



WOKINGHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL

A Meeting of the **LICENSING AND APPEALS HEARINGS SUB COMMITTEE** will be held at the David Hicks 1 - Civic Offices, Shute End, Wokingham RG40 1BN on **FRIDAY 9 SEPTEMBER 2022 AT 10.00 AM**

Susan Parsonage
Chief Executive
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Our Vision
<i>A great place to live, learn, work and grow and a great place to do business</i>
Enriching Lives
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Champion excellent education and enable our children and young people to achieve their full potential, regardless of their background. • Support our residents to lead happy, healthy lives and provide access to good leisure facilities to enable healthy choices for everyone. • Engage and empower our communities through arts and culture and create a sense of identity for the Borough which people feel part of. • Support growth in our local economy and help to build business.
Providing Safe and Strong Communities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protect and safeguard our children, young and vulnerable people. • Offer quality care and support, at the right time, to reduce the need for long term care. • Nurture our communities: enabling them to thrive and families to flourish. • Ensure our Borough and communities remain safe for all.
Enjoying a Clean and Green Borough
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Play as full a role as possible to achieve a carbon neutral Borough, sustainable for the future. • Protect our Borough, keep it clean and enhance our green areas for people to enjoy. • Reduce our waste, promote re-use, increase recycling and improve biodiversity. • Connect our parks and open spaces with green cycleways.
Delivering the Right Homes in the Right Places
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offer quality, affordable, sustainable homes fit for the future. • Ensure the right infrastructure is in place, early, to support and enable our Borough to grow. • Protect our unique places and preserve our natural environment. • Help with your housing needs and support people, where it is needed most, to live independently in their own homes.
Keeping the Borough Moving
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain and improve our roads, footpaths and cycleways. • Tackle traffic congestion and minimise delays and disruptions. • Enable safe and sustainable travel around the Borough with good transport infrastructure. • Promote healthy alternative travel options and support our partners in offering affordable, accessible public transport with good transport links.
Changing the Way We Work for You
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be relentlessly customer focussed. • Work with our partners to provide efficient, effective, joined up services which are focussed around our customers. • Communicate better with customers, owning issues, updating on progress and responding appropriately as well as promoting what is happening in our Borough. • Drive innovative, digital ways of working that will connect our communities, businesses and customers to our services in a way that suits their needs.
Be the Best We Can Be
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be an organisation that values and invests in all our colleagues and is seen as an employer of choice. • Embed a culture that supports ambition, promotes empowerment and develops new ways of working. • Use our governance and scrutiny structures to support a learning and continuous improvement approach to the way we do business. • Be a commercial council that is innovative, whilst being inclusive, in its approach with a clear focus on being financially resilient. • Maximise opportunities to secure funding and investment for the Borough. • Establish a renewed vision for the Borough with clear aspirations.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE LICENSING AND APPEALS HEARINGS SUB COMMITTEE

Councillors

Beth Rowland

Bill Soane

Jackie Rance

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HEARING PROCEDURE – APPLICATION FOR A VARIATION OF PREMISES LICENCE

1. Sub-Committee to elect a Chairman for this Hearing only.
2. Chairman to welcome all Parties and introduce the Members of the Sub-Committee.
3. Chairman to ask Sub-Committee if they have any interests to declare.
4. Chairman of Sub-Committee to outline procedure and reaffirm that only information relevant to representations can be considered and that such information must be relevant to the Licensing Objectives. Chairman to confirm that all parties understand this. The four Licensing Objectives are:
 - The Prevention of Crime and Disorder;
 - Public Safety;
 - The Prevention of Public Nuisance; and
 - The Protection of Children from Harm.
5. The Licensing Officer will introduce the Hearing report and update the Sub-Committee on any developments following publication of the report whenever required.
6. The Applicant to present application, including any witnesses. All parties will be given equal time to put their case.
7. Responsible Authorities that have made representations and any Interested Parties that have made representations may, with the permission of the Sub-Committee, question the Applicant and witnesses.
8. Each Responsible Authority that has made representations to present their representations including any witnesses. All parties will be given equal time to put their case.
9. The Applicant may ask questions of each Responsible Authority if permitted to do so by the Sub-Committee, but will, in any event, be given the opportunity to respond to comments made by other parties at the end of the Hearing.
10. Any Interested Parties that have made representations to present their representations including any witnesses. All parties will be given equal time to put their case.
11. The Applicant may ask questions of each Interested Party if permitted to do so by the Sub-Committee.
12. The Sub-Committee can question any Party at any stage.
13. In order to facilitate effective Hearings, Interested Parties making similar representations will be asked to nominate a spokesman to present their representations. At the conclusion of a spokesman's representation, the Chairman will ask the other Interested Parties if they have any other points to raise.
14. Questions by the Sub-Committee and, when permitted, by the Applicant, will be directed to the nominated spokesman in the first instance.
15. The Applicant will be given the opportunity to respond to comments made.
16. After hearing the application and all representations, the Sub-Committee will ask any further questions of any party that it may have.
17. The Chairman will ask all parties if they have any further relevant points that have not been covered in the Hearing and to give a brief summary of their evidence and information with the Applicant going last in order.
18. All parties other than the Sub-Committee and support staff from Wokingham Borough Council's Legal and Democratic Services team to leave the Hearing.
19. The Sub-Committee shall determine the application. The decision will be notified in writing to all parties after the Sub-Committee has reached its decision.

Agenda Item 4.

TITLE	Application for Variation of Premises Licence under S34 Licensing Act 2003 at Bull Inn, High Street, Sonning
FOR CONSIDERATION BY	Licensing and Appeals Hearings Sub Committee on 9 September 2022
WARD	Sonning
LEAD OFFICER	Keiran Hinchliffe – Service Manager – Licensing and Processing

OUTCOME / BENEFITS TO THE COMMUNITY

In accordance with S35(3) of the Licensing Act 2003, members are requested to determine the application to vary the premises licence having regard to the representations received and the requirement to promote the four licensing objectives.

RECOMMENDATION

The following options are open to the Licensing and Appeals Sub-Committee

- (i) To grant the application in full and on the terms and conditions contained within the application to include any applicable mandatory conditions
- (ii) To grant the application as above, modified to such an extent as considered appropriate to satisfy any relevant representations and promote the licensing objectives; or
- (iii) To reject the application.

SUMMARY OF REPORT

To provide relevant information for the Sub-Committee to consider and determine the application from Fuller, Smith & Turner PLC to vary the premises licence PR0041 for Bull Inn, High Street, Sonning RG4 6UP.

TABLE OF APPENDICES

Appendix A	Application
Appendix B	Photographs of blue notice and newspaper advert
Appendix C	Current premises licence
Appendix D	New operating schedule conditions
Appendix E	Representations and petition

Background

1.0 APPLICATION

1.1 A premises licence is required in respect of any premises where it is intended to conduct one or more of the four licensable activities, these being:

- The sale of alcohol
- The supply of alcohol (in respect of a club)
- Regulated entertainment
- The provision of late-night refreshment

This application was submitted by Fuller, Smith & Turner PLC in respect of Bull Inn, High Street, Sonning RG4 6UP.

1.2 The applicant has applied for the following:

To vary the layout of the premises in accordance with plans supplied.

Changes – to add a small dispense bar and store area for the supply of alcohol only in the rear garden limiting the use of this to 11pm each day.

All licensable activities, permitted hours, opening hours and conditions to remain as existing.

1.3 The application has been properly made and all procedures correctly followed. The application has been attached as **Appendix A**. Photographs of the blue notice in place and copy of newspaper advert are attached as **Appendix B**.

2.0 BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF PREMISES

2.1 The current premises licence PR0041 is attached as **Appendix C**.

Analysis of Issues

3.0 OPERATING SCHEDULE

3.1 The operating schedule is completed by the applicant and contains additional measures to illustrate how they propose to promote the four licensing objectives as required by provision of the Licensing Act 2003.

3.2 Following review of the current premises licence operating schedule (Annex 2 at **Appendix C**) by the Licensing Officer. The applicant has requested to remove and replace their current operating schedule conditions. The measures listed below will be attached as conditions to any licence as may be granted (See **Appendix D**):

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3.2 Following review of the current premises licence operating schedule (Annex 2 at **Appendix C**) by the Licensing Officer. The applicant has requested to remove and replace their current operating schedule conditions . The measures listed below will be attached as conditions to any licence as may be granted (See **Appendix D**):

1. 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, awareness of drugs in licensed premises and the conditions attaching to the premises licence. Refresher training shall be provided at least once every 12 months.
2. 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.
3. The volume of music will be reduced to background level once the terminal hour for live or recorded music has passed.
4. A notice will be prominently placed at the exits asking customers to leave quietly.
5. A Challenge 21 policy 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 holographically marked PASS scheme identification cards). Appropriate signage advising customers of the policy shall prominently displayed in the premises.
6. AWP and cigarette machines will be sited in areas that are visible to staff.
7. An incident log shall be kept at the premises. The log should include the date and time of the incident and the name of the member of staff involved. The log to be made available on request to an authorised officer of the Council or the Police, which will record the following:
 - a. all crimes reported to the venue
 - b. all ejections of patrons
 - c. any complaints received
 - d. any incidents of disorder
 - e. any faults in the CCTV system or searching equipment or scanning equipment
 - f. any refusal of the sale of alcohol
 - g. any visit by a relevant authority or emergency service

4.0 CONSULTATION

4.1 The responsible authorities included in consultation are Thames Valley Police, Royal Berkshire Fire & Rescue, Environmental Health, Trading Standards, Public Health, Planning Authority, Local Safeguarding Children Board, and Home Office Immigration Enforcement.

4.2 Of those consultees identified in paragraph 4.1, no representations were received.

4.3 There have been 16 representations from other persons in objection to the application plus the local ward councillor and parish council. These are attached as **Appendix E** and summarised in the table below:

Name	Representation and Licensing Objective
Caroline Kuipers	Traffic, noise & light pollution – public nuisance
Peter Edwards	Noise – public nuisance. Parking
Carol McDiarmid	Garden nuisance
Peter Van Went	Noise – public nuisance. Parking
Dr David & Jane Mcilroy	Noise & light pollution – public nuisance. Parking
Anthony McHale	Noise – public nuisance. Traffic & parking
Malcolm Dorward	Noise – public nuisance. Parking
Mark & Natalie Johnson	Noise levels – public nuisance. Traffic & parking
Philip & Sharon Auld	Noise levels – public nuisance. Traffic & parking
Susan Worthington	Noise – public nuisance. Parking
Jim Bolton	Noise, parking, events, 11pm curfew in garden
Hannele Klemtila-McHale	Noise & light pollution, disturbance – public nuisance
Leon Cook	Noise levels & disturbance – public nuisance. Parking
Pamela Cronin	Increased noise levels – public nuisance. Parking
Glen Beard	Traffic and parking, capacity of the Bull
Paul Benton	Light and noise pollution – public nuisance
Cllr Michael Firmager	Increased disturbance – public nuisance. Traffic & parking. In agreement with residents
Sonning Parish Council	Sympathy with neighbours of the pub

4.5 A petition of 20 signatures has been received objecting to the application, this is included with Dr David Mcilroy's representation

4.6 Those that have made a representation have been informed of the time and date of the Licensing and Appeals Sub-Committee hearing and have been informed of their right to attend.

5.0 LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

5.1 Conditions may only be attached to a Premises Licence where they are deemed appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives. They must be proportionate and not duplicate any existing provisions contained in other legislation. The justification behind a refusal or the attachment of conditions must be given to the applicant.

5.2 The Sub-Committee is advised that any findings on any issues of fact should be on the balance of probabilities and any decision should be based on the individual merits of the application.

5.3 The Sub-Committee, in arriving at its decision, must have regard to relevant provisions of national guidance and its own statement of licensing policy and reasons should be given for any departure.

5.4 There is a right of appeal to the Magistrates Court within 21 days from the date the Applicant is notified of the decision of the Licensing Sub-Committee.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS OF THE RECOMMENDATION

The Council faces severe funding pressures, particularly in the face of the COVID-19 crisis. It is therefore imperative that Council resources are focused on the vulnerable and on its highest priorities.

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

Other financial information relevant to the Recommendation/Decision
None

Cross-Council Implications
None

Public Sector Equality Duty
not required

Climate Emergency – <i>This Council has declared a climate emergency and is committed to playing as full a role as possible – leading by example as well as by exhortation – in achieving a carbon neutral Wokingham Borough by 2030</i>
n/a

List of Background Papers
Wokingham Borough Council Statement of Licensing Policy (September 2018) Revised Guidance issued under section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 (April 2018)

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Wokingham Borough Council

Application to vary a premises licence under the Licensing Act 2003

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Before completing this form please read the guidance notes at the end of the form. If you are completing this form by hand please write legibly in block capitals. In all cases ensure that your answers are inside the boxes and written in black ink. Use additional sheets if necessary.

You may wish to keep a copy of the completed form for your records.

We Fuller, Smith & Turner Plc

being the premises licence holder, apply to vary a premises licence under section 34 of the Licensing Act 2003 for the premises described in Part 1 below

Premises licence number

PR0041

Part 1 – Premises Details

Postal address of premises or, if none, ordnance survey map reference or description

Bull Inn
High Street

Sonning on Thames

Post town

Reading

Post code

RG4 6UP

Telephone number at premises (if any)

0118 6933901

Non-domestic rateable value of premises

£122,000

Part 2 – Applicant details

Daytime contact telephone number

E-mail address (optional)

Current residential address if different from premises address

Pier House
86-93 Strand-on-the-Green

Post Town

London

Postcode

W4 3NN

Part 3 - Variation

Please tick yes

Do you want the proposed variation to have effect as soon as possible?

TO TAKE EFFECT ON THE DATE ON WHICH WE NOTIFY YOU THAT THE WORKS COMPLETE.

If not, from what date do you want the variation to take effect?

Day	Month	Year
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Do you want the proposed variation to have effect in relation to the introduction of the late night levy? (Please see guidance note 1) Yes No

Please describe briefly the nature of the proposed variation (Please read guidance note 2)

Licensed Premises

To vary the layout of the premises in accordance with plans supplied by the applicant.

Changes – To add a small dispense bar and store area for the supply of alcohol only in the rear garden area limiting the use of this to 11pm each day.

All licensable activities, permitted hours, opening hours and conditions to remain as existing.

If your proposed variation would mean that 5,000 or more people are expected to attend the premises at any one time, please state the number expected to attend

N/A

Part 4 Operating Schedule

Please complete those parts of the Operating Schedule below which would be subject to change if this application to vary is successful.

Provision of regulated entertainment (Please read guidance note 3)

Please tick all that apply

- a) plays (if ticking yes, fill in box A)
- b) films (if ticking yes, fill in box B)
- c) indoor sporting events (if ticking yes, fill in box C)
- d) boxing or wrestling entertainment (if ticking yes, fill in box D)
- e) live music (if ticking yes, fill in box E)
- f) recorded music (if ticking yes, fill in box F)
- g) performances of dance (if ticking yes, fill in box G)
- h) anything of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g) (if ticking yes, fill in box H)

Provision of late night refreshment (if ticking yes, fill in box I)

Sale by retail of alcohol (if ticking yes, fill in box J)

In all cases complete boxes K, L and M

A

Plays Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			<u>Will the performance of a play take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 4)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish		Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mon			<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 5)		
Tue					
Wed			<u>State any seasonal variations for performing plays</u> (please read guidance note 6)		
Thur					
Fri			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the performance of plays at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 7)		
Sat					
Sun					

B

Films Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			<u>Will the exhibition of films take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 4)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish		Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mon	No Change		<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 5) No Change		
Tue	No Change				
Wed	No Change		<u>State any seasonal variations for the exhibition of films</u> (please read guidance note 6) No Change		
Thur	No Change				
Fri	No Change		<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the exhibition of films at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 7) No Change		
Sat	No Change				
Sun	No Change				

C

Indoor sporting events Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			<u>Please give further details</u> (please read guidance note 5) No Change
Day	Start	Finish	
Mon	No Change		<u>State any seasonal variations for indoor sporting events</u> (please read guidance note 6) No Change
Tue	No Change		
Wed	No Change		
Thur	No Change		
Fri	No Change		
Sat	No Change		
Sun	No Change		

D

Boxing or wrestling entertainments Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			<u>Will the boxing or wrestling entertainment take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 4)	
Day	Start	Finish	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mon			Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tue			Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wed			<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 5)	
Thur			<u>State any seasonal variations for boxing or wrestling entertainment</u> (please read guidance note 6)	
Fri			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for boxing or wrestling entertainment at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 7)	
Sat				
Sun				

E

Live music Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			Will the performance of live music take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick (please read guidance note 4)		Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
					Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
					Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish				
Mon	No Change		Please give further details here (please read guidance note 5) No Change			
Tue	No Change					
Wed	No Change		State any seasonal variations for the performance of live music (please read guidance note 6) No Change			
Thur	No Change					
Fri	No Change		Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the performance of live music at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 7) No Change			
Sat	No Change					
Sun	No Change					

F

Recorded music Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			Will the playing of recorded music take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick (please read guidance note 4)		Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
					Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
					Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish				
Mon	No Change		Please give further details here (please read guidance note 5) No Change			
Tue	No Change					
Wed	No Change		State any seasonal variations for the playing of recorded music (please read guidance note 6) No Change			
Thur	No Change					
Fri	No Change		Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the playing of recorded music at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 7) No Change			
Sat	No Change					
Sun	No Change					

G

Performances of dance Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			<u>Will the performance of dance take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 4)	Indoors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish			
Mon			<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 5)		
Tue					
Wed			<u>State any seasonal variations for the performance of dance</u> (please read guidance note 6)		
Thur					
Fri			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the performance of dance at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 7)		
Sat					
Sun					

H

Anything of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g) Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			<u>Please give a description of the type of entertainment you will be providing</u>		
Day	Start	Finish	<u>Will this entertainment take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 4)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mon	No Change			Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
			Both	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Tue	No Change		<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 5) No Change		
Wed	No Change				
Thur	No Change		<u>State any seasonal variations for entertainment of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g)</u> (please read guidance note 6) No Change		
Fri	No Change				
Sat	No Change		<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the entertainment of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g) at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 7) No Change		
Sun	No Change				

I

Late night refreshment Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			Will the provision of late night refreshment take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick (please read guidance note 4)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish			
Mon	No Change		Please give further details here (please read guidance note 5) No Change		
Tue	No Change				
Wed	No Change		State any seasonal variations for the provision of late night refreshment (please read guidance note 6) No Change		
Thur	No Change				
Fri	No Change		Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the provision of late night refreshment at different times, to those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 7) No Change		
Sat	No Change				
Sun	No Change				

J

Supply of alcohol Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			Will the supply of alcohol be for consumption (Please tick box) (please read guidance note 9)	On the premises	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Off the premises	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish			
Mon	No Change		State any seasonal variations for the supply of alcohol (please read guidance note 6) No Change		
Tue	No Change				
Wed	No Change		Non-standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the supply of alcohol at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 7) No Change – to current non-standard timings. To add a small dispense bar and store area within the rear garden for the supply of alcohol only limiting the use of this to 11pm each day.		
Thur	No Change				
Fri	No Change				
Sat	No Change				
Sun	No Change				

K

Please highlight any 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 (please read guidance note 8) None
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L

Hours premises are open to the public Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			State any seasonal variations (please read guidance note 6) No change
Day	Start	Finish	
Mon	07:00	01:00	Non standard timings. Where you intend the premises to be open to the public at different times from those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 7) No change
Tue	07:00	01:00	
Wed	07:00	01:00	
Thur	07:00	01:00	
Fri	07:00	02:00	
Sat	07:00	02:00	
Sun	07:00	01:00	

Please identify those conditions currently imposed on the licence which you believe could be removed as a consequence of the proposed variation you are seeking
None

Please tick yes

- I have enclosed the premises licence
- I have enclosed the relevant part of the premises licence

If you have not ticked one of these boxes please fill in reasons for not including the licence, or part of it, below

Reasons why I have failed to enclose the premises licence or relevant part of premises licence
Waiting for amended licence following recent DPS change

M Describe any additional steps you intend to take to promote the four licensing objectives as a result of the proposed variation:

a) General – all four licensing objectives (b,c,d,e) (please read guidance note 11)

The dispense bar will service customers in the outside area, to help with controlling the flow of customers from the inside bar, which will have a limit on the use of the dispense bar to 11pm each day to prevent any noise nuisance in the garden.

We have considered the impact of the proposed alterations and do not feel that there will be any increased risk. No further steps will be necessary to promote the licensing objectives and the existing measures will continue.

b) The prevention of crime and disorder

See box a) above

c) Public safety

See box a) above

d) The prevention of public nuisance

See box a) above

e) The protection of children from harm

See box a) above


Please tick yes

- I have made or enclosed payment of the fee or
- I have not made or enclosed payment of the fee because this application has been made in relation to the introduction of the late night levy
- I have sent copies of this application and the plan to responsible authorities and others where applicable
- I understand that I must now advertise my application
- I have enclosed the premises licence or relevant part of it or explanation
- I understand that if I do not comply with the above requirements my application will be rejected

IT IS AN OFFENCE, UNDER SECTION 158 OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003, TO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT IN OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS APPLICATION. THOSE WHO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT MAY BE LIABLE ON SUMMARY CONVICTION TO A FINE OF ANY AMOUNT.

Part 5 – Signatures (please read guidance note 12)

Signature of applicant (the current premises licence holder) or applicant’s solicitor or other duly authorised agent (please read guidance note 13). **If signing on behalf of the applicant please state in what capacity.**

Signature	
Date	14 July 2022

Capacity	Poppleston Allen – Solicitors for & on behalf of the applicant
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Where the premises licence is jointly held signature of 2nd applicant (the current premises licence holder) or 2nd applicant’s solicitor or other authorised agent (please read guidance note14). If signing on behalf of the applicant please state in what capacity.

Signature	
Date	
Capacity	

Contact name (where not previously given) and address for correspondence associated with this application (please read guidance note 15) Vicki Caress Poppleston Allen Solicitors 37 Stoney Street The Lace Market			
Post town	Nottingham	Post code	NG1 1LS
Telephone number (if any)	0115 934 9176		
If you would prefer us to correspond with you by e-mail your e-mail address (optional) v.caress@popall.co.uk			

Notes for Guidance

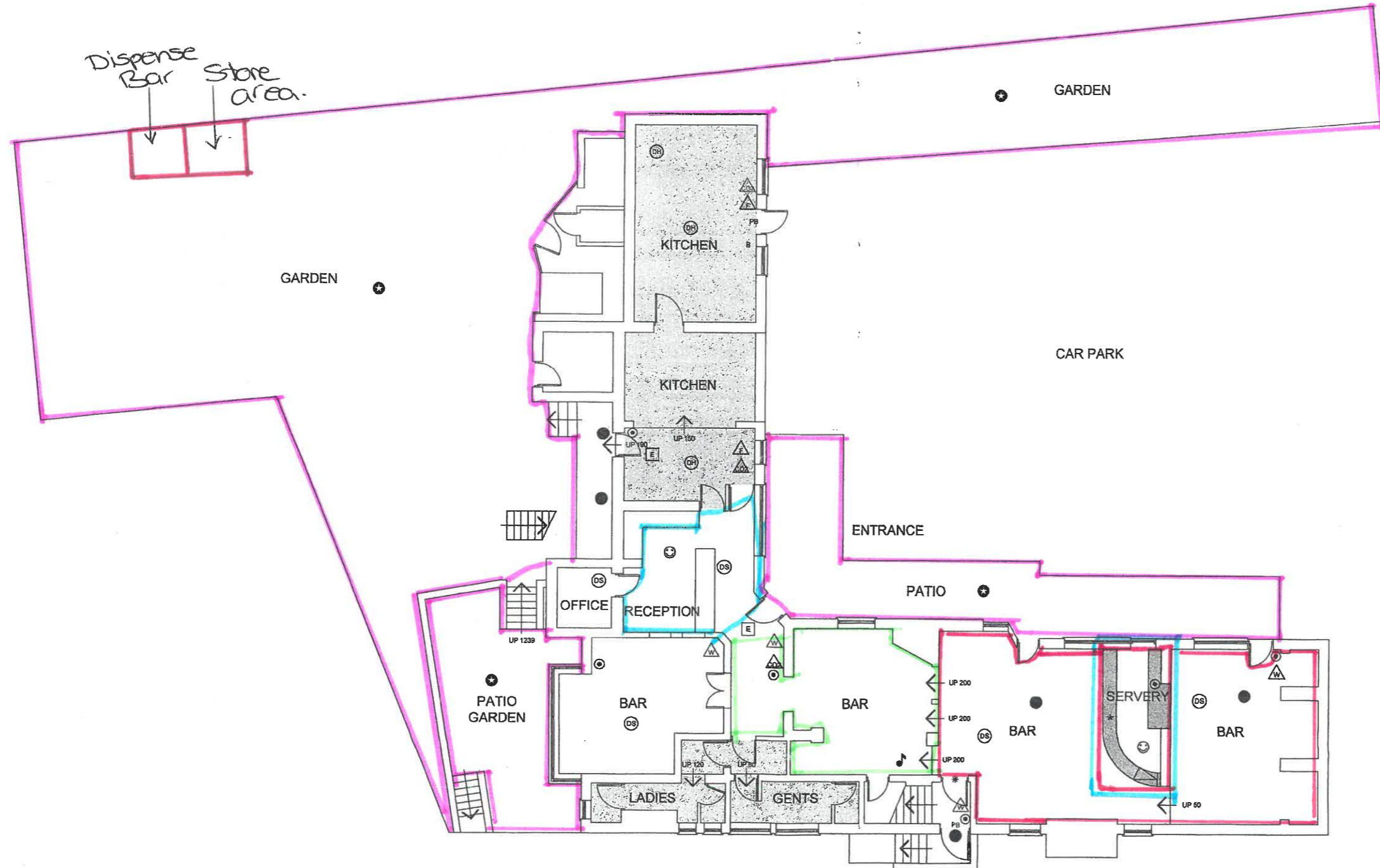
This application cannot be used to vary the licence so as to extend the period for which the licence has effect or to vary substantially the premises to which it relates. If you wish to make that type of change to the premises licence you should make a new premises licence application under section 17 of the Licensing Act 2003.

1. You do not have to pay a fee if the only purpose of the variation for which you are applying is to avoid becoming liable for the late night levy
2. Describe the premises. For example the type of premises, its general situation and layout and any other information which could be relevant to the licensing objectives. Where your application includes off-supplies of alcohol and you intend to provide a place for consumption of these off-supplies you must include a description of where the place will be and its proximity to the premises.
3. In terms of specific regulated entertainments please note that:
 - Plays: no licence is required for performances between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, provided that the audience does not exceed 500.
 - Films: no licence is required for 'not-for-profit' film exhibition held in community premises between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day provided that the audience does not exceed 500 and the organiser (a) gets consent to the screening from a person who is responsible for the premises; and (b) ensures that each such screening abides by age classification ratings.
 - Indoor sporting events: no licence is required for performances between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, provided that the audience does not exceed 1000.
 - Boxing or Wrestling Entertainment: no licence is required for a contest, exhibition or display of Greco-Roman wrestling, or freestyle wrestling between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, provided that the audience does not exceed 1000. Combined fighting sports – defined as a contest, exhibition or display which combines boxing or wrestling with one or more martial arts – are licensable as a boxing or wrestling entertainment rather than an indoor sporting event.
 - Live music: no licence permission is required for:

- a performance of unamplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, on any premises.
 - a performance of amplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day on premises authorised to sell alcohol for consumption on those premises, provided that the audience does not exceed 500.
 - a performance of amplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, in a workplace that is not licensed to sell alcohol on those premises, provided that the audience does not exceed 500.
 - a performance of amplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, in a church hall, village hall, community hall, or other similar community premises, that is not licensed by a premises licence to sell alcohol, provided that (a) the audience does not exceed 500, and (b) the organiser gets consent for the performance from a person who is responsible for the premises.
 - a performance of amplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, at the non-residential premises of (i) a local authority, or (ii) a school, or (iii) a hospital, provided that (a) the audience does not exceed 500, and (b) the organiser gets consent for the performance on the relevant premises from: (i) the local authority concerned, or (ii) the school or (iii) the health care provider for the hospital.
 - Recorded Music: no licence permission is required for:
 - any playing of recorded music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day on premises authorised to sell alcohol for consumption on those premises, provided that the audience does not exceed 500.
 - any playing of recorded music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, in a church hall, village hall, community hall, or other similar community premises, that is not licensed by a premises licence to sell alcohol, provided that (a) the audience does not exceed 500, and (b) the organiser gets consent for the performance from a person who is responsible for the premises.
 - any playing of recorded music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, at the non-residential premises of (i) a local authority, or (ii) a school, or (iii) a hospital, provided that (a) the audience does not exceed 500, and (b) the organiser gets consent for the performance on the relevant premises from: (i) the local authority concerned, or (ii) the school proprietor or (iii) the health care provider for the hospital.
 - Dance: no licence is required for performances between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, provided that the audience does not exceed 500. However, a performance which amounts to adult entertainment remains licensable.
 - Cross activity exemptions: no licence is required between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, with no limit on audience size for:
 - any entertainment taking place on the premises of the local authority where the entertainment is provided by or on behalf of the local authority;
 - any entertainment taking place on the hospital premises of the health care provider where the entertainment is provided by or on behalf of the health care provider;
 - any entertainment taking place on the premises of the school where the entertainment is provided by or on behalf of the school proprietor; and
 - any entertainment (excluding films and a boxing or wrestling entertainment) taking place at a travelling circus, provided that (a) it takes place within a moveable structure that accommodates the audience, and (b) that the travelling circus has not been located on the same site for more than 28 consecutive days.
4. Where taking place in a building or other structure please tick as appropriate. Indoors may include a tent.
 5. For example state type of activity to be authorised, if not already stated, and give relevant further details, for example (but not exclusively) whether or not music will be amplified or unamplified.
 6. For example (but not exclusively), where the activity will occur on additional days during the summer months.
 7. For example (but not exclusively), where you wish the activity to go on longer on a particular day e.g. Christmas Eve.

8. Please give timings in 24 hour clock (e.g. 16:00) and only give details for the days of the week when you intend the premises to be used for the activity.
9. If you wish people to be able to consume alcohol on the premises please tick on, if you wish people to be able to purchase alcohol to consume away from the premises please tick off. If you wish people to be able to do both please tick both.
10. Please give information about anything intended to occur at the premises or ancillary to the use of the premises which may give rise to concern in respect of children regardless of whether you intend children to have access to the premises, for example (but not exclusively) nudity or semi-nudity, films for restricted age groups or the presence of gaming machines.
11. Please list here steps you will take to promote all four licensing objectives together.
12. The application form must be signed.
13. An applicant's agent (for example solicitor) may sign the form on their behalf provided that they have actual authority to do so.
14. Where there is more than one applicant, both applicants or their respective agents must sign the application form.
15. This is the address which we shall use to correspond with you about this application.

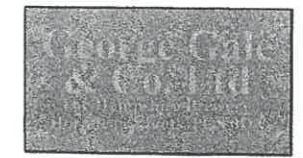
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 - ⊞ FOAM FIRE EXTINGUISHER.
 - ⊞ WET CHEMICAL FIRE EXTINGUISHER.
 - ⊞ FIRE EXIT SIGN (MAINTAINED).
 - PB PANIC BOLT WITH * PUSH BAR TO OPEN * SIGN.
 - ⊞ KITCHEN AREA.
 - ⊞ TOILET AREA.
 - ⊞ SALE AND SUPPLY OF ALCOHOL - ON AND OFF SALES.
 - 🎵 REGULATED ENTERTAINMENT.
 - 🕒 HOT FOOD AFTER 23:00.
 - ⊞ AREAS MADE AVAILABLE FOR CONSUMPTION OUTSIDE THE PREMISES.

Red line - Supply of alcohol
Cyan line Hot food after 23:00
Green line Regulated entertainment
Pink line Areas made available for consumption outside the premises.

GROUND FLOOR LAYOUT 1:100



Premises:
The Bull Inn Sonning
 Title: **AI**
Licensed Drawing
 Scale:
1:100
 Date:
14/1/22

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ALCOHOL & Licensing

Notice of application for the grant of a Premises Licence under Section 17 of the Licensing Act 2003

Notice is hereby given that University of Reading has applied to Wokingham Borough Council for the grant of a Premises Licence in respect of Premises to be known as University of Reading Staff Common Room & Wine Shop, Park House, Whiteknights, Reading, RG6 6AQ. The proposed licensable activities and their hours are: The sale of alcohol (on & off the premises) 10:00 to 22:00 hours every day; opening hours unrestricted (premises within University of Reading - Park House building). Please see application and plans submitted to council for full details. Any representations regarding the above-mentioned application must be received in writing by Licensing Authority, Licensing - Enforcement and Safety Service, Wokingham Borough Council, Shute End, Wokingham, RG40 1BN or via email to: licensing@wokingham.gov.uk by no later than 10th August 2022 stating the grounds for representation. The register of Wokingham Borough Council and the record of the application may be inspected at the address of the council, given above, during normal business hours or on the council's website - www.wokingham.gov.uk

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Poppleston Allen, 37 Stoney Street, The Lace Market, Nottingham, NG1 1LS

Notice of application to vary a Premises Licence under Section 34 of the Licensing Act 2003

Notice is hereby given that Fuller, Smith & Turner Plc in respect of Premises known as Bull Inn, High Street, Sonning on Thames, Reading, Berkshire, RG4 6UP applied to Wokingham Borough Council for a Variation of a Premises Licence. The proposed variation is: To vary the layout of the premises in accordance with plans supplied by the applicant to add a small dispense bar and store area within the rear garden limiting the use of this to 11pm each day - see application for full details. All licensable activities, permitted hours, opening hours and conditions to remain as existing. Any representations regarding the above-mentioned application must be received in writing by Licensing Authority, Licensing - Enforcement and Safety Service, Wokingham Borough Council, Shute End, Wokingham, RG40 1BN or via e-mail licensing@wokingham.gov.uk no later than 11th August 2022 stating the grounds for representation. The register of Wokingham Borough Council and the record of the application may be inspected at the address of the council, given above, during normal business hours or on the council's website - www.wokingham.gov.uk

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GOODS Vehicle Licensing

Goods Vehicle Operator's Licence

Henley Scaffolding Supplies Ltd trading as of Unit G Theale Quarry, Deans Copse Road, Theale, Reading RG7 4GZ is applying for a licence to use Unit G Theale Quarry, Deans Copse Road, Theale, Reading RG7 4GZ as an operating centre for 3 goods vehicles and 3 trailers

Owners or occupiers of land (including buildings) near the operating centre who believe that their use or enjoyment of that land would be affected, should make written representations to the traffic commissioner at Hillcrest House, 386 Harehills Lane, Leeds LS9 6NF stating their reasons, within 21 days of this notice. Representors must at the same time send a copy of their representation to the applicant at the address given at the top of this notice. A guide to making representations is available from the Traffic Commissioners Office.

OTHER

MARJORIE EDITH MARION WILSON (otherwise Wallace) (Deceased)

Pursuant to the Trustee Act 1925 any persons having a claim against or an interest in the Estate of the above named late of Beechwood, Ravensworth Road, Mortimer West End, Reading, RG7 3UD, who died on 27/10/2021, are required to send written particulars thereof to the undersigned on or before 22/09/2022, after which date the Estate will be distributed having regard only to the claims and interests of which they have had notice.

Parfitt Cresswell t/a Charles Coleman & Co, 14a Cross Street, Reading RG1 1SN (Ref:CHC-JLM/WIL2721 Attn: Jo Martin)

DIANE CHRISTINE KEENAN (Maiden name: Wilkins) (Deceased)

Pursuant to the Trustee Act 1925 any persons having a claim against or an interest in the Estate of the above named late of 1 Sarthingham Way, Calcot, Reading, Berks RG31 4XA, who died on 30/09/2021, are required to send written particulars thereof to the undersigned on or before 26/09/2022, after which date the Estate will be distributed having regard only to the claims and interests of which they have had notice.

Julie Irene Rickard, The London Gazette (26753), PO Box 3584, Norwich NR7 7WD (Ref:1645188831834355)

PLANNING

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

The following applications have been submitted to West Berkshire Council and are available for inspection at the Council Offices, Market Street, Newbury RG14 5LD. Comments should be sent to the Head of Planning: email planapps@westberks.gov.uk within 14 days and will be available for public inspection.

DEVELOPMENT AFFECTING THE SETTING OF A LISTED BUILDING AND/OR BUILDINGS OR OTHER LAND WITHIN A DESIGNATED OR PROPOSED CONSERVATION AREA.
 22/01678/HOUSE-Elm Cottage, Riverview Road, Pangbourne-Erection of part two-storey, part single-storey rear extension, demolition of upvc conservatory & associated landscaping.

DEVELOPMENT AFFECTING A PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY
 22/01514/FUL-Mayridge Farm, Englefield, Reading-Creation of five ponds for wildlife

PROBATE & Trustee

VERONICA TONG (Deceased)

Pursuant to the Trustee Act 1925 anyone having a claim against or an interest in the Estate of the deceased, late of 10 Haldane Road, Caversham, Reading, Berkshire, RG4 7PS, who died on 07/10/2021, must send written particulars to the address below by 22/09/2022, after which date the Estate will be distributed having regard only to claims and interests notified.

Kirsti Harvey c/o Blandy & Blandy Solicitors, 1 Friar Street, Reading, RG1 1DA. Ref:TON16/2

TRAFFIC & Roads

READING BOROUGH COUNCIL THE BOROUGH OF READING (CIVIL ENFORCEMENT AREA) (WAITING / ONE WAY / CYCLE LANE RESTRICTIONS) (SIDMOUTH STREET) ORDER 202*

Reading Borough Council under Sections 1(1), 2, 4(2) and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended and under the provisions of Part 6 of the Traffic Management Act 2004 intends to make an Order the effects of which are:

To introduce, remove and amend existing waiting restrictions to allow the progress of Active Travel Tranche 1 on Sidmouth Street. This has necessitated changing or revising existing Traffic Orders. The waiting restrictions to be introduced are detailed in the Schedules below:

SCHEDULE 1: ONE WAY

Sidmouth St, northbound:

From its junction with London Road to its junction with Queens Road.

SCHEDULE 2: CYCLE LANE

Location	Description	Direction
Sidmouth Street, east side	The area of the carriageway of that length of Sidmouth Street that extends from its junction with Queens Road to its junction with London Road and bounded on the west side by a road marking complying with diagram 1049B in the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.	Northbound and Southbound

SCHEDULE 3: NO WAITING AT ANY TIME

Sidmouth St, east side:

From its junction with Kennet Side to a point 50m north of its junction with London Road.

Copies of the draft order, statement of reasons, relevant drawings and orders to be varied can be viewed online at <http://consult.reading.gov.uk> or inspected by prior appointment during the hours of 10am and 4pm, Monday to Friday at, Civic Offices, Bridge Street, Reading.

Objections to the proposals, together with the grounds on which they are made, should be sent in writing quoting ref Sidmouth Street to highway.objections@reading.gov.uk by no later than 10 August 2022. If anyone requires any further information please contact Transport on 0118 937 2101.

DATED: 21 July 2022

M. Graham, Assistant Director of Legal Services, Reading Borough Council, Civic Offices, Bridge Street, Reading, RG1 2LU.

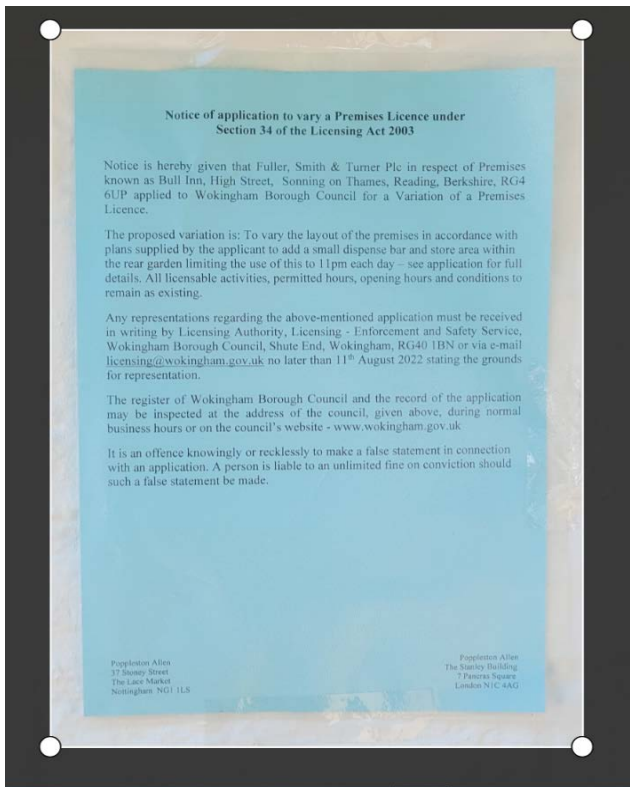
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Licensing Act 2003

Premises Licence Summary

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**WOKINGHAM
BOROUGH COUNCIL**

Licensing Service
Wokingham Borough Council
Shute End
Wokingham
Berkshire
RG40 1WW

Premises Details

POSTAL ADDRESS OF PREMISES, OR IF NONE, ORDNANCE SURVEY MAP REFERENCE OR DESCRIPTION

Bull Inn
High Street, Sonning, Berkshire, RG4 6UP

WHERE THE LICENCE IS TIME LIMITED THE DATES

Start: 24 November 2005

End: Indefinite

LICENSABLE ACTIVITIES AUTHORISED BY THE LICENCE

Films
Indoor Sporting Events
Live Music
Recorded Music
Other Entertainment Similar to Live or Rec Music or Dance Performance
Facilities for Making Music
Facilities for Dancing
Other Entertainment Facilities Similar to Making Music or Dancing
Late Night Refreshment
Supply of Alcohol

THE OPENING HOURS OF THE PREMISES:

Mon 07:00-01:00
Tue 07:00-01:00
Wed 07:00-01:00
Thu 07:00-01:00
Fri 07:00-02:00
Sat 07:00-02:00
Sun 07:00-01:00
Non Standard Timings:
Premises are open to residents and their guests at all times. 07.00 New Years
Eve - 02.00 2nd January 07.00 to 02.00 on Friday, Saturday, Sunday and
Monday on Bank Holiday weekends, Christmas Eve and Boxing Day

THE TIMES THE LICENCE AUTHORISES THE CARRYING OUT OF LICENSABLE ACTIVITIES:

Films	Mon 07:00-01:00 Tue 07:00-01:00 Wed 07:00-01:00 Thu 07:00-01:00 Fri 07:00-02:00 Sat 07:00-02:00 Sun 07:00-01:00 an exhibition of a film Video entertainment on TV screens and amusement machines Indoors Non Standard Timings: Films will be available for residents at all times. 07.00 New Years Eve - 02.00 2nd January. 07.00 to 02.00 on Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday on Bank Holiday weekends, Christmas Eve and Boxing
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<p>Indoor Sporting Events</p>	<p>Day. Mon 07:00-01:00 Tue 07:00-01:00 Wed 07:00-01:00 Thu 07:00-01:00 Fri 07:00-02:00 Sat 07:00-02:00 Sun 07:00-01:00 an indoor sporting event To permit pub games that attract an audience, whether by advertisement or spontaneously e.g. darts, cribbage, dominoes, etc. Non Standard Timings: Indoor sporting events will be available to residents all day. 07.00 New Years Eve - 02.00 2nd January. 07.00 to 02.00 on Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday on Bank Holiday weekends, Christmas Eve and Boxing Day.</p>
<p>Live Music</p>	<p>Mon 10:00-23:00 Tue 10:00-23:00 Wed 10:00-23:00 Thu 10:00-23:00 Fri 10:00-23:00 Sat 10:00-23:00 Sun 10:00-23:00 a performance of live music Live acoustic/amplified music and amplified voice No live music after 23.00 to avoid nuisance to hotel guests Indoors Non Standard Timings: 10.00 New Years Eve - 01.00 1st January. 10.00 to 00.00 on Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday on Bank Holiday weekends, Christmas Eve and Boxing Day.</p>
<p>Recorded Music</p>	<p>Mon 07:00-01:00 Tue 07:00-01:00 Wed 07:00-01:00 Thu 07:00-01:00 Fri 07:00-02:00 Sat 07:00-02:00 Sun 07:00-01:00 any playing of recorded music Indoors Non Standard Timings: Recorded music will be available to residences all day. 07.00 New Years Eve - 02.00 2nd January. 07.00 to 02.00 on Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday on Bank Holiday weekends, Christmas Eve and Boxing Day.</p>
<p>Other Entertainment Similar to Live or Rec Music or Dance Performance</p>	<p>Mon 10:00-23:00 Tue 10:00-23:00 Wed 10:00-23:00 Thu 10:00-23:00 Fri 10:00-23:00 Sat 10:00-23:00 Sun 10:00-23:00 Entertainment of a similar description to that falling within a performance of live music, any playing of recorded music or a performance of dance Comperes for quiz and similar events comedians and similar performances in any case using voice amplification. Indoors Non Standard Timings:</p>

	10.00 New Years Eve - 02.00 1st January. 10.00 to 00.00 on Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday on Bank Holiday weekends, Christmas Eve and Boxing Day.
Facilities for Making Music	<p>Mon 10:00-23:00 Tue 10:00-23:00 Wed 10:00-23:00 Thu 10:00-23:00 Fri 10:00-23:00 Sat 10:00-23:00 Sun 10:00-23:00</p> <p>Entertainment facilities for making music Microphone with amplifiers, DJ console, piano, keyboard or other instruments Used as and when required at any time during opening hours. Indoors Seasonal Variations: Facility to erect marquee or other temporary shelter for events. Non Standard Timings: 10.00 New Years Eve - 02.00 1st January. 10.00 to 00.00 on Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday on Bank Holiday weekends, Christmas Eve and Boxing Day.</p>
Facilities for Dancing	<p>Mon 07:00-01:00 Tue 07:00-01:00 Wed 07:00-01:00 Thu 07:00-01:00 Fri 07:00-02:00 Sat 07:00-02:00 Sun 07:00-01:00</p> <p>Entertainment facilities for dancing Such area of the bar as may be set aside for dancing from time to time. Indoors Non Standard Timings: 07.00 New Years Eve - 02.00 2nd January. 07.00 to 02.00 on Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday on Bank Holiday weekends, Christmas Eve and Boxing Day.</p>
Other Entertainment Facilities Similar to Making Music or Dancing	<p>Mon 10:00-23:00 Tue 10:00-23:00 Wed 10:00-23:00 Thu 10:00-23:00 Fri 10:00-23:00 Sat 10:00-23:00 Sun 10:00-23:00</p> <p>Entertainment of a similar description to that falling within entertainment facilities for making music or dancing Used as and when required, at any time during opening hours. Indoors Non Standard Timings: 10.00 New Years Eve - 01.00 2nd January. 10.00 to 00.00 on Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday on Bank Holiday weekends, Christmas Eve and Boxing Day.</p>
Late Night Refreshment	<p>Mon 23:00-05:00 Tue 23:00-05:00 Wed 23:00-05:00 Thu 23:00-05:00 Fri 23:00-05:00 Sat 23:00-05:00 Sun 23:00-05:00</p> <p>provision of late night refreshment</p>

Licensing Act 2003

Premises Licence Summary

PR0041

	Provision of hot drinks, meals and heated snacks, particularly during the "Wind Down" period and during functions. Indoors Non Standard Timings: 23.00 New Years Eve - 05.00 2nd January
Supply of Alcohol	Mon 07:00-00:00 Tue 07:00-00:00 Wed 07:00-00:00 Thu 07:00-00:00 Fri 07:00-01:00 Sat 07:00-01:00 Sun 07:00-00:00 the sale by retail of alcohol Non Standard Timings: Supply of alcohol will be available to residents and their guests at all times 07.00 New Years Eve - 02.00 2nd January. 07.00 to 02.00 on Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday on Bank Holiday weekends, Christmas Eve and Boxing Day.

WHERE THE LICENCE AUTHORISES SUPPLIES OF ALCOHOL WHETHER THESE ARE ON AND/OR OFF PREMISES

On and Off Premises

NAME AND (REGISTERED) ADDRESS OF HOLDER OF PREMISES LICENCE

Fuller, Smith & Turner PLC, Pier House, 86-93 Strand on the Green, Chiswick, London, W4 3NN
Telephone: 0208 996 2000

REGISTERED NUMBER OF HOLDER. FOR EXAMPLE COMPANY NUMBER. CHARITY NUMBER (WHERE APPLICABLE)

00241882

NAME OF DESIGNATED PREMISES SUPERVISOR WHERE THE PREMISES LICENCE AUTHORISES THE SUPPLY OF ALCOHOL

Ms Kim Joanne Bibby

STATE WHETHER ACCESS TO THE PREMISES BY CHILDREN IS RESTRICTED OR PROHIBITED

Date of Issue: 15 June 2022



Signature of Authorised Officer

New Premises Licence Application - 19/11/2005
Re-issue of Licence - 05/01/2006
Transfer of Premises Licence Holder - 03/08/2006
Variation of DPS - 04/02/2014
Variation of DPS - 01/11/2016
Change of Registered Address - 04/08/2020
Variation of DPS - 29/10/2020
Variation of DPS - 16/05/2022

ANNEXES

Annex 1 – Mandatory Conditions under The Licensing Act 2003

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Mandatory Condition – Supply of Alcohol

- 1) that no supply of alcohol may be made under the premises licence a. at any time when there is no designated premises supervisor in respect of the premises licence, or
- b. at a time when the designated premises supervisor does not hold a personal licence or his personal licence is suspended: and
- 2) that every supply of alcohol under the premises licence must be made or authorised by a person who holds a personal licence

Mandatory Condition – Door Supervisors

- 1) Where a premises licence includes a condition that at specified times one or more individuals must be at the premises to carry out a security activity, the licence must include a condition that each such individual must be licensed by the Security Industry Authority.

- 2) But nothing in subsection (1) requires such a condition to be imposed-

- a) in respect of premises within paragraph 8(3)(a) of Schedule 2 to the Private Security Industry Act 2001 (c.12) (premises with premises licences authorising plays or films), or
- b) in respect of premises in relation to -
 - i. any occasion mentioned in paragraph 8(3)(b) or (c) of that Schedule (premises being used exclusively by club with club premises certificate, under a temporary event notice authorising plays or films or under a gaming licence), or
 - ii. any occasion within paragraph 8(3)(d) of that Schedule (occasions prescribed by regulations under the Act).

- 3) For the purposes of this section-

- a) security activity means an activity to which paragraph 2(1)(a) of the Schedule applies, and
- b) paragraph 8(5) of that Schedule (interpretation of references to an occasion) applies as it applies in relation to paragraph 8 of the Schedule.

Mandatory condition: Exhibition of Films

- 1) Where a premises licence authorises the exhibition of films, the licence must include a condition requiring the admission of children to the exhibition of any film to be restricted in accordance with this section.
- 2) Where the film classification body is specified in the licence, unless subsection (3)(b) applies, admission of children must be restricted in accordance with any recommendation made by that body. 3) Where—
 - a) the film classification body is not specified in the licence, or
 - b) the relevant licensing authority has notified the holder of the licence that this subsection applies to the film in question, admission of children must be restricted in accordance with any recommendation made by that licensing authority.
- 4) In this section—

“children” means persons aged under 18; and

“film classification body” means the person or persons designated as the authority under section 4 of the Video Recordings Act 1984 (c. 39) (authority to determine suitability of video works for classification).

The Licensing Act 2003 (Mandatory Licensing Conditions) (Amendment) Order 2014 (in force 1 October 2014)

- 1) (1) The responsible person must ensure that staff on relevant premises do not carry out, arrange or participate in any irresponsible promotions in relation to the premises.
- (2) In this paragraph, an irresponsible promotion means any one or more of the following activities, or substantially similar activities, carried on for the purpose of encouraging the sale or supply of alcohol for consumption on the premises –
 - a) games or other activities which require or encourage, or are designed to require or encourage, individuals to –
 - i. drink a quantity of alcohol within a time limit (other than to drink alcohol sold or supplied on the premises before the cessation of the period in which the responsible person is authorised to sell or supply alcohol), or
 - ii. drink as much alcohol as possible (whether within a time limit or otherwise);
 - b) provision of unlimited or unspecified quantities of alcohol free or for a fixed or discounted fee to the public or to a group defined by a particular characteristic in a manner which carries a significant risk of undermining a licensing objective;
 - c) provision of free or discounted alcohol or any other thing as a prize to encourage or reward the purchase and consumption of alcohol over a period of 24 hours or less in a manner which carries a significant risk of undermining a licensing objective;
 - d) selling or supplying alcohol in association with promotional posters or flyers on, or in the vicinity of, the premises which can reasonably be considered to condone, encourage or glamorise anti- social behaviour or to refer to the effects of drunkenness in any favourable manner;
 - e) dispensing alcohol directly by one person into the mouth of another (other than where that other person is unable to drink without assistance by reason of disability).
- 2) The responsible person must ensure that free potable water is provided on request to customers where it is reasonably available.
- 3) (1) The premises licence holder or club premises certificate holder must ensure that an age verification policy is adopted in respect of the premises in relation to the sale or supply of alcohol.
- (2) The designated premises supervisor in relation to the premises licence must ensure that the supply of alcohol at the premises is carried on in accordance with the age verification policy.
- (3) The policy must require individuals who appear to the responsible person to be under 18 years of age (or such older age as may be specified in the policy) to produce on request, before being served alcohol, identification bearing their photograph, date

- of birth and either -
- a) a holographic mark, or
 - b) an ultraviolet feature.
- 4) The responsible person must ensure that -
- a) where any of the following alcoholic drinks is sold or supplied for consumption on the premises (other than alcoholic drinks sold or supplied having been made up in advance ready for sale or supply in a securely closed container) it is available to customers in the following measures -
 - i. beer or cider: ½ pint;
 - ii. gin, rum, vodka or whisky: 25 ml or 35 ml; and
 - iii. still wine in a glass: 125 ml;
 - b) these measures are displayed in a menu, price list or other printed material which is available to customers on the premises; and
 - c) where a customer does not in relation to a sale of alcohol specify the quantity of alcohol to be sold, the customer is made aware that these measures are available."
- 5) (1) A relevant person shall ensure that no alcohol is sold or supplied for consumption on or off the premises for a price which is less than the permitted price.
- (2) For the purposes of the condition set out in paragraph 1 -
- a) "duty" is to be construed in accordance with the Alcoholic Liquor Duties Act 1979
 - b) "permitted price" is the price found by applying the formula -
$$P = D + (D \times V)$$
Where—
 - (i) P is the permitted price,
 - (ii) D is the rate of duty chargeable in relation to the alcohol as if the duty were charged on the date of the sale or supply of the alcohol, and
 - (iii) V is the rate of value added tax chargeable in relation to the alcohol as if the value added tax were charged on the date of the sale or supply of the alcohol;
 - c) "relevant person" means, in relation to premises in respect of which there is in force a premises licence—
 - (i) the holder of the premises licence,
 - (ii) the designated premises supervisor (if any) in respect of such a licence, or
 - (iii) the personal licence holder who makes or authorises a supply of alcohol under such a licence;
 - d) "relevant person" means, in relation to premises in respect of which there is in force a club premises certificate, any member or officer of the club present on the premises in a capacity which enables the member or officer to prevent the supply in question; and
 - e) "valued added tax" means value added tax charged in accordance with the Value Added Tax Act 1994
- (3) Where the permitted price given by Paragraph (b) of paragraph 2 would (apart from this paragraph) not be a whole number of pennies, the price given by that sub-paragraph shall be taken to be the price actually given by that sub-paragraph rounded up to the nearest penny.
- (4)
- 1) Sub-paragraph (2) applies where the permitted price given by Paragraph (b) of paragraph 2 on a day ("the first day") would be different from the permitted price on the next day ("the second day") as a result of a change to the rate of duty or value added tax. 2) The permitted price which would apply on the first day applies to sales or supplies of alcohol which take place before the expiry of the period of 14 days beginning on the second day.

Annex 2 – Conditions consistent with the operating schedule

a) General

1. Staff will be trained on the requirements of the Licensing Act 2003 when they are recruited and given training in "drugs awareness" as part of their induction.

b) Prevention of Crime and Disorder

1. Provision of a 60 minute extension of opening hours after the end of sale of alcohol with access to the pubs toilet facilities and the provision of non-alcoholic refreshment during this period. 2. The DPS will be a member of the local Pub watch so long as it exists. 3. Staff will receive drugs awareness and crime prevention training. 4. Ensure staff adherence to drug awareness policy.

c) Public Safety

1. Ensure fire risk assessment, seating capacity, available exits and emergency procedures are adhered to such that there is no risk of crowding. 2. Full risk assessments undertaken in relation to fire, health and safety and food safety with external audits used on a regular basis.

d) Prevention of Public Nuisance

1. Live music will end at 23.00 with the exception of non-standard timings. 2. Recorded music will end at 01.00 on Monday to Thursday and Sunday and 02.00 Friday and Saturday with the exception of non-standard timings. 3. The volume of music will be reduced to background level during the wind down period. 4. A notice will be prominently placed at the exits asking customers to leave quietly.

e) Protection of Children from Harm

1. Restrictions set out in the Licensing Act 2003 will apply. 2. Photographic proof of age will be required by anyone seeking to purchase alcohol who appears to be under 21 years of age. 3. AWP and cigarette machines will be sited in areas that are visible to staff.

Annex 3 – Responsible Authority Conditions

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None

Annex 4 - Conditions attached after a Hearing by the licensing authority

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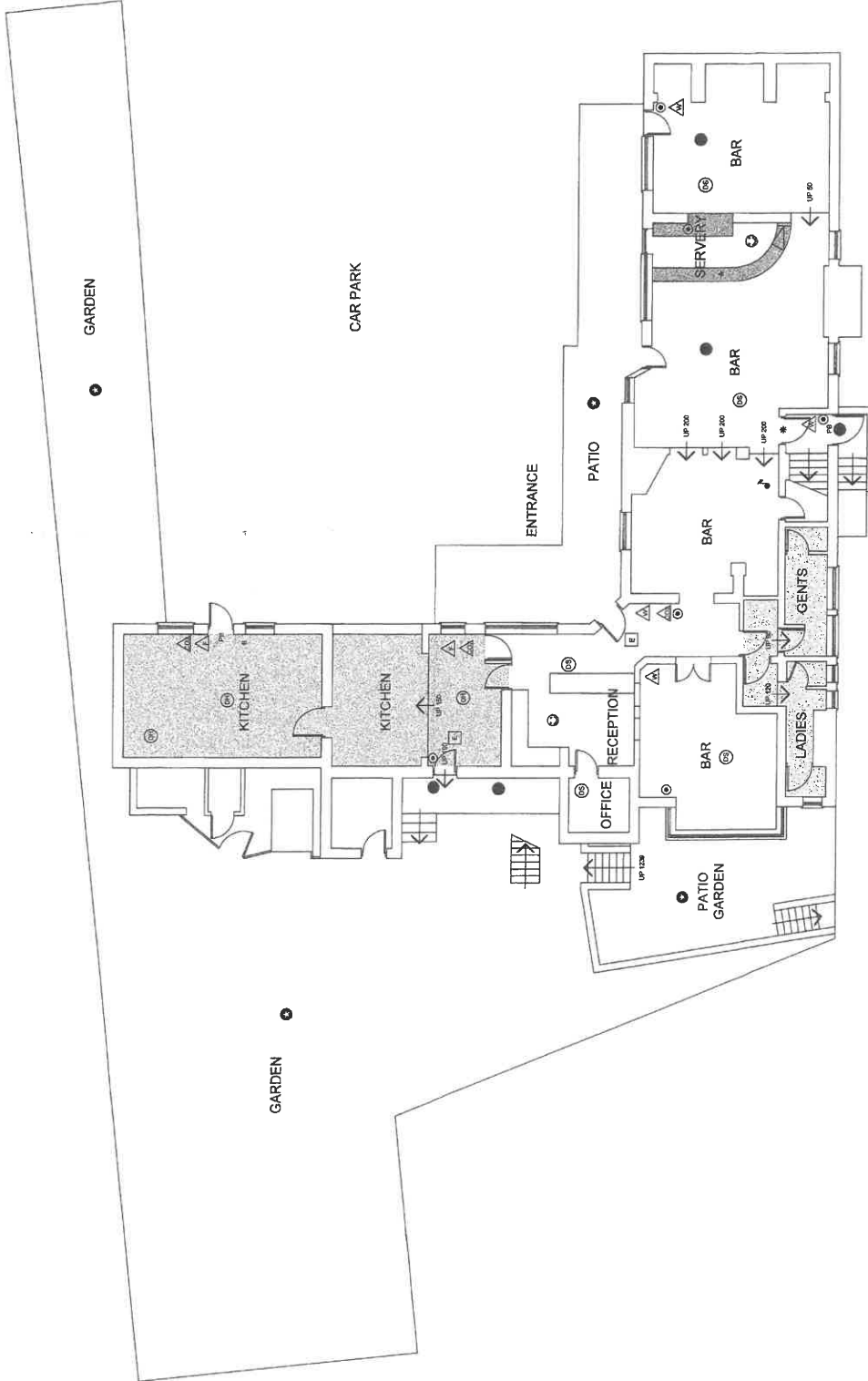
Not applicable

Annex 5 – Plans

Annex 5 - Plans

Plans of premises attached

- KEY
- EMERGENCY LIGHT (NON MAINTAINED)
 - BREAK GLASS CALL POINT
 - * UPWARDS FIRE EXTINGUISHER (SEE CLASSIFIED SCHEMATIC DRAWING WITH COLD SMOKING SIGNS & FUMES EXTRACT SYSTEM)
 - Ⓛ EMERGENCY EXIT SIGN (MAINTAINED)
 - ☁ SMOKE DETECTOR
 - Ⓜ HEAT DETECTOR
 - Ⓜ ADIRBLE ALARMA
 - Ⓜ FIRE BLANKET (SEE SIGN COMPLIANT)
 - Ⓜ WATER FIRE EXTINGUISHER
 - Ⓜ DRY POWDER FIRE EXTINGUISHER
 - Ⓜ CO2 FIRE EXTINGUISHER
 - Ⓜ FOAM FIRE EXTINGUISHER
 - Ⓜ WET CHEMICAL FIRE EXTINGUISHER
 - Ⓜ FIRE EXIT SIGN (MAINTAINED)
 - Ⓜ TANK DOOR WITH PUSH BAR TO OPEN DOOR
 - Ⓜ KITCHEN AREA
 - Ⓜ TOILET AREA
 - Ⓜ SALE AND SUPPLY OF ALCOHOL - ON AND OFF SALES
 - Ⓜ REGULATED ENTERTAINMENT
 - Ⓜ HOT FOOD AFTER 2000
 - Ⓜ AREAS MADE AVAILABLE FOR CONSUMPTION OUTSIDE THE PREMISES



GROUND FLOOR LAYOUT 1:100

Premises:
**The Bull Inn
 Sonning**
 Title:
Licensed Drawing
 Scale:
1:100
 Date:
May 2005

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ORIGINAL SIZE OF DRAWING A2

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From: [Vicki Caress](#)
To: [Karen Court](#)
Subject: RE: Bull at Sonning Variation Application Annex 2 Conditions
Date: 01 August 2022 13:59:27

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Hi Karen

Hope you are well.

Felix has been in contact with the client following your email below and your telephone conversation and we propose to remove the existing conditions under Annex 2 as you quite rightly state, most are old and obsolete and replace these with the following conditions:-

1. 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, awareness of drugs in licensed premises and the conditions attaching to the premises licence. Refresher training shall be provided at least once every 12 months.
2. 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.
3. The volume of music will be reduced to background level once the terminal hour for live or recorded music has passed.
4. A notice will be prominently placed at the exits asking customers to leave quietly.
5. A Challenge 21 policy 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 holographically marked PASS scheme identification cards). Appropriate signage advising customers of the policy shall prominently displayed in the premises.
6. AWP and cigarette machines will be sited in areas that are visible to staff.
7. An incident log shall be kept at the premises. The log should include the date and time of the incident and the name of the member of staff involved. The log to be made available on request to an authorised officer of the Council or the Police, which will record the following:
 - a. all crimes reported to the venue
 - b. all ejections of patrons

- c. any complaints received
- d. any incidents of disorder
- e. any faults in the CCTV system or searching equipment or scanning equipment
- f. any refusal of the sale of alcohol
- g. any visit by a relevant authority or emergency service

Please do let me have your thoughts on if you agree to the proposals.

Happy to re-discuss.

Many thanks

Vicki

Karen Court

From: Paul Benton [REDACTED]
Sent: 11 August 2022 14:03
To: Licensing
Cc: Paul Benton
Subject: The Bull Sonning licensing objection

Categories: Sam

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Dear all

My family and I would like to object to the proposed additional bar in the rear outside garden area of the Bull Pub Sonning.

The reason for this is the desire to prevent a public nuisance in this conservation area. The light pollution and noise pollution that this additional bar will produce will cause issues in particular with the homes that back onto and are close to this area. The current outside area in front of the pub is shielded from local homes and thus minimal noise and light pollution issues are caused. However if the new area was given permission to be used until 11pm the pollution wouldn't stop then as customers would have drinking up time, then time to move out of the area and then cleaning up time. An additional bar would require extra staff if they worked on the existing bar potentially there would be no need for the additional bar. I would also be concerned if this area was used for private functions and bookings which tend to be louder than the normal Sonning Bull drinkers.

Bats fly over the back area of the pub and neighbouring gardens and I am concerned that this change could have a detrimental impact on them.

I hope that the various objection will be fully considered and appropriate action taken.

Best regards

Paul Benton

[REDACTED]
Sonning
RG4 6UP
Sent from my iPhone

Samantha Eden

From: GLEN BEARD [REDACTED]
Sent: 11 August 2022 13:10
To: Licensing
Cc: Marcia Head
Subject: The Bull Hotel, Sonning – Fullers Application for Variance to their Liquor License
Attachments: The Bull Hotel - WBC Draft Local Plan and Sonning Conservation Area Appraisal 2017.pdf

Categories: Sam

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Dear Sirs,

There are no plans illustrating the alterations that will arise from this 'outdoor' bar. No Planning or Listed Building Application, No Outline Application.

I have been a resident of Sonning since 1979 and lived in [REDACTED]

It would go without saying that I am more than just familiar with the traffic and parking problems. Over those years I have been part of a concerted campaign for a third Reading bridge to alleviate the ever present, morning, evening and weekend congestion at Sonning Bridge-B478. The congestion made more so with the change to light controlled, single file traffic over the historic hump bridge. That change was road safety driven following occasional collisions on the then two-way bridge blind approaches. Now, years after, the congestion is much worse, as is the parking with household two car ownership and increased car wheelbase sizes to accommodate. Without much local issue the Sonning residents have managed the random availability of parking well. However, visitors exasperate the problem leading to inconsiderate parking obstructing access or tight bumper lock in events.

It is the ever-present incidences of inconsiderate and capacity full parking on our narrow Conservation village streets that raises well founded objection to the granting of this Variance to the Bull License. Most evening parking aggravations occur from visitors heading for the Bull or Coppa Club. An additional bar at the Bull will inevitably lead to increased patronage. To think otherwise is ridiculous. If relieving waiting time at the present bar is the given reason, then the Bull will be at capacity occupation without it and increased occupation with it. That the cosy atmosphere is the Bull's appeal is true, but it won't be if overcrowded. That will lead to a need for overflow into the currently benched but empty backyard with storage sheds. Patrons arriving to a crowded Bull will head on down to the Coppa Club Bar where the bar seating area and standing area is substantially greater with sufficient bar staff to serve patrons in good time. The Bull's problem could be relieved by returning bar sited dining covers to the bar proper but that would reverse the lucrative changes made in latter refitting projects. The Bull has long been a popular, well patronised venue for many years. It has limitations of accommodation which it has already reached and which its customers are happy with.

The Bull is a Listed Building.

It has limited size.

It has a forecourt limited by the building and churchyard boundary wall.

It has introduced outside seating along the churchyard boundary wall.

It has what limited car parking can be provided on it's forecourt.

It has no other area to provide more parking.

The area for another bar serving outside may be located adjacent to the unused, benched, backyard (unpopular?). Is this the proposed outdoor bar area?

There is a risk that the north backyard with immediately adjacent, High Street, back gardens might be being considered as such.

People visit the Bull for its vernacular timber frame, beamed interior charm, central fireplace, central bar focus and external appearance (parked cars mentally painted out), not to sit in a backyard.

Most patronage arrives in Sonning by car and park without much concern for resident egress or access.

Increased patronage will give rise to greater inconvenience and frustration for residents.

I have had to stand in the Bull, on more than one occasion, and shout out the numberplate of a car that was blocking my drive. That with the added notice of being towed away if not moved.

Attached is a document highlighted with extracts illustrating your Council Planning Departments opinions on parking in Sonning. Please read it. Most of the conclusions therein are already 5 years old.

I certainly concur with the Councils Conservation Area conclusions. In brief:

Sonning Lane is effectively one way because of parking from the Blue Coat School entrance down the junction with Pearson Road. if close quarters wing mirror damage is to be avoided. - walkers, dog walkers, Bull and Coppa Club patrons. Church attendees.

Pearson Road is effective one way between the above corner to the High Street because of parking, with cars using driveways and private paved forecourts to enable oncoming traffic to pass. Visitor parking usually leaves no options to that during morning and evening, through traffic hours.

The High Street is a tight, statutory One-Way road down to its short Church and Bull Hotel access road. Voluntary resident left hand side parking is the norm if total blockage and grid lock is to be avoided. This section rarely offers any space for parking. Beyond that traffic is two way, always with parking present on the left if leaving the Church to exit at Thames Street.

Thames Street-B478 is relatively clear of parking except for deliveries because to park for any length of time risks damage from passing traffic - cars and haulage vehicles, and results in gridlock.

Charvil Lane-B478 and Pound Lane are likewise clear except for brief delivery stops.

The current situation often leads to peak traffic gridlock on Pearson Road to High Street and onto Thames Street, with queues up Sonning Lane, along Thames Street, up Charvil Lane and Pound Lane.

Sonning Village has enough traffic problems without compounding the already exasperating visitor parking problems.

Please do not grant Fullers this Variance to their Liquor Licence at the Bull Hotel. It **will increase patronage and casual parking** and, I suspect, diminish the Bull's popularity.

Yours Faithfully

Glen Beard - 

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The Bull Hotel, Sonning – Fullers Application for Variance to their Liquor License

Set out below are extracts from the Wokingham Borough Council Draft Local Plan and the Sonning Conservation Area Appraisal 2017 which highlight the problems arising from increased visitor parking. True then and more acute now five years later in 2022.

WBC Draft Local Plan – Page 30 – Extract

Policy C4: Vehicle and Cycle Parking Total:

51 Agree: 20 Neutral: 13 Disagree: 18 Broad support for the principle of this policy and its approach to vehicle and cycle parking provision, notably from some towns/parish councils.

Some concerns expressed by residents that more car parking should be provided in residential areas and town centres to avoid on-street parking, such as that experienced at Winnersh, Wokingham and Twyford. Comments also highlighted the need for more cycle parking, including at Wokingham Town Centre. Some comments highlighted concerns with the capacity of car parking at Twyford railway station. Other comments from Natural England highlighted that parking provision would be a closely monitored element of any development that falls within the Thames Basin Heaths Special Protection Area zone of influence.

Concerns expressed by a landowner/developer that the policy should refer to the council's adopted parking standards.

Sonning Conservation Area Appraisal 2017 (Adopted 19th April 2017)

6.2 The Churchyard - page 20 – Extract

Key negative characteristics/issues

- Vehicular access for visitors is only possible from the High Street. The limited disabled spaces near the High Street entrance are often used by patrons of The Bull and sometimes cause access and egress problems for visitors to the Church.

- Churchyard boundary walls would benefit from proper maintenance even where obscured from public view to avoid inappropriate repairs or additions by neighbours backing onto the churchyard. It is important to use appropriate repair materials and lime mortars

6.4 High Street - page 24 – Extract

Key negative characteristics/issues

- The High Street suffers from the use of inappropriate external materials.
- The public footpath is particularly narrow and inconsiderate parking of vehicles can lead to accessibility problems for users.
- Traffic has a particularly negative impact on the High Street

6.5 Pearson Road –page 25 - Extract

Key negative characteristics/issues

- In addition to the use of inappropriate materials on buildings, inconsiderate parking and traffic issues, the character of the street has been affected by some unsympathetic development.

6.6 Sonning Lane - page 26 – Extract

Key negative characteristics/issues

- The northern section of the lane provides the only substantial visitor parking in the village, apart from such occasional vacant spaces as can be found in Pearson Road and the High Street. It is heavily used for mid-morning Sunday service and for other church/social events taking place in the heart of the village. Parking at busy times narrows the road down to a single lane and poses a threat to highway safety. Extensive school-time parking is a recent and growing temporary intrusion adjoining the school gates of Reading Blue Coat School.

7.1 Vulnerability - page 31 - Extract

The key threats to Sonning's character are:

1. Insensitive alterations and extensions to listed and unlisted properties that do not require planning permission introducing materials that are alien to the main ones in use: timber, brick, flint and tile. Inappropriate materials and finishes may include UPVC windows, tropical hardwood doors and metal garage doors.
2. Pedestrian access is sometimes difficult in the south section of High Street and its junction with Pearson Road due to a combination of narrow pavements and inconsiderate parking. Accessibility issues can arise as a result.
3. Uncontrolled on street parking in the High Street, Pearson Road and Sonning Lane leads to narrowing of the available space for cars and pedestrians. This has a negative impact on the public transport system and affects those without their own transport, particularly the elderly.
4. High levels of peak-hour traffic on weekdays, and associated with school pick up times and sporting and other leisure-based events. Despite traffic calming measures being put in place (two in Thames Street, one in Charvil Lane and two in Pound Lane), the historic village would benefit from a more strategic approach to reduce through traffic such as the 3rd Thames Bridge

Samantha Eden

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 10 August 2022 12:27
To: Licensing; Marcia Head; Michael Firmager
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Notice of Application to vary a Premises Licence under section 34 of the Licensing act 2003 Bull Sonning

Categories: Sam

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Dear All

I was recently made aware of proposed changes to be made at my local pub which is about 60 yards from my home, by other neighbours.

I write to ask why such an invasive change with the proposed additional bar to be located outside does not require a planning application. Without this I believe that I am unable to object. I guess the proposed changes may be seen as acceptable under alcohol licensing rules but this change will have an impact on local neighbours and I understand have possible planning policies contravened. My belief is that the outside bar will increase noise pollution and light pollution in this quiet conservation area, and possibly impact on local wildlife, such as the bats that can be seen flying around at dusk. An additional bar will require additional staff and I believe if they were to work on the existing bar this would reduce the queue times at peak times, thus resolving the need to make any changes. I have visited the Bull several evenings over the last few weeks to try and get a better understanding of the proposal from the new landlady but unfortunately our paths have not crossed yet. From my experience of running many licenced businesses often an open discussion with people who may be impacted often brings positive outcomes, I do not think this has happened on this occasion.

I currently do not support the planned changes.

Best regards

Paul Benton
[REDACTED]

Sonning
RG5 6UP

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Karen Court

From: Pamela Cronin [REDACTED]
Sent: 10 August 2022 09:25
To: Licensing
Cc: marcia.head@wokingham.gov.uk; Michael Firmager
Subject: Objection to garden bar at The Bull Inn, Sonning

Categories: Sam

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Dear Sir or Madam

I am writing to object to the proposed addition of a garden bar in the rear garden at the above premises via a variance to the existing Liquor Licence.

My rear garden is close to the proposed area and I am concerned at the anticipated increased noise level as well as the addition parking that will be required. Parking is very much at a premium around Pearson Road and especially in the High Street where I live and I note that parking spaces at The Bull are already extremely limited. I am a relatively new resident but I understand parking was significantly reduced due to outside seating and tables installed at the front (parking area) of the premises some time ago. The proposed additional bar in the garden could only make the situation worse in the immediate vicinity for residents and visitors alike.

I am strongly of the opinion that a variance to the Licence should not be granted.

Yours sincerely

Pamela C Cronin (Mrs)

[REDACTED] onning.

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Karen Court

From: Caroline Kuipers [REDACTED]
Sent: 10 August 2022 05:00
To: Karen Court
Cc: 'Dave & Jane McIlroy'; 'Anthony McHale'; Michael Firmager
Subject: Representation re The Bull Inn Variance application to their existing licence

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Dear Mrs Court,

I would like to make a representation and objection to the recent application to the change to the existing liquor licence of the BULL INN Sonning.

I make this representation to support and in addition to the submission of the recent petition shared with you pertaining to Public Nuisance objection. You will notice it was signed by a majority of the High Street residents.

The grounds for this representation are under Public Nuisance in a Conservation Zone with increasing foot and car traffic which I am concerned will exacerbate the existing challenges of the High Street and village parking problems, traffic congestion along with noise and light pollution. The proposed plans for the bar and garden development adjoins the houses and gardens in the High Street as well as some on Pearson Road and it is important to note that the Bull garden has relatively low walls that allow overlooking by customers into residents houses and garden spaces.

The proposal is for a dispensing bar with a licence till 11 pm . I understand that the extra bar area was meant to relieve queues at the main bar. To be honest when I have been to the Pub recently, I have not seen any lengthy queues or pressures on the current bar and staff.. The current car park of the Bull Inn has already had additional development recently with awning, seating and tables therefore reducing parking places.

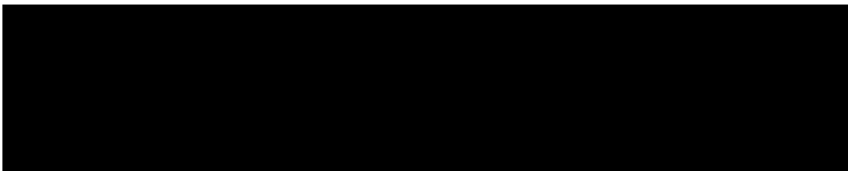
I am a direct neighbour of the Bull Pub and have enjoyed a good relationship with the pub over the past 15+ years. I do want to maintain that good relationship. Unfortunately, I am also very concerned at these current proposals which I am do think will increase the current traffic problems alongside parking issues as well as add additional noise and possibly light pollution.

MY details are: Caroline Kuipers, [REDACTED] Sonning, RG4 6UP. [REDACTED] if you wish to contact me directly.

Yours sincerely,

Caroline Kuipers. .

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Samantha Eden

From: leon Cook [REDACTED]
Sent: 08 August 2022 02:08
To: Licensing
Cc: Marcia Head; Michael Firmager
Subject: Rear Pub garden licence application - The Bull, Sonning

Categories: Sam

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Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing to object to the application of the variance of the Bull Inn in Sonning's liquor license, and plans to add an additional bar to the garden at the rear of the property. For the purposes of transparency, my property, The Rockery, is directly adjacent to the beer garden. The joy of cigarette butts and rubbish from the pub being thrown over the fence into my garden is already something we have to deal with and 'tolerate'.

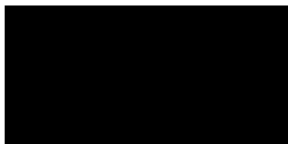
Without question, an additional bar is being added to generate more business and turnover, with The Bull being Fullers highest grossing pub outside of London. A licence change will inevitably generate increased noise levels between Pearson road and the High Street and dramatically disturb residents whose gardens face and adjoin the Bull's garden, such as mine, and further detract from the peace of this historic conservation zone.

Additionally, parking at the Bull has already been reduced and replaced by seating and tables. This combined with additional business levels will lead to further traffic congestion and parking pressures, again affecting residents and visitors to the village - already experiencing excruciating parking pressures. An additional bar will only create further nuisance and is not in the spirit of the village and local plan. My fear is that Fullers will also chop down further trees on the border of the pub garden, as they did previously, including those under TPO.

The application constitutes a potential public nuisance and accordingly I strongly urge Wokingham to reject this application and not amend the current pub licence.

Sincerely,

Leon Cook



Sonning
Reading
RG46UP

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Samantha Eden

From: Hannele Klemettilä [REDACTED]
Sent: 05 August 2022 12:58
To: Licensing
Cc: Marcia Head; Michael Firmager
Subject: Bull Inn

Categories: Sam

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am objecting to the Bull Inn's/Fullers's proposal to add an additional bar to their back garden in Sonning.

A resident of High Street, Sonning, I am convinced that an additional bar would cause levels of noise and light pollution and other types of disturbances raise to an intolerable extent in our neighbourhood and the conservation area.

I moved to Sonning in 2011 and have witnessed the negative effects of the steadily growing crowds of visitors (heaps of rubbish, beer cans and broken glass, even human waste (!), scratched cars and chipped walls of the fragile Grade II listed buildings).

It is imperative to protect the center of this historical village against more nuisance that the new bar planned by Fullers would inevitably mean (=more clients, more traffic, more noise, lights, rubbish and damage)

Sincerely,

Hannele Klemettila-McHale

[REDACTED]
Sonning RG4 6UP

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Samantha Eden

From: bolton557 [REDACTED]
Sent: 05 August 2022 10:57
To: Licensing
Cc: Marcia Head; Michael Firmager
Subject: Objection to plans for outdoor bar at The Bull in Sonning
Categories: Sam

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Good morning.

I'll try and keep this brief (and most likely fail)...it's Friday and the sun is out.

But as a resident of Sonning i strongly object (and have done so historically before) to the plans for a garden bar at The Bull.

I'm all for sprucing the garden up, making it a lovely place...that, i do not object to.

However the new plans are more sinister than than...and badly disguised sinister at that.

-An 11pm curfew is ridiculous, i have never been to an outdoor bar in a residential area where 10pm isn't the latest calling time. 11pm is just 'pub shutting time'. We have 2 young children, our garden backs onto the Bull garden...11pm? I think not.

By sinister...in this case it's that this feels like a pre-emptive and cynical 'consolation prize' to the residents...where we'll be told 'oh, ok then, we'll reduce the curfew to 10'. No thanks.

- As residents we were never, ever asked, consulted, informed of this plan.

Not once.

Not to a single resident.

Thats quite harsh, combative behaviour from a big company to a small tightly knit village, with only one pub.

By sinister...in this case, they, Fullers - bring in a new pub manager with no ties to locals or the village or the staff...no emotional connection...then, as if by magic, immediately these plans are created. It's like when companies hire outsiders to come in and make redundancies...'cowardly' i think they call it?

- Next. The ridiculous argument that it's to 'reduce pressure on the main bar'. Ha! Nice one Fullers, if you are going to lie...lie so it's believable. I've never waited more than 60 seconds at that bar. At peak times it's not 3 or 4 people deep...it's 3 or 4 people at the bar in *TOTAL*.

They've set up a system (handily, as it shoots their own argument in their own foot) where there's loads of good table service, NO ONE complains about 'waiting to long to order/get/recieve food and drink. So that argument is dead.

-Lastly, and the big one. I think this is all about making money from events. Nothing to do with the village and its residents. And events...well...they tend to be loud and busy and boisterous. They bring a great deal of transport to a village that is simply 'full'.

Don't let them kid you this is to have a 'nice English country pub garden'...with the lovely noise of chinking glasses and gentle chitter chatter. It ain't that.

I can see patently what their plan is.

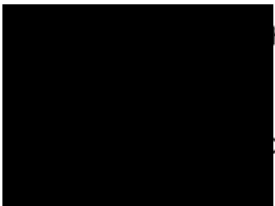
And it's about MONEY. Pure and simple.

1. Get new management in (really aloof management at that)
2. Put forward these resident wrecking plans. (11pm/Events/Parking/Noise etc)
3. Don't ask the residents...this is the line in the sand move by Fullers...it's saying 'we don't need to be part of the village resident life, we don't care what they think...we've asked them before and they objected...so lets go to war...let's ignore them.

There are many things they could have done for me to maybe consider these plans...as i said earlier i'm all for a better garden! But it's the lies, cynicism, bullying that has made me react so badly.

It's not going to happen as it stands, but here's to a nice new non-bar, non-event garden.

Best
Jim Bolton

 High street.
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Karen Court

From: Sue Worthington [REDACTED]
Sent: 03 August 2022 10:17
To: Licensing
Cc: Marcia Head; Michael Firmager
Subject: The Bull Inn, Sonning - Licence Application

Categories: Sam

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Dear Sir or Madam

I am writing to register my objection to the application for a variance to the Licence at the Bull Inn, Sonning, for an outdoor bar in the back garden. This garden extends into the churchyard and backs onto and faces a number of houses and is very close to my own. My house is set back off the High Street about 25 metres from the position that I understand the proposed bar to be located.

Anyone who knows Sonning will be aware of the general traffic and parking issues that already exist, with barely enough parking spaces for the residents alone. I think it unreasonable to think that the plan is not intended to increase the number of customers. The Bull has already given over half of their car park to extra tables and chairs so with extra seating in the garden, the strain on parking will increase again.

This is a residential area in the heart of a small and beautiful village for which I have had the privilege to live for 35 years. The introduction of an outdoor bar, for which I imagine a power supply and lighting will be needed, in this otherwise dark and quiet area next to and facing residents' homes will completely change the feel of the area. The Bull is a very busy and successful pub/restaurant which has a number of functions and events. These would undoubtedly extend into the garden at the back, if not provide a space for more. This is likely to cause considerable noise and a public nuisance in this otherwise peaceful area.

Yours faithfully

Susan Worthington

[REDACTED] Sonning RG4 6UP

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Karen Court

From: SHARON AULD [REDACTED]
Sent: 02 August 2022 21:29
To: Licensing
Cc: Marcia Head; Michael Firmager
Subject: Objection to the Bull Inn, Sonning license application

Categories: Sam

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Dear Sir or Madam

I am writing to object to the Bull Inn, Sonning's application to add an additional Bar in the gardens at the rear of it's property.

This variance in their license will, in our opinion, generate increased noise levels between Pearson Road and the High Street in general and encroach particularly on those residents whose gardens face or abut the Bull's garden.

In addition, traffic congestion and parking pressures are already an everyday reality in the village and any additional commercial capacity at the pub can only exacerbate the problem.

In conclusion this proposal detracts rather than enhances this historic Conservation area.

Yours faithfully

Philip & Sharon Auld

[REDACTED]
Sonning
RG4 6UH

Karen Court

From: Malcolm Dorward <[REDACTED]>
Sent: 01 August 2022 19:13
To: Licensing
Cc: Marcia Head
Subject: Objection to new outdoor bar at the Bull Sonning

Categories: Sam

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A bar in the rear garden would create excessive noise in gardens along the high street backing onto the bull garden. There are considerable parking problems in the village already without creating more visitors to the village. Parking is obviously a problem or the coppa club would not have applied for planning permission to change the gardens of cedar cottage into a car park.

Sent from my iPad

Karen Court

From: Mark Johnson [REDACTED]
Sent: 01 August 2022 14:21
To: Licensing
Cc: Marcia Head; Michael Firmager
Subject: Bull Inn, Sonning - objection to application to vary premises licence

Categories: Sam - Bull

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Dear Sir or Madam,

We are writing to object to the variance of the Bull Inn Sonning's premises licence in its application to add an additional bar and store area in the gardens at the rear of the Bull Inn.

Such additional bar and store area is being added, in our opinion, with the intention to generate more business for the Bull Inn which in turn will generate increased noise levels between Pearson Road and the High Street.

Additionally, whilst we appreciate the Bull Inn cannot directly control its patrons in central Sonning before they arrive and after they leave the Bull Inn, we are very concerned that increased business at the Bull Inn arising from the proposed new bar/variance to premises licence, will increase the risk of people driving up the high street counter to its one-way direction (something that we have already observed on numerous occasions (frequently at high speed) shortly after closing time at the Bull Inn) with consequential risk of a serious accident on or around the High Street. Further, parking at the Bull Inn has reduced and been replaced by seating and tables and this combined with increased business levels at the Bull Inn will lead to further traffic congestion and parking pressures, negatively impacting both residents and visitors to the historic centre of Sonning and its conservation area (particularly in the area of the Pearson Road and the High Street).

Noting the above, we believe that the Bull Inn's application constitutes a potential public nuisance (including increased noise pollution and traffic /parking congestion) and also could have public safety ramifications on the roads in central Sonning and consequently that the Bull Inn's premise licence should not be varied.

Yours faithfully,

Mark and Natalie Johnson

[REDACTED]
Sonning,
RG4 6UP

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Karen Court

From: Anthony McHale [REDACTED]
Sent: 09 August 2022 17:41
To: Licensing
Cc: Karen Court; Michael Firmager; dave & Jane McIlroy; Caroline Kuipers; McHale Tony
Subject: Representation re The Bull Inn Variance application to their existing licence

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Dear Sir/Madam,

We have been instructed by Mrs Court to make formal representation to your selves in reference to the application to vary their licence at the Bull Inn, Sonning.

Prior to this, most Sonning residents on High Street and Pearson road, who's houses abut the area in question at the back of the Bull, sent individual objections and a petition to the licensing authority further expanding on the issues.

The pillar that is in question by us is that of Public Nuisance in the event that the Bull are allowed to add an additional Bar in the back garden.

Some years ago, against the wishes of Sonning residents the bull converted the back garden area, which had not been used for the service of alcohol to the public in living memory of Sonning residents - 50+ years and was a forested area.

Alcohol is served inside the Bull from the main bar for inside seating and the outdoor area that was the car park and now vastly reduced due to the addition of seating.

The noise from these main areas is tolerable for the most part, as the body of the building protects residents on High Street and Pearson Road.

The back garden area has no protection other than a small residential fence meaning that any and all noise can be heard by the residents.

The Bull claims the addition of another bar would not increase foot and car traffic but would rather reduce the occasional line up at the main bar.

We question that logic. Why would Fullers brewery spend the money to add a bar and storage area in the back garden, add another bartender if they do not expect to increase business? Regardless it does increase foot traffic in to the back garden area which elevates the noise pollution considerably and spoils the beauty and tranquility of this conservation area that the residents of Sonning bought in to.

We therefore submit that an additional bar added to the back garden of the Bull Inn would increase traffic (foot and vehicular) resulting in additional noise pollution, additional cars added to what is already an intolerable parking problem where residents struggle to find somewhere to park, and anticipated light pollution as there is currently little or none.

We do hope that Sonning residents voices will be heard and it is recognised that additional business can damage the peace and tranquility that again we bought in to.

Respectfully,

Anthony P McHale



Sonning
RG4 6UP
Berkshire

Karen Court

From: Anthony McHale [REDACTED]
Sent: 01 August 2022 15:15
To: Licensing
Subject: Fwd: The Bull Licensing variation application

Categories: Sam

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My full name and address:

Anthony McHale
[REDACTED]

Sonning
Rg4 6UP

Begin forwarded message:

From: Anthony McHale [REDACTED]
Subject: The Bull Licensing variation application
Date: 1 August 2022 at 10:43:42 BST
To: Licensing <licensing@wokingham.gov.uk>
Cc: Marcia Head <marcia.head@wokingham.gov.uk>, Michael Firmager <michael.firmager@wokingham.gov.uk>, [REDACTED]

Dear Sir or Madam,

As a resident on High Street, Sonning, I am objecting to the Bull's proposal to add an additional bar to their back garden.

It is clear to us, the residents, that an additional bar will attract more business to the unprotected back garden, (Unprotected as there is just a simple thin 2metre high fence between the pub and our gardens), which in turn will lead to further noise and light pollution, upsetting the rural retreat we bought in to.

Additional business also means more cars displacing residents again on high street and Pearson roads especially.

The village Hamper has been restricted to three tables in their garden and the same logic should be applied to the garden behind the Bull.

Thank you,

Anthony McHale

Karen Court

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 09 August 2022 14:27
To: Karen Court; Anthony McHale; Caroline Kuipers
Subject: bull planning and application for variance of existing liquor licence
Attachments: HIGH STREET BULL PETITION.pdf; HIGH STREET BULL PETITION 1.pdf

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Dear Mrs Court

I would like to make a representation and objection to the application to change/vary the existing liquor licence of the BULL INN Sonning.

I make this representation in addition to the submission of a petition pertaining to Public Nuisance objection signed by a majority of the High Street residents in Sonning. The grounds for the representation and objection are under Public Nuisance in a Conservation Zone with increasing foot and car traffic with concomitant High Street and village parking problems along with noise and light pollution from the proposed bar and garden development that abuts residential houses and gardens in the High Street and Pearson Road. The Bull rear garden has a low walls that allow overlooking by customers into residents houses and garden spaces. The proposal is for a dispensing bar with a licence till 11 pm . The claim that an extra bar would relieve queues at main bar is spurious as we have sat at week-ends and evenings and not seen any lengthy queues or pressures on main bar or current serving hatch even during this hot summer spell. The current car park of the Bull Inn has already had wooden awning, seating and table development and a reduction in parking places.

My Full Details making This Representation are

Dr David Mcilroy

[REDACTED]
Sonning

RG4 6UP

dated 9/08/22
[REDACTED]

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Karen Court

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 08 August 2022 11:34
To: Licensing; Marcia Head
Subject: Re: Bull URGENT ACTION
Attachments: HIGH STREET BULL PETITION 1.pdf; HIGH STREET BULL PETITION.pdf
Categories: Sam

Dear Mrs Court,

I enclose attachment of Sonning High Street's Petition objecting to the variance application for the Bull Inn Sonning's Liquor Licence. Although a significant number have objected several residents were on holiday but i hope to catch them on their return although this may be too late for submission for you committee meeting. I will also drop of the original copies at reception in Council buildings today for your attention. Sonning Parish is now aware and is discussing the matter at their next meeting. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further enquiries my mobile number is [REDACTED]

Dr David Mcilroy

[REDACTED]
Sonning

monday August 8th 2022

On 2022-08-05 10:27, Licensing wrote:

Dear Drs Mcilroy

Thank you for your representation confirming that you object to this application.

The licensing officer, Mrs Karen Court, is dealing with this case is on leave until Tuesday next 9 August. If Mrs Court requires any further information from you she will contact you directly.

We will include your email with the agenda should this result in a Hearing – please be aware that this is a public document

Thanks

Jayne Squires

Licensing Processing Officer

Enforcement and Safety

Wokingham Borough Council

Shute End

Wokingham

RG40 1BN



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From: [REDACTED]

Sent: 31 July 2022 11:47

To: Licensing <licensing@wokingham.gov.uk>; Marcia Head <Marcia.Head@wokingham.gov.uk>;
Michael Firmager <michael.firmager@wokingham.gov.uk>

Subject: Bull URGENT ACTION

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Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing to object to the variance of the Bull Inn Sonning's liquor license with the view to it's application to add an additional bar in the gardens at the rear of it's property

This bar is being added in our opinion to purely to generate business and revenue, particularly private events/parties, not as they claim to relieve pressure at the main bar. They propose to open and staff the bar till 11 pm this will generate increased levels of noise and light pollution between Pearson Road and The High Street especially disturbing residents whose gardens face and abut the Bull's Garden.

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'THE DISPENSE BAR WILL SERVICE CUSTOMERS IN THE OUTSIDE AREA, (GARDEN), TO HELP WITH CONTROLLING THE FLOW OF CUSTOMERS FROM THE INSIDE BAR, WHICH WILL HAVE A LIMIT ON THE USE OF THE DISPENSE BAR TO 11PM EACH DAY...'

THIS WILL INCREASE FOOT TRAFFIC TO THE UNPROTECTED REAR GARDEN OF THE BULL AS IT BACKS ON TO THE GARDENS OF LOCAL RESIDENTS ON HIGH STREET AND PEARSON ROAD.

BEING IN A CONSERVATION ZONE, WITH HISTORIC ROOTS, AND BEAUTIFUL CENTURIES OLD BUILDINGS, THE BULL IN IT'S CURRENT FORM IS AN IMPORTANT PART OF THE COMMUNITY. HOWEVER, INCREASING FOOT TRAFFIC AND THEREFORE NOISE LEVELS TO THE UNPROTECTED, (FROM NOISE), REAR GARDEN OF THE BULL, WILL COMPROMISE RESIDENTS ABILITY TO ENJOY THE PEACE AND QUIET OF THEIR GARDENS AND PROPERTIES, DUE TO INCREASED DEMAND FOR DRINKS AT THE NEW BAR.

THIS ELEVATED LEVEL OF BUSINESS WILL ADD FURTHER PRESSURE TO AN ALREADY OVERWHELMING LACK OF PARKING AND CONGESTION ON PEARSON ROAD AND HIGH STREET. THE BULL HAS ALREADY REDUCED THEIR MINIMAL PARKING AT THE FRONT OF THE PROPERTY AND ADDED TABLES AND CHAIRS, COMPOUNDING THE ISSUE.

THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY LOG THEIR OBJECTION TO THE PROPOSED APPLICATION OF VARIANCE TO THE EXISTING PREMISES LICENCE, AS THE NOISE AND PARKING ISSUES ARE A PUBLIC NUISANCE TO RESIDENTS AND VISITORS IN SONNING.

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Karen Court

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 31 July 2022 11:47
To: Licensing; Marcia Head; Michael Firmager
Subject: Bull URGENT ACTION

Categories: Sam - Bull

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In addition parking at the Bull has been reduced and replaced by seating, tables and awnings and any further business levels will lead to further congestion and parking pressures again affecting residents and visitors on Pearson Road and The High Street.

I believe this application constitutes a potential public nuisance, noise abatement and traffic congestion problem and i feel the License should not be changed or amended

Yours sincerely

Drs David & Jane Mcilroy

[REDACTED]
RG4 6UP

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Karen Court

From: Peter van Went <[REDACTED]>
Sent: 29 July 2022 12:48
To: Licensing
Cc: Marcia Head
Subject: Proposed addition of a garden bar at The Bull Inn, Sonning.

Categories: Sam - Bull

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Dear Sir or Madam,

I wish to object to The Bull's application to amend its existing liquor licence to provide additional bar facilities at the rear of its property in Sonning. This garden area closely adjoins other properties in the High Street which would be susceptible to intrusive noise and parking inconvenience. Indeed, the application is presented merely as an modest change of use at The Bull. Given its scope, however, outdoors, this is misleading and an application of this kind for a change of use externally ought in any case to have been submitted as a formal planning application.

Local residents and neighbours within a crowded village are already concerned about problems of parking and access to their homes, difficulties which are more than likely to be aggravated by this proposal. Limited parking space within The Bull's own forecourt has already been restricted significantly to provide additional space for tables and an existing outdoor bar. I am very concerned about the effects this licensing amendment will have on an area which forms an integral part of Sonning's Conservation Area.

Yours faithfully,

Peter J. van Went: Sonning resident.

Sent from my iPad

Karen Court

From: Carol McDiarmid [REDACTED]
Sent: 28 July 2022 20:37
To: Licensing
Cc: Marcia Head; Michael Firmager
Subject: The Bull at Sonning License variation

Categories: Sam - Bull

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Hi

I have heard today about plans to extend the license at The Bull for a bar in the back garden.

I feel that construction of a bar in the garden should require planning permission. The garden has always been open for customers at the Bull, but it is rarely used. Having had a drink in the garden myself once, I believe this is because the entrance to the garden and area near the pub is where the kitchen bins are kept. I imagine that would need to change to tempt people to use the garden (which they can already) so I believe a full planning permission to help us understand what is intended and allow us to comment would be the best way to proceed.

If the plan is for a bar at the very end of the garden (to keep away from the bins) then I feel this would extend the presence of the pub on the village, and into a nuisance for the churchyard which is currently a tranquil place for people to pass through, or sit and reflect.

Regards

Carol
Resident of [REDACTED] Sonning

Karen Court

From: Peter Edwards <[REDACTED]>
Sent: 28 July 2022 19:50
To: Licensing
Subject: The Bull

Categories: Sam - Bull

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I am writing to strongly object to the proposed variance of the Bull Inn Sonning's liquor licence for an additional bar in the rear garden of the property as this will increase the noise and pressure on parking in the high street due to increased traffic, parking has already been adversely affected due to additional tables placed in the Bull's car park and the placing of planters in the road on the corner preventing parking in that spot which in my mind they have no right to do as it's a public road .This is also a conservation area and is subject to visitors.

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Samantha Eden

From: Michael Firmager
Sent: 07 August 2022 16:32
To: Karen Court; Licensing
Cc: Marcia Head
Subject: The Bull, Sonning

Categories: Sam

Karen,


Several E-Mails have been sent in by various residents.

I find myself in agreement with them over increased traffic and parking along the High Street and Pearson Road, together with increased disturbance late at night.

Please can you ensure me they have been acknowledged.

Kind regards,

Cllr. Michael Firmager
Chairman, Borough Parish Liaison Forum
Member for Sonning & Warren
Wokingham Borough Council



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Samantha Eden

From: Clerk at Sonning PC [REDACTED]
Sent: 03 August 2022 12:37
To: Licensing; licensing@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk; Environmental Health; Development Control; Environmental Health; Alcohol@homeoffice.gsi.gov.uk; 'centralhubfiresafety@rbfrs.co.uk'; tsadvice; Public Health; bwscp@brighterfuturesforchildren.org
Cc: gary.clarke@thamesvalley.police.uk; Karen Court; Marcia Head; Michael Firmager; Keiran Hinchliffe
Subject: RE: NOTIFICATION OF APPLICATION FOR FULL VARIATION OF PREMISES LICENCE - BULL INN, HIGH STREET
Categories: Sam

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The Parish Council appreciates the opportunity to look at this application.

The Parish Council is aware of the objections from residents in High Street whose properties adjoin or are in close proximity to the Bull Inn garden and sympathise with these neighbours.

Regards,

Lesley Bates (Clerk to the Council)

From: Licensing <licensing@wokingham.gov.uk>
Sent: 14 July 2022 15:27
To: 'licensing@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk' <licensing@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk>; Environmental Health <environmental.health@wokingham.gov.uk>; Development Control <development.control@wokingham.gov.uk>; Environmental Health <environmental.health@wokingham.gov.uk>; 'Alcohol@homeoffice.gsi.gov.uk' <Alcohol@homeoffice.gsi.gov.uk>; 'centralhubfiresafety@rbfrs.co.uk' <IMCEINVALID-centralhubfiresafety+40rbfrs+2Eco+2Euk@EURP195.PROD.OUTLOOK.COM>; tsadvice <tsadvice@westberks.gov.uk>; Public Health <Public.Health@wokingham.gov.uk>; 'bwscp@brighterfuturesforchildren.org' <bwscp@brighterfuturesforchildren.org>
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Subject: NOTIFICATION OF APPLICATION FOR FULL VARIATION OF PREMISES LICENCE - BULL INN, HIGH STREET

LICENSING ACT 2003 NOTIFICATION OF APPLICATION FOR VARIATION OF PREMISES LICENCE

PREMISES: BULL INN, HIGH STREET, SONNING ON THAMES, READING, RG4 6UP
APPLICATION NO: PR0041

The Licensing Team received this application on: 14th July 2022

A scanned copy of the application is attached to this email.

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