

PREMISES LICENCE APPLICATION FOR: 16 GOLDEN CROSS PARADE, ROCHFORD, ESSEX.

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 This report introduces an application for the grant of a Premises Licence made under section 17 of the Licensing Act 2003.
- 1.2 The application must be determined within 5 working days of the conclusion of the hearing, in accordance with paragraph 26 of the Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005.

2 INTRODUCTION

- 2.1 The application was submitted to the Licensing Authority by the applicant Mr Steven Pegg on behalf of County Ales Ltd and refers to the premises to be known as Two Green Bottles, 16 Golden Cross Parade, Rochford, Essex. SS4 1UB
- 2.2 **Appendix A** consists of a copy of the original application form and the premises plan.

3 BACKGROUND

Description of the Premises

- 3.1 The premises to which the application relates comprise of a Micro Pub with the intention of predominantly selling Craft Ales, Beers and wines. The premise is located within a small parade of shops at the junction of Mansted Gardens and Craven Close.
- 3.2 **Appendix B** is a map of the area

Application

- 3.3 The application is for the following licensable activities within the times and days shown below:-

Activity	Time/s and Days
Supply of Alcohol (on and off sales)	Sunday to Thursday 11:00hrs to 23:00hrs Friday and Saturday 11:00hrs to 00:00hrs
Live Music	Sunday to Thursday 11:00hrs to 23:30hrs Friday and Saturday 11:00hrs to 00:30hrs
Recorded Music	Sunday to Thursday 11:00hrs to 23:30hrs Friday and Saturday 11:00hrs to 00:30hrs
Performance of Dance	Sunday to Thursday 11:00hrs to 23:30hrs Friday and Saturday 11:00hrs to 00:30hrs

- 3.4 The application is made in accordance with section 17 and schedule 8, part 1, paragraph 7 of the Licensing Act 2003 and The Licensing Act 2003 (Premises licence and club premises certificates) Regulations 2005

4 REPRESENTATIONS

Responsible Authorities

- 4.1 The Police have agreed conditions with the applicant for the Committee to consider should the licence be granted.
- 4.2 **Appendix C** is a copy of the agreed conditions
- 4.3 The application has been assessed by Environmental Health and they have made representations against the application.
- 4.4 **Appendix D** is a copy of the representations and proposed conditions

Other Persons

- 4.5 There have been fourteen (14) representations received. Eleven (11) from local residents and three (3) from local Councillors.

The representations raise concerns in relation to the following licensing objectives:

- Public Safety
- Prevention of Crime and Disorder
- Prevention of Public Nuisance

- 4.6 **Appendix E** consists of a copy of the valid representations received

- 4.7 A petition was also submitted, however this was not accepted as formal representations in accordance with the Licensing Act 2003.

Notices

- 4.8 All parties involved have been served with the relevant notices and documentation required by paragraphs 6 and 7 of The Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005.
- 4.9 The notices and documentation included an explanation of the rights of persons to attend hearings and to be represented, to give evidence and to call witnesses, the consequences of not attending, the procedure to be followed at a hearing, and, for applicants only, a copy of all relevant representations made.
- 4.10 Paragraphs 8 and 9 of the regulations require that parties notify the Licensing Authority, no later than 5 working days before the hearing, of those matters mentioned in paragraph 3.10 above. A pro-forma was included with the notices and documentation mentioned paragraph 4.9 above

5 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 Consideration of this application has been carried out within existing resources.

6 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 The provisions of Licensing Act 2003, The Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005, Guidance issued under Section 182 Licensing Act 2003 and the Statement of Licensing Policy, approved by Full Council for the period 31st January 2021 – 31st January 2026 need to be considered by Members in determining the application.

7 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 The Public Sector Equality Duty applies to the Council when it makes decisions. The duty requires us to have regard to the need to:
- To eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation
 - To advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not
 - To foster good relations between those who share a protected characteristic and those who do not
- 7.2 An Equality Impact Assessment has been completed and found there to be no impacts (either positive or negative) on protected groups as defined under the Equality Act 2010.

8 RECOMMENDATION

- 8.1 It is proposed that the Committee **RESOLVES** the application with one of the following options:
- (1) To grant the application subject to such conditions as are consistent with the operating schedule, modified to such extent as Members consider necessary for the promotion of the licensing objectives, and any Mandatory Condition that must be included; OR
 - (2) To exclude from the scope of the licence any of the licensable activities to which the application relates; OR
 - (3) To reject the application; OR
 - (4) Subject to paragraphs 11 - 13 of the Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005, to adjourn the hearing to a specified date or arrange for a hearing to be held on specified additional dates, where Members consider this to be necessary for their consideration of any representations or notice made by a party.



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Background Papers:-

The Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005,
Guidance issued under Section 182 Licensing Act 2003
Statement of Licensing Policy, 31st January 2021 – 31st January 2026

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