

Licensing Act 2003 - Applications completed in 2026

Please find below a list of Licensing Act 2003 applications completed since 1 January 2026 by the Licensing Authority, Worthing Borough Council, for new Premises Licences, Variations to existing Premises Licences and Review applications.

The terms of the Licensing Act 2003 dictate that all 'new' application and 'variation' applications are published and consulted on. If no representations are received from 'Responsible Authorities' or any other persons such applications must be granted as applied for. If relevant representations are received and mediation between the parties is unsuccessful then the application must be deliberated by a sub-committee of the Licensing & Control Committee B following a hearing.

'Minor variations' are also consulted on but only by 'public notice' on the premises, details posted on this website and a copy of the application being provided to any responsible authorities the licensing authority selects as relevant. If relevant representations are received and considered by officers to have implications under the licensing objectives, then the application is simply rejected, and a full variation must be applied for.

'Review' applications cannot be withdrawn unless a licence is surrendered and must be heard by a Licensing & Control Sub-Committee whatever agreement mediation may produce.

The Comedy Rooms

An application for a new premises licence at 'The Comedy Rooms'. The proposed new live comedy venue is to be situated at Global House, Portland Square, Worthing, BN11 1QH.

The application sought authorisation for the sale of alcohol for consumption on the premises:

- Alcohol sales:
 - 17:00hrs to 23:00hrs Monday - Saturday
 - 11:00hrs to 23:00hrs Sunday
- Opening to the public:
 - 17:00hrs to 23:30 Monday - Saturday
 - 11:00hrs to 23:30hrs Sunday

The applicant offered a set of conditions to address the licensing objectives.

Licence holder and applicant: 3 Word Group Ltd.

Consultation closed: Friday 16 January 2026

Committee Hearing: Cancelled - Application rejected

The application was rejected on the grounds that it had not been properly made after the applicant failed to advertise the application in accordance with the Licensing Act regulations. The applicant has been invited to reapply in due course if a licence is required.
