

TITLE	LONDIS 93 BEAN OAK ROAD, WOKINGHAM RG40 1RJ APPLICATION FOR NEW PREMISES LICENCE
FOR CONSIDERATION BY	Sub Committee of the Licensing and Appeals Committee on Friday 11 August 2017
WARD	Norreys
LEAD OFFICER	Karen Court – Licensing Officer Julia O'Brien – Team Manager Licensing Paul Anstey – Public Protection Manager

OUTCOME / BENEFITS TO THE COMMUNITY

In accordance with S18 of the Licensing Act 2003 and the Wokingham Borough Council Licensing Policy, this application is referred to the Licensing and Appeals Sub Committee for determination as representations have been received.

RECOMMENDATION

The Sub Committee to determine the application to grant or refuse the application, with conditions and/or amendments as appropriate.

SUMMARY OF REPORT

To provide relevant information for the Sub Committee to consider and determine the application by Mr Pal Singh for a new premises licence for Londis at 93 Bean Oak Road, Wokingham RG40 1RJ

Background

The application for a new premises licence was received on 28 June 2017

The following documentation is attached:

1. copy of the application with covering letter (Appendix One)
2. location / layout plans (Appendix Two)
3. Residents representations with locations and analysis of issues (Appendix Three)

The application was checked and confirmed to be correctly made. The 28 day consultation period ran from 28 June to 26 July 2017. The responsible authorities, ward members and town council were advised by email on 29 June 2017.

Details of the application are as follows:

The premises is described by the applicant as a newsagents, off licence and convenience store.

Timings applied for are:

Supply of alcohol (for consumption off the premises):

- 0700 to 0000 Monday to Sunday

Hours premises are open to the public:

- 0700 to 0000 Monday to Sunday

The application has been advertised correctly, with site notices displayed at the premises (these have been checked during the consultation period) and a notice placed in the Wokingham News paper on 12 July 2017.

During the statutory consultation period of 28 days, representations were received from local residents..

Responses Received from Responsible Authorities

Thames Valley Police – “no objections” response

Fire Authority – “no representation” response

Health & Safety/Food Safety Team – “no comments” response

Trading Standards – “no comments or representation” response

Planning – no response received

Children and Young People’s Services – no response received

Public Health – no response received

Environmental Health response :

I wish it to be noted that there is potential for noise nuisance when the shop closes as late as 00.00 and if deliveries are made early in the mornings.

This is an observation not a representation

Representations from Other Parties

Four representations were received, these are included as Appendix Three:

- Mr Steven Smith of 43 Goodings Green
- Mr & Mrs Burton of 72 Bean Oak Road
- Mr Rusty Walker of 78 Bean Oak Road
- Mr & Mrs Forrester of 70 Bean Oak Road

Some of the issues raised do not relate directly to the licensing objectives but all representations contain valid issues and are these are summarised in the attached document.

Wokingham Town Council confirmed they have no objections.

Other Relevant Information

On 25 July 2017 the applicant’s agent confirmed by email that the applicant is willing to decrease the closing time and alcohol proposed finish time from midnight to 2300 hours (included as Appendix Four)

Analysis of Issues

Promotion of the four licensing objectives:

- the prevention of crime and disorder
- public safety
- the prevention of public nuisance
- the protection of children from harm

The operating schedule section of the application details how the applicant proposes to address these.

Requirement of Licensing Act 2003 to determine an application and achieve the four licensing objectives – prevention of crime and disorder, public safety, prevention of public nuisance and protection of children from harm.

Wokingham Borough Council's licensing policy – operating hours – the council recognises that one important aspect of the Licensing Act 2003 is the abolition of national opening hours for premises selling alcohol and will only determine the opening hours of any licensable activity if there is the belief that by limiting the operating hours one or more of the licensing objectives will be met.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS OF THE RECOMMENDATION

	How much will it Cost/ (Save)	Is there sufficient funding – if not quantify the Shortfall	Revenue or Capital?
Current Financial Year (Year 1)	Not applicable		
Next Financial Year (Year 2)	Not applicable		
Following Financial Year (Year 3)	Not applicable		

Other financial information relevant to the Recommendation/Decision

None

Cross-Council Implications

Not applicable

List of Background Papers

Application forms, location plans, representations

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