1.tAny curtains, wall hangings, or decorative items will be flame-retardant. 2.tAll upholstery meets the appropriate fire safety standards. 3.tDecorations will not obstruct fire exits, fire signage, or fire-fighting equipment. Fire Action Notices Measures we have undertaken to meet the Licensing Objectives: 1.tFire action notices are prominently displayed in staff areas, clearly stating procedures in case of fire or emergency. Outbreaks of Fire Measures we have undertaken to meet the Licensing Objectives: 1.tIn the event of fire, staff are trained to evacuate the building and call the fire brigade immediately. Details of any incident will be recorded in a fire logbook. Access for Emergency Vehicles Measures we have undertaken to meet the Licensing Objectives: 1.tAccess routes for emergency vehicles to the premises will be kept clear at all times. Disabled Access and Evacuation Measures we have undertaken to meet the Licensing Objectives: 1.tWhere disabled customers are present, staff will assist with safe evacuation, and clear arrangements will be made known to staff. Sanitary Facilities Measures we have undertaken to meet the Licensing Objectives: 1.tAdequate and well-maintained toilet facilities are provided for customer use in line with British Standards (BS6465 or equivalent). First Aid Measures we have undertaken to meet the Licensing Objectives: 1.tA first aid kit is kept on the premises. 2.tAt least one staff member with first aid training will be on duty during operating hours. 3.tIf multiple first aiders are present, their responsibilities will be clearly defined. Lighting Measures we have undertaken to meet the Licensing Objectives: 1.tSufficient lighting is maintained in all public areas during trading hours. 2.tFire safety signage is illuminated and visible. 3.tEmergency lighting is tested every six months, and records are retained. 4.tIn the event of lighting failure, evacuation is possible within 20 minutes where emergency lighting capacity is limited. Safety Systems and Documentation Measures we have undertaken to meet the Licensing Objectives: All of the following systems are professionally maintained and regularly inspected, with records made available to licensing officers on request: u2022tElectrical installation u2022tEmergency lighting u2022tFire alarm system u2022tFirefighting equipment Public Liability Insurance Measures we have undertaken to meet the Licensing Objectives: 1.tWe maintain valid public liability insurance, and a copy of the policy is available for inspection by authorised officers. General Safety Measures we have undertaken to meet the Licensing Objectives: 1.tFree drinking water is available at all times the premises is open to the public. 2.tA local taxi

	contact number is available for customers who need assistance leaving the premises safely. 3.tStaff will monitor the number of patrons present to ensure capacity limits are not exceeded. Safety Commitment Regarding Women and Girls As part of our proactive safety policy, and in recognition of public concerns: u2022tStaff are trained to identify signs of harassment and respond appropriately. u2022tWe assist customers with safe transport options home. u2022tAny concerns regarding safety are escalated immediately to management or emergency services.
The steps you will be taking to promote the protection Of children from harm	Measures we have undertaken to meet the Licensing Objectives: 1.tWe have adopted the principles of the Metropolitan Policeu2019s Operation MakeSafe campaign and maintain a crime prevention policy focused on protecting children and preventing modern slavery, exploitation, and human trafficking. 2.tOur staff are trained to spot and respond to indicators of child sexual exploitation, grooming, and modern slavery. This training is part of our induction programme and is refreshed regularly. We have a clear internal procedure for escalating safeguarding concerns to management and, if necessary, the appropriate authorities. 3.tWe operate a strict Challenge 25 policy for the sale of alcohol. Staff are trained to request valid photo ID from anyone who appears under 25 years of age. Acceptable ID includes passports, UK driving licences, or PASS-accredited cards. Access for Children and Safeguarding Procedures Measures we have undertaken to meet the Licensing Objectives: 1.tChildren under 18 will only be permitted on the premises when accompanied by a responsible adult and only until 9:00pm, unless attending a family-friendly art-related event specifically designed to include children. 2.tChildren will not be served alcohol under any circumstances and staff are trained to ensure no indirect access (e.g. through adults purchasing on their behalf). 3.tWe do not offer products or services targeted at unaccompanied children, and any inappropriate interaction or concerning behaviour will be logged and reported in accordance with our safeguarding protocol. 4.tClear signage is displayed at the bar and entrance to promote our age verification policy and to deter underage drinking.
Personal Alcohol Licence Holder	
Personal Alcohol Licence	
Contact	
Please supply the name of the DPS	Angelo Fichera
Please supply the address of the DPS	
Please supply their personal licence number	WPPA1490
Please supply the name of the council that issued the personal licence	Dorset Council
Dps	

Start Date	
End Date	
Licence Type Additional Data Setting	
How will you be providing evidence of your right to work in the UK	I will provide a sharecode
Right to work sharecode	WDW T99 6XD

Customer Comments:

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From: GATEHOUSE Kirsty 6084 [REDACTED]
Sent: 17 September 2025 12:03
To: Licensing [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: Premises Licence Application - Crown Square Gallery

Good afternoon

Please see the below email chain in relation to the Premises Licence Application for Crown Square Gallery, Poundbury. I can confirm we have no objection from a Police perspective. I would be grateful if the conditions agreed below could please be added to the Licence when granted.

Many thanks
Kirsty



**DORSET
POLICE**

Kirsty Gatehouse 6084

Licensing Officer – County LPA

Tel: [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

Drug and Alcohol Harm Reduction Team

Weymouth Police Station, Radipole Lane, DT4 9WW

From: Angelo Fichera [REDACTED]
Sent: 16 September 2025 20:50
To: GATEHOUSE Kirsty 6084 [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Premises Licence Application - Crown Square Gallery

Good evening Kirsty,

Thank you for your email and for meeting earlier. I confirm I've received the information and I'm happy to accept the proposed conditions and follow your advice.

Thanks also for the staff training link, I'll go ahead and purchase it.

Best regards,

Angelo Fichera

On Tue, 16 Sept 2025 at 16:04, GATEHOUSE Kirsty 6084
[REDACTED] wrote:

Good afternoon, Angelo

Thank you again for your time earlier today, it was great to meet you both and really helpful to see the premises and hear about your plans. As discussed, please see below the conditions I would like to propose are added to your Premises Licence when granted:

- The premises shall install and maintain a CCTV system. The CCTV system shall continually record whilst the premises is open for licensable activities and during all times when customers remain on the premises. All recordings shall be stored for a minimum period of 28 days with correct date and time stamping. Recordings shall be made available immediately upon the request of Police or authorised officer throughout the preceding 28 day period.
- A staff member from the premises who is conversant with the operation of the CCTV system shall be on the premises at all times when the premises is open. This staff member must be able to show a Police or authorised council officer recent data or footage with the absolute minimum of delay when requested.
- CCTV shall be downloaded on request of the Police or authorised officer of the council.
- Appropriate signage advising customers of CCTV being in operation, shall be prominently displayed in the premises.
- A documented check of the CCTV shall be completed weekly to ensure all cameras remain operational and the 28 days storage for recordings is being maintained.
- Challenge 25 shall be operated at the premises where the only acceptable forms of identification are recognised photographic identification cards, such as a driving licence or passport, or holographically marked PASS scheme identification cards.
- Appropriate signage advising customers of the policy shall be prominently displayed in the premises.
- All staff involved in the sale of alcohol shall receive training on the law relating to prohibited sales, the age verification policy adopted by the premises and the conditions attaching to the premises licence. Refresher training shall be provided at least once every 6 months. A record shall be maintained of all staff training and that record shall be signed by the person receiving the training and the trainer. The records shall be kept for a minimum of 12 months and made available for inspection by police, licensing or other authorised officers.
- A Personal Licence Holder shall be on site at all times when alcohol sales are taking place.
- An incident log shall be kept at the premises. The log should include the date and time of the incident and the name of the member of staff involved. The log to be made available immediately on request to an authorised officer of the Council or the Police, which will record the following:
 - All crimes reported to the venue
 - All ejections of patrons
 - Any complaints received
 - Any incidents of disorder
 - All seizures of drugs or offensive weapons
 - Any faults in the CCTV system or searching equipment or scanning equipment
 - Any refusal of the sale of alcohol
 - Any visit by a relevant authority or emergency service
- The holder of the licence shall undertake a risk assessment with regard to the deployment of SIA Door Supervisors at different times of the day and on different days of the week to determine whether it is appropriate to deploy door staff on those days and/or at any other time(s) and to then implement the outcome of the risk assessment. A copy of the risk assessment should be made available to an authorised officer of the Licensing Authority or Dorset Police upon request and for a period of up to 6 months.

- Only Door Supervisors who are accredited by the Security Industry Authority (SIA) shall be employed to undertake door supervision activities. When deployed, a record shall be maintained on the premises by the Door Staff.
- The record will contain consecutively numbered pages, the full name and full 16-digit registration number of each person on duty, the employer of that person and the date and time he/she commenced duty and finished duty (verified by the individual's signature).
- The record will be retained on the premises for a period of twelve months from the date of the last entry and made available to an authorised officer from the Licensing Authority or Police on request.

I hope these are all agreeable to you. I would be grateful if you could reply to this email accepting these conditions if they are so that I can forward that we have no objection to the Council. Should there be anything you wish to discuss further, please let me know and I would be happy to look into this.

Finally, the link I was talking about for the staff training in relation to age restricted sales can be found [here](#). If there is anything else I can help with at all, please do not hesitate to get in touch. I look forward to hearing from you.

Many thanks

Kirsty

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Licensing Officer – County LPA



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The Market Hall is primarily a residential building. With regard to the prevention of crime and disorder and the prevention of public nuisance my comments are as follows: A wine bar selling alcohol for consumption both on and off the premises from 9.00am until 11.00pm from Monday to Sunday is entirely inappropriate in this location. We are concerned that a bar operating for these hours seven days a week will lead to noise from both music live and recorded, patrons coming and going using both interior and exterior space, parking (spaces are limited) and if food is being served attracting pest and vermin. The opening hours are excessive with no respite for the residents of Market Hall and those living nearby. Is there a need for this type of licensed premises when Poundbury already has two pubs, one being the Duchess of Cornwall which is very close by as well as numerous cafes.

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 29 August 2025 12:22
To: Licensing <licensing@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk>
Subject: Market Hall Poundbury Application

Dear Sir/Madam,

As owner occupiers of [REDACTED] Poundbury, we must object to the application by Angelo Fichera for a new premises licence at Unit A, B and C Market Hall, 2 Crown Square, Poundbury, Dorchester, DT1 3JJ.

Our property is [REDACTED] applicant's premises and has windows and a balcony the entrance [REDACTED] and portico where customers will arrive and are likely to gather. We believe any music or entertainment and the consumption of alcohol is likely to cause unacceptable noise and nuisance to us; through transmission of sound [REDACTED] and windows, and because of the likely erratic and noisy behaviour of people who have been drinking. This would have a negative effect on the amenity and the value of our property.

Any licence of this sort is likely to have a wider effect on an area which is predominantly quiet and residential, and will affect many residents.

We urge you to reject this application.

Thank you,

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[REDACTED]
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Dear Madam,

Thank you again for the opportunity to respond. I'd like to clarify one additional point in the **nature and purpose of the licence** and make a corresponding tweak to the proposed conditions.

1) Nature and purpose of the licence

It appears there has been a misunderstanding that I am seeking to operate a wine/cocktail bar open daily from morning to late evening. That is **not** the case.

As noted, this is **not** an application to operate a daily wine/cocktail bar. It is to permit **occasional, invitation-only art gallery events** (approximately **25 per year**) where modest alcohol service is **ancillary** to the cultural activity. There will be **no general, walk-in bar service**.

Alongside on-sales for those events, the application **includes limited off-sales**. The sole purpose is to allow, on occasion, **sealed, limited-edition bottles** (e.g., artist-collaboration/label editions connected to exhibitions) to be **sold or gifted to invited guests to take home**. There is **no intention** to run a general retail alcohol outlet, and no consumption off the premises will be allowed.

2) Hours and frequency

The hours applied for were intended to provide flexibility so that events can be held either in the daytime or early evening on occasion—not to permit continuous alcohol service from 09:00–23:00. In practice, events are **infrequent and time-limited** (typically 2-3 hours). Alcohol service would only occur **during** such events and **within** the permitted window.

3) Noise and public nuisance

I fully recognise Market Hall is primarily residential and I am committed to preventing nuisance:

- **No amplified live “gig” music.** On rare occasions there may be **unamplified, acoustic** background music suited to a gallery setting (e.g., piano, violin, cello) or low-level recorded background music at conversation level.
- **Doors/windows closed** during evening events (except access/egress), **no external speakers, no outdoor drinking**.
- **Small, invite-only** attendance; **dispersal policy** and a direct contact number for any concerns.

4) Crime and disorder / guest behaviour

These are curated, adult-oriented art events with valuable works on display. The audience profile is very different from late-night drinking venues. Nevertheless, I will implement:

- Alcohol served **only as ancillary** to the event; **no “shots”, no promotions** encouraging rapid consumption.
- **Challenge 25**, refusals/incident log, and staff training on responsible retailing.
- **CCTV** covering entry/exit and serving points.
- **Capacity control** appropriate to the space so it does not become crowded.
- Clear **no loitering** and **quiet departure** expectations.

5) Food, hygiene, pests

There is **no kitchen on the premises** and **no plan to install one**. For some events, **light food** may be provided by **external, registered caterers** and served as canapés/platters. All waste will be **removed promptly** after events and the premises will maintain **high hygiene standards**. The scenario of pests/vermin is not admissible in a properly run gallery and will not be tolerated.

6) Parking and locality

Events are small and occasional; guests will be encouraged to **walk or use public transport/taxis**.

7) Willing licence conditions

To give assurance, I am willing to accept proportionate conditions such as:

- Alcohol to be sold/served **only** to persons attending **pre-booked/invitation-only events** and **only** during those events.
- **Restricted off-sales**: sealed, **limited-edition bottles** linked to gallery exhibitions; **no open containers**;
- **No amplified live music**; background music only, at conversation level.
- Doors/windows **kept closed** during events (save for access/egress).
- **Event log** on site (date, times, nature of event).
- **Dispersal policy**, **Challenge 25**, refusals/incident log, and **CCTV** covering entry/exit.

I hope this clarifies that the application remains for **occasional, controlled events within an existing art gallery**, with narrowly defined off-sales solely to allow guests to take home a **sealed, limited-edition** item associated with an exhibition. I remain fully committed to being a considerate neighbour and upholding the licensing objectives, especially the **prevention of public nuisance** and **prevention of crime and disorder**.

I'm happy to meet on site to agree any proportionate conditions.

Yours faithfully,

Angelo Fichera

Market Hall, 2 Crown Square, Poundbury - new premises licence application

From Licensing [REDACTED]

Date Tue 30/09/2025 09:25

Bcc [REDACTED]

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Following your recent representation in relation to the new premises licence for Market Hall, 2 Crown Square, Poundbury, I forwarded your comments to the applicant, and I have attached his letter of response to this email.

In addition, Dorset Police have requested the following conditions be added to the licence if granted:, which the applicant has agreed to:

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 01 October 2025 18:26
To: Licensing [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Market Hall, 2 Crown Square, Poundbury - new premises licence application

Dear Kathryn

Thank you for your email.

No this has not alleviated my concerns. The standard restrictions and requirements from the police have not reassured me in terms of granting licences to the commercial units.

[REDACTED]
Sent from my iPad

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To: Licensing [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Market Hall, 2 Crown Square, Poundbury - new premises licence application

Hello Kathryn,

Thank you for your email.

No, the (standard) restrictions and requirements from the police do not alleviate my concerns and objection to the granting of licences to the commercial units.

Which remain ...

That the granting of entertainment and alcohol licences will cause 'public nuisance' and possibly 'disorder' through noise (including music), smoking outside the premises, behaviour linked to the consumption of alcohol and the movement of people to and from the premises ... all in a quiet residential area, where this type of use was never envisaged, and is expressly forbidden under the terms of the Poundbury 'Covenants and Stipulations' and the terms of the lease and title deeds that apply to Market Hall.

NB. The lease and title deeds - and the Poundbury stipulations - refer to the Class [A2] [B1] of the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) Order 1987, not any subsequent modifying legislation (which anyway forbids the same use).

I am still at a loss to understand why the licensing authority feels able to consider an application which is expressly disallowed under these restrictions and stipulations - apparently encouraging a disregard for these rules - when the applicant, surely, should be seeking permission first from the freeholder of Market Hall ... and, ultimately, the Duchy.

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From: Licensing [REDACTED]
Sent: 17 September 2025 11:54
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Market Hall Poundbury Application

Dear [REDACTED], the Licensing Authority does not have to take into account any rules regarding the building or terms of the lease etc where the premises is located, this would be a matter between the landlord and the tenant. A licence can be granted for the activities and hours that has been applied, however, if there are restrictions due to planning or building rules, then the applicant must abide by these, for example, the applicant for a premises licence has applied to have alcohol sales until 2300 hours, but the planning conditions stipulates a terminal hour of 2100 hours, the applicant would need to comply with the planning conditions. This also applies for any clauses in the lease regarding the use, times the premises can open/operate.

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 15 September 2025 17:07
To: Licensing [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Market Hall Poundbury Application

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Hello Kathryn,

Thank you for your email.

I'm not sure I understand the process you are describing.

I am trying to point out that the existing rules for both the building and Poundbury would seem to preclude any kind of change of use, and I cannot see why the Licensing Authority is considering something that is not allowed.

I wonder if you can address that point.

Thanks again,

[REDACTED]

On 15 Sep 2025, at 16:28, Licensing [REDACTED] wrote:

Dear [REDACTED], thank you for your email regarding the planning use and lease agreement of the premises at Market Hall, the Licensing Sub Committee are not bound by decisions made by a planning committee and vice versa. Any planning permission conditions on a premises, for example restricted hours, the applicant of the licence will need to observe these timings/conditions. Any premises operating in breach of their planning permission would be liable to prosecution under planning law.

Planning are a Responsible Authority under the Licensing Act 2003, however, to date, I have not yet had response from them regarding this application.

The matter regarding the lease agreement is between the owner/landlord and the tenant of the premises, this is not something that would be considered under the Licensing Act 2003 as it does not fall under any of the four Licensing Objectives.

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Sent: 15 September 2025 09:50
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Subject: Re: Market Hall Poundbury Application

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Hello Kathryn,

Thank you for this comprehensive update.

I wonder if I can bring something to your attention that might have a material impact on whether the Licensing Committee should or would consider this application, since there are a priori reasons why the change of use is not permitted.

I'm attaching an excerpt from the title deed of the commercial units in Market Hall which shows that the units can only be used for Classes A1 and B1 of the Town and Country Planning Act ... and that any deviation must be approved by the ultimate landlord.

The proposed change of use also appears to go against general planning rules across the whole of Poundbury, as outlined in the Poundbury Design and Community Code 'Poundbury Stipulations' Section 7 (page 48), which I'm also attaching. Quote ...

1. [Not use the Property otherwise than as [shop][office][light industrial purposes] within Class [A2] [B1] of the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) Order 1987]

We understand (from the Duchy) that - in the first instance - it is the responsibility of the owner/landlord of the building (currently Morrish Homes) to monitor and enforce restrictions in a lease/title ... and I have brought the application to their attention, and await their reply. However, they are - at this moment - in the process of handing the freehold to the residents of Market Hall, and this is likely to be concluded in the near future ... at which time the residents can decide themselves on a course of action. It would seem that this fact alone should require a delay in any decision-making process so that the people most affected can form an opinion.

All in all, I would suggest that it is not appropriate for the Licensing Committee to consider this matter, or form an opinion, until these 'first rung' terms and conditions have been met, and necessary processes played out.

Thank you again,

[REDACTED]

On 9 Sep 2025, at 09:41, Licensing [REDACTED] wrote:

Dear [REDACTED], we have received your representation for the new premises licence application for Market Hall, Poundbury, Dorchester. The contents of your representation will now be sent to the applicant for them to consider. If they respond we will forward their comments onto you.

If relevant representations remain at the end of the consultation period of 28 days, we will arrange a committee hearing. At this point your representation in full must be given to the applicant, including your name and address.

Relevant representations relate to one or more of the four licensing objectives, and these are, Crime and Disorder, Prevention of Public Nuisance, Protection of Children from Harm and Public Safety.

Matters regarding highways, be this traffic levels or parking or amenity will not be considered in the decision process as decisions are based on what takes place within the licensable area that is being applied for and not for concerns that may or may not take place outside of it. Highways are not a responsible authority under the Licensing Act 2003, these applications are not consulted with the Highways authority.

The Hearing

At a hearing, the applicant and anyone who has made a representation may attend either in person or virtually and address the Councillors to amplify their representation. New information cannot be added.

The decision will be made by three Councillors from the Licensing Committee of Dorset council. All parties involved will be given an opportunity to speak and to ask questions of other parties. The Licensing Sub-Committee can do any of the following:

- a) grant the licence subject to such conditions as the authority considers appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives, and the mandatory conditions
- b) exclude from the scope of the licence any of the licensable activities to which the application relates;
- c) refuse to specify a person in the licence as the designated premises supervisor;
- d) reject the application.

The invitations to any Sub-Committee will be send out at least 10 working days before the hearing, and if you wish to attend you will be required to advise us. A Sub-Committee hearing cannot be arranged until after the 28 day consultation period.

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Licensing and Gambling Acts Sub Committee

15 October 2025

Application to review the club premises certificate for Weymouth Angling Society, Commercial Road, Weymouth

For Decision

Cabinet Member and Portfolio:

Cllr G Taylor, Health and Housing

Local Councillor(s):

Cllr J Orrell

Executive Director:

S Crowe, Director of Public Health and Prevention

Report Author: Kathryn Miller

Job Title: Senior Licensing Officer

Tel: 01305 830828

Email: Kathryn.miller@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk

Report Status: Public

Brief Summary: An application has been made to review the club premises certificate for Weymouth Angling Society, Commercial Road, Weymouth, Dorset. The application has been out to public consultation. A Licensing Sub-Committee must consider the application and representations at a public hearing.

Recommendation: The Sub-Committee determines the application in the light of written and oral evidence and resolves to take such steps as it considers appropriate and proportionate for the promotion of the licensing objectives:

- a) The prevention of crime and disorder
- b) The prevention of public nuisance
- c) Public safety
- d) The protection of children from harm

Reason for Recommendation: The Sub-Committee must consider all the written representations, the oral representations, and any information given at the hearing before reaching a decision.

1. Background

- 1.1 Section 4 of the Licensing Act 2003 sets out the duties of the Licensing Authority, it states that a Council's licensing functions must be carried out with a view to promoting the four licensing objectives of:
- (a) the prevention of crime and disorder;
 - (b) public safety;
 - (c) the prevention of public nuisance; and
 - (d) the protection of children from harm.
- 1.2 All applications and decisions are made with due regard to the [Licensing Act 2003](#) (the Act), the [Revised Guidance issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003](#) (the Guidance) and the [Dorset Council Statement of Licensing Policy](#) (the Policy).

2. Details of the review application

- 2.1 Mr Martyn Longman has applied for a review of the club premises certificate for Weymouth Angling Society, Commercial Road, Weymouth, Dorset, DT4 8NF. The application form is attached at Appendix 1.

The review is made under the licensing objective of the prevention of crime and disorder and public safety and relates to an incident immediately outside of the premises where an assault on an individual took place.

- 2.3 The review application also contained a link to the CCTV footage which captured the incident. This link is not included in the public domain due to the sensitivity of the incident; however, Members have been provided with the footage. The footage is at Appendix 2.
- 2.4 There has been one statement received from the Weymouth Angling Society Committee who are the club premises certificate holder. Their statement is attached at Appendix 3.

3. The Licence

- 3.1 The club premises certificate is currently held by the Weymouth Angling Society.
- 3.2 Weymouth Angling Society has held the club premises certificate since November 2005 and no complaints have been received during this time.
- 3.3 The club premises certificate allows for the following:
- | | |
|---|--------------------------|
| Indoor Sport, Live and recorded music (indoors) | |
| Monday to Thursday | 1000 hours to 2300 hours |
| Friday and Saturday | 1000 hours to 0200 hours |
| Sunday | 1200 hours to 2230 hours |
| Supply of alcohol (consumption on and off the premises) | |
| Monday to Sunday | 24 hours |

A copy of the licence is at Appendix 4.

4 Responsible Authorities

- 4.1 Section 13 of the Licensing Act contains the list of Responsible Authorities who must be consulted on each application. Dorset Police, Dorset and Wiltshire Fire Service, Public Health Dorset, the Immigration Authority, Dorset Council Trading Standards, Dorset Council Children's Services, Dorset Council Planning, Dorset Council Licensing, Dorset Council Environmental Protection and Dorset Council Health and Safety have all been consulted.
- 4.2 Dorset Police submitted a representation in support of the review. Their supplementary submission and statement can be found at Appendix 4.
- 4.3 There were no representations from any of the other Responsible Authorities.

5 Representations from other persons

- 5.1 None

6 Reviews

- 6.1 The Home Office Revised Guidance issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 (the S182 Guidance) contains a chapter on Reviews. This chapter is included in full under Background Papers of the report. Paragraphs 11.1 and 11.2 of the s182 Guidance states that:

The proceedings set out in the 2003 Act for reviewing premises licences and club premises certificates represent a key protection for the community where problems associated with the licensing objectives occur after the grant or variation of a premises licence or club premises certificate.

At any stage, following the grant of a premises licence or club premises certificate, a responsible authority, or any other person, may ask the licensing authority to review the licence or certificate because of a matter arising at the premises in connection with any of the four licensing objectives.

- 6.2 Section 13 of the Dorset Council Licensing Policy (the DC Policy) contains guidance on how the Licensing Authority will deal with enforcement and reviews. Paragraph 13.1 states; -

The Licensing Act contains measures to ensure that the council, and responsible authorities, are able to deal with premises that wilfully and persistently undermine the licensing objectives. The council and responsible authorities are committed to encouraging a thriving day time and night-time licensed economy but will not tolerate those premises whose activities break the law or infringe upon the quality of life for local residents and businesses.

- 6.3 Paragraph 13.9 of the DC Policy states; -

The council will seek to establish the cause or causes of the concern and remedial action will be targeted at such causes. Any action will be proportionate to the problems involved.

- 6.4 Section 13 of the DC Policy is attached in full at under Background Papers of the Report.

7 Options

- 7.1 The Sub-Committee will determine the application in the light of all of the written representations and any oral evidence from the hearing. They will take such steps as it considers appropriate and proportionate for the promotion of the licensing objectives of;
- a. The prevention of crime and disorder
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 - c. Public safety
 - d. The protection of children from harm

The steps that the Sub-Committee may take are:

- modify the conditions of the certificate
- to exclude a qualifying club activity from the scope of the certificate
- to suspend the certificate for a period not exceeding three months
- to withdraw the certificate

8 Considerations

8.1 Paragraphs 11.16 to 11.17 and 11.19 to 11.23 of the s182 Guidance set out the powers available to the Licensing Authority:

The 2003 Act provides a range of powers for the licensing authority which it may exercise on determining a review where it considers them appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives.

The licensing authority may decide that the review does not require it to take any further steps appropriate to promoting the licensing objectives. In addition, there is nothing to prevent a licensing authority issuing an informal warning to the licence holder and/or to recommend improvement within a particular period of time. It is expected that licensing authorities will regard such informal warnings as an important mechanism for ensuring that the licensing objectives are effectively promoted and that warnings should be issued in writing to the licence holder.

Where the licensing authority considers that action under its statutory powers is appropriate, it may take any of the following steps:

- modify the conditions of the premises licence (which includes adding new conditions or any alteration or omission of an existing condition), for example, by reducing the hours of opening or by requiring door supervisors at particular times
- exclude a licensable activity from the scope of the licence, for example, to exclude the performance of live music or playing of recorded music (where it is not within the incidental live and recorded music exemption)
- remove the designated premises supervisor, for example, because they consider that the problems are the result of poor management
- suspend the licence for a period not exceeding three months
- revoke the licence.

In deciding which of these powers to invoke, it is expected that licensing authorities should so far as possible seek to establish the cause or causes of the concerns that the representations identify. The remedial action taken should generally be directed at these causes and should always be

no more than an appropriate and proportionate response to address the causes of concern that instigated the review.

For example, licensing authorities should be alive to the possibility that the removal and replacement of the designated premises supervisor may be sufficient to remedy a problem where the cause of the identified problem directly relates to poor management decisions made by that individual. Equally, it may emerge that poor management is a direct reflection of poor company practice or policy, and the mere removal of the designated premises supervisor may be an inadequate response to the problems presented. Indeed, where subsequent review hearings are generated by representations, it should be rare merely to remove a succession of designated premises supervisors as this would be a clear indication of deeper problems that impact upon the licensing objectives.

Licensing authorities should also note that modifications of conditions and exclusions of licensable activities may be imposed either permanently or for a temporary period of up to three months. Temporary changes or suspension of the licence for up to three months could impact on the business holding the licence financially and would only be expected to be pursued as an appropriate means of promoting the licensing objectives or preventing illegal working. So, for instance, a licence could be suspended for a weekend as a means of deterring the holder from allowing the problems that gave rise to the review to happen again. However, it will always be important that any detrimental financial impact that may result from a licensing authority's decision is appropriate and proportionate to the promotion of the licensing objectives and for the prevention of illegal working in licensed premises. But where premises are found to be trading irresponsibly, the licensing authority should not hesitate, where appropriate to do so, to take tough action to tackle the problems at the premises and, where other measures are deemed insufficient, to revoke the licence.

9 Financial Implications

Any decision of the Sub Committee could lead to an appeal by any of the parties involved that could incur costs.

10 Environmental Implications

None.

11 Well-being and Health Implications

None.

12 Other Implications

None.

13 Risk Assessment

13.1 HAVING CONSIDERED: the risks associated with this decision; the level of risk has been identified as:

Current Risk: High

Residual Risk: High

14 Equalities Impact Assessment

Not applicable

15 Appendices

Appendix 1 – Review application

Appendix 2 – CCTV footage (redacted)

Appendix 3 – Statement from the Weymouth Angling Club Committee

Appendix 4 – current licence

Appendix 5 – Representation form Dorset Police

16 Background Papers

[Licensing Act 2003](#)

[Home Office Guidance issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003](#)

[Dorset Council Statement of Licensing Policy 2021](#)

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

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I Martyn Longman

(Insert name of applicant)

apply for the review of a premises licence under section 51 / apply for the review of a club premises certificate under section 87 of the Licensing Act 2003 for the premises described in Part 1 below (delete as applicable)

Part 1 – Premises or club premises details

Postal address of premises or, if none, ordnance survey map reference or description Weymouth Angling Society Commercial Road	
Post town Weymouth	Post code (if known) DT4 8NF

Name of premises licence holder or club holding club premises certificate (if known) Club committee

Number of premises licence or club premises certificate (if known)

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

Longman

First names

Martyn

I am 18 years old or over

Please tick ✓ yes

✓ ☐

Current postal address if different from premises address

[Redacted address box]

Post town

[Redacted post town box]

Post Code

[Redacted post code box]

Daytime contact telephone number

[Redacted telephone number box]

E-mail address (optional)

[Redacted email address box]

(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
Telephone number (if any)
E-mail address (optional)

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

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

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

Below is a letter outlining what has happened, but definitely against health and safety and the club never disclosed the evidence to the police and did not look after myself Martyn Longman at the club. Also no help or assistance to myself after I was attacked and left outside the club on the floor unconscious, with which since the person who attacked me [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] has since become committee members of the club.

Police Sgt Symonds 1302

He is investigating my complaints and I am currently awaiting a reply. I have sent an email requesting an update today (21.08.25)

His email address is [REDACTED]

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

Dear Sir

I would like to introduce myself as Mr Martyn Longman and my address is [REDACTED] [REDACTED] but I stay a lot of my time on my boat now moored [REDACTED].

I am going direct to the top of Dorset council and others to let you know that there was an extremely serious assault on me at a premises owned by Dorset council, namely Weymouth Angling Society, Commercial Road, DT48NF who rent the club from Dorset council.

I was a member of the club and use to frequent there very often as my boat at the time was moored almost outside of the club.

Early September 2023, I was in the club without incident but did inform a barmaid I knew [REDACTED] that I believed she had undercharged someone for the drinks she served, but there were no bad words from my side regarding this, but I believe she was upset about me advising her what she had done.

On the afternoon of 16th September 2023, I was followed out of the club by one of the members and then viciously assaulted from behind in the doorway and then continued the assault in the car park outside leaving me unconscious on the pavement.

As you will see in the video, the man who assaulted me is [REDACTED] who is a club member and was followed out by [REDACTED], who was also a member as is now on the committee, and she came outside and ushered [REDACTED] quickly back inside leaving me on the floor unconscious. You will see another club member named [REDACTED] who also came outside to look, but also turned away quickly and went back inside, but everyone in the club at the time knew what was going on, yet not one of them came to my assistance.

You will see in the video it was only the public there that came to my assistance to help me and I then spent the night in hospital recovering.

Video evidence of assault attached below.

[REDACTED]

I reported all of this to the police, but when they went to club they were told that the cctv was not working, and all the people that they spoke to said conveniently that they did not see or witness anything which is completely untrue, and following that the police said as there was no cctv evidence or witnesses, they could not do anything leaving me feeling like I was not being believed.

I have recently now been sent the video of the incident by a former member who was disgusted by the treatment I had received from the club members and committee, which now proves my statements to the police were correct and the club and the committee had clearly withheld the cctv from the police and covered it all up. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] who was the [REDACTED] and main man at the club at the time of the assault, but was not there that evening, went to the club the following morning to check the cctv, but informed me there was nothing on there relating to the incident, and I believe he gave a statement to the police at the time stating that.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Kind regards
Martyn Longman

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

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, LIABLE ON CONVICTION TO A FINE UP TO LEVEL 5 ON THE STANDARD SCALE, UNDER SECTION 158 OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003 TO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT IN OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS APPLICATION

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 M D Longman

.....

Date 21.08.2025

.....

Capacity **ex club member**

.....

Contact name (where not previously given) and postal address for correspondence associated with this application (please read guidance note 6)

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Post town

Post Code

Telephone number (if any)

If you would prefer us to correspond with you using an e-mail address your e-mail address (optional) [REDACTED]

The council has a duty to protect the public funds it administers, and to do this may use the information you have provided on this form to prevent and detect fraud. It may also share this information with other bodies responsible for auditing or administering public funds for these purposes. Where appropriate, and as part of its commitment to improving customer service, the council may also share the information provided on this form with other council services. For more information, see <http://www.dorsetforyou.com/fraud> or contact Finance Manager on 01305 252292.

Notes for Guidance

1. A responsible authority includes the local police, fire and rescue authority and other statutory bodies which exercise specific functions in the local area.
2. The ground(s) for review must be based on one of the licensing objectives.
3. Please list any additional information or details for example dates of problems which are included in the grounds for review if available.
4. The application form must be signed.
5. An applicant's agent (for example solicitor) may sign the form on their behalf provided that they have actual authority to do so.
6. This is the address which we shall use to correspond with you about this application.

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Weymouth Angling Society



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WEYMOUTH
DORSET DT4 8NF
Telephone: 01305 785032



DORSET COUNCIL
12 SEP 2025
Digital Mail Room

Weymouth Angling Society

Response to Dorset Council Licensing Review of Club Premises Certificate

With regard to complaint made by Martyn Longman.

Licensing

DT1 1XJ

DATED: 11 Sept 2025

1.Change of Committee

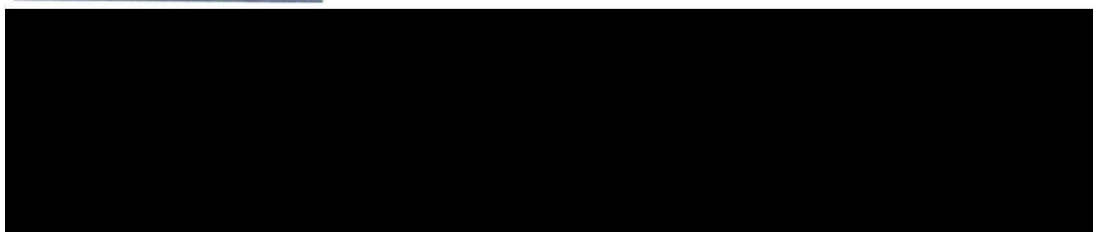
The assault of Martyn Longman, referred to in the complaint, took place under a previous committee and Chairman. Since that time the individuals concerned have been removed from office and are no longer involved in the running of the angling society.

The newly elected committee is active in ensuring its constitution is upheld and that the club is run in compliance with its obligations and licensing objectives.

2.CCTV and GDPR Compliance

The CCTV footage that was released was done so without the appropriate authority and was in breach of GDPR Requirements. This action was taken by a former committee member, [REDACTED] who no longer holds any position at the club. The new committee confirms that all CCTV footage is now being managed in line with legal requirements.

3.[REDACTED] Incident



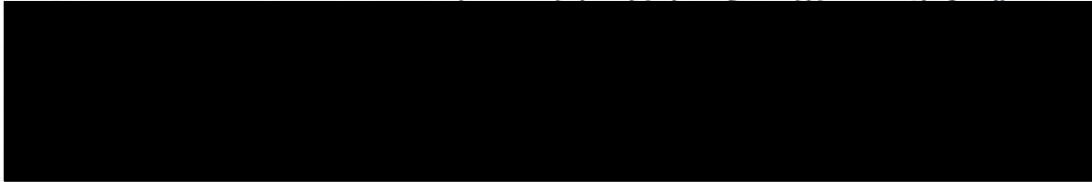
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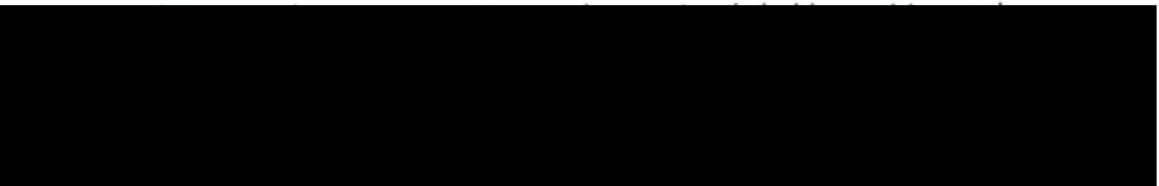
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4. Membership



5. [Redacted]



6. Martyn Longman

It appears from Mr Longmans complaint, ie the last two paragraphs where he refers to "we" and "us" that this is a combined complaint from those disaffected ex committee members. They also appear to be remarkably well informed as to any agenda items of the new committee, despite the fact that they were all banned from the club over 2 years ago.

As it is an offence under Section 158 of the Licensing Act 2003 to knowingly or recklessly make a false statement, we as Weymouth Angling Society are and will be seeking legal advice and representation to investigate further and bring criminal/civil proceedings as appropriate.

7. Security and Partnership Measures

The current committee has taken a proactive direction from UDL Security who will be undertaking regular site checks. In addition UDL Security will be engaged to provide support for large scale functions and events to ensure safety and compliance. Furthermore Weymouth Angling Society has committed to fully participating in Weymouth Pubwatch, thereby strengthening its partnership with other licensed venues and local authorities to prevent and address disorder, crime and anti-social behaviour.

Should you or your team require any further information relating to this matter, please contact me or any member of the WAS Committee to arrange a meeting to discuss further.

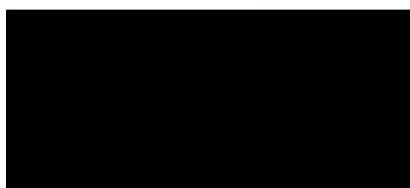
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Yours faithfully,



S. Clements.
Welfare Officer Weymouth Angling Society

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Licensing Act 2003

Club Premises Certificate

WPCP0018

Club Details

NAME OF CLUB IN WHOSE NAME THIS CERTIFICATE IS GRANTED AND RELEVANT POSTAL ADDRESS OF CLUB**WEYMOUTH ANGLING CLUB**

WEYMOUTH ANGLING SOCIETY, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WEYMOUTH DORSET, DT4 8NF.

IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE THE POSTAL ADDRESS OF CLUB PREMISES TO WHICH THE CERTIFICATE RELATES, OR IF NONE, ORDANCE SURVEY MAP REFERENCE OR DESCRIPTION

WEYMOUTH ANGLING SOCIETY, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WEYMOUTH, DORSET, DT4 8NF.

WHERE THE CLUB PREMISES CERTIFICATE IS TIME LIMITED THE DATES

Not applicable

QUALIFYING CLUB ACTIVITIES AUTHORISED BY THE CERTIFICATE

- an indoor sporting event
- a performance of live music
- any playing of recorded music
- the supply of alcohol

THE TIMES THE CERTIFICATE AUTHORISES THE CARRYING OUT OF QUALIFYING CLUB ACTIVITIES

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I. The supply of alcohol by or on behalf of a club to, or to the order of, a member of the club for consumption ON and OFF the premises		24 hours daily	

THE OPENING HOURS OF THE CLUB

Description	Time From	Time To
Not applicable		

WHERE THE CERTIFICATE AUTHORISES SUPPLIES OF ALCOHOL WHETHER THESE ARE ON AND / OR OFF SUPPLIES

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Licensing Act 2003
Club Premises Certificate**WPCP0018****ANNEXES****ANNEX 1 - MANDATORY CONDITIONS**

The holder of the club premises certificate will ensure that the supply of alcohol for consumption OFF the premises is made as follows:

- a) the supply must be made at a time when the premises are open for the purposes of supplying alcohol, in accordance with the club premises certificate, to members of the club for consumption on the premises;
- b) it must be in a sealed container;
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ANNEX 2 - CONDITIONS CONSISTENT WITH THE OPERATING SCHEDULE

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ANNEX 3 - CONDITIONS ATTACHED AFTER A HEARING BY THE LICENSING AUTHORITY

Not applicable - no hearing held

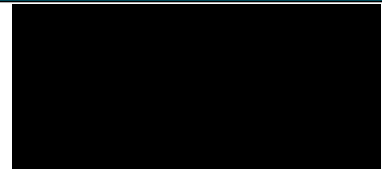
ANNEX 4 - PLANS

Refer to plans drawn by Dorset Fire and Rescue Service in 2004 for Weymouth Angling Society (submitted as part of an application to convert and vary an existing licence under Schedule 8 to the Licensing Act 2003 dated 11th July 2005) which forms part of this licence and should be read in conjunction with it.



Licensing Act 2003
Club Premises Certificate

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Business Licensing



Licensing Act 2003 Club Premises Certificate Summary

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

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STATE WHETHER ACCESS TO THE CLUB PREMISES BY CHILDREN IS RESTRICTED OR PROHIBITED continued ...

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Application for Review of a Club Premises Certificate Supporting Representation

Weymouth Angling Society, Commercial Road, Weymouth

This representation is in support of an Application for Review of a Club Premises Certificate submitted by Martin Longman. This report is intended to provide both the members of the Licensing Sub-Committee and the certificate holder (and any representative) with additional information, context, and evidence in support of the Application for Review. This representation is being completed and submitted as soon as practicable for the benefit of all parties. Whilst all details are correct at the time of completion, Dorset Police reserve the right to amend / introduce additional information and evidence in advance of the hearing. Dorset Police are concerned that the licensing objectives to Prevent Crime & Disorder and maintain Public Safety have been undermined.

Background

This licensed premises is a private members club located in the centre of Weymouth, on the quayside, delivering licensable activity under a Club Premises Certificate. There are a variety of businesses operating nearby along Commercial Road, including retailers, food and drink establishments, and other valuable business services, operating through the daytime and some through to the late evening.

Dorset Police work closely with Dorset Council, and other enforcement partners, to assist us in achieving our priorities, particularly with our priority to relentlessly pursue those responsible for criminality in our communities.

Dorset Police received a report of an assault that occurred at approximately 1630hrs on the 16th September 2023. The report was that a male aged in his 50's had been assaulted outside Weymouth Angling Club and that an Ambulance had attended following a request from a member of the public. An investigation followed, including an interview conducted with the named suspect.

During the interview, the alleged suspect stated that they were hosting a crab fishing competition at the club, ensuring that the participants had refreshments available to them and that their welfare needs were being met. They stated that the victim had been pestering him and the participants, causing a nuisance and distracting him away from the event. The alleged suspect stated that they had a discussion with the victim outside the club, whereby the victim appeared to raise his hand with a closed fist. The alleged suspect believed that the victim was about to hit him, so he punched the victim. The alleged suspect acknowledged that the victim had fallen to the ground but stated that he knew that the victim had sustained no injuries and was imitating being injured. The alleged suspect returned inside the club. The alleged suspect stated that he was embarrassed by the incident but that any CCTV would support his account of the incident.

Several other key investigative enquiries were conducted by the investigating officer. The first enquiry related to the CCTV footage that would have coverage of the site where the incident occurred. The Manager of the club stated to the investigating officer that no CCTV footage was available due to a power outage at the time of the incident. There were also no Town Centre camera coverage in that area at the time of the incident.

A media appeal was made via the local newspaper and no further witnesses to the incident were identified. A request was made to speak with any witnesses within the club that might have witnessed the incident. The manager stated that they were making efforts to remove the victim from the club due to their conduct and further advised that as the club was a 'closed in' environment, no persons would support the investigation even if they had witnessed the incident.



This investigation was filed pending due to no corroborating evidence to support the allegation. Due to the severity of the alleged assault, any new evidence must be produced and the offender prosecuted within 6 months of the incident occurring.

In July 2025 Dorset Police were alerted to CCTV footage of an incident at Weymouth Angling Society that appeared to support the allegation made by the victim in September 2023. This footage was circulated online via Facebook and is the focus of this Application for Review.

Enquiries have been conducted into this report and due to Statutory Time Limit restrictions, no further criminal action could be pursued in respect of this new evidence.

Concerns

Dorset Police, through our Drug & Alcohol Harm Reduction Team, support all licensed premises to provide value to their communities and to do so compliantly and in promotion of the licensing objectives. This premises, having operated for some time under a Cub Premises Certificate, has caused no previous significant concerns that have been reported to Police.

It is imperative that all licensed premises promote Public Safety and discourage any violence, which can tarnish the reputation of the licensed communities throughout Dorset.

The members of the Sub-Committee will have had the opportunity to review the CCTV relating to this incident. This footage is both shocking and clearly demonstrates the lack of care and attention that should be afforded to an injured person.

Dorset Police are concerned that this footage has been deliberately withheld with the intent on preventing an offender from being brought to justice.

Revised Guidance issued by the Home Office (Section 182 Licensing Act 2003)

Paragraph 11.7 *In every case, any application for a review must relate to particular premises in respect of which there is a premises licence or club premises certificate and must be relevant to the promotion of one or more of the licensing objectives.*

This incident relates entirely to activity connected with this licensed premises.

Paragraph 11.20 *In deciding which of these powers to invoke, it is expected that licensing authorities should so far as possible seek to establish the cause or causes of the concerns that the representations identify. The remedial action taken should generally be directed at these causes and should always be no more than an appropriate and proportionate response to address the causes of concern that instigated the review*

This incident occurred as a direct consequence of the actions of a member of the club who, it seems, may have significant control or influence at the club. The apparently deliberate action to withhold the CCTV that corroborates the account of the victim adversely impacts on the confidence that Dorset Police have in the overall management of this club.

Paragraph 11.24 *....Licensing authorities do not have the power to judge the criminality or otherwise of any issue. This is a matter for the courts. The licensing authority's role when determining such a review is not therefore to establish the guilt or innocence of any individual but to ensure the promotion of the crime prevention objective.*

Paragraph 11.25 *Reviews are part of the regulatory process introduced by the 2003 Act and they are not part of criminal law and procedure. There is, therefore, no reason why representations giving rise to a review of a premises licence need be delayed pending the outcome of any criminal proceedings.*

Whilst no criminal action is likely to result from this incident, Dorset Police remain concerned that this premises may not be managed as responsibly as we would expect. The members of

the Sub-Committee are reminded that they are not required to determine guilt or otherwise and must only decide whether the licensing objectives are being promoted at this premises.

Dorset Council Statement of Licensing Policy 2021-2026

Section 4.7 *Under the Crime and Disorder Act 1998, the council must exercise its functions, having regard to the likely effect on crime and disorder in its area, and **must do all it can to prevent crime and disorder.***

This section clarifies that it is incumbent upon members of the Licensing Sub-Committee to take the necessary steps to tackle the risk of crime and disorder associated with licensed premises.

Section 4.9 *There are many steps an applicant may take to prevent crime and disorder. The council will look to the Police for the main source of advice on these matters.*

This statement reflects the *Statutory Guidance issued by the Secretary of State under S182 of the Licensing Act 2003* which states that members of the Sub-Committee should look to Dorset Police for advice and guidance in determining matters involving crime and disorder.

Available Outcomes to the Sub-Committee

To assist the members of the Sub-Committee in their determination, Dorset Police make the following submissions in relation to the available outcome options in respect of this Application for Review of a Club Premises Certificate.

Take No Action

The Guidance issued by the Home Office under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 and the Statement of Licensing Policy for Dorset Council stipulates that intervention is necessary to address significant concerns associated with crime and disorder.

Dorset Police are of the view that taking no action would not be an appropriate determination.

Exclude a qualifying club activity from the scope of the certificate

The current Club Premises Certificate permits the following –

- Indoor Sporting Event
- Performance of Live Music (indoors)
- Playing of Recorded Music (indoors)
- Supply of Alcohol by or on behalf of a club for consumption On and OFF the premises

This Club Premises Certificate permits the above licensable activities until 2.00am at the weekends, 11.00pm Monday – Thursday and 10.30pm on Sundays.

The removal of amendment of the above conditions would not have altered the events that are being highlighted to the members of the Sub-Committee, however, the assailant may have been under the influence of alcohol at the time of the incident.

Modify the conditions of the certificate

The Statutory Guidance sets out 'General Principles' at Paragraph 1.16 which states that "*conditions on a premises licence...are important in setting the parameters within which premises can lawfully operate.*"

Amongst other requirements, the Guidance further states that "*licence conditions must be appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives, should not duplicate other statutory requirements or other duties or responsibilities placed on the employer by other legislation [and] should not replicate offences set out in the 2003 Act or other legislation*".

Dorset Police do not consider that any further conditions would resolve the concerns that have been detailed above. The conditions currently attached to the certificate are inconsistent with the conditions that would be placed on a new premises licence or club premises certificate at this location, however, it is the responsibility of the members of the Sub-Committee to apply conditions to the Club Premises Certificate only where doing so would remedy the concerns highlighted to the Sub-Committee.

The existing conditions that apply to this Club Premises Certificate are as follows –

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Members will note that there are no conditions that relate to the Prevention of Crime & Disorder licensing objective. If members were inclined to introduce conditions that would be consistent with a premises of this nature and at this location, consideration should be given to the following (not exhaustive) –

- Door Supervision
- CCTV requirement
- Dispersal Policy
- Incident Log / Refusals Log
- Staff Training
- Welfare Policy

Had some of these requirements been enacted at the time of the incident then this would inevitably have supported a successful Police prosecution. This is supported by the attached statement from the investigating officer.

These conditions may have had a preventative impact on the behaviour of the individual(s) concerned, however, they may not have fully addressed the culture of reluctance to support a Police investigation that is apparent at the club.

Suspend the certificate for a period not exceeding 3 months

Any temporary suspension of this Club Premises Certificate is unlikely to result in any substantial improvement to this premises.

Dorset Police would only support a short suspension of the Club Premises Certificate if the Sub-Committee members would be reassured that a suspension is necessary to implement any measures imposed by the members in their determination. Suspension of a Club Premises Certificate should not be utilised as a punitive measure.

Withdraw the Club Premises Certificate

Dorset Police support the view that this option should be a last resort for the Sub-Committee. Whilst fiscal issues are outside of the considerations of the Sub-Committee and private members' clubs deliver huge advantages and value to their communities, Dorset Police consistently adopt a proportionate and balanced approach to support an outcome which reflects the concerns identified.

Dorset Police acknowledge the value that private clubs add to communities as places of social and economic value, however, where the presence of a licensed premise becomes detrimental to a community or presents a risk to those that enjoy the use of a licensed premises, appropriate action must be taken to seek improvement or address those concerns proportionately.

On consideration of the incident and the available options, consideration of the Statutory Guidance issued by the Home Office and the Dorset Council Statement of Licensing Policy, Dorset Police recommend that this club premises certificate be revoked unless members of the Sub-Committee can be confident that there is no prospect of recurrence of this type of violence through improved management.

Conclusion

Dorset Police invites the members of the Sub-Committee to consider all the above options in their determination. If the members of the Sub-Committee take action that intends to avoid revocation of the club premises certificate, they should be satisfied that one of the alternative outcomes will sufficiently mitigate the concerns that have been highlighted above and within the associated evidence.

Violence associated with persons holding positions of authority within licensed premises cannot be acceptable and whilst the Licensing Team within Dorset Police expect high standards of delivery to maintain safety for patrons and promotion of the licensing objectives, this activity fell short of the most basic standards of behaviour expected of a private club member. The lack of welfare and the reluctance to support Police in their investigation further enhances these concerns.

Dorset Police do not intend to repeat our above concerns to the members of the Sub-Committee during the hearing, however, as the Licensing Authority's main source of advice on matters relating to crime and disorder (Paragraph 2.1 of the Licensing Act 2003 Section 182 Guidance produced by the Home Office which states that, "*Licensing authorities should look to the police as the main source of advice on crime and disorder*"), Dorset Police will be prepared to answer any further questions that members may have during the hearing.

Hearing Regulations

The members of the Sub-Committee are reminded the Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005 (Regulation 18) states that "*in considering any representations or notice made by a party the authority may take into account documentary or other information produced by a party in support of their application, representations or notice (as applicable) either before the hearing or, with the consent of all the other parties, at the hearing.*"

Dorset Police have been available for mediation in advance of this hearing and will be unable to verify or scrutinise any evidence produced during the hearing. Any additional evidence provided during the hearing can only be accepted with agreement of all parties.

If the Chair of the Sub-Committee orders an adjournment of the hearing, Dorset Police respectfully seek that any adjournment be for a **minimum of 48 hours** to enable appropriate scrutiny of any additional accepted evidence or information with our partners not in attendance at the hearing.

POLICE STATEMENT

NICHE Ref No: [REDACTED]
Statement of: 1302, Richard Symonds

I am a police sergeant based at Dorset Police Headquarters in the Investigation and Intelligence Assessment Centre. As part of my role, I manage all medium and high risk incidents that come to Dorset Police before officers arrive on scene, and also act as a 24/7 single point of contact for intelligence-related matters.

In 2023, when I was based in Weymouth, I investigated an assault on a club member. As part of this investigation, on 25 Septmeber 2023 I telephoned the club and spoke to a female member of staff called "[REDACTED]", who worked at the club. She informed me, at the time, that although they had CCTV cameras fitted, there was no CCTV of the incident as the club had suffered a power cut overnight.

A few days later, I attended the club in person to identify any witnesses and pry a bit more into the CCTV. I was told by the staff working behind the bar that there was no CCTV, and that the incident did not have any witnesses - and if anyone had seen anything, they would be very unlikely to give any form of statement. She was certain that there were no first hand witnesses, however. She informed me that the victim, Martyn Longman, was not well liked in the club and caused issues, and that there were moves afoot to ban him from the club due to his behaviour.

The investigation was filed by myself as there were no witnesses, no CCTV, and no further lines of enquiry.

Later, this year, I was made aware by Mr Longman that there was, in fact, CCTV of the incident. It had been sent to him by a friend. I watched this CCTV and it was clearly a recording of the incident in question. I had interviewed a suspect at the time, and he had given an account similar to Mr Longman's witness statement. It was clearly footage of the incident that I had been told, multiple times, did not exist.

As a result, I have significant concerns that the club have withed the CCTV, and in doing so, prevented a criminal investigation from taking place.

This statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything which I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.

Signature of Witness: [REDACTED]

Date: 16-09-2025

Witness name: Richard Symonds
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