

Licensing Committee Agenda

HEARING TO CONSIDER AN APPLICATION FOR A NEW PREMISES LICENCE

This meeting will consider only licensing matters delegated under the Licensing Act 2003

3rd November 11.00am

Remote Meeting

MEMBERS OF COMMITTEE INVITED TO ATTEND HEARING

Councillor D. Clark (Chair)

and Councillors H. Clark, J. Frasca and S. Manley

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Licensing Committee

3 November 2025

AGENDA

1.Apologies for Absence

2.Declaration of Interests

All Members are reminded that they must disclose any interests they know they have in items of business on the meeting's agenda and that they must do so at this point on the agenda or as soon as they become aware of the interest. If the interest is a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest they are also obliged to notify the Monitoring Officer within 28 days of the meeting.

3.Minutes

To consider the minutes of the meeting on 19th September 2025.

4.Licensing Act 2003 – Application for a Premises Licence: Wheelers Farm, Wheelers Hill, Little Waltham, Chelmsford, CM3 3LZ

MINUTES

of the

LICENSING COMMITTEE HEARING

held on 19th September 2025 at 11am

Present:

Councillor D. Clark (Chair of Hearing)

Councillors H. Clark, R. Lee and

P. Wilson

1. **Apologies for Absence**

No apologies for absence were received.

2. **Declaration of Interests**

All Members were reminded to declare any interests where appropriate in any items of business on the meeting's agenda. None were made.

3. **Minutes**

The minutes of the hearing held on 8th August 2025 were approved as a correct record.

4. **Licensing Act 2003 – Application to Review a Premises Licence - Chelmsford City Racecourse, Moulsham Hall Lane, Great Leighs, Chelmsford, CM3 1QP**

The Committee considered an application for a review of the premises licence under Section 51 of the Licensing Act 2003, made by Essex Police and had regard to the representations made during the consultation period. These related to the promotion of the below Licensing objectives.

- a) The prevention of crime and disorder
- b) Public safety
- c) The prevention of public nuisance
- d) The protection of children from harm

It was noted by the Committee that there were five options namely;

- Modify the conditions of the licence (either permanently or for up to three months)
- Exclude a licensable activity from the scope of the licence, (either permanently or for a period not exceeding three months).
- Remove the designated premises supervisor.
- Suspend the licence for up to three months.
- Revoke the licence.

The below parties attended and took part in the hearing:

- Applicant
- Licence Holder
- Other responsible authorities who had made representations
- Members of the public who had made representations

The Committee was informed that the application for review had been submitted by Essex Police after an incident on Friday 4 July 2025. On this day there was a large-scale music event at Chelmsford City Racecourse which was marked by serious operational failures. Traffic management plans (TMP) were not adhered to, leaving attendees trapped in the car park for hours without staff support. Vehicles were abandoned on local roads, causing disruption and danger to residents and road users. Stewarding and security provisions were inadequate, with attendees directed onto the A131 dual carriageway and some crossing live traffic lanes. The Committee were also shown drone footage which showed members of the public crossing the A131.

Essex Police stated that despite prior engagement through Safety Advisory Group (SAG) meetings, many agreed measures were not implemented. The organisers failed to resource sufficient security and traffic management and displayed poor command and control.

Essex Police requested that stringent new conditions be imposed on the Chelmsford City Racecourse premises licence to address the risks identified. They sought to restrict attendance at any future music event to a maximum of 5,000 patrons, arguing that the venue and surrounding infrastructure could not safely accommodate larger crowds. They also required a comprehensive traffic and event management plan to be submitted at least 12 weeks in advance to Chelmsford City Council, Essex Police, Essex County Council Highways, and the Council's Business Compliance Team. Licensable activity would not be permitted if any of these bodies raised a written objection within six weeks of submission, unless that objection was later withdrawn. This requirement was intended to ensure hazards were identified, risks were properly assessed, and effective controls were in place to protect public safety. Essex Police stressed that without these restrictions, the site posed an unacceptable risk of further incidents, including serious injury or fatality, given its location beside the A131 and its history of repeated traffic and safety failures.

The committee heard the representations made by responsible authorities, local councillors and members of the public.

The Licensing Authority supported the review, noting that while the EMP was signed off by the SAG, in practice it was not followed. This caused serious safety failings, particularly in traffic management. Although there had been no previous licence reviews previously, concerns around traffic have been raised for years. The Authority stressed that public safety had been undermined, highlighting footage of abandoned vehicles and pedestrians walking on the A131. Noise was less of a concern as levels were compliant, but the Authority recommended restricting capacity for music events to 5,000 to ensure risks are manageable.

The Business Compliance Team at Chelmsford City Council shared that issues had been raised about insufficient car park lighting, lack of segregation between vehicles

and pedestrians, poor signage, and security staff being unaware of welfare facilities such as water points. It was stressed that, as the holder of the licence, failures in the TMP were attributed to them and not the contractors. It was noted these failings breached health and safety duties, and the team argued the capacity cap of 5,000 should apply across all large events, not just those exceeding 10,000 attendees.

Essex Highways emphasised that safe arrival and exit was ultimately the responsibility of the event organiser, regardless of the use of Temporary Traffic Regulation Orders (TTROs). While traffic orders could assist, they are insufficient if the organiser's plan is not executed effectively. The Authority reported repeated complaints from residents and stated that although plans were drawn up, they consistently failed in practice.

The remaining representations reported widespread disruption and poor management during the events, including gridlock in Great Leighs, cars blocking driveways, abandoned vehicles, and large numbers of pedestrians walking on roads. They felt community engagement had been a tick-box exercise and that the racecourse failed to take responsibility, instead blaming contractors. Concerns were raised over whether the issue lay in a poor plan, a failure to implement a workable plan, or the site itself being unsuitable for such large-scale events. While noise was generally within acceptable levels, the overriding concern was public safety, with repeated calls for reduced capacity and stricter conditions to ensure events could be managed safely in future.

The Licence holder opened by sharing their apologies to drivers who experienced long delays, to nearby residents affected, and to responsible authorities. They accepted that the event did not go to plan and stated it was not acceptable. They emphasised that such failings would not be repeated, that expert support would be used in future, and that the review process was welcomed as an opportunity to learn and adjust.

The Licence Holder stated that they had hosted many successful race days and cultural events with large attendances and had never previously faced a licence review. The licence holder argued that the recent live event was an exception, not representative of their usual management.

It was stated that the licence holder had assembled a highly experienced senior management team and engaged leading contractors for health and safety, traffic management, security, noise, and medical provision. They said the Safety Advisory Group (SAG) process involved senior representatives across all disciplines, and on paper the Traffic and Event Management Plans (EMP) were deemed satisfactory. They stressed that the site itself ran smoothly.

The licence holder accepted that the main failing was the TMP not being delivered as agreed by their supplier. They noted additional steps were taken, including signage on the A131, reduced speed limits, agreements with Essex Police for two cars and two motorbikes to patrol the road, and hostile vehicle mitigation barriers. They argued the failures arose from contractors not implementing plans, two local nearby vehicle fires and illegal parking. This led to gridlock and pedestrians walking on the carriageway. They stressed they were not reckless and had relied on expert suppliers, but the strategy was not delivered on the day.

The licence holder proposed some amendments to the licence designed to address concerns while maintaining the viability of the venue. They suggested redefining “large music events” to those with over 5,000 attendees. They proposed that no large music event would take place unless a comprehensive EMP, including 22 supporting documents covering matters such as traffic, safety, crowd management, welfare, and noise, was submitted at least three months in advance and approved by the council and Safety Advisory Group. Any subsequent changes to these plans would also require approval. They stressed that no large music-led events would be staged until Essex Police, Essex Highways, the council, and the SAG were fully satisfied with the arrangements, and confirmed that there were none planned for 2026, with only regular race days and smaller events scheduled.

The licence holder argued that a permanent reduction to 5,000 capacity would be disproportionate, given the venue’s history and scale. They concluded that with the right traffic management solutions agreed by all parties, large events could return safely in the future, but until then, the focus would remain on smaller-scale activities.

Members expressed concerns about repeated issues, a lack of accountability, and whether conditions would genuinely be followed in the future. The licence holder accepted the TMP had failed but attributed this to their contractor not delivering the agreed measures. They emphasised that additional police support had been funded, extra checks had been carried out, and staffing levels for security were above Purple Guide recommendations, rejecting claims of cost-cutting.

The Chair asked the licence holder’s representative if the applicant would accept a 10,000 capacity restriction and the response was that whilst they would prefer no restriction, 10,000 would be better than 5,000 (as suggested by the responsible authorities).

The Committee thanked the attendees and officers for their input and advised that the decision would be made during the deliberation after the meeting. It was noted that due to the remote nature of the meeting, the decision would be circulated to all parties within a few working days via email.

The Committee had given careful consideration to this application by Essex Police for a review of the premises licence and to all relevant representations both written and as expanded on in the course of the hearing. In reaching its decision the Committee had also had regard to relevant parts of the Council’s Licensing Policy and to the statutory guidance issued by the Secretary of State under section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 (“the section 182 Guidance”) including Part 11 (Reviews).

The Committee had **RESOLVED** that it was appropriate for the promotion of the relevant licensing objectives that the following steps (which involve modification of the conditions of the licence) be taken:-

- 1) The imposition of the additional conditions as proposed by the licence-holder, and which were set out at TAB 1 (pages 3–9) of the Premises Licence Holder’s Bundle of Evidence, **SAVE THAT** the definition of a ‘Large Music Event’ read as “a music-led event with a capacity of 5,000 persons or more”.

(This meant that a music-led event with an attendance capacity of 5,000 persons or more triggered the requirement for preparation and approval of an 'Event Management Plan' in accordance with conditions nos. 3–20.)

TAB 1 (pages 3-9) are attached to these minutes as an appendix.

- 2) The imposition of a further condition to the effect that the capacity of any music-led event did not exceed 10,000 persons.

A. REASONS FOR DECISION

- (1) In setting out its reasons for this determination the Committee did not propose to go through in detail the extensive material (including oral amplification of representations and submissions) which had been before it at the lengthy hearing. Members of the Committee hearing this Review application had familiarised themselves with the written material in advance of the hearing. The Committee considered that at the hearing itself all issues were ventilated and explored and the reasons given below for its decision were predicated on that. The Committee was grateful in particular to Essex Police, Counsel for the Licence-holder, and the Licensing Authority (Chelmsford City Council), for their substantial contributions and assistance in this exercise, including identifying the chief issues.
- (2) The Committee found on the balance of probabilities, the evidence was, in fact, compelling, that as regards the music-led event on Friday 4th July 2025 (featuring Justin Timberlake, and with an attendance of 22,993 people) there had been catastrophic failure in operational management on the part of the licence-holder which resulted in chaos. The public, by venturing onto the A131 in their hundreds as pedestrians, had been potentially at risk of sustaining serious injury or even death, and furthermore there had been widespread traffic disruption which amounted to a public nuisance that detrimentally impacted on, among others, residents in the locality and motorists.
- (3) The operational failings had been several fold, but the significant one concerned traffic management failure, in particular the failure to implement properly the traffic management plan (including signage, stewarding, security, lighting, and management of the car parking ingress and egress). It was a matter of grave concern to the Committee that because of the severe traffic congestion literally hundreds of people abandoned their vehicles (on the side of the roads, grass verges, and roundabouts) and ended up walking along and even crossing the A131 dual carriageway to access the venue, and to return to their vehicles when the concert ended. Essex Police had been required to deploy officers to the scene to implement emergency measures to mitigate the risk of injury and to restore order. These emergency measures had included a succession of rolling roadblocks. The Committee was left in little doubt that were it not for the taking of these measures by Essex Police, serious injury or even death could have resulted as pedestrians sought to navigate the A131, together also with an

intensification of disorder among some elements of the public, as people trapped in the car parks or trying to access or exit the sites became increasingly frustrated and angry.

- (4) The Committee had taken into account the fact that at approximately 18:38 hours on the day of the event a car caught fire on the A133 (near the Tesco Store) with the fire spreading to the verge and central reservation, which necessitated the police having to close the carriageway until 20:42 hours, when they were able to open one lane. This incident and road closure prevented all traffic from accessing the event from the most direct route to the north and would have contributed to the build up of traffic. Furthermore, there had also been a vehicle fire at approximately 18:45 hours in the layby on the A133 near the junction of Regiment Way, although this fire was quickly responded to and put out. The Committee accepted the licence holder's counsel's submission that these incidents had been contributory factors to the traffic issues and were outside the control of the licence holder. However, on the evidence the Committee found the main cause of the chaos that ensued on 4th July had been due to the operational failings on the part of the event organisers as referenced above and set out in the evidence produced by Essex Police and Chelmsford City Council in its capacity as a Responsible Authority (i.e. evidence of the Licensing Authority, and of the Business Compliance Lead Officer – Health & Safety) and that of those individuals who had attended the event and made representations.
- (5) The Committee found that as regards the 4th July event, the three licensing objectives cited by Essex Police as grounds for the Review application (namely, public safety, prevention of public nuisance, and the prevention of crime and disorder) had been seriously undermined. In this regard, the Committee noted the licence holder's apology made in the course of the hearing on behalf of his client to everyone who had been detrimentally affected by these failings.
- (6) The Committee also found that as regards the music event on day 2 (Saturday 5th July, featuring Duran Duran) there had still been operational failures on the part of the organisers (for example in terms of car park management at the South car park, lack of security, and communication) which led to the licensing objectives being undermined, and to Essex Police having to intervene, notwithstanding the fact that this event had significantly fewer people attending (12,534 people). Among other things, the police had to implement a 5 mph rolling roadblock for around an hour, utilising six police vehicles, because patrons were walking along the A131 carriageway.
- (7) On day 3 (Sunday 6th July, featuring Olly Murs) the event had 8,350 people attending and passed off without significant issues. However, the Committee noted that even then Essex Police had concerns about stewarding and management of traffic from the North car park.
- (8) The Committee noted that the licence holder, in their written representations and as amplified by the licence holder's counsel at the hearing, had asserted that they had been let down by certain contractors and other individuals and that many of the operational failings, especially in relation to car parking and other

traffic management, could be attributed to this. So far as the Committee was concerned, this assertion carried little, if any, weight and was indicative of a failure on the part of the licence holder to recognise and accept their ultimate responsibility for ensuring health and safety requirements were met and that traffic management plans were fully implemented.

Capacity restriction from 29,999 to 10,000 people for music led events

- (9) The Committee had had regard to the submissions made by Essex Police and the Public Health and Protection Services Manager (Chelmsford City), among others, that a condition should be attached to the existing premises licence restricting capacity to 5,000 people for non-horse racing events. The case for this, as put forward by Essex Police in their Review application and amplified at the hearing, had been that they had serious concerns about the suitability of Chelmsford City Racecourse as a venue for events of this scale by reason of its location and surrounding infrastructure. The Committee noted, however, that this argument by Essex Police appeared, on the face of it, to have been inconsistent to some degree with their assertion, also within their application, that the scale of the intervention required by the police had been “entirely avoidable” had the premises licence holder fulfilled their obligations under the Licensing Act 2003.
- (10) The Public Health and Protection Services Manager, in the course of the hearing, had stated that in his opinion the key issue with the event over the weekend of 4th–6th July had been the failure to implement correctly the traffic management plan.
- (11) This failure to implement the traffic management plan had been, in the Public Health and Protection Services Manager’s view, critical and had resulted in, among other things, the public being put at risk. However, he had also expressed his reservations as to the suitability of the site for such large-scale events as the Justin Timberlake concert. It had been his view that traffic management issues were, to a large extent, inherent in the location of the site and that significant infrastructure issues made it very difficult to manage large numbers of people arriving at and leaving events. The Essex County Council Highways representation which had been made at the hearing echoed this view.
- (12) The Committee had been bound to give considerable weight to these professional views, which had been reinforced to some degree by the fact that historically, during previous events, there had been issues with the public using the A131 carriageway, albeit, and as pointed out by the licence holder’s counsel, no Review applications under the 2003 Act had followed from these past events.
- (13) The licence holder’s counsel, however, had argued strongly against any reduction in the capacity figure and maintained that the main cause of the disruption experienced over the weekend of 4th–6th July, and especially in relation to the 4th July, had been the failure to implement the traffic management plan. He had also argued that if the set of conditions which he had proposed had been attached to the licence (namely the requirement to prepare and have approved an Event Management Plan) then SAG and the Council would,

ultimately, have had control and the final say over whether events with a capacity of 5,000 persons or more took place.

- (14) The licence holder's counsel had also sought to place reliance on paragraph 11.20 of the section 182 Guidance which stipulated to the effect that on a Review any remedial action taken should generally have been directed at the causes of the concerns that the representations identified and should always have been no more than an appropriate and proportionate response to address the causes of concern that instigated the Review. He maintained that to reduce capacity to 5,000 persons would have amounted to a 'draconian' measure. In response to a question put to him by the Chair, however, the licence holder's counsel had intimated that if the Committee were to decide to reduce the capacity figure then his client would have been prepared to accept a capacity restriction of 10,000 persons.

The Committee's view

- (15) In all the circumstances and having had regard to the evidence and the arguments on both sides, the Committee considered it to have been of crucial importance and appropriate for the promotion of the relevant licensing conditions that a capacity restriction of 10,000 persons be imposed by way of condition attached to the existing premises licence. What had happened over the weekend of the 4th–6th of July, and especially on the 4th July, had been completely unacceptable and, regrettably, had led to a lack of confidence on the part of the Committee in the ability of the licence-holder to manage large-scale events of this kind, notwithstanding the licence holder's counsel's apology and assurance on behalf of his client that there would never be a repeat of what had happened that weekend. The Committee had been bound to take steps to ensure that there was not a repeat of what had happened over that weekend, and especially that members of the public attending large-scale events were not exposed to the risk of sustaining serious injury, or even death, through venturing as pedestrians onto the A131 dual carriageway.
- (16) The Committee considered that on the evidence it had been more probable than not that the main cause of the chaos and undermining of licensing objectives on the 4th July, and to a lesser degree on the 5th July, had been the abject failure on the part of the licence holder to implement properly the event management plan in relation to traffic management including car parking. However, it was also the Committee's view that the evidence had also pointed to the possibility that Chelmsford City Racecourse, by reason of its location and the infrastructure, was inherently not suitable for accommodating events of the capacity experienced on the 4th and 5th July. Determining the appropriate capacity restriction figure could not have been an exact science. However, there had been some evidence before the Committee (see pages 322–323 of the licence-holder's evidence bundle) to indicate that non-horse racing events with a capacity figure significantly over 5,000 persons had taken place at the venue without major issues of concern. On balance, the Committee considered a capacity restriction of 10,000 persons to

have been a proportionate measure. Furthermore, this capacity figure would have accommodated the events planned or scheduled for the remainder of that year and 2026. If the licence holder could demonstrate that non-music events taking place at the venue over the following two years or so had not resulted in problems of the kind experienced over the weekend of 4th–6th July then a variation application to increase the capacity figure might have been successful.

The imposition of the additional conditions as proposed by The licence holder's counsel on behalf of the licence-holder and which are set out at TAB 1 (pages 3 – 9) of the Premises Licence Holder's Bundle of Evidence

- (17) These conditions, including a reduction in the original capacity trigger for requiring the preparation or approval of the Event Management Plan for music-led events from 10,000 persons or more to 5,000 persons or more, had been offered up by the licence holder's counsel on behalf of the licence-holder.
- (18) The Committee considered that imposition of these conditions, together with the capacity restriction referred to above, had been crucial to ensuring, so far as possible, that there had not been a repeat of what happened on the 4th and 6th July. They had been appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives. The content and level of detail of any Event Management Plan would, of course, have varied depending on the nature and capacity of any given event.

Decision not to impose condition stipulating specific Music Noise Level limits

- (19) The Public Health and Protection Services Manager, in his written representation, had requested that conditions be imposed limiting, via stipulated decibel limits, the Music Noise Level at certain noise-sensitive locations. The Committee did not consider it necessary to take this action as the Joynes Nash Acoustic Consultants Noise Compliance Report had established that there had been no breaches of the previously agreed noise levels during the weekend of 4th–6th July. Although there had been complaints received by the Council regarding alleged noise nuisance, the number of complaints had been very low for a three-day event of this size and nature and amounted to nine complaints over the entire three nights. The licence-holder had not been made aware of these complaints during the actual events in question. Furthermore, the imposition of the additional conditions proposed by the licence holder's counsel meant that the Council had had adequate input regarding noise levels via the Event Management Plan. At the hearing, the Public Health and Protection Services Manager had indeed confirmed that whilst he had raised the issue of noise nuisance his primary concern had been with public safety.

The meeting closed at 3:45pm

Chair

TAB 1

Annex 5A Additional conditions for Large Music Events

Large Music Events

1. A Large Music Event is a music-led event with a capacity of ~~10,000~~ 5000 persons or more.
2. This Annex is without prejudice to other conditions of this Licence.
3. For Large Music Events, the following conditions set out below shall be complied with. *Event*

Management Plan

4. An Event Management Plan complying with the conditions set out below must be submitted to the Council and the Safety Advisory Group (include, without limitation, Essex Police, Highways and Chelmsford Licensing and Public Protection) at least 3 months prior to the Event.
5. The Event shall not take place:
 - a) unless approved in writing by the Council's Licensing Authority following consultation with the Safety Advisory Group;
 - b) except in compliance with the Event Management Plan.
6. For the avoidance of doubt, any changes to the Event Management Plan following the above approval may only be made with the further written approval of the Council's Licensing Authority.
7. The Event Management Plan must have full regard to the most recent edition of "The Purple Guide to Health, Safety and Welfare at Outdoor Events".
8. The Event Management Plan must include:
 - Appendix 1 - Adverse Weather Plan
 - Appendix 2 - Alcohol Management Plan
 - Appendix 3 - Crowd Management Plan

- Appendix 4 - Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy
- Appendix 5 - Counter Terrorism Plan
- Appendix 6 - Health and Safety Policy
- Appendix 7 - Fire Risk Assessment
- Appendix 8 - Major Incident Plan
- Appendix 9 - Medical Management Plan
- Appendix 10 - Operational Management Plan
- Appendix 11 - Noise Management Plan
- Appendix 12 - Risk Assessment
- Appendix 13 - Sanitation and Waste Management Plan
- Appendix 14 - Security Placement Schedule
- Appendix 15 - Site Map
- Appendix 16 - Traffic and Transport Management Plan
- Appendix 17 - Water Safety Plan
- Appendix 18 - Production Schedule / CDM Build Schedule
- Appendix 19 - Tent Exit Calculations
- Appendix 20 - Fire Extinguisher Allocation
- Appendix 21 - Ingress / Egress Plan
- Appendix 22 – Stages and Structures.

Security Placement Schedule

9. The Security Placement Schedule shall include a suitable and sufficient deployment plan for stewards/marshals and security staff for all areas used in connection with the licensed event as well as the event arena including numbers, locations, training, supervision and management, identification, PPE provision, communications and contingency arrangements.

Traffic and Transport Management Plan

10. The Traffic and Transport Management Plan shall include:

- a) a plan to promote visitation to the site other than in private motor vehicles;
- b) a plan for highway management to promote safe and efficient access to and egress from the site and to prevent potential vehicle / pedestrian conflicts;
- c) a suitable and sufficient internal traffic management plan, including:
 - i. an assessment of any car parking to be used in connection with an event,
 - ii. car park management,
 - iii. car park location signage and lighting arrangements,
 - iv. movement to, from and within any car parks, pick up/drop off points, public transport and taxi areas:
 - v. the management of vehicle and pedestrian separation across the event site and within any carparking or vehicle areas,
 - vi. details of permitted / prohibited vehicle movement.
- d) provision to ensure that:
 - i. entrances and exits to the licensed area including roadways, pedestrian routes and emergency vehicle routes are kept clear and adequately illuminated during periods of darkness;

- ii. all entrance and exit routes leading to or from the licensed area will be provided with clearly visible signage, which should be illuminated after dark.

Crowd Management Plan

11. The Crowd Management Plan shall include:

- a) details of signage and lighting to assist attendees to locate facilities (water, toilets, first-aid); and routes between the arena and any parking / pick up/drop off points;
- b) calculations relating to audience size and arena management;
- c) calculations of exit times and audience flow rates along exit routes and their management;
- d) provision to ensure that crowd movements and egress are carefully monitored and managed across the site including the through the use of CCTV installed at agreed points (eg entrance and exit routes, front of stages) to enable the monitoring of crowd movement and congestion.

Noise Management Plan

12. The Licence Holder shall appoint a suitably qualified and experienced noise control consultant experienced in the production of Noise Management Plans for live outdoor music events to produce and fully implement the Noise Management Plan.

13. The Noise Management Plan shall:

- a) have regard to guidance in the Institute of Acoustics' Code of Practice on Environmental Noise Control at Concerts or any subsequent revision thereto;
- b) include control of low frequency noise;
- c) include designated noise sensitive receptors for measurement purposes
- d) be approved by the Council's Licensing Authority in accordance with condition 6a) above.

14. The appointed noise control consultant will regularly monitor noise at noise sensitive receptors to ensure compliance with agreed noise levels and ensure that such levels continue to be met from time to time during the event. The Council will be given access to this information promptly on request.
15. The licence holder shall provide the Council, in advance of the event, contact details (include telephone and email) for their appointed noise control consultant and their management team who can be contacted in the event that noise complaints are received.

Fire Risk Assessment

16. The Fire Risk Assessment shall include Fire Extinguisher Allocation.

Stages and Structures

17. The Stages and Structures Plan shall include contractors, insurance, health and safety policy, method statement and footprints.

Event Safety and Management

18. The Licence Holder will appoint an Event Safety Contractor who shall be of sufficient competence, status and authority to take responsibility for advising the Licence Holder on safety at the event and be able to authorise and supervise safety measures on behalf of the Licence Holder. Further:
 - a) The details (name and contact arrangements) for the Event Safety Contractor is to be provided to the Council with the event management plan (EMP).
 - b) The Licence Holder in conjunction with the Event Safety Contractor shall prepare a risk assessment for each event which shall be contained in the EMP.
19. The Licence Holder will provide an Event Control within the Licensed Area where agreed representatives of the Safety Advisory Group (SAG) will have a position to ensure good communications. The Licence Holder will provide an experienced Event Control Manager who will oversee and co-ordinate persons within Event Control. The Licence Holder will provide a person within the Event Control to keep a log of all calls from around the event fed into the Event Control.

20. The Licence Holder will ensure that all relevant Health and Safety Legislation and Regulation is complied with. All Risk Assessments and Method Statements provided by contractors shall be collated by the Licence Holder and kept available on site for the duration of the event.



Chelmsford City Council Licensing Committee

DATE: 3rd November 2025

LICENSING ACT 2003 – APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE: WHEELERS FARM, WHEELERS HILL, LITTLE WALTHAM, CHELMSFORD, CM3 3LZ

Report by: Director of Public Places

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Purpose

The purpose of this report is to enable members to consider an application given by LDN Wild made under section 17 of the Licensing Act 2003, for the grant of a premises licence in respect of Wheelers Farm, Wheelers Hill, Little Waltham CM3 3LZ, having regard to representations received and the requirement to promote the four licensing objectives. These are:

- a) The prevention of crime and disorder
- b) Public safety
- c) The prevention of public nuisance
- d) The protection of children from harm

Recommendations

Members are advised that they have the following options when determining this application.

- Grant the application, on the terms and conditions applied for
- Grant the application on the terms and conditions applied for, modified to such extent as considered appropriate to promote the licensing objectives.
- Refuse the application in whole or in part.

An appeal in respect of any determination made in connection with this application may be made to the Magistrates Court within 21 days of the notification given by the Licensing Committee, by the licence holder, Chief officer of police, or any other person making relevant representation.

1. Background and Introduction

The premises are located along the A131 (Regiment Way), Chelmsford, with access via Wheelers Hill. A google map image showing both the premise location and site entrance is attached as **Appendix A**.

2. Application

- 2.1 The application has been properly given in accordance with the Licensing Act 2003 and all procedures correctly followed. The completed application form is attached as **Appendix B**.
- 2.2 The application form for the premises licence was received on the 11th of September 2025 and correctly advertised by placing blue public notices at the premises, by publication in a local paper and on Chelmsford City Council's website.
- 2.3 The application seeks a time-limited premises licence from 1 January 2026 until 1 September 2026, permitting a maximum of two events during this period, each with no more than 5,000 patrons. The proposed conditions document is attached as **Appendix C**.
- 2.4 LDN Wild currently hold a premises licence for Wheelers Farm which is attached as **Appendix D**. Condition 1 under Annex 2 of this licence specifies the currently permitted events and the authorised number of patrons.
- 2.5 Members are asked to note that, as this report is available in the public domain, personal details have been redacted from some documents. However, both the Authority and the applicant have received complete copies of all documents.

3. Representations

- 3.1 During the course of the application, Chelmsford City Council, in line with the Act, sent a copy of the application to all responsible authorities.
- 3.2 During the consultation period, four (4) representations were received, one of which was from Essex Police, objecting to the application. A copy of the objections is attached as **Appendix E**.
- 3.3 Essex County Fire and Rescue Service originally made a representation; however, this was subsequently withdrawn following discussions with the applicant.

4. Conclusion

- 4.1 Members are reminded that Section 13 of the Council's Statement of Licensing Policy relates to the procedures and responsibilities of the Licensing Committee. This includes the structure of sub-committees, the criteria for decision-making, the application of conditions, and the delegation of functions to officers.

Section 13 does not raise any procedural or policy issues that would affect the determination of this application.

- 4.2 This application has been correctly submitted and processed in line with the requirements of the Licensing Act 2003.
- 4.3 At the conclusion of this hearing, members are advised to consider the options set out in the recommendations section at the beginning of this report.

Appendices:

- Appendix A – Map
- Appendix B - Premises Licence Application
- Appendix C – Proposed conditions
- Appendix D – Current LDN Wild premise licence
- Appendix E – Representations

Background reading:

Application held by licensing authority

Corporate Implications

Legal/Constitutional: The Licensing Sub-Committee is acting in accordance with its powers under the Licensing Act 2003 and the Council's Constitution. The hearing has been convened in compliance with statutory procedures. Any party to the proceedings has the right to appeal the decision to the Magistrates' Court within 21 days of formal notification.

Financial: There are no direct financial implications arising from the determination of this application. However, the outcome may have an indirect impact on local economic activity and business rates.

Potential impact on climate change and the environment: The operation of the premises may lead to an increase in local traffic and waste production during the events applied for. An event and traffic management plan to be agreed with the Licensing Authority, Essex Police and Essex County Council Highways prior to any events taking place, if application is granted.

Contribution toward achieving a net zero carbon position by 2030: The decision on this application is not expected to directly influence the Council's net zero carbon target. Sustainable operating practices by the applicant may indirectly support environmental objectives.

Personnel: There are no personnel implications associated with this report. Licensing staff have processed the application as part of their normal duties.

Risk Management: The Licensing Sub-Committee must ensure that its decision is made in accordance with the Licensing Act 2003, relevant statutory guidance, and the Council's

Statement of Licensing Policy. This minimises the risk of legal challenge by way of appeal or judicial review.

Equality and Diversity: The application has been considered in line with the Council's duties under the Equality Act 2010. No equality or diversity concerns have been identified at this stage.

Health and Safety: There are no direct health and safety implications from this report. However, public safety is a core licensing objective that must be considered in determining the application.

Digital: None.

Other: None.

Consultees:

As per required by legislation

Relevant Policies and Strategies:

Statement of licensing policy

Appendix A – Google map image – Wheelers Farm, Wheelers Hill, Little Waltham, CM3 3LZ



Appendix A – Google map image – Wheelers Farm, Wheelers Hill, Little Waltham, CM3 3LZ



Appendix B



Chelmsford City Council Application for a premises licence Licensing Act 2003

For help contact
licensing@chelmsford.gov.uk
Telephone: 01245 606727

* required information

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You can save the form at any time and resume it later. You do not need to be logged in when you resume.

System reference

This is the unique reference for this application generated by the system.

Your reference

CL/LDNWILD

You can put what you want here to help you track applications if you make lots of them. It is passed to the authority.

Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Put "no" if you are applying on your own behalf or on behalf of a business you own or work for.

Applicant Details

* First name

LDN WILD

* Family name

LTD

* E-mail

Main telephone number

Include country code.

Other telephone number

☐ Indicate here if the applicant would prefer not to be contacted by telephone

Is the applicant:

- ☒ Applying as a business or organisation, including as a sole trader
☐ Applying as an individual

A sole trader is a business owned by one person without any special legal structure. Applying as an individual means the applicant is applying so the applicant can be employed, or for some other personal reason, such as following a hobby.

Applicant Business

Is the applicant's business registered in the UK with Companies House?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Note: completing the Applicant Business section is optional in this form.

Registration number

15101557

Business name

LDN Wild Ltd

If the applicant's business is registered, use its registered name.

VAT number

Put "none" if the applicant is not registered for VAT.

Legal status

Private Limited Company

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Applicant's position in the business

Licence Holder

Home country

United Kingdom

The country where the applicant's headquarters are.

Registered Address

Address registered with Companies House.

Building number or name

Street

District

City or town

County or administrative area

Postcode

Country

Agent Details

* First name

* Family name

* E-mail

Main telephone number

Other telephone number

Include country code.

☐ Indicate here if you would prefer not to be contacted by telephone

Are you:

☒ An agent that is a business or organisation, including a sole trader

☐ A private individual acting as an agent

A sole trader is a business owned by one person without any special legal structure.

Agent Business

Is your business registered in the UK with Companies House?

☒ Yes

☐ No

Note: completing the Applicant Business section is optional in this form.

Registration number

Business name

VAT number

-

Legal status

If your business is registered, use its registered name.

Put "none" if you are not registered for VAT.

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Your position in the business

Home country

The country where the headquarters of your business is located.

Agent Registered Address

Address registered with Companies House.

Building number or name

Street

District

City or town

County or administrative area

Postcode

Country

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PREMISES DETAILS

I/we, as named in section 1, apply for a premises licence under section 17 of the Licensing Act 2003 for the premises described in section 2 below (the premises) and I/we are making this application to you as the relevant licensing authority in accordance with section 12 of the Licensing Act 2003.

Premises Address

Are you able to provide a postal address, OS map reference or description of the premises?

☒ Address ☐ OS map reference ☐ Description

Postal Address Of Premises

Building number or name

Street

District

City or town

County or administrative area

Postcode

Country

Further Details

Telephone number

Non-domestic rateable value of premises (£)

Section 3 of 21**APPLICATION DETAILS**

In what capacity are you applying for the premises licence?

- ☐ An individual or individuals
- ☒ A limited company / limited liability partnership
- ☐ A partnership (other than limited liability)
- ☐ An unincorporated association
- ☐ Other (for example a statutory corporation)
- ☐ A recognised club
- ☐ A charity
- ☐ The proprietor of an educational establishment
- ☐ A health service body
- ☐ A person who is registered under part 2 of the Care Standards Act 2000 (c14) in respect of an independent hospital in Wales
- ☐ A person who is registered under Chapter 2 of Part 1 of the Health and Social Care Act 2008 in respect of the carrying on of a regulated activity (within the meaning of that Part) in an independent hospital in England
- ☐ The chief officer of police of a police force in England and Wales

Confirm The Following

- ☒ I am carrying on or proposing to carry on a business which involves the use of the premises for licensable activities
- ☐ I am making the application pursuant to a statutory function
- ☐ I am making the application pursuant to a function discharged by virtue of Her Majesty's prerogative

Section 4 of 21**NON INDIVIDUAL APPLICANTS**

Provide name and registered address of applicant in full. Where appropriate give any registered number. In the case of a partnership or other joint venture (other than a body corporate), give the name and address of each party concerned.

Non Individual Applicant's Name

Name

LDN Wild Ltd

Details

Registered number (where applicable)

15101557

Description of applicant (for example partnership, company, unincorporated association etc)

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Private Limited Company

Address

Building number or name

Street

District

City or town

County or administrative area

Postcode

Country

Contact Details

E-mail

Telephone number

Other telephone number

* Date of birth / /
dd mm yyyy

* Nationality

Documents that demonstrate entitlement to work in the UK

Add another applicant

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OPERATING SCHEDULE

When do you want the premises licence to start? / /
dd mm yyyy

If you wish the licence to be valid only for a limited period, when do you want it to end / /
dd mm yyyy

Provide a general description of 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.

Outside venue area for events and concerts

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If 5,000 or more people are expected to attend the premises at any one time, state the number expected to attend

5000

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PROVISION OF PLAYS

See guidance on regulated entertainment

Will you be providing plays?

☐ Yes

☒ No

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PROVISION OF FILMS

See guidance on regulated entertainment

Will you be providing films?

☒ Yes

☐ No

Standard Days And Timings

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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.

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Will the exhibition of films take place indoors or outdoors or both?

☐ Indoors ☐ Outdoors ☒ Both

Where taking place in a building or other structure tick as appropriate. Indoors may include a tent.

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.

Films consistent with a functions and events venue.

State any seasonal variations for the exhibition of film

For example (but not exclusively) where the activity will occur on additional days during the summer months.

Non standard timings. Where the premises will be used for the exhibition of film at different times from those listed in the column on the left, list below

For example (but not exclusively), where you wish the activity to go on longer on a particular day e.g. Christmas Eve.

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PROVISION OF INDOOR SPORTING EVENTS

See guidance on regulated entertainment

Will you be providing indoor sporting events?

☐ Yes ☒ No

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PROVISION OF BOXING OR WRESTLING ENTERTAINMENTS

See guidance on regulated entertainment

Will you be providing boxing or wrestling entertainments?

☐ Yes ☒ No

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PROVISION OF LIVE MUSIC

See guidance on regulated entertainment

Will you be providing live music?

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Standard Days And Timings

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Give timings in 24 hour clock.
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of the week when you intend the premises
to be used for the activity.

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Will the performance of live music take place indoors or outdoors or both?

☐ Indoors

☐ Outdoors

☒ Both

Where taking place in a building or other
structure tick as appropriate. Indoors may
include a tent.

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.

Performance of Dance consistent with a functions and events venue.

State any seasonal variations for the performance of live music

For example (but not exclusively) where the activity will occur on additional days during the summer months.

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Non-standard timings. Where the premises will be used for the performance of live music at different times from those listed in the column on the left, list below

For example (but not exclusively), where you wish the activity to go on longer on a particular day e.g. Christmas Eve.

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PROVISION OF RECORDED MUSIC

See guidance on regulated entertainment

Will you be providing recorded music?

☒ Yes

☐ No

Standard Days And Timings

MONDAY

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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.

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Will the playing of recorded music take place indoors or outdoors or both?

☐ Indoors

☐ Outdoors

☒ Both

Where taking place in a building or other structure tick as appropriate. Indoors may include a tent.

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.

Recorded Music consistent with a functions and events venue.

State any seasonal variations for playing recorded music

For example (but not exclusively) where the activity will occur on additional days during the summer months.

Non-standard timings. Where the premises will be used for the playing of recorded music at different times from those listed in the column on the left, list below

For example (but not exclusively), where you wish the activity to go on longer on a particular day e.g. Christmas Eve.

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PROVISION OF PERFORMANCES OF DANCE

See guidance on regulated entertainment

Will you be providing performances of dance?

☒ Yes

☐ No

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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.

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Will the performance of dance take place indoors or outdoors or both?

☐ Indoors

☐ Outdoors

☒ Both

Where taking place in a building or other structure tick as appropriate. Indoors may include a tent.

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.

Performance of Dance consistent with a functions and events venue.

State any seasonal variations for the performance of dance

For example (but not exclusively) where the activity will occur on additional days during the summer months.

Non-standard timings. Where the premises will be used for the performance of dance at different times from those listed in the column on the left, list below

For example (but not exclusively), where you wish the activity to go on longer on a particular day e.g. Christmas Eve.

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PROVISION OF ANYTHING OF A SIMILAR DESCRIPTION TO LIVE MUSIC, RECORDED MUSIC OR PERFORMANCES OF DANCE

See guidance on regulated entertainment

Will you be providing anything similar to live music, recorded music or performances of dance?

☐ Yes

☒ No

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LATE NIGHT REFRESHMENT

Will you be providing late night refreshment?

☐ Yes

☒ No

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SUPPLY OF ALCOHOL

Will you be selling or supplying alcohol?

☒ Yes

☐ No

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of the week when you intend the premises
to be used for the activity.

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Will the sale of alcohol be for consumption:

- ☒ On the premises ☐ Off the premises ☐ Both

If the sale of alcohol is for consumption on the premises select on, if the sale of alcohol is for consumption away from the premises select off. If the sale of alcohol is for consumption on the premises and away from the premises select both.

State any seasonal variations

For example (but not exclusively) where the activity will occur on additional days during the summer months.

Non-standard timings. Where the premises will be used for the supply of alcohol at different times from those listed in the column on the left, list below

For example (but not exclusively), where you wish the activity to go on longer on a particular day e.g. Christmas Eve.

State the name and details of the individual whom you wish to specify on the licence as premises supervisor

Name

First name

Family name

Date of birth / /
dd mm yyyy

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Enter the contact's address

Building number or name	<input type="text"/>
Street	<input type="text"/>
District	<input type="text"/>
City or town	<input type="text"/>
County or administrative area	<input type="text"/>
Postcode	<input type="text"/>
Country	<input type="text"/>
Personal Licence number (if known)	<input type="text"/>
Issuing licensing authority (if known)	<input type="text"/>

PROPOSED DESIGNATED PREMISES SUPERVISOR CONSENT

How will the consent form of the proposed designated premises supervisor be supplied to the authority?

- ☐ Electronically, by the proposed designated premises supervisor
- ☒ As an attachment to this application

Reference number for consent form (if known)

If the consent form is already submitted, ask the proposed designated premises supervisor for its 'system reference' or 'your reference'.

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ADULT ENTERTAINMENT

Highlight any adult entertainment or services, activities, or other entertainment or matters ancillary to the use of the premises that may give rise to concern in respect of children

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 etc gambling machines etc.

None

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HOURS PREMISES ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

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Give timings in 24 hour clock.
(e.g., 16:00) and only give details for the days
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State any seasonal variations

For example (but not exclusively) where the activity will occur on additional days during the summer months.

Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises to be open to the members and guests at different times from those listed in the column on the left, list below

For example (but not exclusively), where you wish the activity to go on longer on a particular day e.g. Christmas Eve.

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LICENSING OBJECTIVES

Describe the steps you intend to take to promote the four licensing objectives:

a) General – all four licensing objectives (b,c,d,e)

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List here steps you will take to promote all four licensing objectives together.

See proposed conditions for discussion set out at annex one attached to the application. These are based on conditions for the premanent licence for the site.

b) The prevention of crime and disorder

See proposed conditions for discussion set out at annex one attached to the application. These are based on conditions for the premanent licence for the site.

c) Public safety

See proposed conditions for discussion set out at annex one attached to the application. These are based on conditions for the premanent licence for the site.

d) The prevention of public nuisance

See proposed conditions for discussion set out at annex one attached to the application. These are based on conditions for the premanent licence for the site.

e) The protection of children from harm

See proposed conditions for discussion set out at annex one attached to the application. These are based on conditions for the permanent licence for the site.

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NOTES ON DEMONSTRATING ENTITLEMENT TO WORK IN THE UK

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Entitlement to work/immigration status for individual applicants and applications from partnerships which are not limited liability partnerships:

A licence may not be held by an individual or an individual in a partnership who is resident in the UK who:

- does not have the right to live and work in the UK; or
- is subject to a condition preventing him or her from doing work relating to the carrying on of a licensable activity.

Any premises licence issued in respect of an application made on or after 6 April 2017 will become invalid if the holder ceases to be entitled to work in the UK.

Applicants must demonstrate that they have an entitlement to work in the UK and are not subject to a condition preventing them from doing work relating to the carrying on of a licensable activity. They do this in one of two ways: 1) by providing with this application copies or scanned copies of the documents listed below (which do not need to be certified), or 2) by providing their 'share code' to enable the licensing authority to carry out a check using the Home Office online right to work checking service (see below).

Documents which demonstrate entitlement to work in the UK

- An expired or current passport showing the holder, or a person named in the passport as the child of the holder, is a British citizen or a citizen of the UK and Colonies having the right of abode in the UK [please see note below about which sections of the passport to copy].
- An expired or current passport or national identity card showing the holder, or a person named in the passport as the child of the holder, is a national of a European Economic Area country or Switzerland.
- A Registration Certificate or document certifying permanent residence issued by the Home Office to a national of a European Economic Area country or Switzerland.
- A Permanent Residence Card issued by the Home Office to the family member of a national of a European Economic Area country or Switzerland.
- A **current** Biometric Immigration Document (Biometric Residence Permit) issued by the Home Office to the holder indicating that the person named is allowed to stay indefinitely in the UK, or has no time limit on their stay in the UK.
- A **current** passport endorsed to show that the holder is exempt from immigration control, is allowed to stay indefinitely in the UK, has the right of abode in the UK, or has no time limit on their stay in the UK.
- A **current** Immigration Status Document issued by the Home Office to the holder with an endorsement indicating that the named person is allowed to stay indefinitely in the UK or has no time limit on their stay in the UK, **when produced in combination with** an official document giving the person's permanent National Insurance number and their name issued by a Government agency or a previous employer.
- A birth or adoption certificate issued in the UK, **when produced in combination with** an official document giving the person's permanent National Insurance number and their name issued by a Government agency or a previous employer.
- A birth or adoption certificate issued in the Channel Islands, the Isle of Man or Ireland **when produced in combination with** an official document giving the person's permanent National Insurance number and their name issued by a Government agency or a previous employer.
- A certificate of registration or naturalisation as a British citizen, **when produced in combination with** an official document giving the person's permanent National Insurance number and their name issued by a Government agency or a previous employer.

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- A **current** passport endorsed to show that the holder is allowed to stay in the UK and is currently allowed to work and is not subject to a condition preventing the holder from doing work relating to the carrying on of a licensable activity.
- A **current** Biometric Immigration Document (Biometric Residence Permit) issued by the Home Office to the holder which indicates that the named person can currently stay in the UK and is allowed to work relation to the carrying on of a licensable activity.
- A **current** Residence Card issued by the Home Office to a person who is not a national of a European Economic Area state or Switzerland but who is a family member of such a national or who has derivative rights or residence.
- A **current** Immigration Status Document containing a photograph issued by the Home Office to the holder with an endorsement indicating that the named person may stay in the UK, and is allowed to work and is not subject to a condition preventing the holder from doing work relating to the carrying on of a licensable activity **when produced in combination with** an official document giving the person's permanent National Insurance number and their name issued by a Government agency or a previous employer.
- A Certificate of Application, **less than 6 months old**, issued by the Home Office under regulation 18(3) or 20(2) of the Immigration (European Economic Area) Regulations 2016, to a person who is not a national of a European Economic Area state or Switzerland but who is a family member of such a national or who has derivative rights of residence.
- Reasonable evidence that the person has an outstanding application to vary their permission to be in the UK with the Home Office such as the Home Office acknowledgement letter or proof of postage evidence, or reasonable evidence that the person has an appeal or administrative review pending on an immigration decision, such as an appeal or administrative review reference number.
- Reasonable evidence that a person who is not a national of a European Economic Area state or Switzerland but who is a family member of such a national or who has derivative rights of residence in exercising treaty rights in the UK including:-
 - evidence of the applicant's own identity – such as a passport,
 - evidence of their relationship with the European Economic Area family member – e.g. a marriage certificate, civil partnership certificate or birth certificate, and
 - evidence that the European Economic Area national has a right of permanent residence in the UK or is one of the following if they have been in the UK for more than 3 months:
 - (i) working e.g. employment contract, wage slips, letter from the employer,
 - (ii) self-employed e.g. contracts, invoices, or audited accounts with a bank,
 - (iii) studying e.g. letter from the school, college or university and evidence of sufficient funds; or
 - (iv) self-sufficient e.g. bank statements.

Family members of European Economic Area nationals who are studying or financially independent must also provide evidence that the European Economic Area national and any family members hold comprehensive sickness insurance in the UK. This can include a private medical insurance policy, an EHIC card or an S1, S2 or S3 form.

Original documents must not be sent to licensing authorities. If the document copied is a passport, a copy of the following pages should be provided:-

- (i) any page containing the holder's personal details including nationality;
- (ii) any page containing the holder's photograph;
- (iii) any page containing the holder's signature;
- (iv) any page containing the date of expiry; and
- (v) any page containing information indicating the holder has permission to enter or remain in the UK and is permitted to work.

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If the document is not a passport, a copy of the whole document should be provided.

Your right to work will be checked as part of your licensing application and this could involve us checking your immigration status with the Home Office. We may otherwise share information with the Home Office. Your licence application will not be determined until you have complied with this guidance.

Home Office online right to work checking service

As an alternative to providing a copy of the documents listed above, applicants may demonstrate their right to work by allowing the licensing authority to carry out a check with the Home Office online right to work checking service.

To demonstrate their right to work via the Home Office online right to work checking service, applicants should include in this application their 9-digit share code (provided to them upon accessing the service at <https://www.gov.uk/prove-right-to-work>) which, along with the applicant's date of birth (provided within this application), will allow the licensing authority to carry out the check.

In order to establish the applicant's right to work, the check will need to indicate that the applicant is allowed to work in the United Kingdom and is not subject to a condition preventing them from doing work relating to the carrying on of a licensable activity.

An online check will not be possible in all circumstances because not all applicants will have an immigration status that can be checked online. The Home Office online right to work checking service sets out what information and/or documentation applicants will need in order to access the service. Applicants who are unable to obtain a share code from the service should submit copy documents as set out above.

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NOTES ON REGULATED ENTERTAINMENT

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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:
 - o a performance of unamplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, on any premises.
 - o 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.
 - o 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.
 - o 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.
 - o 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:
 - o 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.
 - o 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.
 - o 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.

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- 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:
 - o any entertainment taking place on the premises of the local authority where the entertainment is provided by or on behalf of the local authority;
 - o 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;
 - o any entertainment taking place on the premises of the school where the entertainment is provided by or on behalf of the school proprietor; and
 - o 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.

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PAYMENT DETAILS

This fee must be paid to the authority. If you complete the application online, you must pay it by debit or credit card.

* Fee amount (£)

315.00

ATTACHMENTS

AUTHORITY POSTAL ADDRESS

Address

Building number or name

Street

District

City or town

County or administrative area

Postcode

Country

United Kingdom

DECLARATION

This section should be completed by the applicant, unless you answered "Yes" to the question "Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?"

* Full name

* Capacity

Date (dd/mm/yyyy)

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**Whealers Farm, Wheelers Hill, CM3 3LZ Time Limited Premises Licence
Application - Proposed conditions for discussion with the authorities.**

1. The licence shall not authorise licensable activity more than twice in 2026. Patrons shall not exceed 5,000 on each of the events.
2. The licence holder will ensure that music or amplified sound from the event (including any concert, music performance, film showing, side show, display or any other entertainment within the licensed area, but excluding noise generation for crowd control or for emergency reasons) will not cause a nuisance outside the boundary of the site between 2300 hours and 1100 hours.
3. The licence holder shall appoint a suitably qualified and experienced noise control consultant who is a member of the Institute of Acoustics and/or the Association of Noise Consultants to produce and fully implement a noise management plan (NMP).
4. For up to 3 event days in a calendar year the Music Noise Level (MNL) should not exceed, at any noise sensitive location, 65dB(A) LAeq over any 15-minute period throughout the event and during any rehearsal or sound check for the event. For any other event days within a calendar year the MNL from any event shall not exceed, at any noise sensitive location, the representative background noise level by more than 15dB(A) over a 15-minute period throughout the event and during any rehearsal or sound check for the event.

The representative background noise level should be measured and calculated as per the guidance contained within the 'Code of Practice on Environmental Noise Control at Concerts' (the arithmetic average of the LA90, 1 hour for the final four hours of the period to be determined) at locations representative of the nearest noise sensitive receptors to be agreed with Chelmsford City Council.

5. A Low frequency music noise control strategy shall be included as part of the NMP and shall be submitted to, and approved in writing by Chelmsford City Council, prior to the commencement of any event.
6. The appointed noise control consultant will regularly monitor noise from events at noise sensitive locations around the site and advise their sound engineers accordingly to ensure MNL limits are not exceeded. Chelmsford City Council will be permitted access to this

information on request. The noise sensitive locations will be agreed with Chelmsford City Council prior to the commencement of any event.

7. The licence holder shall provide Chelmsford City Council, in advance of the event, contact telephone numbers of their appointed noise control consultant and other members of their management team who can be contacted in the event noise complaints are received.
8. During any event the licence holder will ensure there is a dedicated and continuously manned complaint telephone line that will be advertised to the public so that residents can contact organisers in the event they are disturbed by noise
9. A traffic and event management plan shall be submitted to the Licensing Authority, Essex Police and Essex County Council Highways at least 10 weeks prior to any planned event and licensable activity shall not take place if any of these object to the traffic management plan in writing within 6 weeks of submission and that objection is not rescinded.

1. The licence shall be time limited and authorise licensable activities only between the dates 1st January 2026 and 1st September 2026
2. The licence shall not authorise licensable activity more than twice in 2026 (none of which shall exceed 13 hours in duration);
3. Customers will not be permitted to remove from the premises any drinks supplied by the premises in open containers.
4. The sale of alcohol for consumption off the licensed premises will be restricted to those persons temporarily residing in land adjacent to the licensed premises (i.e. tents and other temporary structures supplied or permitted to be erected by the licence holder on land occupied or controlled by the licence holder);
5. There shall be no events at the premises that are organised, promoted or advertised by an external promoter (i.e. by an individual/organisation not directly related to the management of the premises)
6. An incident log shall be maintained and made immediately available to police or licensing authority staff upon reasonable request. The log must be completed as soon as is possible and shall record the following:
 - (a) All crimes reported to the venue
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 - (c) Any complaints received concerning crime and disorder
 - (d) Any incidents of disorder
 - (e) All seizures of drugs or offensive weapons
7. SIA licensed security staff shall be used in accordance with a site security plan which will form part of the event management plan and a record shall be maintained (on the premises) which is legible and details:
 - a) The day and date when door supervisors are deployed;
 - b) The name and SIA registration number of each door supervisor on duty at the premises; and
 - c) The duty start and end time for each door supervisor.

This record shall be retained for 31 days and be immediately provided to police or licensing authority staff upon reasonable request.

8. All security staff (and stewards) will wear high visibility clothing ensuring that they are readily identifiable.
9. The premises shall have in place and operate a zero-tolerance policy with regard to the use/possession of controlled drugs and psychoactive substances and advertise the same within the premises on posters and similar means. This policy may form part of the event management plan.

This policy shall specifically include but not be limited to:

- i. Searching practices upon entry;
 - ii. Dealing with patrons suspected of using drugs on the premises;
 - iii. Scrutiny of spaces including toilets or outside areas;
 - iv. Clear expectations of staff roles (including the DPS, managers/supervisors and door supervisors);
 - v. Staff training regarding identification of suspicious activity and what action to take;
 - vi. The handling of items suspected to be illegal drugs or psychoactive substances
 - vii. Steps taken to discourage and disrupt drug use on the premises
 - viii. Steps to be taken to inform patrons of the premises drug policy/practices
 - ix. Patrol of perimeter (Haras) fencing to deter drug supply
10. A Challenge 25 scheme shall be operated, whereby any person who appears to be under the age of 25 years of age is required to produce on request an item which meets the mandatory age verification requirement and is either a:
 - o o Proof of age card bearing the PASS Hologram;
 - o o Photocard driving licence;
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 11. The premises shall clearly display signs at each point of sale and in areas where alcohol is displayed advising customers that a 'Challenge 25' policy is in force.
 12. All staff engaged in the sale or supply of alcohol on the premises shall have received training in relation to including under-age sales, how to recognise drunkenness and the duty not to serve drunk persons.
 13. Training records shall be maintained and kept for a minimum of 12 months and made available to police or licensing authority staff upon reasonable request.
 14. A refusals record shall be maintained at the premises, which details all refusals to sell alcohol. Each entry shall, as a minimum, record the date and time of the refusal and the name of the staff member refusing the sale. All entries must be made as soon as possible

and in any event within 4 hours of the refusal and the record must be made immediately available to police or licensing authority staff upon reasonable request.

15. The licence holder will appoint a competent security/stewarding contractor with expertise in the operation of security and stewarding of large-scale outdoor events. The security/stewarding contractor will ensure there are the correct number of SIA registered security staff at the event. Full details will be contained within the EMP.
16. The licence holder will ensure a full stewarding plan and evacuation plan will be produced as part of the EMP.
17. CCTV cameras shall cover all entrances and exits to the event.
18. All drinks will be dispensed in either plastic bottles or collapsible cups or containers, no glass vessels to be used the sale of glass bottles for Champagne, sparkling or premium wines will be allowed only in a dedicated security-controlled area which will be detailed in the Event Management Plan/Alcohol Management Plan and on the Site Plan each year.
19. The licence holder will ensure the perimeter of the licensed area will be securely fenced and cordoned off to enable the licence holder to safely control the event.
20. The licence holder will ensure vehicle movement in the licensed area will be kept to a minimal for essential vehicles only.
21. In addition to water, other non-alcoholic beverages shall be available at all times whilst alcohol sale or supply takes place.
22. The land in the immediate vicinity of the lake is to be cordoned off to ensure that no patrons can access that area during events. Plans to cordon off the lake must be included within the Traffic and Event management plan.

Licensing Act 2003

Schedule 12 - Part A

Premises Licence

Premises Licence Number

24/00006/LAPRE

Part 1 – Premises Details

Wheelers Farm Wheelers Hill Little Waltham Chelmsford Essex CM3 3LZ		
Telephone number		
Where the licence is time limited the dates are Not applicable		
Licensable activities authorised by the licence and the times the licence authorises the carrying out of licensable activities are		
Sale or supply of Alcohol	Friday to Sunday	13:00 - 23:00
Performance of Dance	Friday to Sunday	13:00 - 23:00
Exhibition of a Film	Friday to Sunday	13:00 - 23:00
Performance of Live Music	Friday to Sunday	13:00 - 23:00
Playing of Recorded Music	Friday to Sunday	13:00 - 23:00
The opening hours of the premises are		
Opening hours	Friday to Sunday	12:00 - 23:00
Where the licence authorises supplies of alcohol whether these are on and / or off supplies		
On Sales only		

Part 2

Name, (registered) address, telephone number and email (where relevant) of holder of premises licence LDN Wild LTD Unit 11 Holts Court Threshers Bush Harlow Essex CM17 0NS
Registered number of holder, for example company number, charity number (where applicable) Registered Business Number 15101557
Name, address and telephone number of designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises for the supply of alcohol
Personal licence number and issuing authority of personal licence held by designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises for the supply of alcohol

Signed:



On behalf of the Licensing Authority

Dated: 1st May 2024

Valid and issued on 28th October 2025 following minor variation to the licence.

Annex I – Mandatory conditions

- 1 Where premises authorise the supply of alcohol no supply of alcohol may be made under the premises licence-
 - a) at a 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.
- 2 Every supply of alcohol under the premises licence must be made or authorised by a person who holds a personal licence.
- 3 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.

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 the licensing authority.

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)

- 4 (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
 - (a) be authorised to carry out that activity by a licence granted under the Private Security Industry Act 2001; or
 - (b) be entitled to carry out that activity by virtue of section 4 of that Act.
- (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 that Act).

(3) For the purposes of this section—

- (a) "security activity" means an activity to which paragraph 2(1)(a) of that Schedule applies, [F2and which is licensable conduct for the purposes of that Act (see section 3(2) of that Act)] and
- (b) paragraph 8(5) of that Schedule (interpretation of references to an occasion) applies as it applies in relation to paragraph 8 of that Schedule.

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(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 objectives
- (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).

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The responsible person must ensure that free potable water is provided on request to customers where it is reasonably available.

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(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..

8 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.

9 (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 amount 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) "value 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 or/and as agreed with responsible authorities

1. The licence shall not authorise licensable activity more than six times a year. Of these six event days, up to two events per year the number of patrons shall not exceed 3000. For up to two events per year the number of patrons shall not exceed 1500 and for the remaining two events per year the number of patrons shall not exceed 1000.
2. The licence holder will ensure that music or amplified sound from the event (including any concert, music performance, film showing, side show, display or any other entertainment within the licensed area) is not audible outside the boundary of the site between 2300 hours and 1100 hours.
3. The licence holder shall appoint a suitably qualified and experienced noise control consultant who is a member of the Institute of Acoustics and/or the Association of Noise Consultants to produce and fully implement a noise management plan (NMP).
4. For up to 3 event days in a calendar year the Music Noise Level (MNL) should not exceed, at any noise sensitive location, 65dB(A) LAeq over any 15-minute period throughout the event and during any rehearsal or sound check for the event. For any other event days within a calendar year the MNL from any event shall not exceed, at any noise sensitive location, the representative background noise level by more than 15dB(A) over a 15-minute period throughout the event and during any rehearsal or sound check for the event.

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5. A Low frequency music noise control strategy shall be included as part of the NMP and shall be submitted to, and approved in writing by Chelmsford City Council, prior to the commencement of any event.
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information on request. The noise sensitive locations will be agreed with Chelmsford City Council prior to the commencement of any event.

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9. A traffic and event management plan shall be submitted to the Licensing Authority, Essex Police and Essex County Council Highways at least 10 weeks prior to any planned event and licensable activity shall not take place if any of these object to the traffic management plan in writing within 6 weeks of submission and that objection is not rescinded.

Annex 3 – Conditions attached after a hearing by the licensing authority

1. The licence shall be time limited and authorise licensable activities only between the dates of 30th April and 31st October annually.
2. Where another premises licence is enforced for the premises Annex 3 Condition 2 shall be read that the 6 times a year will include events authorised by that other licence.
3. Customers will not be permitted to remove from the premises any drinks supplied by the premises in open containers.
4. The sale of alcohol for consumption off the licensed premises will be restricted to those persons temporarily residing in land adjacent to the licensed premises (i.e. tents and other temporary structures supplied or permitted to be erected by the licence holder on land occupied or controlled by the licence holder);
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6. An incident log shall be maintained and made immediately available to police or licensing authority staff upon reasonable request. The log must be completed as soon as is possible and shall record the following:
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7. SIA licensed security staff shall be used in accordance with a site security plan which will form part of the event management plan and a record shall be maintained (on the premises) which is legible and details:
 - a) The day and date when door supervisors are deployed;
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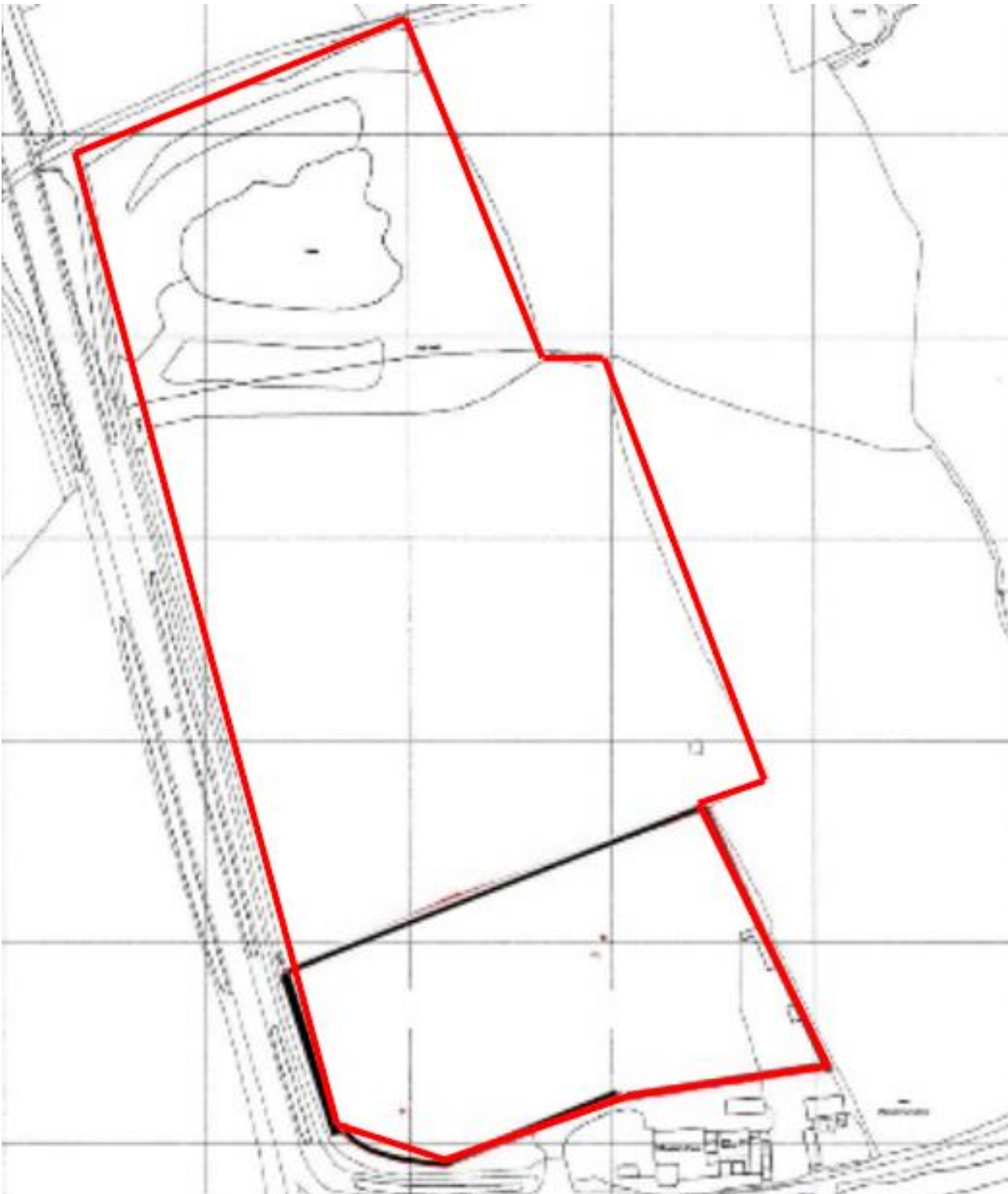
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 11. The premises shall clearly display signs at each point of sale and in areas where alcohol is displayed advising customers that a 'Challenge 25' policy is in force.
 12. All staff engaged in the sale or supply of alcohol on the premises shall have received training in relation to including under-age sales, how to recognise drunkenness and the duty not to serve drunk persons.
 13. Training records shall be maintained and kept for a minimum of 12 months and made available to police or licensing authority staff upon reasonable request.
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Annex 4 – Plans



Representations

Representation 1:

Councillor Mike Steel – Essex County Council.

I make the following comments, specifically in relation to Public safety and The prevention of public nuisance:

I am one of the City Cllrs for Broomfield and the Walthams, I am also the County Cllr that covers the site.

I recall when the first licence was granted and the traffic issues created at the events – parking on the A131, pedestrians on the A131, plus public nuisance issues in Little Waltham. It seems to have improved since those times, and there have been fewer complaints to me.

Whilst this may evidence that events of 1,500, or 3,000 can be adequately managed, it represents a significant increase to 4,999. I urge City Council Licencing committee to ensure that they have are satisfied that such an increase can be accommodated without a degradation in safety on the roads in the vicinity of the site.

Please also note that Wheelers Hill will be closed from 20 Oct 25 to 29 Jan 26, for road widening for the planned solar farm. Does this create extra risk? Should any licence increase be delayed until the road is reopened in February 2026?

In terms of noise nuisance, I can't see that an increase of attendees would not increase the noise nuisance, assuming that the frequency of events remains the same.

Representation 2:

Chelmsford Garden Community Parish Council.

Chelmsford Garden Community Council has considered this application and wishes to make the following representations:

It is noted that the applicant wishes to increase the capacity at the venue. However, Councillors are concerned that an increased capacity would create a detrimental impact in relation to the increase in traffic looking to access the venue. From past events, especially the first few events hosted at this venue when there was a higher capacity, it was both observed and noted by Councillors that the impact upon traffic on Essex Regiment Way was extremely detrimental causing tailbacks along the road. The problem was caused by the lack of capacity for vehicles to be parked at the venue and the fact that the entrance to the venue is in close proximity to the Wheeler's Hill roundabout. Councillors recalled that there was also problems with cars parked on grass verges along Essex Regiment way at previous events.

More recent events do not seem to have caused a particular issue but the concern is that if the capacity is increased it will become more challenging for the venue to manage traffic in a manner that will not adversely impact upon the local community.

Therefore, on the grounds of public safety and preventing nuisance, Chelmsford Garden Community Council would wish for the capacity of the venue to remain as it is at present and for the application to be rejected.

I trust that these comments can be taken into account at the licensing hearing.



Appendix E – Representations

Licensing Authority

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Date: 07/10/25

OBJECTION TO APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE (LICENSING ACT 2003)

Essex Police have received an application for a time limited premises Licence at Wheelers Farm, Wheelers Hill, Little Waltham, Chelmsford CM33LZ. The events which have been proposed are music events and concerts. The Sale of Alcohol on the premises and regulated entertainment has been applied for. The number of persons attending the events will be a maximum of 5000.

On behalf of the Chief Officer of Police for the county of Essex and the non-metropolitan districts of Southend-on-Sea and Thurrock, I wish to object to this application on the grounds that if granted the crime and disorder, public nuisance and public safety objectives of the Licensing Act 2003 are likely to be undermined.

The premises currently holds a licence making it very difficult to manage, should the time limited licence application be successful the applicant could hold an additional 2 events per year with an increase in the number of persons attending.

Essex police made objections to an application for a premises licence applied for at Wheelers Farm in March 2022 and August 2024 due to concerns with the location sought to be authorised for licensable activity. This licence was granted subject to the imposition of the conditions proposed by Essex Police and Chelmsford City Council's Environmental Protection Services / Public Health & Protection Services.

Essex Police licensing-initiated review proceedings on 13/09/21 after issues arose with two separate events at the location and without the restriction in the numbers of these issues could arise again. The location is ill advisable for events of this type

unless patrons attending numbers are strictly managed, and the event organisers have in place a robust traffic management plan.

Essex Police have a duty to ensure that an application of this nature does not adversely impact on the community in respect of crime and disorder, public safety, and nuisance. At this stage the Chief Officer of Police makes representations that in its present form the application should be refused.

Representatives of Essex Police are presently engaging with the applicant with a view to the applicant agreeing to various amendments to the proposed operating schedule so reasonable and appropriate steps to promote the licensing objectives are put in place.

Essex Police is aware that members of the public have already made representations and that other responsible authorities may do so and thus irrespective of this representation a licensing hearing is likely to be held.

It is anticipated on (or before) the hearing date Essex Police and the applicant would have agreed upon conditions that would be appropriate to upholding the licensing objectives in this specific case and which will allay the Chief Officer's concerns (and perhaps others that have made representations) and which can be presented to the licensing authority.

In accordance with paragraph 11.9 of the Statutory Guidance Essex Police may amplify its representation at the subsequent hearing. Essex Police may also produce further documentary or other information in support of this application ahead of the hearing and would ask the authority to take this into account as it may do under Regulation 18 of the Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005.

Yours Sincerely

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Representations from Little Waltham Parish Council

In relation to the Licensing Application by LDN Wild Ltd for Wheelers Farm, Wheelers Hill, Little Waltham

Little Waltham Parish Council wishes to make a formal representation in opposition to the licensing application for **Wheelers Farm, Wheelers Hill, Little Waltham**, as applied for by **LDN Wild Ltd**. The Parish Council would like to object on the grounds of public safety and noise and public nuisance.

1. Public Safety

The Parish Council believes that the site and its surrounding infrastructure are completely unsuitable to safely accommodate such large scale events. Access to the venue is via Wheelers Hill and Essex Regiment Way, which is a fast-moving, unlit road with no pavements.

Increasing capacity by 2,000 people would place unsustainable pressure on local roads and nearby residential areas, as well as increase littering and anti-social behaviour.

The previous Licensing Agreement granted a maximum attendance of 3,000. The new application for an additional 2,000 attendees would greatly affect the area, increasing the amount of traffic congestion, potential unsafe parking practices, and delays to emergency vehicles. It would also impact access routes to Broomfield Hospital, posing a broader risk to public safety.

It has been evident very recently (by Chelmsford City Racecourse) what happens when local venues greatly exceed their capacity and the ramifications and danger that poses to public safety.

2. Noise and Public Nuisance

Events already cause substantial noise disturbance to residents across Little Waltham, including those within the village centre. Increasing the number of attendees from 3,000 to 5,000 will

inevitably intensify the level and reach of noise, both from amplified music and from the greater movement of people and vehicles late into the evening.

Given that previous events at this site has generated noise complaints, this proposed capacity increase would cause unacceptable harm to the local community.

Little Waltham Parish Council therefore **objects** to this licensing application and we request for Chelmsford City Council to refuse this application.