



Licensing and Gambling Acts Sub-Committee

Date: Wednesday, 28 January 2026
Time: 2.00 pm
Venue: Council Chamber, County Hall, Dorchester, DT1 1XJ

Members (Quorum: 3)

Derek Beer (Chair), Les Fry and Jane Somper

Chief Executive: Catherine Howe, County Hall, Dorchester, Dorset DT1 1XJ

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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.	F_PRO
2.	APOLOGIES To receive any apologies for absence.	F_PRO
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	F_PRO

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 TO REVIEW THE PREMISES LICENCE FOR 55 CHEAP STREET, SHERBORNE, DORSET, DT9 3AX F_PRO

An application has been made for a new premises licence for 55 Cheap Street, Sherborne, Dorset, DT9 3AX. 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. URGENT ITEMS F_PRO

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.

6. EXEMPT BUSINESS F_PRO

To move the exclusion of the press and the public for the following item in view of the likely disclosure of exempt information within the meaning of paragraph 3 of schedule 12 A to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended). The public and the press will be asked to leave the meeting whilst the item of business is considered.

There are no exempt items scheduled for this meeting.

Licensing and Gambling Acts Sub Committee

28 January 2026

Application for a new premises licence for 55 Cheap Street, Sherborne For Decision

Cabinet Member and Portfolio:

Cllr G Taylor, Health and Housing

Local Councillor(s):

Cllrs R Crabb and J Andrews

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Report Status: Public

Brief Summary: An application has been made for a new premises licence for 55 Cheap Street, Sherborne. 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 55 Cheap Street, Sherborne, DT9 3AX and has been submitted to the Licensing Authority by the solicitors acting for Loungers UK Limited. The application form is attached at Appendix 1 together with a booklet setting out some information on the Lounge concept, this can be found at Appendix 2.

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

A food led café restaurant bar.

- 2.3 The application is for:

Live music (indoors)

New Years Eve 2300-0200 hours

Recorded music (indoors)

New Years Eve 2300-0200 hours

Late night refreshment

Monday to Sunday 2300-midnight

New Years Eve 2300-0200 hours

Alcohol sales (on and off the premises)

Monday to Sunday 1000-midnight

New Years Eve 2300-0200 hours

- 2.4 The Live Music Act 2012 allows any premises with a licence to sell alcohol for consumption on the premises to have live amplified and recorded music between 08:00 and 23:00 without a licence. This only applies when the audience is under 500 people and takes place when the premises are open and being used for the sale of alcohol for consumption on the premises. The Legislative Reform (Entertainment Licensing) Order 2014 amended the Licensing Act and states that any conditions on a premises licence relating to any of this entertainment would not have any effect between 8am and 11pm when the premises are open and selling alcohol for consumption on the premises.
- 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 and would include:

The premises shall install and maintain a comprehensive CCTV system as per the minimum requirements of the Police Licensing Team. All entry and exit points will be covered enabling frontal identification of every person entering in any light condition. 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 31 days with date and time stamping. Viewing of recordings shall be made available immediately upon the request of Police or authorised officer throughout the entire 31day 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 are open. This staff member must be able to provide a Police or authorised council officer copies of recent CCTV images or data with the absolute minimum of delay when requested.

An incident log shall be kept at the premises and made available on request to an authorised officer of the Licensing Authority or the Police. It must be completed within 24 hours of the incident and will record the following:

- (a) all crimes reported to the venue
- (b) all ejections of patrons
- (c) any complaints received concerning crime and disorder
- (d) any incidents of disorder
- (e) all seizures of drugs or offensive weapons

- (f) any faults in the CCTV system, searching equipment or scanning equipment
- (g) any refusal of the sale of alcohol
- (h) any visit by a relevant authority or emergency service.

Patrons permitted to temporarily leave and then re-enter the premises, e.g. to smoke, shall not be permitted to take drinks or glass containers with them

The premises shall only operate as a cafe, restaurant and bar. Waiter/waitress service will be available to patrons at all times.

The premises licence holder will ensure that an age verification policy will apply to the premises whereby all staff likely to be involved in the sale or supply of alcohol will be trained to ask any patron attempting to purchase alcohol, who appears to be under the age of 25 years (or older if the licence holder so elects) to produce, before being sold alcohol, identification being a passport or photocard driving licence bearing a holographic mark or other form or method of identification that complies with any mandatory condition that may apply to this licence

A record shall be kept detailing all refused sales of alcohol. The record should include the date and time of the refused sale and the identity of the member of staff who refused the sale. The record shall be available for inspection at the premises by the police or an authorised officer of the Licensing Authority at all times whilst the premises are open.

There must be no adult entertainment or services, activities, other entertainment or matters ancillary to the use of the premises that may give rise to concern in respect of 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 and Rescue Service, Dorset Council Public Health, Trading Standards, Children's Services, Planning, Licensing, Environmental Protection, Dorset Council Health and Safety and the Immigration Authority have all been consulted.
- 3.3 There were no representations received from any of the 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 eight relevant representations received from members of the public, including one from Sherborne Town Council and Sherborne Town Councillor and neighbouring Ward Member. The representations were made on the licensing objectives of Prevention of Crime and Disorder and Prevention of Public Nuisance. Concerns were raised around noise from the premises and anti-social behaviour. These can be found at Appendix 3.
- 4.4 Some of the representations contain reference as to whether there is a need for another similar premises, these concerns do not relate to the four Licensing Objectives and therefore, are not a relevant consideration.

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 – Lounge concept booklet

Appendix 3 - Representations 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 C £33,001 - £87,000	x1	£315.00
	Capacity at the Venue	0 to 4,999	x1	£0.00
Total Fee(s)	£315.00			
Location to be Licenced	55 Cheap Street Sherborne Dorset DT9 3AX			
Trading Name	Lounge			
I am the	Agent			
Agent Details	Miss Tina Vlahovic Winckworth Sherwood LLP Arbor 255 Blackfriars Road London SE1 9AX [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]			
Proposed Licence Holder Details	Loungers UK Limited Loungers UK Limited Loungers UK Limited 26 Baldwin Street Bristol BS1 1SE [REDACTED] [REDACTED]			
Additional Proposed Licence Holder(s)				
Additional Contacts				
Premise Alcohol Licence				
Please give a general description of the premises	A food led cafe restaurant bar.			
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	
Indoor Sporting Events Standard End Wednesday	
Indoor Sporting Events Standard Start Thursday	
Indoor Sporting Events Standard End Thursday	
Indoor Sporting Events Standard Start Friday	
Indoor Sporting Events Standard End Friday	
Indoor Sporting Events Standard Start Saturday	
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	
Boxing Or Wrestling Entertainment Standard End Thursday	
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
Live Music Standard Start Monday	
Live Music Standard End Monday	
Live Music Standard Start Tuesday	
Live Music Standard End Tuesday	
Live Music Standard Start Wednesday	
Live Music Standard End Wednesday	
Live Music Standard Start Thursday	
Live Music Standard End Thursday	
Live Music Standard Start Friday	
Live Music Standard End Friday	
Live Music Standard Start Saturday	
Live Music Standard End Saturday	
Live Music Standard Start Sunday	
Live Music Standard End Sunday	
Live Music Non Standard Times	
Live Music Seasonal Variations	Between the hours of 2300 and 0200 on New Yearsu2019 Eve.
Live Music Further Details	
Recorded Music	Yes
Recorded Music Area	
Will the activity be indoors or outdoors?	Indoors
Recorded Music Standard Start Monday	
Recorded Music Standard End Monday	
Recorded Music Standard Start Tuesday	
Recorded Music Standard End Tuesday	
Recorded Music Standard Start Wednesday	
Recorded Music Standard End Wednesday	
Recorded Music Standard Start Thursday	
Recorded Music Standard End Thursday	
Recorded Music Standard Start Friday	
Recorded Music Standard End Friday	
Recorded Music Standard Start Saturday	
Recorded Music Standard End Saturday	
Recorded Music Standard Start Sunday	
Recorded Music Standard End Sunday	

Recorded Music Non Standard Times	
Recorded Music Seasonal Variations	Between the hours of 2300 and 0200 on New Yearsu2019 Eve.
Recorded Music Further Details	
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	
Performance Of Dance Standard End Wednesday	
Performance Of Dance Standard Start Thursday	
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	
Other Standard Activities Standard End Tuesday	
Other Standard Activities Standard Start Wednesday	
Other Standard Activities Standard End Wednesday	
Other Standard Activities Standard Start Thursday	
Other Standard Activities Standard End Thursday	
Other Standard Activities Standard Start Friday	
Other Standard Activities Standard End Friday	
Other Standard Activities Standard Start Saturday	
Other Standard Activities Standard End Saturday	
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	Yes
Late Night Area	
Will the food or drink be consumed indoors or outdoors?	Indoors and Outdoors
Late Night Standard Start Monday	23:00
Late Night Standard End Monday	24:00
Late Night Standard Start Tuesday	23:00
Late Night Standard End Tuesday	24:00
Late Night Standard Start Wednesday	23:00
Late Night Standard End Wednesday	24:00
Late Night Standard Start Thursday	23:00
Late Night Standard End Thursday	24:00
Late Night Standard Start Friday	23:00
Late Night Standard End Friday	24:00
Late Night Standard Start Saturday	23:00
Late Night Standard End Saturday	24:00
Late Night Standard Start Sunday	23:00
Late Night Standard End Sunday	24:00
Late Night Non Standard Times	
Late Night Seasonal Variations	Between the hours of 2300 and 0200 on New Years Eve.
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	10:00
Supply Of Alcohol Standard End Monday	24:00
Supply Of Alcohol Standard Start Tuesday	10:00
Supply Of Alcohol Standard End Tuesday	24:00
Supply Of Alcohol Standard Start Wednesday	10:00
Supply Of Alcohol Standard End Wednesday	24:00
Supply Of Alcohol Standard Start Thursday	10:00
Supply Of Alcohol Standard End Thursday	24:00
Supply Of Alcohol Standard Start Friday	10:00
Supply Of Alcohol Standard End Friday	24:00
Supply Of Alcohol Standard Start Saturday	10:00
Supply Of Alcohol Standard End Saturday	24:00
Supply Of Alcohol Standard Start Sunday	10:00
Supply Of Alcohol Standard End Sunday	24:00
Supply Of Alcohol Non Standard Times	

Supply Of Alcohol Seasonal Variations	Between the hours of 2300 and 0200 on New Yearsu2019 Eve.
Opening Hours Standard Start Monday	08:00
Opening Hours Standard End Monday	24:00
Opening Hours Standard Start Tuesday	08:00
Opening Hours Standard End Tuesday	24:00
Opening Hours Standard Start Wednesday	08:00
Opening Hours Standard End Wednesday	24:00
Opening Hours Standard Start Thursday	08:00
Opening Hours Standard End Thursday	24:00
Opening Hours Standard Start Friday	08:00
Opening Hours Standard End Friday	24:00
Opening Hours Standard Start Saturday	08:00
Opening Hours Standard End Saturday	24:00
Opening Hours Standard Start Sunday	08:00
Opening Hours Standard End Sunday	24:00
Opening Hours Non Standard Times	
Opening Hours Seasonal Variations	Between the hours of 2300 and 0200 on New Yearsu2019 Eve.
	N/A
Please supply the general steps that would apply to all four licensing objectives	The premises may remain open for the sale of alcohol and the provision of late-night refreshment and regulated entertainment from the terminal hour for those activities on New Year's Eve through to the 0200 on New Year's Day.
The steps you will be taking to promote the prevention of crime and disorder	1. The premises shall install and maintain a comprehensive CCTV system as per the minimum requirements of the Police Licensing Team. All entry and exit points will be covered enabling frontal identification of every person entering in any light condition. 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 31 days with date and time stamping. Viewing of recordings shall be made available immediately upon the request of Police or authorised officer throughout the entire 31 day period. 2. 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 are open. This staff member must be able to provide a Police or authorised council officer copies of recent CCTV images or data with the absolute minimum of delay when requested. 3. An incident log shall be kept at the premises and made available on request to an authorised officer of the Licensing Authority or the Police. It must be completed within 24 hours of the incident and will record the following: (a) all crimes reported to the venue (b) all ejections of patrons (c) any complaints received concerning crime and disorder (d) any incidents of disorder (e) all seizures of drugs or

	offensive weapons (f) any faults in the CCTV system, searching equipment or scanning equipment (g) any refusal of the sale of alcohol (h) any visit by a relevant authority or emergency service.
The steps you will be taking to promote the prevention of public nuisance	Substantial food and non-intoxicating beverages, including drinking water, shall be available in all parts of the premises where alcohol is sold or supplied for consumption on the premises.
The steps you will be taking to promote the public safety	1. Patrons permitted to temporarily leave and then re-enter the premises, e.g. to smoke, shall not be permitted to take drinks or glass containers with them. 2. The premises shall only operate as a cafe, restaurant and bar. Waiter/waitress service will be available to patrons at all times.
The steps you will be taking to promote the protection Of children from harm	1. The premises licence holder will ensure that an age verification policy will apply to the premises whereby all staff likely to be involved in the sale or supply of alcohol will be trained to ask any patron attempting to purchase alcohol, who appears to be under the age of 25 years (or older if the licence holder so elects) to produce, before being sold alcohol, identification being a passport or photocard driving licence bearing a holographic mark or other form or method of identification that complies with any mandatory condition that may apply to this licence. 2. A record shall be kept detailing all refused sales of alcohol. The record should include the date and time of the refused sale and the identity of the member of staff who refused the sale. The record shall be available for inspection at the premises by the police or an authorised officer of the Licensing Authority at all times whilst the premises are open. 3. There must be no adult entertainment or services, activities, other entertainment or matters ancillary to the use of the premises that may give rise to concern in respect of children.
Personal Alcohol Licence Holder	
Personal Alcohol Licence	
Contact	
Please supply the name of the DPS	Grant Nicolas Ford
Please supply the address of the DPS	
Please supply their personal licence number	LN/009410660
Please supply the name of the council that issued the personal licence	Somerset 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 am applying on behalf of a company so this is not required

Right to work sharecode	
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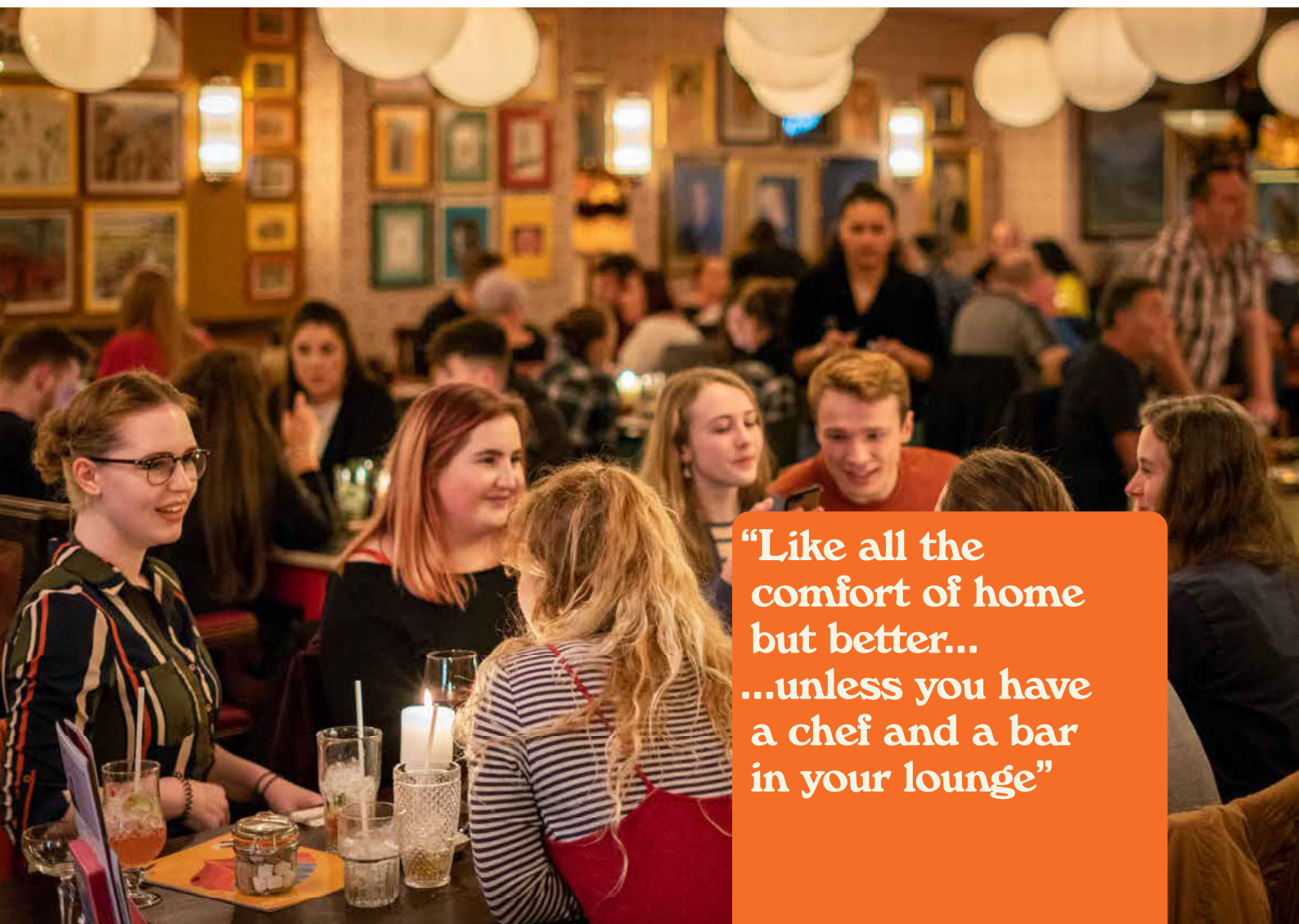
Customer Comments:

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LOUNGES

AN INTRODUCTION



**“Like all the
comfort of home
but better...
...unless you have
a chef and a bar
in your lounge”**

OUR STORY

Lounges was founded in 2002 by a trio of long-standing friends, Dave Reid, Alex Reilley and Jake Bishop. The motivation was simple and selfish: they wanted somewhere to drink themselves.

Having spent years in the restaurant and bar trade they decided it was time they did their own thing.

An empty opticians on North Street, Bristol seemed to fit the bill. It had planning permission, was just about big enough and in reasonable condition. The 'shell' included a kitchen so they accepted that they would be doing a bit of food, and after a few months of sort-of-not-knowing-what-they-were-doing, The Lounge opened in August 2002.

They liked it a lot and so did a lot of other people. They pondered whether they should open another one, maybe on Gloucester Road, and in what was an absurdly short space of time they did, and Loungers was born. The rest, as they say, is history...



WHAT'S THE DEAL?

A Lounge is a neighbourhood café/bar that combines elements of a restaurant, the British pub and coffee shop culture, all with an independent vibe

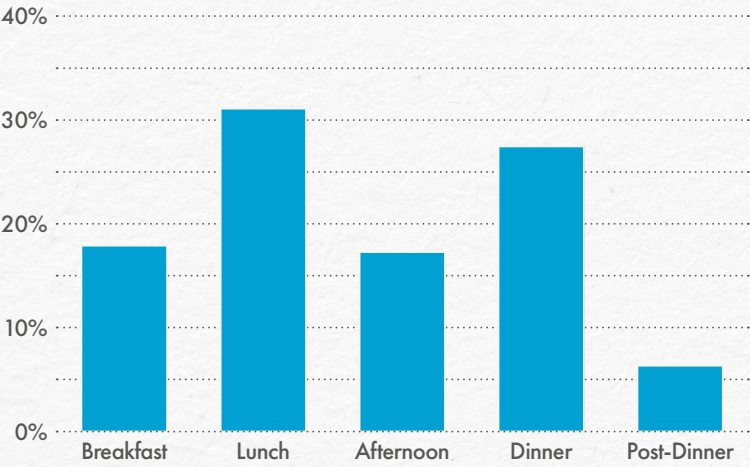
Today there are 219 Lounges in city suburbs and traditional town centres



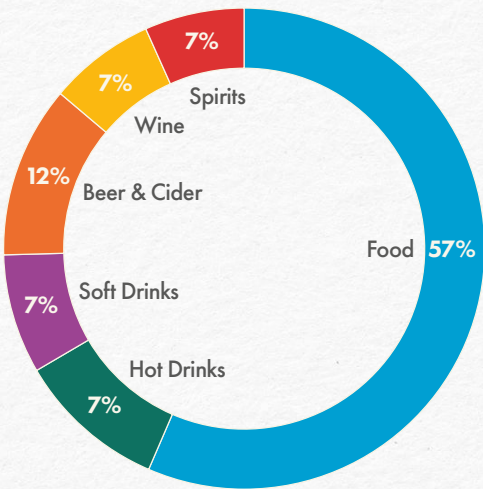
PERFORMANCE

A home from home throughout the day
Lounges offers all-day dining, with the same menu served from 9am every day. Sales are well diversified across all day parts and all days of the week.

SALES BY SESSION



SALES MIX





CUSTOMERS

A Lounge is a homely, relaxed and slightly eccentric place, offering quality, value-for-money casual dining and drinking. That means we attract a diverse customer base from breakfast and coffee, to lunch and afternoon tea, through to delicious evening meals.

The concept is informal, resulting in a rolling customer base that adds vibrancy and drives neighbourhood footfall from morning to night. In our customers' eyes, Lounges has no direct competitors: 72% of our guests regard Lounges as a unique proposition—in near equal parts coffee shop, café/bar and restaurant.

We pride ourselves on serving as the hub of our local community. This, combined with our inherently flexible format, has cemented the position of the Lounge as a place to go for many occasions. Customers use us to fulfil different needs across the day, whether that is time to unwind alone or indulging in an evening meal with friends or family.

The distinctive décor and uplifting atmosphere are the key elements of each Lounge that attract people to us—along with the quality of food and our friendly, welcoming staff, of course.



WE EXCEL AT KEY OCCASIONS THROUGHOUT THE DAY

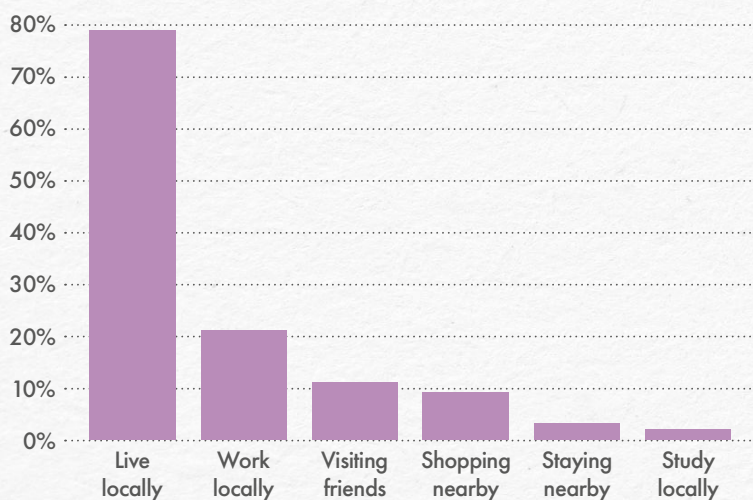
A regular coffee to catch up with friends	A relaxing drink with a partner	The cornerstone of a shopping or cinema trip
Time out alone with something to read	A quick bite or lunch with friends	A weekend breakfast with the family
	An evening off from cooking	



Uniquely appealing for a whole host of occasions

Four-fifths of our customers live locally and seek out Lounges for its relaxed feel, good atmosphere and warm welcome. The brand's broad appeal also makes it a popular destination for local workers.

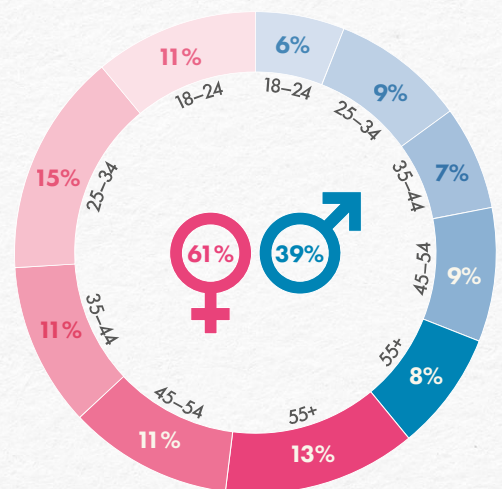
TYPICAL USAGE OCCASION



Broad, nationwide demographic appeal

We offer something for everyone regardless of age, demographic or gender and operate successfully in a diverse range of site types and locations across England and Wales.

DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE



FOOD

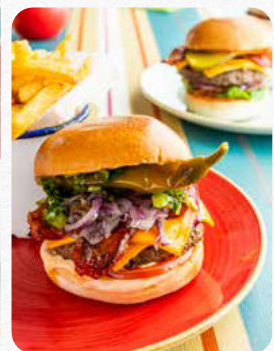
Our menus reflect our personality. We take food really seriously, using the best fresh produce in really creative dishes, but we also make sure our menus are about pleasure, indulgence, and fun—a bit like us.

Everyone is welcome in a Lounge, so we look after every taste from fresh, zingy salads to massive burgers with all the trimmings. We spend a lot of time working on exciting new dishes but we'll always be somewhere you can go for classic British food like a cracking bacon butty too.

We know that the kids need to be happy too, so our kids' menu features healthy, indulgent and fun dishes.

We've been providing complete vegan and gluten-free menus since 2003. We take pride in ensuring that they are packed with variety, flavour and comfort food classics.

The word is getting out: our overall menu won 'Best Vegan Menu' and our Chocolate Torte won 'Best Dessert' at the recent PETA vegan food awards.



DRINK

We rather like a drink at Lounges and have recently completed an exciting overhaul of our drinks offering. From delicate herbal teas to fabulous cocktails, if it's liquid, we stock it.

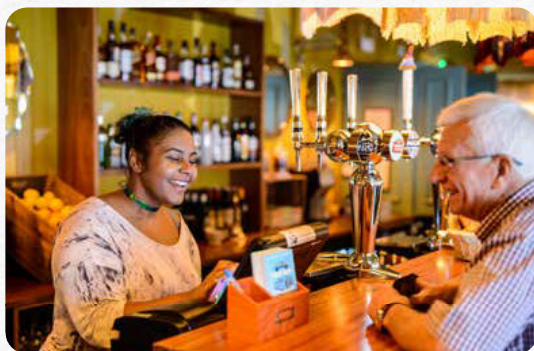
We pride ourselves on coffee in particular, using a high-quality blend of Central American and Kenyan Arabica beans, which is medium bodied, clean and fruity.

Soft drinks include freshly squeezed juices, smoothies, milkshakes, ginger beers, iced teas and our own lemonade.

Our wine list is small but beautifully formed, with whites, reds, rosés and prosecco all by the glass and bottle. We stock an appealing range of popular draught beers, as well as bottled beer and ciders.

Last but by no means least, our cocktails include all the established classics and some fantastic concoctions dreamt up exclusively for Lounges.



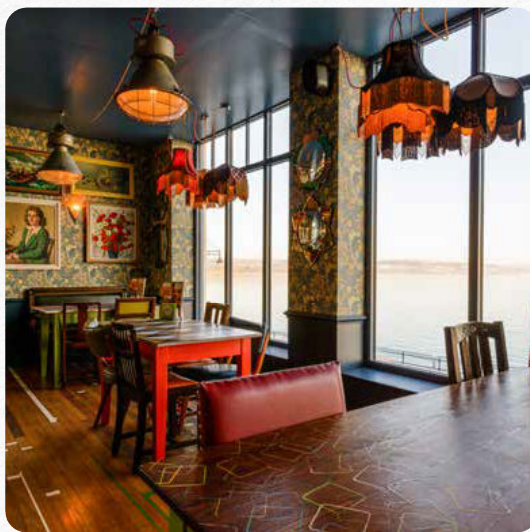


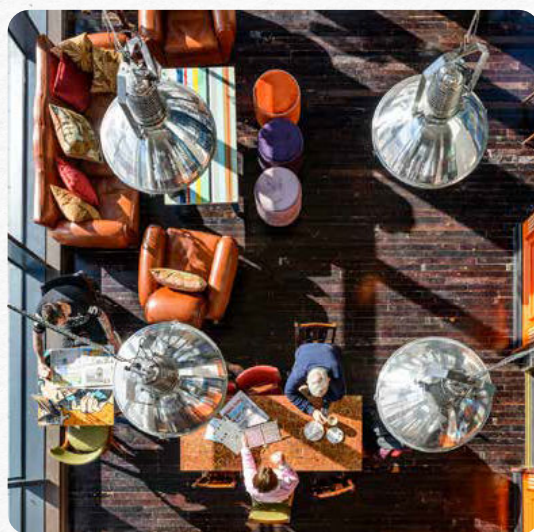
DESIGN

The design of a Lounge is characterised by informal, unique interiors with an emphasis on a warm, comfortable atmosphere, often described as a 'home from home'.

The Lounge estate has a consistent look and feel but each lounge is individually named and tailored to the site and local area, meaning that no two sites are the same.

Our resident interior aficionados bring out the soul of every site, with sympathetic design and murals that celebrate the history and spirit of each local community: think sinking into a battered old club chair under a tassel-y lampshade, overlooked by a huge Roaring Twenties painting and an old family photo of a smiling swimmer being smeared with lard on a crumbly wall with incredibly loud 1970s wallpaper.







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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 12 December 2025 17:14
To: Licensing [REDACTED]
Subject: 55 Cheap Street Sherborne DT9 3AX

Dear sir,

I believe that this application should be refused on a number of grounds including that the character of the town would change for the worse with a venue open from 10am until midnight serving alcohol.

We have 2 pubs at the top of Cheap Street and 3 at the bottom of town. The White Hart has regular live entertainment which sometimes ends up with loud voices and sometimes shouting before and after midnight. Glasses left out on the pavement or in the plant troughs. On a number of occasions people have been sick on the entrance to Woolmington Yard. The town is well served with food and drink establishments and I would ask the local council to encourage more independent traders into the town.

Whilst not wanting to be a kill joy as we all want people to enjoy themselves I think that this application is not a necessary requirement for the town.

[REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 12 December 2025 18:45
To: Licensing [REDACTED]
Subject: Licensing application for 55 Cheap Street Sherborne (163707)

As residents of Sherborne we urge the Council's licensing authority to refuse a license to Loungers UK Ltd as requested by the company, and in particular to refuse authority for late night drinking and refreshment.

Sherborne already has a very significant number of pubs, restaurants, and cocktail bars. It has been very noticeable in recent years that low level anti-social behaviour in the late evening has increased . . . vomit on pavements (and most recently at the town's Christmas tree), minor damage to floral displays, littering from fast food outlets, and significant noise and nuisance by intoxicated young people including teenagers.

None of the above is in keeping with an Abbey town with a national reputation for its built heritage qualities (which remains a major attraction for visitors) that houses a higher than average proportion of elderly residents.

Sherborne has a negligible daytime police presence, and very little evidence of any at all late at night. There is therefore little scope for dealing with any anti-social activity arising from an establishment open very late at night such as Loungers UK Ltd proposes.

For all the above reasons we urge the licensing authority to refuse the application by Loungers UK Ltd.

Please acknowledge by email receipt of this objection

[REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED]

Sent: 16 December 2025 13:55

Subject: Re: Licensing application for 55 Cheap Street Sherborne (163707)

As Secretary to Sherborne and District Society (CPRE), I can confirm that we have no objection in principle to this application.

We are however mindful of potential impact on local residents who live nearby from noise and potential anti- social behaviour.

With this in mind, can we suggest that the licensing hours be slightly reduced so as to be from 11am to 11pm.

Thanks

Sent from my iPhone

[REDACTED]

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**Sherborne Town Council Licensing Response for 55 Cheap Street
Application No. Application No. 163707**

Sherborne Town Council (STC) **objects** to this licensing application. Our concerns are primarily focussed on the proposed timings for alcohol sales around the Prevention of Public Nuisance, but observations have also been made on the remaining three licensing objectives:

Prevention of Crime and Disorder:

There is substantial evidence indicating that extended operational hours are linked to increased incidents of crime and disorder. Therefore, STC request the supply of alcohol commences at 11 am and finishes at 11 pm Monday to Sunday which would help to minimise public risks and create a safer environment for residents and businesses in the vicinity of the premises. It is noted the applicant has specified later finishes for seasonal variations.

Public Safety:

Ensuring the safety of the public is paramount. Late night operations often result in higher levels of intoxication, which can lead to unsafe behaviours and escalate tensions within the community. Restricting the proposed alcohol licensing hours between 11 am and 11 pm, would help to mitigate these safety concerns and protect both residents and businesses from the adverse effects commonly associated with late night establishments.

Prevention of Public Nuisance:

The potential for public nuisance significantly increases during late night hours. Noise, litter, unpleasant odours, and disturbances can severely impact surrounding residents and businesses, leading to community frustration and a decreased quality of life. Establishing sales of alcohol between 11 am and 11 pm for this licence would greatly minimise these disturbances and help maintain a peaceful atmosphere for everyone. STC respectfully request that any licensing considerations include a strict prohibition on the consumption of drinks outside of the premises at all times. This measure would support compliance with licensing objectives and foster a more secure and harmonious community for everyone. We believe that adhering to these guidelines is essential for preserving the integrity of our town and the safety of our neighbourhood.

Protection of Children from Harm:

Protecting children from harm is a crucial concern for STC. Late night operations can expose young people to environments that may not be safe or suitable, potentially leading to harmful situations. Restricting the alcohol licence between 11 am and 11 pm will help prioritise the safety and wellbeing of families and ensure that our community remains a secure environment for children.

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From: Cllr. Robin Legg **Sent:** 16 December 2025 15:24

To: Aileen Powell [REDACTED]

Subject: Re: Open Licence Applications

Dear Eileen,

I wish to object to the extended opening hours from 11pm to midnight on all seven days of the week proposed for 55 Cheap Street, Sherborne by Loungers UK limited.

The principal ground for objection is one of public nuisance. There are 29 adults living in flats and residences within the immediate vicinity of 55 Cheap Street. I would define the affected area as Cheap Street from the Post Office to the junction with Hound Street including the Swan Yard where 9 people live. Abbey Road where it meets Cheap Street immediately opposite the entrance to number 55. Another 9 people live here all in houses belonging to Sherborne School. Finally, the north side of Hound Street from the junction with Cheap Street to number 19 (odd numbers). The service yard to 55 Cheap Street is located here with an access located between 13 and 15 Hound Street. Another 11 people live here.

I believe that operation of the premises after 11pm will impact adversely on the lives of these residents and particularly on those boarding in the boys school house at Abbeylands whose numbers I have not been able to identify amongst the immediate neighbours.

Yours sincerely,

Robin Legg

Sherborne Town Councillor for Sherborne East Ward

Dorset Council member for Sherborne Rural

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This licence application for a premises on Cheap Street will do nothing to enhance the neighbourhood of Cheap Street. Cheap Street is a mixed retail and residential street frequented by shoppers and children of all ages using the street as a thoroughfare. The availability of alcohol from 1000 to 2400 daily could lead to rising crime rates, minor disorder and unruly behaviour amongst the teenage element of the community. These premises, unnecessary in a town already equipped with a number of cafe and alcohol outlets, are likely to damage the nature of this rural town noted for its friendly atmosphere, promoting arts, culture and hospitality.

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Sherborne is a lovely community oriented small town. Two schools support its vibrancy. Having an alcohol licence which runs till midnight poses a strong possibility of disturbance and noise into the night, to local people living nearby and on the high street, also those children from the schools old enough to access this premises, and safety for those walking alone in the eve. This also can have an effect on the local businesses in the food trade. Please think this through as this will have an impact on many and the type of town Sherborne is, with local people, and community at its heart.

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Please consider the increase public nuisance that this license will cause to the surrounding residence with the level of noise and disruption from the music and patrons leaving at midnight. This will negatively impact local residence a lot of which are in grade two listed building preventing them to install double glazing to reduce noise.