

Licensing Act 2003 - Applications completed in 2024

Please find below a list of Licensing Act 2003 applications completed since 1 January 2024 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 has to 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 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 has to be applied for.

'Review' applications cannot be withdrawn unless a licence is surrendered and must be heard by the full Licensing Committee B whatever agreement mediation may produce.

Vudu

An application for a 'minor variation' to the premises licence at 'Vudu'. The café bar & restaurant is situated at 17 Warwick Street, Worthing, BN11 3DF

The licence authorises the sale of alcohol for consumption on and off the premises and the provision of recorded music between 10:00hrs and 01:00hrs (of the following morning) Monday to Saturday and between 10:00hrs and 22:30hrs Sunday. The application seeks to vary the existing Licence to:

- Reduce the hours for licensable activity Mon - Sat to:
 - Alcohol - 10:00hrs to 23:00hrs
 - Recorded music - 10:00hrs to 23:10hrs
 - Opening hours - 09:00hrs to 23:30hrs
 - Removing the current non-standard timings
- Delete a condition of licence that states:
 - Security Industry Authority (SIA) door supervisors must be deployed at the premises from 21:00 until close on a Friday and Saturday

No other changes were proposed.

Licence holder and applicant: Cibus Group Ltd.

Consultation closed: Wednesday 3 April 2024

Committee Hearing: Not required for a minor variation.

For a minor variation application, in addition to the statutory 10 working day public consultation, the Licensing Authority has the discretion to consult any responsible authorities it considers necessary and relevant to the type of application. In this case, as it involves changes to the timings and conditions of licence, Sussex Police, WSCC Fire & Rescue, and the A&W Environmental Health Team were consulted.

No formal representations were received from members of the public or the authorities consulted.

After due consideration officers considered the changes proposed unlikely to have an adverse effect on the licensing objectives. Consequently, the minor variation was granted as per the terms of the Licensing Act 2003.

Goring Gap Ltd.

An application for a new premises licence for a proposed new meadow/leisure park situated on a parcel of land at Marine Drive, Goring-by-Sea, Worthing (adjacent to Amberley Drive) at OS Ref: TQ1001NW.

The proposed fenced meadow to include a large shaded sandpit with a number of catering concessions including a bar providing a safe family friendly space with car parking.

The application sought authorisation for the sale of alcohol for consumption on & off the premises.

- Sale of alcohol:
 - 08:00hrs to 23:00hrs Monday - Sunday
- Opening to the public:
 - 08:00hrs to 23:00hrs Monday - Sunday

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

Licence holder and applicant: Goring Gap Ltd.

Consultation closed: Wednesday 28 February 2024

Committee Hearing: Held on Wednesday 27 March 2024

The application received 168 representations from the public, a public petition and a representation from a responsible authority, Sussex Police.

The act encourages mediation but this was only partially successful.

Sussex Police sought a number of enforceable licence conditions to be placed on the licence. Mediation was successful and agreement reached that these enforceable conditions would be added to any licence that might be granted. Consequently, the representations of Sussex Police were withdrawn.

Mediation between the applicant and the members of the public was unsuccessful so the matter was referred to a Licensing & Control Sub-Committee hearing to consider and decide the matter.

The Sub-Committee considered all the written representations and heard statements from the applicant and representors. The applicant, during the hearing, proposed a number of amendments to the application:

- The timings sought for licensable activity amended to:
 - Sale of alcohol:
 - 12:00hrs to 20:00hrs Monday - Sunday incl.
 - Opening to the public:
 - 08:00hrs to 23:00hrs Monday - Sunday incl.
- The sale of alcohol will be for consumption on the premises only.
- The provision of licensable activity on the site to be limited to 1st May to 30th September each year.
- A defibrillator to be sited on the premises.

The Sub-Committee considered:

- The representation made by the Responsible Authority.
- The mediation during which the applicant had amended the application and operating schedule.
- The amendments made to the application by the applicant during the hearing.
- The remaining relevant representations which had not been withdrawn.

- Human rights legislation and the rules of natural justice.

In discharging its functions the Sub-Committee did so with a view to promoting the Licensing objectives.

- Prevention of Crime and Disorder
- Prevention of Public Nuisance
- Public Safety and
- Protection of Children from Harm

It resolved that the application for a premises licence be refused.

The Sub-Committee considered that despite the amendments made to the application there were a list of fundamental issues remaining that undermined the licensing objectives and had not been addressed by the applicant. Issues that could not be addressed by the Sub-Committee imposing licence conditions. Consequently, it was deemed proportionate and necessary to refuse the application.

Macmillan's Bar

This premises was previously known as 'Stacey's Dive Bar'

An application for a 'full variation' to the premises licence at the 'Macmillan's Bar'. The café-bar is situated at 3 Union Place, Worthing, BN11 1LG. The licence authorises the sale of alcohol for consumption on & off the premises, the provision of regulated entertainment and the provision of late night refreshment. The hours currently authorised being:

- Sale of alcohol:
 - 10:00hrs to 00:00hrs (midnight) Sunday - Thursday
 - 10:00hrs to 01:00hrs (of the following morning) Friday & Saturday
- Live music:
 - 19:00hrs to 23:00hrs Sunday - Saturday
- Recorded music:
 - 12:00hrs to 00:00hrs (midnight) Sunday
 - 10:00hrs to 00:00hrs (midnight) Monday - Thursday
 - 10:00hrs to 01:00hrs (of the following morning) Friday & Saturday
- Late night refreshment:
 - 23:00hrs to 00:00hrs (midnight) Sunday to Thursday
 - 23:00hrs to 01:00hrs (of the following morning) Friday & Saturday
- Opening to the public:
 - 10:00hrs to 00:30hrs (of the following morning) Sunday - Thursday
 - 10:00hrs to 01:30hrs (of the following morning) Friday & Saturday

The application sought to vary the existing licence to extend the following hours for licensable activity to:

- Sale of alcohol:
 - 10:00hrs to 01:00hrs (of the following morning) Thursday
 - 10:00hrs to 02:00hrs (of the following morning) Friday & Saturday
 - 10:00hrs to 03:00hrs (of the following morning) Christmas Eve
- Live music:
 - 10:00hrs to 00:30hrs (midnight) Sunday - Wednesday
 - 10:00hrs to 01:30hrs (of the following morning) Thursday
 - 10:00hrs to 02:30hrs (of the following morning) Friday & Saturday
- Recorded music:
 - 10:00hrs to 00:30hrs (midnight) Sunday - Wednesday
 - 10:00hrs to 01:30hrs (of the following morning) Thursday
 - 10:00hrs to 02:30hrs (of the following morning) Friday & Saturday
 - 10:00hrs to 03:00hrs (of the following morning) Christmas Eve

- Late night refreshment:
 - 23:00hrs to 01:00hrs (of the following morning) Thursday
 - 23:00hrs to 02:00hrs (of the following morning) Friday & Saturday
 - 23:00hrs to 03:00hrs (of the following morning) Christmas Eve
- Opening to the public:
 - 10:00hrs to 01:30hrs (of the following morning) Thursday
 - 10:00hrs to 02:30hrs (of the following morning) Friday & Saturday
 - 10:00hrs to 03:30hrs (of the following morning) Christmas Eve

No other changes to the original timings were proposed by the application.

The application also sought to remove the current condition that states:

- Admittance of customers to be restricted to before 23:00hrs every night

And replace with:

- No admittance after 00:00hrs (midnight) Sunday - Wednesday
- No admittance after 01:00hrs (of the following morning) Thursday
- No admittance after 02:00hrs (of the following morning) Friday & Saturday
- No admittance after 02:30hrs (of the following morning) Christmas Eve
- No admittance after 04:00hrs (of the following morning) New Year's Eve

No other changes were proposed.

Licence holder and applicant: Mr Sam Cosgrove

Consultation closed: Monday 26 February 2024

Committee Hearing: Held on Monday 18 March 2024.

The application received no representations from the public but did receive a representation from a responsible authority, Sussex Police seeking a number of enforceable licence conditions appropriate for a town centre late night venue.

The act encourages mediation but this was only partially successful, so the matter was referred to a Licensing & Control Sub-Committee hearing to consider and decide the matter.

At the hearing the Sub-Committee considered all the written & oral representations and heard statements from the applicant & representor. It resolved that the variation to the premises licence should be granted with all of the amendments agreed between the licence holder and the responsible authority, Sussex Police, and subject to the following imposed condition:

There shall be a minimum of one SIA door supervisor per 50 customers, starting with a minimum of one SIA registered door staff from 22:00 until close on a Friday and Saturday. Before numbers on the premises are allowed to exceed 50 persons a second SIA door supervisor must be in attendance.

The grant of the licence is also subject to all the relevant conditions volunteered by the applicant in the operating schedule and the mandatory conditions required by the Licensing Act 2003 and all other relevant legislation.

The George - Toby Carvery

An application for a 'minor variation' to the premises licence at 'The George - Toby Carvery'. The premises is situated at 39 Goring Road, Worthing, West Sussex, BN12 4AS. The licence authorises the provision of late night refreshment and the supply of alcohol for consumption on and off the premises. The application sought to vary the existing licence to authorise:

- Alterations to the layout of the premises
- Removal of the following condition as replaced by a mandatory condition:
 - There shall be no drinks promotions encouraging illegal, irresponsible or immoderate consumption

Licence holder and applicant: Mitchells and Butlers Retail Limited

Consultation closed: Tuesday 12 March 2024

Committee Hearing: Not required for a minor variation.

For a minor variation application, in addition to the statutory 10 working day public consultation, the Licensing Authority has the discretion to consult any responsible authorities it considers necessary and relevant to the type of application. In this case, as it involved changes to layout of the premises and the conditions of licence that could have implications for the licensing objectives, Sussex Police, WSCC Fire & Rescue Service and the A&W Environmental Health Team were consulted.

No formal representations were received from members of the public or the authorities consulted. After due consideration officers considered the changes proposed unlikely to have an adverse effect on the licensing objectives. Consequently, the minor variation was granted as per the term of the Licensing Act 2003.

Costless Express

An application for a new premises licence for an established convenience store known as 'Costless Express'. The store is situated at 31 South Farm Road, Worthing, West Sussex, BN14 7AD.

The application sought authorisation for the sale of alcohol for consumption off the premises.

- Sale of alcohol:
- 07:00hrs to 00:00hrs (midnight) Monday - Sunday
- Opening to the public:
- 07:00hrs to 00:00hrs (midnight) Monday - Sunday

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

Licence holder and applicant: Mr Harris Abid

Consultation closed: Thursday 8 February 2024

Committee Hearing: Cancelled - not required.

The application received no relevant representations from the public, but two were received from responsible authorities - Sussex Police and West Sussex County Councils Trading Standards.

The Licensing Act encourages mediation and this was conducted with the applicant addressing the representors' concerns by volunteering a number of enforceable conditions to the licence's operating schedule. As a result the representations were withdrawn and consequently, an amended application was granted as per the terms of the Licensing Act 2003.

Lidl

An application for a 'minor variation' to the premises licence at 'Lidl'. The premises is situated at 2&3 Downlands Retail Park, Lyons Way, Worthing, BN14 9FB. The licence authorises the sale of alcohol for consumption off the premises. The application seeks to vary the existing licence to authorise:

- Alterations to the layout of the premises

Licence holder and applicant: Lidl Great Britain Limited

Consultation closed: Monday 5 February 2024

Committee Hearing: Not required for a minor variation.

For a minor variation application, in addition to the statutory 10 working day public consultation, the Licensing Authority has the discretion to consult any responsible authorities it considers necessary and relevant to the type of application. In this case, as it involved changes to the layout of the premises, Sussex Police, WSCC Fire & Rescue, A&W Planning and the A&W Environmental Health Team were consulted.

No formal representations were received from members of the public or the authorities consulted. After due consideration officers considered the changes proposed unlikely to have an adverse effect on the licensing objectives. Consequently, the minor variation was granted as per the term of the Licensing Act 2003.

Gurkha Kitchen

An application for a new premises licence for a new restaurant to be known as 'Gurkha Kitchen'. The restaurant is to be situated at 121 Rectory Road, Worthing, West Sussex, BN14 9PH.

The application sought authorisation for the sale of alcohol for consumption on and off the premises and the provision of late night refreshment.

- Sale of alcohol:
 - 10:00hrs to 00:00hrs Monday to Saturday
 - 12:00hrs to 23:30hrs Sunday
- Provision of late night refreshment:
 - 23:00hrs to 00:00hrs Monday to Saturday
 - 23:00hrs to 23:30hrs Sunday
- Opening to the public:
 - 10:00hrs to 00:00hrs Monday to Saturday
 - 12:00hrs to 23:30hrs Sunday

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

Licence holder and applicant: Tenzing Lama & Laxmi Lama

Consultation closed: Monday 5 February 2024

Committee Hearing: Cancelled - not required.

The application received no relevant representations from the public, but one was received from a responsible authority - Sussex Police.

The Licensing Act encourages mediation and this was conducted successfully with the applicant addressing the representor's concerns by volunteering a number of enforceable conditions to the licence's operating schedule and amending the hours for the sale of alcohol to:

- 10:00hrs to 23:40hrs Monday to Saturday
- 12:00 hrs to 23:10hrs Sunday

As a result the representation was withdrawn and consequently, an amended application was granted as per the terms of the Licensing Act 2003.

Worthing High Street Food & Wine

An application for a new premises licence for a new convenience store to be known as 'Worthing High Street Food & Wine'. The store is to be situated at 6 Montague Street, Worthing, West Sussex, BN11 3HA.

The application is seeking authorisation for the sale of alcohol for consumption off the premises.

- Sale of alcohol:
 - 08:00hrs to 23:00hrs Sunday to Thursday
 - 08:00hrs to 00:00hrs Friday to Saturday
 - Opening to the public
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- o 08:00hrs to 23:00hrs Sunday to Thursday
- o 08:00hrs to 00:00hrs Friday to Saturday

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

Licence holder and applicant: Suraj Singh Chawla

Consultation closed: Thursday 1 February 2024

Committee Hearing: Cancelled - not required

The application received no relevant representation from the public, but one was received from a responsible authority - Sussex Police.

The Licensing Act encourages mediation and this was conducted successfully with the applicant addressing the representor's concerns by volunteering a number of enforceable conditions to the licence's operating schedule. As a result the representation was withdrawn and consequently, an amended application was granted as per the terms of the Licensing Act 2003.

Macmillan's Bar

This premises was previously known as 'Stacey's Dive Bar'

An application for a 'full variation' to the premises licence at the 'Macmillan's Bar'. The café-bar is situated at 3 Union Place, Worthing, BN11 1LG. The licence authorises the sale of alcohol for consumption on & off the premises, the provision of regulated entertainment and the provision of late night refreshment. The hours currently authorised being:

- Sale of alcohol:
 - o 10:00hrs to 00:00hrs (midnight) Sunday - Thursday
 - o 10:00hrs to 01:00hrs (of the following morning) Friday & Saturday
- Live music:
 - o 19:00hrs to 23:00hrs Sunday - Saturday
- Recorded music:
 - o 12:00hrs to 00:00hrs (midnight) Sunday
 - o 10:00hrs to 00:00hrs (midnight) Monday - Thursday
 - o 10:00hrs to 01:00hrs (of the following morning) Friday & Saturday
- Late night refreshment:
 - o 23:00hrs to 00:00hrs (midnight) Sunday to Thursday
 - o 23:00hrs to 01:00hrs (of the following morning) Friday & Saturday
- Opening to the public:
 - o 10:00hrs to 00:30hrs (of the following morning) Sunday - Thursday
 - o 10:00hrs to 01:30hrs (of the following morning) Friday & Saturday

The application is sought to vary the existing licence to extend the following hours for licensable activity to:

- Sale of alcohol:
 - o 10:00hrs to 01:00hrs (of the following morning) Thursday
 - o 10:00hrs to 02:00hrs (of the following morning) Friday & Saturday
- Live music:
 - o 10:00hrs to 00:30hrs (midnight) Sunday - Wednesday
 - o 10:00hrs to 01:30hrs (of the following morning) Thursday
 - o 10:00hrs to 02:30hrs (of the following morning) Friday & Saturday
- Recorded music:
 - o 10:00hrs to 00:30hrs (midnight) Sunday - Wednesday
 - o 10:00hrs to 01:30hrs (of the following morning) Thursday
 - o 10:00hrs to 02:30hrs (of the following morning) Friday & Saturday
- Late night refreshment:

- o 23:00hrs to 01:00hrs (of the following morning) Thursday
 - o 23:00hrs to 02:00hrs (of the following morning) Friday & Saturday
- Opening to the public:
 - o 10:00hrs to 01:30hrs (of the following morning) Thursday
 - o 10:00hrs to 02:30hrs (of the following morning) Friday & Saturday

No other changes to the original timings were proposed by the application.

The application also sought to remove the current condition that states:

- Admittance of customers to be restricted to before 23:00hrs every night

And replace with:

- No admittance after 00:00hrs (midnight) Sunday - Wednesday
- No admittance after 01:00hrs (of the following morning) Thursday
- No admittance after 03:00hrs Friday & Saturday
- No admittance after 02:30hrs Christmas Eve
- No admittance after 04:00hrs New Year's Day

No other changes were proposed.

Licence holder and applicant: Mr Sam Cosgrove

Consultation closed: Thursday 8 February 2024

Committee Hearing: Cancelled - Application rejected as not properly made.

The application was rejected after the failure of the applicant to advertise the application in accordance with the legislation.

The applicant will re-apply.

Worthing Pavilion Bowling Club

An application for a 'minor variation' to the premises licence at the Worthing Pavilion Bowling Club. The club is situated at 78 Pavilion Road, Worthing, BN14 7EQ. The licence authorises the sale of alcohol for consumption on the premises, the provision of indoor sporting events.

The application sought to vary the existing licence to:

Delete a condition of licence that states:

'Under 18s will not be permitted on the Premises after 21:00hrs'

& replace with:

'Under 18s must be accompanied by a responsible adult at all times whilst on the premises'

No other changes were proposed by the application.

Licence holder and applicant: Worthing Pavilion Bowling Club Ltd.

Consultation closed: Monday 22 January 2024

Committee Hearing: Not required for a minor variation

For a minor variation application, in addition to the statutory 10 working day public consultation, the Licensing Authority has the discretion to consult any responsible authorities it considers necessary and relevant to the type of application. In this case, as it involved changes to the conditions of licence, that could potentially have implications regarding the licensing objectives, Sussex Police, WSCC Fire & Rescue Service and the A&W Environmental Health Team were consulted.

No formal representation were received from members of the public or the authorities consulted. After due consideration officers considered the changes proposed unlikely to have an adverse effect on the licensing objectives. Consequently, the minor variation has been granted as per the terms of the Licensing Act 2003.

B & M Store

An application for a new premises licence for a new retail shop to be known as 'B & M Store'. The store is to be situated at Unit 1-8, Guildbourne Centre, Worthing, BN11 1LZ. The former Wilko store.

The application sought authorisation for the sale of alcohol for consumption off the premises.

- Sale of alcohol:
 - 07:00hrs to 23:00hrs Monday - Sunday
- Opening to the public:
 - 07:00hrs to 23:00hrs Monday – Sunday

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

Licence holder and applicant: B & M Retail Ltd.

Consultation closed: Monday 15 January 2024

Committee Hearing: Cancelled - not required

The application received no relevant representations from the public, but one was received from a responsible authority - Sussex Police.

The Licensing Act encourages mediation and this was conducted successfully with the applicant addressing the representor's concerns by volunteering a number of enforceable conditions to the licence's operating schedule. As a result the representation was withdrawn and consequently, an amended application was granted as per the terms of the Licensing Act 2003.

Souvlaki Bar

An application for a new premises licence at a new proposed bar & restaurant to be known as 'Souvlaki Bar'. The venue is to be situated at 38 South Street, Worthing, BN11 3AA.

The application sought authorisation for the sale of alcohol for consumption on the premises and the provision of regulated entertainment in the form of recorded music.

- Sale of alcohol:
 - 11:00hrs to 23:00hrs Monday to Sunday incl.
- Regulated entertainment:
 - 11:00hrs to 23:00hrs Monday to Sunday incl.
- Opening to the public:
 - 11:00hrs to 23:00hrs Monday to Sunday incl.

The applicant has offered a set of conditions in the operating schedule to address the licensing objectives.

Licence holder and applicant: Mr Klodian Lleshi

Consultation closed: Thursday 11 January 2024

Committee Hearing: Cancelled - not required.

The application received no relevant representations from the public, but two were received from responsible authorities - Sussex Police and A&W Councils Environmental Health Team.

The Licensing Act encourages mediation and this was conducted with the applicant addressing the representors' concerns by volunteering a number of enforceable conditions to the licence's operating schedule. As a result the representations were withdrawn and consequently, an amended application was granted as per the terms of the Licensing Act 2003.

Romanian Drinks

An application for a new premises licence for a new online drinks delivery service to be known as 'Romanian Drinks'. The storage & despatch premises is to be situated at 11 Cumbrian Close, Worthing, BN13 2JF.

The application sought authorisation for the sale of alcohol for consumption off the premises.

- Sale of alcohol:
 - Online orders taken 24hrs a day
 - Orders dispatched 08:00hrs to 19:00hrs Monday - Sunday
- Opening to the public:
 - The public will not be permitted to attend the premises

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

Licence holder and applicant: Romanian Drinks Ltd.

Consultation closed: Friday 5 January 2024

Committee Hearing: Cancelled - not required

The application received no relevant representations from the public, but one was received from a responsible authority - Sussex Police.

The Licensing Act encourages mediation and this was conducted successfully with the applicant addressing the representor's concerns by volunteering a number of enforceable conditions to the licence's operating schedule. As a result the representation was withdrawn and consequently, an amended application was granted as per the terms of the Licensing Act 2003.

Spun

An application for a new premises licence for a new store/café/bar to be known as 'Spun'. The store is to be situated at 1 Portland Square, Worthing, BN11 1QH.

The application is seeking authorisation for the sale of alcohol for consumption on & off the premises.

- Sale of alcohol:
 - 12:00hrs to 22:30hrs Monday to Saturday
 - 12:00hrs to 15:30hrs Sunday
- Opening to the public:
 - 10:00hrs to 23:00hrs Monday to Saturday
 - 10:00hrs to 16:00hrs Sunday

Licence holder and applicant: Mr Danny John Giles & Mr Robert John Watson

Consultation closed: Thursday 21 December 2023

Committee Hearing: Cancelled - not required.

The application received no relevant representations from the public, but two were received from responsible authorities - Sussex Police and A&W Councils Environmental Health Team.

The Licensing Act encourages mediation and this was conducted with the applicant addressing the representors' concerns by volunteering a number of enforceable conditions to the licence's operating schedule.

As a result the representations were withdrawn and consequently, an amended application was granted as per the terms of the Licensing Act 2003.
