



## Re: re Licence application Ref 162063

From Licensing [REDACTED]

Date Fri 28/11/2025 14:01

To [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED] following your representation to the new premises licence application for Blue Sky Cafe, I forwarded your comments to the applicant and they have responded as follows:

*To whom it may concern, thank you for your comments regarding the Blue Sky Cafe. I would like to reassure you that we actually intend to open 9am to 5pm on a regular basis. The extended hours would only be for special events such as fireworks evening in the summer. We also would not be encouraging late off sales, which are not part of our business plan. I hope this reassures you of our business intentions as responsible alcohol retailers who have lived in the town and are very aware of the issues you have raised .*

*The applicant has also agreed to close at 2300 hours.*

Dorset Police have also requested the following conditions be added to the licence if it is granted which the applicant has agreed to:

1. 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.
2. Appropriate signage advising customers of the age verification policy shall be prominently displayed in the premises.
3. 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.
4. An incident and refusal log shall be kept at the premises. The log should include the date and time of the incident and/or refusal 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:
  1. All crimes reported to the venue
  2. All ejections of patrons
  3. Any complaints received
  4. Any incidents of disorder
  5. All seizures of drugs or offensive weapons
  6. Any faults in the CCTV system
  7. Any refusal of the sale of alcohol
  8. Any visit by a relevant authority or emergency service
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.
3. A staff member from the premises who is conversant with the operation of the CCTV system shall be on the premises or contactable 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.*

- 4.** *CCTV shall be downloaded on request of the Police or authorised officer of the council.*
- 5.** *Appropriate signage advising customers of CCTV being in operation, shall be prominently displayed in the premises.*
- 6.** *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.*

Environmental Health have also requested the following conditions to be added, which again the applicant has agreed to if the licence is granted:

*No speakers for amplification of music or speech shall be placed on the outside of the premises or on the outside of any building forming a part of the premises. Amplified music or speech shall not be conveyed to the external areas of the premises at sound levels that prevent normal speech from arising, i.e. only background music will be played.*

*A clear notice shall be displayed at every exit from the premises to instruct customers to respect the needs of local residents and leave the premises and the area quietly.*

*Deliveries relating to the licensed activities shall only take place between 08.00hrs and 18.00hrs.*

*Removal of used glassware shall only take place between 08.00 and 18.00hrs into waste bins to prevent noise nuisance.*

*Lights from the premises shall be such that they do not give rise to glow or directional lighting into other premises.*

The number of similar premises in the area cannot be taken into account as each application is considered on its own merit and other licensed premises in the area are irrelevant.

I am required under the Licensing Act to ask if the above points have, or have not, alleviated your concerns and if you are now satisfied with the application. Due to the time constraints surrounding an application I would be grateful if you could please let me know by **3 December 2025** whether or not you wish to have your representation withdrawn.

If you wish to continue with your representation, I arranged for a Licensing Sub Committee hearing to take place on 15 December 2025, at Dorset Council Offices, County Hall, Dorchester, DT1 1XJ, a formal invite with a time will be sent out to you in due course

I would also like to inform you that any premises that holds a licence under the Licensing Act 2003, can be subject to a review at any time if an establishment fails to satisfy one or all of the four licensing objectives. (The prevention of crime and disorder, public safety, prevention of public nuisance and the protection of children from harm). A review would be heard at a Licensing Sub Committee where conditions or restrictions may be added to the licence to resolve outstanding issues.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any additional queries or would like to discuss the matter further.

Many thanks

**Kathryn Miller**  
**Senior Licensing Officer**  
**Public Health & Prevention**  
**Dorset Council**





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**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent:** 05 November 2025 09:50

**To:** Licensing [REDACTED]

**Subject:** re Licence application Ref 162063

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Dear Sir,

Having seen the notice of the application for both an Insite and and off site licence for alcohol for Blue Sky Cafe at 60 Esplanade and for it to be from 9am - midnight I would like to voice the following comments.

Although I don't live next to the above premise I do frequent one nearby and I feel that the full range of the application of the above licence is un-necessary. I do not object to a licence for a restaurant but feel that a) we have enough licenced places in which to buy alcohol to take away and yet another one would only aggravate the disorder in the town. b) I feel the length of time requested is unnecessary as is it really a good idea to be selling alcohol from 9am to midnight, especially if it is for take away purposes? As we so often have noise and nuisance at night time I believe the length and time of licence is unnecessary and do hope my points will be noted.

Yours faithfully

[REDACTED]