

# Licensing and Regulatory Panel Thursday 3 June 2021

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Membership: Councillors C Gifford, Grey and TBC

# **Agenda**

# 1. Appointment of Chairman

To appoint the Chairman of the meeting.

#### 2. Declarations of Interest

Members to declare the existence and nature of interests in items on the agenda in accordance with the adopted Code of Conduct.

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Members are also reminded of the need to declare predetermination on any matter.

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# 3. Application for a Premises Licence under the Licensing Act 2003 for Revive Café Limited, 7 Smith Street, Warwick

To consider a report from Health and Community Protection

(Pages 1 to 4 and Appendices 1 to 6)

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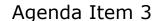
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Licensing and Regulatory Panel 3 June 2021

Title: Application for a Premises Licence under the Licensing Act 2003 for Revive Café Limited, 7 Smith Street, Warwick, CV34 4JA

Lead Officer: Emma Dudgeon Portfolio Holder: Judy Falp

**Public report** 

Wards of the District directly affected: Warwick Saltisford

Contrary to the policy framework: No Contrary to the budgetary framework: No

Key Decision: No

Included within the Forward Plan: No

Equality Impact Assessment Undertaken: No Consultation & Community Engagement: No

Final Decision: Yes

Accessibility checked: Yes

Officer/Councillor Approval

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Officer Approval	Date	Name		
Head of Service	21.5.2021	Marianne Rolfe		
Democratic Services manager	20.5.2021	Graham Leach		
& Deputy Monitoring Officer				

### 1. Summary

1.1 Warwick District Council, as the Licensing Authority, has received a valid premises licence application for Revive Café, 7 Smith Street, Warwick, CV34 4JA. A representation has been received in relation to this application for the consideration of the panel in the determination of the application.

# 2. Options available to the Panel

2.1 Members are asked to consider the information contained in this report and decide whether the application for a premises licence at Revive Café, 7 Smith Street, Warwick, CV34 4JA, should be granted and, if so, whether the licence should be subject to any additional conditions.

The following options are available to members:

Option 1 – Grant the application as requested;

Option 2 – Grant the application with amended hours and/or added conditions, or;

Option 3 - Refuse the application.

#### 3. Details for Consideration

- 3.1 When considering the application the panel must also give appropriate weight to:
  - a) The representations received.
  - b) Statutory guidance issued by the Secretary of State under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003.
  - c) The Council's Licensing Policy Statement (attached as appendix 6)
  - d) The Licensing Objectives, which are:
    - i) The Prevention of Crime and Disorder.
    - ii) Public Safety.
    - iii) The Prevention of Public Nuisance.
    - iv) The Protection of Children from Harm.

However, it must only consider those licensing objectives which have been referred to in the representations received.

3.2 The Council's Statement of Licensing Policy provides that the authority will take an objective view on all applications and will seek to attach appropriate and proportionate conditions to licences where necessary in order to ensure the promotion of the four licensing objectives. Each application will be judged on its own merits.

- 3.3 Details of the procedure adopted by the Licensing and Regulatory Committee for Panel Hearings have been supplied to the applicant and those making representations. The procedure will be explained more fully by one of the Council's Legal Team at the commencement of the hearing.
- 3.4 Revive Café Limited applied for a premises licence at Revive Café on 8 April 2021. The applicant describes the premises as a café/restaurant, serving hot and cold drinks and food with alcohol sales.
- 3.5 The licensable hours applied for by Revive Café are detailed below.

Opening Hours of the premises: Monday to Sunday from 08:00 to 23:00

Supply of Alcohol for Consumption On and Off the Premises: Monday to Sunday from 08:00 to 23:00

Recorded Music (Indoors only)

Monday to Sunday from 08:00 to 23:00

NOTE: Between the hours of 08:00 and 23:00, when recorded music is taking place to an audience of less than 500 people and the premises is licensed for the sale of alcohol for consumption on the premises, all licensing conditions applicable to the control of recorded music on this licence are deemed not to be in operation.

An operating schedule, which has been submitted by the applicants and will form part of any licence issued, is attached as appendix 1 and additional documents submitted by the applicant for the Panel are attached as appendix 2.

- 3.6 The Licensing Department received an objection from a local resident attached as appendix 3.
- 3.7 The Licensing Department received representations from Warwickshire County Council Safeguarding and Trading Standards. Following the agreement of conditions, they subsequently withdrew their representations. These conditions are:
  - 1. Must have a policy on clearing glasses to minimise opportunities for children to access leftover alcohol.
  - 2. All children under 16 years of age must be accompanied by an adult after 9pm. After 9pm any unaccompanied children appearing to be under the age of 16 years old will not be served food or drinks. Refusal of service must be recorded in the refusals log.
  - 3. A prompt or reminder to staff, at the point of sale, to consider whether a sale or challenge ought to be made (for example an EPOS Electronic Point of Sale system till prompt or if not then written notices/stickers at the till point showing age limits).
  - 4. A 'Challenge 25' age verification policy requiring proof of age by passport, photo driving licence or PASS accredited card (as opposed to a Challenge 21 policy).

- 3.8 No representations have been received from:
  - Fire Authority
  - The Licensing Authority
  - Enforcement Agency for Health and Safety
  - Authority Responsible for Planning
  - National Health Service/Public Health
  - Environmental Health
  - Warwickshire Police
- 3.9 A plan of the premises and the area are attached as appendix 4 and photographs of the premises are attached as appendix 5.

# 4. Policy Framework

# 4.1. Fit for the Future (FFF)

- 4.1.1. The Council's FFF Strategy is designed to deliver the Vision for the District of making it a Great Place to Live, Work and Visit. To that end amongst other things the FFF Strategy contains several Key projects.
- 4.1.2. The FFF Strategy has 3 strands, People, Services and Money, and each has an external and internal element to it, the details of which can be found on the Council's website. The table below illustrates the impact of this proposal if any in relation to the Council's FFF Strategy.

#### 4.2. FFF Strands

# 4.2.1 External impacts of proposal(s)

**People - Health, Homes, Communities -** The licensing policy recognises that residents within, and visitors to the District, need a safe and healthy environment to live, work and visit; and that safe and well run entertainment premises are important to the local economy and vibrancy of the District.

**Services - Green, Clean, Safe - None.** 

**Money- Infrastructure, Enterprise, Employment -** The licensing policy relates to current legislation, and, where possible, to local factors, allowing flexibility and the potential to expand and augment the local economy and promote cultural issues.

# 4.2.2. Internal impacts of the proposal(s)

**People** - **Effective Staff** - None.

Services - Maintain or Improve Services - None.

**Money - Firm Financial Footing over the Longer Term - None.** 

# Revive Café, 7 Smith Street, Warwick Operating Schedule

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

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

Clear signage on the premises of all objectives to ensure staff and customers are aware of steps that will help keep staff, customers and any accompanying children, and other members of public safe and informed.

Noise, Light and other types of pollution will be kept under control within set local authority guidelines. Any changes or recommendations will be dealt with swiftly.

Training of all new members of staff before they start their employment with Revive Cafe Limited will have to have a mandatory training session on the licensing objectives.

Refresher training of staff twice a year of these objectives which will be logged by management of who was trained, dated and signed. This log book will be open for inspection to Warwickshire Council should an inspection be required.

### b) The prevention of crime and disorder

- A clear and concise notice outside the premises to show the hours under the terms of license and activities permitted.
- Clear and notice of warning of possible risk of criminal activity in the area such as theft, to help customers be aware of their
  possessions.
- Drunk and disorderly behaviour from customers will not be permitted and may be asked by management of premises to leave should their behaviour continue as it can potentially cause harm or endanger other customers and/or their children.
- Signs of drug misuse or taking will not be tolerated and notices will be shown to customers to be vigilant and report any activity to members of staff. This in turn will result in notifying the police or emergency service should it be required.
- No solicitation of provisions and services of the premises will take place outside the immediate area causing public harassment or disorder.
- Notice to ask customers to be aware of any suspicious activity and to notify staff immediately, so that action can be taken swiftly to resolve any issues.
- CCTV will be installed inside and outside to have a record of any activity that would help bring people to justice should any
  wrongdoing happen on or outside the immediate vicinity of the premises.

#### c) Public safety

- Signs will be displayed showing cleaning in progress or warning of areas where public should not access, such as kitchen / restricted access or areas being cleaned where accidents or dangerous materials could cause harm.
- There will be a log book of incidents or accidents that happen on site will be kept on the premises, recording any instances

and be ready for inspection by any authorised person from the local authority as per Licensing Act 2003.

- Adequate access is provided for emergency vehicles.
- Adequate access and provisions are provided for disabled or impaired customers.
- The premises, including fittings including door fastenings, seating, notices, electrical, heating, lighting, ventilation, washing facilities, sanitary accommodation and other installations, will be maintained at all times in good order, and in a safe condition.
- Fire extinguishers and fire blankets will be situated in the premises including the kitchen, and notices of how to use fire safety equipment will be shown near the apparatus at all times. This will be in line and accordance to Fire Safety governed by the regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005.

#### d) The prevention of public nuisance

- Clear and legible notices to be shown on all exit signs requesting customers to respect nearby residents and businesses
  that they should leave quietly without causing too much noise.
- Deliveries of supplies necessary for the operation of this business will be carried out where possible at times or in such a
  manner that it causes the least amount of disturbance for nearby residents or businesses.
- The licensee will make sure that all staff who arrive early or leave late will be advised to keep noise level to a minimal level
  to ensure local residents or other businesses are not too disturbed.
- Customers will be notified within the premises with clear signs when leaving the premises to leave quickly and quietly, and not stand outside talking loudly outside of normal hours.
- Movement of rubbish and bins will be kept at a minimum in the early morning and after 22:00 hours, this will help reduce
  noise pollution. Staff will be given clear instructions on this process.
- Any lights outside of the building will be monitored and can be changed to make sure that light pollution doesn't bring
  any necessary complaints by local residents, businesses or local authority.

- e) The protection of children from harm
- Notice of under 18's will not be permitted to be served, or consume alcohol on the premises.
- The premises will support the Challenge 21 / 25 Scheme and also have a log book of refusals recording when sale is refused as part of any age challenged scheme.
- Drunk and disorderly behaviour from customers will not be permitted and may be asked by management of premises to leave should their behaviour continue as it can potentially cause harm or endanger other customers and/or their children.
- Safety door hinges will be installed to make sure smaller children are kept safe.
- Notices to childminders, parents and adults to keep vigilant on their child in their care at all times.
- All staff will be internally trained on noticing signs / actions during working hours of child neglect, physical abuse, sexual
  abuse or emotional abuse. Also, able to take necessary steps to inform the police or local authority immediately if this
  should be witnessed personally or brought up by a concerned member of the public. This is inclusive of staff noticing other
  members of staff acting suspiciously on the premises. This will be in line with local authority guidelines.
- No entertainment will be permitted to show adult themes or sexual nature within the premises.
- No gambling will be permitted on the premises.

# Revive Cafe Limited Supporting Documents for Licensing Hearing 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2021

Main objection points listed:

- 1. Drunken behaviour.
- 2. Noise from music.

# **Local business with local intentions:**

- This is a family run, local business having roots within the town, looking to improve the
  existing derelict site. Shareholders are living in Warwick and already operating Warwick
  businesses.
- It is a cafe, sit down restaurant first and foremost; we added the alcohol license as we intend to gauge the interest for a Friday and Saturday night fine dining experience. We have employed a Head Chef that has over 30 yrs. executive fine dining / traditional English cooking, having worked at Warwick Castle and Wroxall Abbey cooking for royalty and dignitaries. It is with this in mind that we are looking to gauge interest in our premises becoming a fine dining experience over Friday and Saturday evenings.
- We have a very experienced Front of House General Manager, who has over 10 years in Coffee establishments working for local companies in and around Warwick and Leamington Spa, coming to us from Costa Coffee.
- We have senior staff who are very familiar with true hospitality of fine dining and coffee experience rather than opening a Bar/Pub, or as we have heard incorrectly a "Sports Bar".
- The rumour of a "Sports Bar", we believe, has possibly been locally spread by intrigued passers by asking workers on site, who in turn have given false information. They had no idea on what they were working on. This person has since been identified and he has confirmed that it was he who was spreading misinformation as he was not aware of what he was working on. We fear that this has given Revive the rise of this objection in this instance. Sports Bars have large areas for people to sit and watch multiple screens, with varying sports on each one. Revive has one screen, that is situated at the bottom end of the cafe away from the main entrance. We do not intend in the future to have multiple screens as it is not physically possible, as it would interfere with our direction of establishing Revive as a "go to" cafe/ restaurant bar in Warwick. There is simply no space, nor desire to become anything but a cafe restaurant bar. We welcome Mrs Smith to personally visit Revive where, she will see this to be the case.

#### Mission for the Revive Cafe restaurant:

- There will be a family atmosphere, as we have taken out vital covers/tables in order to support parents with children including: the introduction of table tennis, pool table, football table and library section.
- The interior area doesn't allow the premises to become anything but a cafe / restaurant bar with occasional events such as a possible trial comedy night.
   Due to social distancing our numbers will be very restricted, therefore only 26 covers. There won't be any close contact, so no standing at the reception /coffee bar area will be allowed.
   Even after lockdown there is simply not enough space for it to be a full-on bar.

- Revive Cafe Limited is providing work for local people that live in and around Warwick. I believe that 5/7 staff live in Warwick. 1 staff member lives in Learnington and the other lives in Birmingham (who may relocate to Warwick once their probation period is over).
- Revive Cafe has been renovated to the highest specifications in order to bring a derelict space back into a useful premises.
- Alcohol in stock is of the high-end, restaurant variety. This is not a budget venue for revellers.
- The Public House, "Roebuck Inn", down Smith Street would be a better drinking option for frequent drinkers with a larger capacity available and a completely different atmosphere to the one envisaged at Revive.

#### Training on Licensing Law 2003, Challenge 25, and Child Exploitation:

- Notices of noise reduction and process towards drunken behaviour for both staff and customers will be on display within the establishment.
- One of the reasons why Shareholders took on the premises below (AccountancyManager AM is situated at 9 Smith Street directly above 7 Smith Street), is so that AM could control the noise level downstairs. AccountancyManager have a team of staff who are on the phones above. It wouldn't be in the best interests of our other business (or Accounts & Returns Ltd situated at 26 Smith Street) to have a problem with noise / behaviour.
- All staff have been trained to be very sympathetic to local residents and businesses when operating outside of normal working hours especially when opening up and locking up at night.
- All staff have been trained on dealing with any drunken behaviour and refusal of intoxicated patrons. We'd like to reiterate that the messaging and vibe via our social media platforms and local advertising is that this is not a bar, nor sports bar, nor a purely drinking place, but a place for fine food, carefully selected alcoholic drinks and a place for relaxing with some games at the back of the premises. It is not a place for continued drinking, as that is not the message of our mission statement.
  - Our mission statement is to eat, drink, play and repeat for all ages but particularly families during the day in our cafe and fine dining with local produce and drinks on a Friday and Saturday night. This is prevalent in our training prior to opening and all staff, including shareholders are aware of what Revive Cafe Limited is trying to achieve.
- The Alcohol License Holder and DPS is the same person, and is on site during week.
- Mandatory training is undertaken prior to staff working at Revive and there will be a further
  two trainings to be undertaken during the year. In total, staff are trained three times within
  their first year of starting at Revive, on the Licensing Laws 2003 and this also covers Child
  Exploitation as a separate section.
- Challenge 25 is also being implemented within Revive.

# No prior history of noise and drunken behaviour:

- This premises, has no precedent for having any noise or drunken behaviour complaints previously.
- There will always be a level of commercial noise coming from any premises, it is our intention with all the training and points raised above will keep this to a minimum.
- Revive needs to be judged on its merits, rather than a projection of an assumption, set in the future.

- There is nothing to take cafe restaurant diners down the towards the residential areas. For
  example; Warwick train station is in the opposite direction from surrounding roads such as
  Gerrard Street, Chapel Street, and The Butts. Smith Street diners and patrons are more than
  likely to be parked at the Priory Road Car Park which is also away from those residential
  roads mentioned.
- Most footfall will fall away from Gerrard Street, Smith Street, and Chapel Street; unless they
  themselves are local residents who have dined at nearby restaurants and are going home.
   This would happen whether Revive Cafe was there or not.
- Revive Cafe will be operating within the standard licensing hours, and we have not requested a late license.
- All staff, including Shareholders, have taken mandatory training on the Licensing Laws of 2003, Child Exploitation, and Challenge 25 is in place within the premises.

Photos of The Furniture Place prior to Revive Café Limited.

#### Prior to renovation.



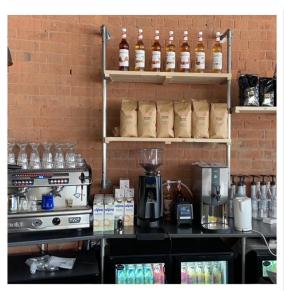












# **Closing Summary:**

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Revive management understands the objection being raised by the local resident. However, we are requesting that Revive Cafe Limited is given the Premises license, as there is no actual evidence to support the objection.

The Licensing Law of 2003 is paramount to senior management and staff. We will make sure that everyone and everything around the premises is within the guidelines set by the law. Revive management are very aware that if we are not operating within the guidelines, then the Premises License and future of Revive Cafe is at stake. We hope that this supporting document and details

around the premises will give the local resident and council panel confidence that Revive will be a benefit and not a discomfort to Warwick District council and its local residents.				



2nd May 2021

Licensing Warwick District Council Riverside House, Milverton Hill, Leamington Spa. CV32 5HZ

Dear Sirs,

# Application N° WDCPREM01006 at 7 Smith Street, Warwick

I write to express concern on the following grounds:-

The area nearest these premises, comprising the top of Smith Street to the East Gate, Chapel Street and Gerrard Street, is predominantly residential. My concern relates to:

- control of noise disturbance from entertainment occurring on the premises
- control of noise and public nuisance from customers leaving the premises

I hope these matters will be given due consideration when this application is considered.

Yours sincerely,



Gillian Smith (Mrs)

Dear Emma,

Thank you for your prompt response.

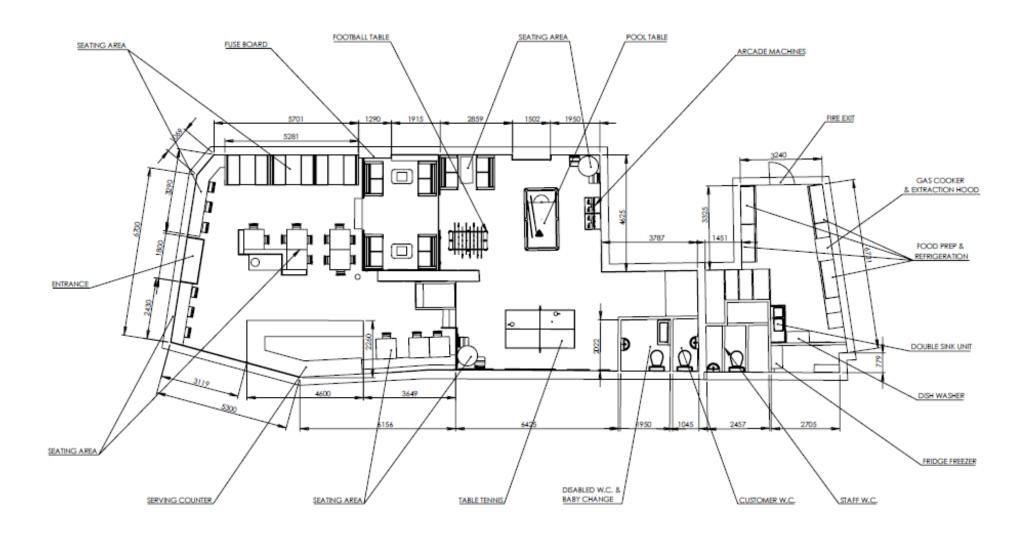
I suppose my first concern is that alcohol will be available to consume all day making it possible for customers to become inebriated before leaving the premises. At any time of day this becomes problematic for those who live in the surrounding area, both in terms of noise and behaviour likely to cause damage or public nuisance. I hope that a condition might be imposed making the landlord responsible for the behaviour of customers as they leave the premises.

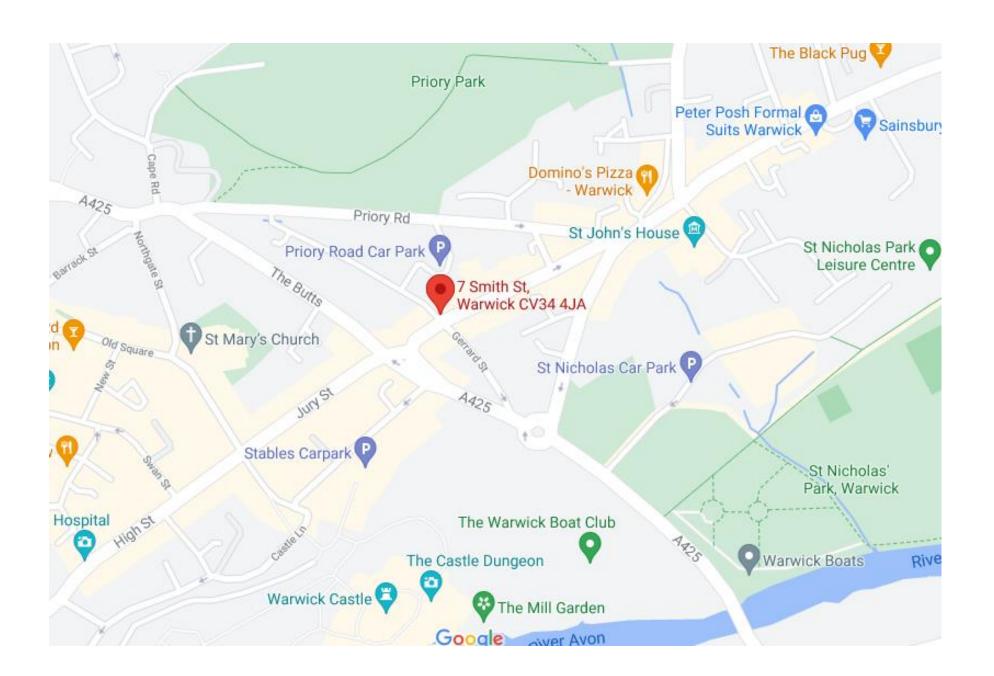
My second concern is that the public entertainment licence applied for states 'music'. If live music is proposed, containing the noise within the premises would be problematic due to the large glazed area of the premises. I also wanted to ask whether the description 'music' covers other entertainment, as I had understood that the proposal was for a 'sports bar'. This would be likely to include viewing sporting events, such as football matches, on a large television screen. For this concern to be addressed there would need to be physical noise barrier/ reduction measures installed within the premises. I would suggest that a system of double doors at the entrance, creating a lobby, might help to alleviate this.

I hope this is helpful.

Regards,

Gill Smith





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# STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY

(Required by section 5 of the Licensing Act 2003)

2021 - 2026

#### IMPORTANT NOTE

In producing this Statement Of Licensing Policy the Licensing Authority is aware that the Government may amend the Licensing Act 2003, subordinate legislation and statutory guidance.

Any such amendments made in the future may not be incorporated into this policy document and readers of this document are advised to check the Home Office/Gov.uk website to ensure they have the latest information.

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#### STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY

#### INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 Warwick District Council ('the Council') has a duty under the terms of the Licensing Act 2003 ('the Act') to carry out its functions as the Licensing Authority with a view to promoting the following licensing objectives:
  - The prevention of crime and disorder
  - Public safety
  - The prevention of public nuisance
  - The protection of children from harm
- 1.2 The promotion of these objectives is the paramount consideration when determining an application and any conditions attached to an authorisation.
- 1.3 Warwick District Council (WDC) is situated in the south of Warwickshire in the centre of England. Appropriately for England's heartland, Warwick District Council's boundaries are roughly heart-shaped, embracing an area of some 28,253 hectares with a population exceeding 138,400 people. The District covers four towns, Royal Leamington Spa, Warwick, Kenilworth and Whitnash as well as a large rural area with 18 Parish Councils. It is acknowledged that the town centres have a large proportion of residential premises.
- 1.4 This statement of licensing policy relates to all those licensing activities identified as falling within the provisions of the act, namely:
  - The sale by retail of alcohol
  - The supply of alcohol by clubs
  - The provision of regulated entertainment
  - The provision of late night refreshment

For the purposes of this document any reference to an 'authorisation' means a Premises Licence, Club Premises Certificate, Temporary Event Notice (TEN) and where appropriate to the context a Personal Licence.

1.5 The Licensing Authority recognises that the licensing function is only one means of promoting delivery of the above objectives and should not therefore be seen as a means for solving all problems within the community. The Licensing Authority will therefore continue to work with the Responsible Authorities, the South Warwickshire Community Safety Partnership, local businesses and local people to promote the common objectives as outlined. In addition the Licensing Authority recognises its duty under s.17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 with regard to the prevention of crime and disorder.

- 1.6 This policy statement has been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Act and the guidance issued under s.182 of the Act. The policy statement is valid until 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026. This policy statement will be subject to review and further consultation prior to any substantial changes.
- 1.7 A list of contact details for the Responsible Authorities authorised under the act is attached to this policy statement as Appendix 2.
- 1.8 The Licensing Authority has recognised Warwickshire County Council as the local body competent to advise it on the protection of children from harm and has designated it as a responsible authority for the purposes of s.13 of the Act.
- 1.9 The Licensing Authority will, when acting as a responsible authority, act in accordance with the guidance issued under s.182 of the Act wherever possible. In particular, it will not normally intervene in applications where the issues are within the remit of another responsible authority and will ensure an appropriate separation of responsibilities between the officer administering an application and an officer acting as a responsible authority.

# **Public Health as a Responsible Authority**

- 1.10 There is not a specific licensing objective related directly to health within the current legislation. When making a representation, the Director of Public Health will be required to relate such representations and available data to the other licensing objectives. This may include underage drinking, prevention of accidents, injuries and other immediate harms that can result from alcohol consumption.
- 1.11 Health bodies hold valuable information which may not be recorded by other agencies, including analysis of data on attendance at emergency departments and the use of ambulance services following alcohol related incidents. Sometimes it may be possible to link ambulance callouts and attendance to irresponsible practices at specific premises. Anonymised data can be collated about incidents relating to specific premises and presented to Licensing Sub-Committees when representations are made.

#### CONSULTATION

- 2.1 Before publishing this policy statement the Licensing Authority has consulted and given proper consideration to the views of the following in line with the statutory guidance.
  - The Responsible Authorities
  - Representatives of current licence and certificate holders
  - Representatives of local businesses
  - Representatives of local residents

#### **FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS**

- 3.1 Under the terms of the Act any person may apply for a variety of authorisations and have each application considered on its individual merits. Equally, any person has a right to make relevant representations on an application or to seek a review of a licence or certificate where provision has been made for them to do so in the Act.
- 3.2 Applicants and those making relevant representations in respect of applications to the Licensing Authority have a right of appeal to Warwickshire Magistrates' Court against the decisions of the Licensing Authority.

# LICENSING CONDITIONS

- 4.1 Licensing is about regulating the carrying on of licensable activities on licensed premises, by qualifying clubs and at temporary events within the terms of the Act. 'Premises' includes open spaces. Conditions attached to various authorisations will be focused on matters that are within the control of the individual licensees and others in possession of relevant authorisations. Accordingly, these matters will centre on the premises being used for licensable activities and the vicinity of those premises. If there is an incident or other dispute, the Licensing Authority will primarily focus on the direct impact of the activities taking place at licensed premises on members of the public living, working or engaged in other normal activities in the area concerned.
- 4.2 The Licensing Authority can impose conditions if it has received a relevant representation or if such conditions are consistent with the operating schedule.
- 4.3 When considering any conditions, the Licensing Authority acknowledges that licensing law should not be seen as the primary mechanism for the general control of nuisance and anti-social behaviour by individuals once they are away from licensed premises and therefore beyond the direct control of the individual club or business holding the licence, certificate or authorisation concerned. Nonetheless, it is a key aspect of general control and licensing law will always be part of a holistic approach to the management of the evening and night time economy. For example, applicants should note that stricter conditions to control noise are likely to be imposed in the case of premises situated in largely residential areas.
- 4.4 The Licensing Authority will not impose standard licensing conditions on licences or other relevant types of authorisation across the board. Therefore, the Licensing Authority will attach conditions to relevant authorisations which are tailored to the individual style and characteristics of the premises and events concerned and that are appropriate to promote the licensing objectives in the light of any representations received.

4.5 The Licensing Authority has produced a set of model conditions, which is aimed at assisting and supporting applicants through the application process. The model conditions would also assist the Licensing Authority and Responsible Authorities in deciding which conditions would be appropriate to add to a licence. The model conditions may be found at the end of this policy as Appendix 1.

# **OPERATING HOURS**

- 5.1 The Licensing Authority welcomes the opportunities afforded to the local economy by the Act and will strive to balance this with the rights of local residents and others who might be adversely affected by licensable activities based on the principles laid down in this document.
- 5.2 When dealing with licensing hours, each application will be dealt with on its individual merits. The Licensing Authority recognises that longer licensing hours with regard to the sale of alcohol can assist to avoid concentrations of customers leaving premises simultaneously thereby reducing the friction at late night fast food outlets, taxi ranks and other forms of transport which can lead to disorder and disturbance. The Licensing Authority does not wish to unduly inhibit the development of thriving and safe evening and night time local economies which are important for investment and employment locally and in the main welcomed by residents and visitors to the District.
- 5.3 The Licensing Authority will not set fixed trading hours within designated areas. However, an earlier terminal hour and stricter conditions with regard to noise control than those contained within an application, may be appropriate in residential areas where relevant representations are received and such measures are deemed appropriate to uphold the licensing objectives.
- 5.4 Shops, stores and supermarkets will generally be free to provide sales of alcohol for consumption off the premises at any times when the retail outlet is open for shopping, unless there are relevant representations giving good reasons based on the licensing objectives for restricting those hours.

#### LATE NIGHT LEVY AND EARLY MORNING RESTRICTION ORDERS

6.1 The Licensing Authority, having not been presented with any evidence to the contrary, does not consider that the application of a Late Night Levy or Early Morning Restriction Order are appropriate for the Licensing Authority's area at the present time. The Licensing Authority will keep these matters under review and accordingly reserves the right, should the need arise, to introduce these measures during the life of this statement of licensing policy.

#### CUMULATIVE IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 7.1 For the purposes of this document 'cumulative impact' means the potential impact on the promotion of the licensing objectives of a significant number of licensed premises concentrated in one area. Cumulative impact is a proper matter for the Council to consider in developing its licensing policy. This should not be confused with 'need', which concerns the commercial demand for another particular type of premises. Government guidance states that 'need' is not a matter for the Licensing Authority but is a matter for the Planning Authority and the free market.
- 7.2 The Licensing Authority has not been presented with sufficient evidence to consider any area within the District to currently have a particular concentration of licensed premises causing a cumulative impact on one or more of the licensing objectives. The Licensing Authority will keep this matter under review and accordingly reserves the right, should the need arise, to introduce a special policy concerning cumulative impact during the life of this statement of licensing policy.
- 7.3 The absence of a special policy does not prevent any responsible authority or any other party from making representations on a new application for the grant of a licence on the grounds that the premises will give rise to a negative cumulative impact on one or more of the licensing objectives. The Act allows for such consideration but the individual merits of each application must always be considered.

# PROMOTION OF THE LICENSING OBJECTIVES

# **Prevention of Crime and Disorder**

- 8.1 Licensed premises, especially those offering late night/early morning entertainment or alcohol and refreshment can sometimes be associated with elevated levels of crime and disorder.
- 8.2 The Licensing Authority expects individual licence/certificate holders, new applicants and temporary event organisers, to regularly review their arrangements in addressing crime and disorder issues pertinent to their particular licensable activities, location and/or premises. Information and advice can be obtained from the Police, business network groups and other sources. The Licensing Authority also encourages local residents and other businesses, where appropriate, to discuss issues of concern directly with individual businesses, or, to contact the Police or the Licensing Authority.
- 8.3 The Licensing Authority will, through its Community Safety Partnership devise and help deliver strategies to tackle the misuse of alcohol, which has been identified as being a precursor to crime and anti-social behaviour. The Licensing Authority expects existing licence/certificate holders, new applicants and the organisers of temporary events, to be able to demonstrate the measures they

- use, or propose to adopt, to prevent and actively discourage the sale/supply of alcohol to children and to individuals who are already drunk.
- 8.4 The risk assessment approach remains fundamental in the operation of all licensed premises. Licence/certificate holders and applicants are strongly recommended to work closely with the Police in particular, in bringing into effect appropriate control measures to overcome established and potential problems. A combination of short and longer term strategies may need to be deployed by holders of authorisations to sustain and promote the prevention of crime and disorder.
- 8.5 The Licensing Authority will expect new applicants, existing licence/certificate holders and organisers of temporary events to adopt recognised good practice in whatever area of operations they are engaged. The Licensing Authority will regard each responsible authority as the expert in their respective field and in some cases as the primary source of advice in relation to a particular licensing objective.
- 8.6 Queues at late night take-aways can be a source of disorder and applicants for premises licences for this type of premises are expected to address this in their operating schedule.
- 8.7 The Licensing Authority has specific duties under s.17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 that underpins any control strategy that is employed. The Licensing Authority will continue to work in partnership with the Police in addressing crime and disorder issues.
- 8.8 The Licensing Authority is of the view that generally, in order to promote the licensing objectives, all licensed premises within the District are encouraged to be members of the relevant local Pubwatch Scheme, or any similar scheme, where one exists.
- 8.9 The Licensing Authority and Police have a zero tolerance of drug use in licensed premises but recognise that drug use is not something that is relevant to all licensed premises. However, it is recognised that special conditions may need to be imposed for certain venues to reduce the likelihood of drugs being sold and consumed and to create a safer environment for those who may have taken them.
- 8.10 Once away from licensed premises a minority of consumers may behave badly and unlawfully. There are other mechanisms both within and outside the licensing regime that are available for addressing such issues. The Licensing Authority will address a number of these issues through the Community Safety Partnership in line with the strategic objectives for crime and disorder reduction and drug and alcohol misuse within the District.
- 8.11 In relation to premises seeking or holding a premises licence and where alcohol will be sold under the terms of that licence, the Licensing Authority expects that

(a) any Designated Premises Supervisor (DPS) will have been given sufficient management authority and be able to exercise effective day-to-day control of the premises and (b) authority to make alcohol sales when given by the DPS or any other Personal Licence holder should be clearly evidenced in writing. This is to ensure that premises selling alcohol are properly managed in accordance with the Act and that premises operate in a way that promotes the prevention of crime and disorder. This will also benefit operators themselves through being able to demonstrate a commitment to the proper management of premises, particularly if enforcement action becomes necessary.

# **Promotion of Public Safety**

- 8.12 Public safety is not defined within the act, but the Government guidance advises that it is concerned with the physical safety of people using the premises and not with public health, which is covered by other legislation.
- 8.13 Applicants and event organisers will be expected to assess not only the physical environment of the premises or site but also operational practices, in order to protect the safety of members of the public visiting the premises or site, those who are employed in the business, those who are engaged in running an event or anyone else that could be affected by site activities. This assessment would normally take place within a risk assessment framework.
- 8.14 Holders of premises licences and club certificates, or those organising temporary events, should interpret 'public safety' widely to include freedom from danger or harm.
- 8.15 For licensed or certificated premises and for temporary events, public safety must be kept under review and where changes to operational practices/events occur, or the customer profile changes, a review of risk assessments must be undertaken.
- 8.16 Fire safety is governed by the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005 and is not something with which the Licensing Authority will normally become involved.

Where a Responsible Authority has recommended a safe capacity limit on all or part of a premises the Licensing Authority will normally expect an applicant/authorisation holder to follow such a recommendation unless there are good reasons for not doing so.

# **Prevention of Public Nuisance**

8.17 The Licensing Authority remains sensitive to the expectations and needs of different parts of the community in respect of leisure and cultural pursuits, and will view applications accordingly. The impact of those activities on people who have to live, work and sleep within the local vicinity of a licensed premises or event will also be considered. If the impact of licensed activities is

- disproportionate and unreasonable or markedly reduces the amenity value of the area to local people, then the Licensing Authority will take account of this when exercising its functions.
- 8.18 The Licensing Authority considers that the potential for public nuisance can be prevented or much reduced by good design and planning during new or ancillary construction works, by the provision of good facilities and effective management. This will require appropriate advice at the planning and development stages of new projects. Applicants should consider carefully the suitability of the premises for the type of activity to be undertaken, particularly in terms of ventilation, cooling, noise breakout and noise/vibration transmission to adjoining premises.
- 8.19 Licence holders already in receipt of complaints should seek an early remedy to any confirmed problem. The organisers of temporary events should seek to pre-empt potential nuisance, especially if complaints have previously arisen at the same venue.
- 8.20 The Licensing Authority expects holders of authorisations to use their risk assessment and operating schedules to review and, if need be, to make necessary improvements to the premises or to operational practices, in order to prevent public or statutory nuisance.
- 8.21 Where the provisions of existing legislation prove inadequate or inappropriate for control purposes, the Licensing Authority will consider imposing licence conditions. Any condition deemed appropriate and imposed by the Licensing Authority to promote the prevention of public nuisance will focus on measures within the direct control of the licence holder or designated premises supervisor.
- 8.22 Any such conditions imposed will be tailored to the style and characteristics of the premises and the type of activities expected to take place. Any conditions added will be precise and enforceable and will be unambiguous and clear in what they intend to achieve.

#### **Protection of Children from Harm**

- 8.23 The Act details a number of legal requirements designed to protect children in licensed premises. The Licensing Authority is concerned to ensure that holders of authorisations, including organisers of temporary events, create safe environments (in terms of physical, moral and psychological welfare) for children who may be on the premises. Children should be unable to access alcohol or drugs and be subject to an appropriate level of care and supervision at all times.
- 8.24 The Act prohibits children under the age of 16 years old and unaccompanied by an adult, to be present in licensed premises (including premises operating under a TEN) being used primarily or exclusively for consumption of alcohol.

- 8.25 The admission of children to any premises will otherwise normally be left to the discretion of the individual licensee/event organiser, as the Act does not prohibit children from accessing licensed premises. Where children are accompanied and supervised by a responsible adult, additional measures, should not normally be necessary. The Licensing Authority supports the view that children should enjoy access to a range of licensed premises, but cannot impose conditions requiring the admission of children to any premises.
  - The Licensing Authority will judge the merits of each application before deciding whether or not to impose conditions restricting access by children. Conditions which may be relevant in this respect are outlined in the Government Guidance.
- 8.26 In premises where alcohol is sold or supplied it is a mandatory condition that premises licence holders will operate a recognised Age Verification Scheme. The Licensing Authority supports the Challenge 25 scheme and where this is not proposed within the operating schedule, alternative and similarly rigorous controls should be detailed. The Licensing Authority recommends that the premise licence holder operates a method for recording when a sale is refused as part of any age challenge scheme (also known as a refusals book).
- 8.27 The Licensing Authority expects that customers should be confronted by clear and visible signs on the premises that underage drinking constitutes an offence in law and that they may well be required to produce proof of their age to a member of staff. Organisers of temporary events should apply similar safeguards in their undertakings.
- 8.28 Venue operators seeking premises licences and club premises certificates can volunteer prohibitions and restrictions in their operating schedules because their own risk assessments have determined that the presence of children is undesirable or inappropriate. These will become conditions attached to the licence or certificate where no relevant representations are received by the Licensing Authority.
- 8.29 The Licensing Authority regards Warwickshire County Council as being the primary source of advice and information on children's welfare and would normally expect any advice/recommendations from the County Council to be followed unless there are good reasons for not doing so. The Licensing Authority will attach appropriate conditions where these appear necessary to protect children from moral, psychological or physical harm. It is also reasonable for the licensing authority to expect the responsible authorites to intervene where the basis for the intervention falls within the remit of that other authority. For example, the police should take appropriate steps where the basis for the review is concerned about crime and disorder or the sexual exploitation of children.
- 8.30 The Licensing Authority will consider the need to protect children from sexual exploitation when undertaking licensing functions.

- 8.31 In order to prevent children from seeing films incompatible with their age, licence holders who exhibit films will be expected to impose and enforce viewing restrictions in accordance with the recommendations of the British Board of Film Classification. In exceptional cases e.g. where the BBFC has not classified a film then the Licensing Authority may specify viewing restrictions which an authorisation holder will be expected to comply with.
- 8.32 It is expected that authorisation holders will ensure that, whenever children are in the vicinity of a film or exhibition that is being shown/staged in a multipurpose premises, sufficient ushers/stewards (minimum 18 years old) will be in attendance at the entrance the viewing rooms at all times to ensure children cannot enter or view the film or exhibition.
- 8.33 Children have access to a range of regulated public entertainment venues and may be present as members of a viewing audience or as performers in their own right. The Licensing Authority expects authorisation holders including those organising temporary events, to make proper provision for child safety and welfare during such events. Notwithstanding public safety issues, supervisory arrangements must be reflected within operating schedules. Suitable monitoring strategies should also be in place to ensure that supervisory levels are appropriate.
- 8.34 Where a large number of children are likely to be present on any licensed premises, for example, a children's show or pantomime, the Licensing Authority may require that there is an adequate number of adult staff at places of entertainment to control access and egress of children and to protect them from harm. Children present at events as entertainers will be expected to have a nominated adult responsible for each child performer.

#### MANDATORY LICENSING CONDITIONS

9.1 The Government has introduced a range of mandatory conditions aimed at establishing minimum standards for the way certain licensable activities are conducted. The conditions apply to all appropriate premises. A full list of the mandatory conditions can be found on the Gov.uk website.

#### OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

# **Relationship with Planning**

- 10.1 The planning and licensing regimes involve consideration of different (albeit related) matters. The Council's Licensing and Regulatory Committee and Sub Committees are not bound by decisions made by the Council's Planning Committee and vice versa.
- 10.2 The grant of any application or variation of a licence which involves a material alteration to a building would not relieve the applicant of the need to apply for planning permission or building control approval where appropriate.

- 10.3 There are also circumstances when as a condition of planning permission; operating hours are set for the use of the premises for commercial purposes. Where these hours are shorter than the licensing hours, the applicant must observe the planning restrictions. Premises operating in breach of their planning consent would be liable to enforcement action under planning law.
- 10.4 The Local Planning Authority may also make representations against a licensing application in its capacity as a Responsible Authority, where such representations relate to one or more of the licensing objectives.

# **Applications**

- 10.5 An applicant may apply under the terms of the Act for a variety of authorisations and any such application will be considered on its individual merits. Any person may make representations on an application or seek a review of a licence or certificate where provision has been made for them to do so in the Act.
- 10.6 The Licensing Authority expects each and every applicant for a premises licence, club premises certificate or variation to address how they intend to promote the licensing objectives.
- 10.7 In determining a licence application the Licensing Authority will take each application on its merits. Licence conditions will only be imposed following a hearing or in order to promote the licensing objectives and will only relate to matters within the control of the applicant. Licence conditions will not normally be imposed where other regulatory provisions are in force (e.g. planning, health and safety at work, fire safety and building control legislation) so as to avoid confusion and duplication, except where they can be exceptionally justified to promote the licensing objectives.
- 10.8 The Licensing Authority will impose only such conditions as are proportionate towards promoting the licensing objectives and which do not impose unnecessary burdens and which are appropriate to the individual size, style and characteristics of the premises and events concerned.
- 10.9 In considering applications, the Licensing Authority will primarily focus on the direct impact of activities taking place at the licensed premises on members of the public living, working or engaged in normal activity in the area concerned. The Licensing Authority recognises that licensing law is not the primary mechanism for the general control of nuisance and anti-social behaviour by individuals once they are away from the licensed premises and, therefore beyond the direct control of the individual, club or business holding the licence, certificate or authorisation concerned.
- 10.10 Conditions include any limitations or restrictions attached to a licence, certificate or other authorisation and essentially are the steps or actions the holder of the authorisation will be required to take or refrain from taking at all times when licensable activities are taking place at the premises in question.

# **Deregulated Public Entertainment**

10.11 As a result of the Live Music Act 2012 and The Legislative Reform (Entertainment Licensing) Order 2014 most public entertainment taking place between 08:00 and 23:00 hrs has, subject to certain conditions, been deregulated and removed from the scope of Licensing Authority control. No authorisation is required where public entertainment is being provided under these statutory exemptions. However, if exempt public entertainment is or will be taking place as well as licensable activities (e.g. selling alcohol) then an authorisation covering the licensable activities will still be required. Operators of 'on-licensed' premises should also note that it is possible to re-introduce full licensing controls over public entertainment where a premises licence or a club premises certificate has been reviewed and a Licensing and Regulatory Sub-Committee determines that it is appropriate for such controls to be re-introduced.

# **Public Spaces Protection Order**

10.12 At the time of writing, The Warwick District Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO) (Introduced by The Anti Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014) are under review. Regardless of the outcome of the PSPO review the local authority must have regard to section 62 and 63 of the 2014 Act which limits what can be restricted in relation to alcohol. For example, where a PSPO covers alcohol prohibition, section 62 of the 2014 Act lists a number of premises to which an Order cannot apply – such as on licensed premises (or within its curtilage), premises which by virtue of Part 5 of the Licensing Act 2003 may at the relevant time be used for the supply of alcohol, or facilities or activities relating to the sale or consumption of alcohol which are at the relevant time permitted by virtue of a permission granted under section 115E of the Highways Act 1980 (highway-related uses). Section 63 makes it an offence only when a person refuses or fails to comply with a reasonable requirement from an authorised person not to consume or surrender alcohol.

# **BEST PRACTICE SCHEMES**

11.1 The Licensing Authority supports best practice schemes for licensed premises. Premises in an area covered by a scheme are encouraged to become members of the scheme.

#### INTEGRATING STRATEGIES AND THE AVOIDANCE OF DUPLICATION

12.1 By consulting widely prior to this policy statement, the Licensing Authority has taken full account of local policies covering crime prevention, anti-social behaviour, culture, transport, planning and tourism as part of an integrated strategy for the Licensing Authority, Police and other agencies. Many of these strategies may not be directly related to the promotion of the licensing objectives, but indirectly impact upon them.

- 12.2 There are a number of wider issues which may need to be given due consideration when dealing with applications. The Council's Licensing and Regulatory Committee can request reports, where it thinks it is appropriate on the following areas:-
  - The needs of the local tourist economy, to ensure that these are reflected in their considerations:
  - The employment situation and the need for new investment and employment where appropriate; and
  - The general impact of alcohol related crime and disorder.
  - The general impact of alcohol related harms to health.

# **Crime Prevention Strategies**

- 12.3 Crime prevention and drug and alcohol misuse policies and the input of the South Warwickshire Community Safety Partnership (SWCSP) will be reflected in licence conditions as far as possible.
- 12.4 The SWCSP is committed to making South Warwickshire a safe place in which to live work and visit. It is the role of the SWCSP to strategically plan, commission and oversee services that tackle crime and disorder and address drug and alcohol misuse.

# **Duplication**

12.5 When considering any application the Licensing Authority will avoid duplication with other regulatory regimes as far as possible. Therefore the Licensing Authority will not attach conditions to a licence in relation to a matter covered by another regulatory regime unless going beyond such a regime is considered appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives in the particular circumstances.

#### **Promotion of Equality**

- 12.6 The Licensing Authority in carrying out its functions under the Act is obliged to have 'due regard' to the need to eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation, to advance equality of opportunity and to foster good relations between persons with different protected characteristics. The protected characteristics are age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation.
- The Government guidance advises that conditions should not be attached to authorisations which would duplicate existing statutory requirements. The Licensing Authority therefore takes this opportunity to remind operators of premises of their duties towards disabled persons (including performers) on their premises under the Building Regulations and the Equalities Act 2010. This includes a duty that any person who provides a service to the public must make

reasonable adjustments to any physical feature that makes it impossible or unreasonably difficult for a disabled person to access a service, or to provide the services by a reasonable alternative means.

#### **ENFORCEMENT**

- 13.1 The Licensing Authority has an established working relationship with the Police and other responsible authorities on enforcement issues through the Multi Agency Licensing Enforcement Meeting. This provides a more efficient deployment of resources targeting high risk premises and activities.
- 13.2 This enforcement regime follows the Government's Regulators' Code in that it follows the basic principles of openness, helpfulness, proportionality and consistency. The Licensing Authority has a separate enforcement policy in respect of licensing.
- 13.3 Licensed premises are visited by the Responsible Authorities and the Licensing Authority to carry out targeted inspections to check that the premises licence or certificate is being complied with, to check compliance with other legislation and/or deal with complaints that have been received.
- 13.4 On some occasions a multi-agency group (representing a number of Responsible Authorities) will visit premises. The officers will check the premises/activities relevant to their particular role.
- 13.5 There are several enforcement options that will be used as appropriate and in line with the Licensing Authority's licensing enforcement policy. These options include:
  - Verbal advice this covers minor complaints/infringements where advice is seen as the most appropriate way to deal with the issue.
  - Written warning this is a step-up from verbal advice and holders of authorisations are given a letter recording the warning given and containing the details of any necessary remedial action.
  - Action planning this plan will be written down and given to the holder of
    the authorisation and designated premises supervisor. It explains what
    actions are required, within a timescale, for compliance with the licensing
    objectives, specific legislation or conditions. It will be regularly reviewed and
    if compliance has been achieved it will be terminated. If areas of noncompliance remain a more formal enforcement option further up the scale
    may be selected in order to achieve compliance.
  - Review any person may call for a review of a licensed premises where there is evidence that the licensing objectives are not being promoted. The holder of the authorisation will have to attend a review hearing in front of the Licensing Sub Committee who may decide, based on the evidence

- submitted to them, to take no action, to remove the DPS, to revoke, suspend, or amend the licence or apply additional conditions.
- Prosecution Under the Licensing Act 2003 certain offences can be prosecuted by the Licensing Authority/Director Of public Prosecutions/Weights and Measures Authority (Trading Standards). In addition, Responsible Authorities have a wide range of powers to institute prosecution under other specific legislation.
- Closure several of the Responsible Authorities have the power to close licensed premises if they deem it necessary. The Licensing Authority also has powers to request closure through the Magistrates court for continuing unauthorised alcohol sales.

### ADMINISTRATION, EXERCISE AND DELEGATION OF FUNCTIONS

### **Licensing and Regulatory Committee**

- 14.1 The majority of powers given to the Licensing Authority by the Act have been delegated by the Council to the Licensing and Regulatory Committee and Officers. The Licensing and Regulatory Committee has in turn established Sub-Committees to determine some matters under the Act.
- 14.2 The Council's Constitution defines those responsibilities and is available for inspection on the Council's website, but a summary of responsibility is set out in Table 1 below.

# 14.3 Table 1:

Matters to be dealt with	Full Committee	Sub Committee	Officers
Application for personal licence		If a police objection	If no objection made
Application for premises licence/club premises certificate		If a relevant representation made	If no relevant representation made
Application for provisional statement		If a relevant representation made	If no relevant representation made
Application to vary premises licence/club premises certificate		If a relevant representation made	If no relevant representation made
Application to vary designated premises supervisor		If a police objection	All other cases
Request to be removed as designated premises supervisor			All cases
Application to transfer of premises licence		If a police objection	All other cases
Application for interim authorities		If a police objection	All other cases
Application to review premises licence/club premises certificate	All cases		
Decision on whether a complaint is irrelevant frivolous vexatious etc.			All cases
Decision to object when local authority is a consultee and not the relevant authority considering the application	All cases		
Determination of a police/EHO objection to a temporary event notice		All cases	
Determination of a Minor Variation application			All cases
Removal of the requirement for a designated premises supervisor at community premises		If a police objection	All other cases

14.4 However Council has retained the power to set the Council's Licensing Policy Statement, but it will seek the views of the Licensing & Regulatory Committee before determining any amendments.

## **Application forms And Process**

- 14.5 All application forms will be in the prescribed format. The operating schedule will form part of the completed application form for a premises licence and a club premises certificate. The applicant will have to detail the steps that will be taken to promote the licensing objectives. Applicants should carry out a risk assessment before they apply for a licence.
- 14.6 Applicants are encouraged to fully consult the police and other statutory services well in advance of carrying out their risk assessments and submitting their applications. Application forms and guidance leaflets will be available from the Licensing Authority, including contact names for each of the responsible authorities. Most applications will require additional documentation and a fee to be included with the form. Incomplete applications will not be considered and will be returned to the applicant.
- 14.7 Where national guidance permits, on line applications will be accepted providing the necessary documentary attachments are uploaded into the application and the appropriate fee paid.
- 14.8 Applicants are encouraged to make themselves aware of any relevant planning and transportation policies, tourism and cultural strategies and local crime, alcohol, drug and disorder strategies in order to take these into account, where appropriate, when formulating their operating schedule.

#### **COMMENTS ON THIS POLICY**

15.1 The statement of licensing policy will be reviewed on a regular basis. Individuals and organisations that wish to comment on the policy are invited to send their comments in writing to:

Warwick District Council, Licensing Team, Riverside House, Milverton Hill, Royal Leamington Spa, CV32 5HZ

Email: <u>licensing@warwickdc.gov.uk</u>

#### APPENDIX 1 - Set of Model Conditions

Warwick District Council has produced this document to assist and support applicants and existing licence holders through the application process. It has also been designed for the consideration of responsible authorities and the Council's Licensing and Regulatory Committee.

When deciding to grant or vary a premises licence under the Licensing Act 2003, the licensing authority may do so subject to conditions which it considers are appropriate for the promotion of one or more of the licensing objectives.

Those applying for a premises licence, club certificate, variation of a premises licence or variation of a club certificate may also wish to consider those conditions which would promote the licensing objectives when completing the operating schedule.

In determining what conditions are appropriate, it will be necessary to consider the individual circumstances of the premises, including:-

- The nature and style of the venue,
- The activities being conducted there,
- The location, and,
- Anticipated clientele

#### Guidance for operating schedule

Conditions on a premises licence or club premises certificate are important in setting the parameters within which premises can lawfully operate.

Licensing authorities should be satisfied that it is appropriate to impose conditions to promote one or more of the four licensing objectives. Conditions should be tailored to the particular circumstance of an individual licensed premises and determined on a case-by-case basis.

Under no circumstances should licensing authorities regard pools of conditions as standard conditions to be automatically imposed in all cases.

#### **Prevention of Crime and Disorder**

- 1. There shall be no sales of alcohol for consumption off the premises after (time).
- 2. No single cans or bottles of beer or cider or spirit mixtures shall be sold at the premises.
- 3. No miniature bottles of spirits of 20 cl or below shall be sold from the premises.
- 4. No beer, lager, cider, ale or spirit mixers with an alcohol by volume content above (insert percentage) will be sold or offered for sale.
- 5. Each self-serve pump must be covered, in full, by the CCTV system.
- 6. Only craft beer or ale is permitted to be dispensed from the self-service pumps and will only be available in measures of (measure).
- 7. Only wine is permitted to be dispensed from the self-service wine dispenser and will only be available in a maximum measure of (measure).
- 8. When a self-service dispenser is in use a notification system must be in place to alert a member of bar staff.
- Regular meetings will take place between the Designated Premises Supervisor, Warwickshire Police and Licensing authority. The meetings will take place every (number) months.
- 10. All door supervisors, and other persons engaged at the premises, for the purpose of supervising or controlling queues or customers, must wear (high visibility jackets or vests or armbands).
- 11. Door supervision must be provided on (specify days). Door supervisors must be on duty from (insert hours) and must remain on duty until the premises are closed and all the customers have left.
- 12. Door supervisors must be provided with radios to enable them to contact each other and the duty manager at the premises.
- 13. On/at (specify days/hours) at least (insert number) of SIA registered door supervisors must be on duty at the premises (may specify location at the premises or as shown on the plan).
- 14. Where SIA registered door supervisors are used at the premises, a record must be kept of their SIA registration number and the dates and times when they are on duty. That register shall be available for inspection on reasonable request Authorised Officer of the Council, the Security Industry Authority or a Police Constable and shall contain the following details:-
  - the door supervisor's name, date of birth and home address;
  - his / her Security Industry Authority licence number;
  - the time and date he / she starts and finishes duty;

- each entry shall be signed by the door supervisor.
- 15. Any door staff register shall be available for inspection on demand by an Authorized Officer of the Council, the Security Industry Authority or a Police Constable and will be retained on the premises for a period of 12 months from the date of the last entry.
- 16. The Premises Licence holder / Designated Premises Supervisor will operate to a written dispersal policy which ensures the safe and gradual dispersal of customers from the premises. The Premises Licence holder / Designated Premises Supervisor will ensure that staff receive training on the policy.
- 17. CCTV to be installed and the premises licence holder must ensure that:
  - a. CCTV cameras are located within the premises to cover all public areas.
  - b. The system records clear images permitting the identification of individuals.
  - c. The CCTV system is able to capture a minimum of 12 frames per second and all recorded footage must be securely retained for a minimum of 28 days.
  - d. The CCTV system operates at all times while the premises are open for licensable activities'. All equipment must have a constant and accurate time and date generation.
  - e. The CCTV system is fitted with security functions to prevent recordings being tampered with, i.e. password protected.
  - f. Downloads will be provided to the Police upon reasonable request in line with the Data Protection Act 2018.
  - g. Signed off by Warwickshire Police Design Out Crime Officer.
- 18. The Premises Licence holder / Designated Premises Supervisor is to provide the Police with the contact details of at least two members of staff (or other person(s)) who are trained and familiar with the operation of the equipment so that, at the expense of the Premises Licence holder, they are able to check that the equipment is operating properly and that they are able to provide copies of recorded data upon request and within no more than 12 hours from the time of the request.
- 19. The Premises Licence holder / Designated Premises Supervisor must notify the Licensing Office or the Police in the event of CCTV breakdown or malfunction as soon as is reasonably practicable and in any event within 24hrs.
- 20. No open vessels to leave the premises at any time.
- 21. No open vessels to be taken outside the curtilage of the premises at any time.
- 22. Empty bottles must be placed into locked bins so as to prevent them from being used as weapons.

- 23. Toughened recycled and recyclable polycarbonate glasses or bottles (or similar compostable/reusable alternative) to be used in the outside areas of the premises.
- 24. Toughened recycled and recyclable polycarbonate glasses or bottles (or similar compostable/reusable alternative) will be used when requested by Warwickshire Police.
- 25. Drinks must only be served in toughened recycled and recyclable polycarbonate glasses or bottles (or similar compostable/reusable alternative) containers.
- 26. No customers carrying glassware shall be admitted to the premises at any time that the premises are open to the public.
- 27. SIA door staff will be required to remove all alcohol from customers who are queuing to enter the premise or entry to be refused. This alcohol must then be disposed of immediately in a bin provided at the premises.
- 28. A Personal Licence holder must be on the premises at all times when open to the public.
- 29. A Personal Licence holder must be on the premises on (state days) (time) between (time) hours and close of business.
- 30. The designated premises supervisor will ensure that he/she gives written authorisation to individuals whom they are authorising to sell alcohol in their absence. This should be maintained and made available for viewing by Authorised Officers.
- 31. Details of the names, addresses and up-to-date contact details for the Designated Premises Supervisor and all Personal Licence holders shall be maintained and kept on the premises.
- 32. Premises will participate in any Police or responsible authority awareness campaign or training that is relevant to the sale of alcohol, use of drugs or entertainment.
- 33. The Premises Licence holder shall have a written policy in relation to drugs which will include search, seizure and disposal of drugs and weapons. Staff will be provided with training on the policy, including drugs awareness.
- 34. A suitable receptacle for the safe retention of illegal substances will be provided and arrangements made for the safe disposal of its contents as agreed with Warwickshire Police.
- 35. There shall be displayed on the premises, information regarding drugs awareness. / Zero tolerance policy.
- 36. As soon as possible, and in any event within 1 month from the grant of this licence, the premises shall join the local Pubwatch or other local crime reduction scheme approved by the police, and local radio scheme if available.

- 37. The premises will be a member of the locally approved radio scheme and abide by its policies and procedures.
- 38. The premises is to maintain an incident book to record details of the following:-
  - Any violence or disorder on or immediately outside the premises,
  - Any incident involving controlled drugs (supply / possession or influence on the premises,
  - Any other crime or criminal activity on the premises,
  - Any call for police assistance to the premises,
  - Any ejection from the premises,
  - Any first aid/other care given to a customer.
- 39. An incident book to made available for inspection by a responsible authority on reasonable request.
- 40. In the event that a serious assault is committed on the premises (or appears to have been committed) the management will immediately ensure that:-
  - (a) The police (and, where appropriate, the Ambulance Service) are called without delay;
  - (b) All measures that are reasonably practicable are taken to apprehend any suspects pending the arrival of the police;
  - (c) The crime scene is preserved so as to enable a full forensic investigation to be carried out by the police; and
  - (d) Such other measures are taken (as appropriate) to fully protect the safety of all persons present on the premises.
- 41. Any staff employed at the premises will be provided with training on first appointment and on a regular basis thereafter. Training will include (delete where applicable);
  - Drunk awareness
  - Drugs awareness
  - Age verification training
  - Conflict management training
  - First aid
- 42. A written record will be kept of all training carried out. This record must be kept on the premises and made available for inspection by a responsible authority on reasonable request.
- 43. No entry / re-entry 1 hour before permitted hours.
- 44. No entry / re-entry after (time) (days).
- 45. Any queue (in a designated queuing area) to enter the premises must be supervised at all times by door supervisors.
- 46. Any (designated) queuing area must be within suitable barriers.

- 47. Any outside areas to be demarked by physical barriers or similar with clear signs displayed to instruct patrons that vessels must not be taken outside said area.
- 48. The premises must only operate as a restaurant:
  - in which customers are seated at a table
  - which provide food in the form of substantial table meals that are prepared on the premises and are served and consumed at the table using non-disposable crockery
  - which do not provide any take away service of food or drink for immediate consumption, and where alcohol must not be sold, supplied, or consumed on the premises otherwise than to persons who are taking substantial table meals and provided always that the consumption of alcohol by such persons is ancillary to taking such meals
- 49. The supply of alcohol to customers must be by waiter or waitress service only.
- 50. Alcohol consumed outside the premises building shall only be consumed by patrons seated at tables.

#### **Prevention of Public Nuisance**

- 1. Prominent, clear and legible notices must be displayed at all exits requesting that customers respect the needs of local residents and to leave the premises and area quietly.
- 2. The licence holder or his representative shall conduct regular assessments of the noise coming from the premises on every occasion the premises are used for regulated entertainment and shall take steps to reduce the level of noise where it is likely to cause disturbance to local residents. A written record shall be made of these assessments in a log book. This record must be kept on the premises and made available for inspection by a responsible authority on reasonable request.
- 3. All external doors and windows shall be kept closed when regulated entertainment is being provided, except for access and egress and in the event of an emergency.
- 4. The beer garden / outside area is not to be used/occupied after (x) hours daily.
- 5. There will be no external loud speakers.
- 6. The Premises Licence holder / Designated Premises Supervisor will adopt a "cooling down" period where music volume is reduced (insert minutes) before the closing time of the premises.
- 7. At an appropriate time before closing time, announcements shall be made reminding customers to leave quietly.
- 8. Where the premises provide food to the public for consumption off the premises, there shall be provided at or near the exits, (insert number) waste bins to enable the disposal of waste food, food containers, wrappings etc.
- 9. Where the premises provide food for consumption off the premises, the public area immediately surrounding the premises shall be cleared of waste food, food containers, wrapping etc. at the end of trading on each day. Such refuse shall be placed in a container designed for the storage and disposal of refuse and waste foods.
- 10. The Premises Licence holder / Designated Premises Supervisor will ensure that litter arising from people using the premises is cleared away daily and that promotional materials such as flyers do not create litter.
- 11. Outside areas and activity must cease and be cleared at (time).
- 12. The beer garden / outside area(s) is not to be used/occupied after (time) hours daily.
- 13. With the exception of smokers, the outside area shall not be used by customers after (time).
- 14. Drinks shall not be permitted to be consumed in the outside area after (time).

- 15. In relation to the (specified function room) there shall be no admission after (midnight) other than to (1) residents of the hotel and their bona fide guests, or (2) persons attending a pre-booked function.
- 16. Licensable activities at events in the (specified function room) shall only be provided at pre-booked ticketed events.
- 17. Customers shall not enter or leave the premises from / by (insert specific entrances or exits), except in the event of an emergency.
- 18. The licence holder (or his/her nominees) shall ensure that exits are manned at closing time to ensure that patrons leave the area quickly and as quietly as possible.
- 19. The licence holder (or his/her nominees) shall ensure that any queue to enter the premises which forms outside the premises is orderly and supervised by door staff so as to ensure that there is no public nuisance or obstruction to the public highway.
- 20. There shall be no admittance or re-admittance to the premises after (time) except for patrons permitted to temporarily leave the premises to smoke.
- 21. Patrons permitted to temporarily leave and then re-enter the premises, e.g. to smoke, shall be limited to (number) persons at any one time.
- 22. Patrons permitted to temporarily leave and then re-enter the premises, e.g. to smoke, shall not be permitted to take drinks or glass containers with them.
- 23. Patrons permitted to temporarily leave and then re-enter the premises to smoke shall be restricted to a designated smoking area defined as (specify location).
- 24. Clear and legible notices shall be prominently displayed at any area used for smoking requesting patrons to respect the needs of local residents and use the area quietly.
- 25. All outside tables and chairs shall be prohibited from use after (time) each day.
- 26. All tables and chairs shall be removed from the outside area by (time) each day.
- 27. No external seating shall be provided at the premises.
- 28. All external doors and windows shall be kept closed after (time) hours, or at any time when regulated entertainment is being provided, except for the immediate access and egress of persons or in the event of an emergency.
- 29. Staff shall check prior to the commencement of regulated entertainment, and periodically during regulated entertainment that all windows and doors are shut.
- 30. Loudspeakers shall not be located in the entrance lobby or outside the premises building.
- 31. No speakers for amplification of music shall be placed on the outside of the premises or on the outside of any building forming a part of the premises.

- 32. A noise limiter must be fitted to the musical amplification system set at a level determined by and to the satisfaction of an authorised officer of the local authority's Environmental Health Service, so as to ensure that no noise nuisance is caused to local residents or businesses. The operational panel of the noise limiter shall then be secured by key or password to the satisfaction of officers from the Environmental Health Service and access shall only be by persons authorised by the Premises Licence holder. The limiter shall not be altered without prior agreement with the Environmental Health Service. No alteration or modification to any existing sound system(s) should be effected without prior knowledge of an authorised officer of the Environmental Health Service. No additional sound generating equipment for the purposes of providing regulated entertainment shall be used on the premises without being routed through the sound limiter device.
- 33. A sound limiting device shall be fitted to any musical amplification system and set at a level determined by and to the satisfaction of an authorised officer of Warwick District Council's Environmental Health service to ensure that no noise nuisance is caused to local residents. The limiter shall not be altered without prior agreement with the Environmental Health Service.
- 34. No regulated entertainment shall take place in the outdoor areas at any time.
- 35. The provision of live music shall be limited to no more than two performers.
- 36. All outdoor entertainment shall be unamplified.
- 37. Suitable means of ventilation shall be provided and maintained at the premises to enable doors and windows to be closed whilst regulated entertainment is being provided.
- 38. Where the premises provide food to the public for consumption off the premises, there shall be provided at or near the exits, (insert number) waste bins to enable the disposal of waste food, food containers, wrappings etc.
- 39. The Premises Licence holder (or his/her nominees) will ensure that litter arising from people using the premises is cleared away daily and that promotional materials such as flyers do not create litter.
- 40. No waste or recyclable materials, including bottles, shall be moved, removed from or placed in outside areas between (time) hours and (time) hours on the following day.
- 41. During the hours of operation of the premises, the licence holder (or his/her nominees) shall ensure sufficient measures are in place to remove and prevent litter or waste arising or accumulating from customers in the area immediately outside the premises, and that this area shall be swept and or washed, and litter and sweepings collected and stored in accordance with the approved refuse storage arrangements by close of business.

- 42. No collections of waste or recycling materials (including bottles) from the premises shall take place between (time) and (time) on the following day.
- 43. No deliveries to the premises shall take place between (time) and (time) on the following day.

# **Public Safety**

- A designated room, space or location to be provided within the premises to create a safe environment which is monitored by a trained and DBS checked member of staff or volunteer.
- 2. All doors/gates through which persons may have to pass whilst making their way from the premises shall be readily and easily openable from within without the use of a key, code, card etc.
- 3. Once a licence has been granted a Fire Risk Assessment is to be kept on the premises and be available for inspection by an authorised officer.
- 4. The premises should be provided with a means for raising the alarm in the event of fire.
- 5. Staff should be aware of the siting of extinguishers, of their correct method of operation and know which equipment is appropriate for a particular fire. The equipment should be so placed as to be readily available for use. At least one appliance should be placed at or near to the exit from a floor and, where extinguishers are provided for special risks, as far as practical be sited close to the risk for immediate use.
- 6. There shall be maintained on the premises at all times an adequate and appropriate supply of first aid equipment and materials.
- 7. At all times when the public are present, at least one person who holds a current recognised first aid certificate or award shall be present on the premises. Where more than one such person is present, their duties shall be clearly defined.
- 8. The premises licence holder shall develop and operate a procedure for dealing with unwell members of the public including those who appear to be affected by alcohol and drugs. Staff will be appropriately trained in such procedures.
- 9. The maximum number of persons allowed in the premises shall be (insert numbers, areas and occasions).
- 10. A person who is responsible for the management of the premises shall at all times be aware of the number of persons on the premises and shall if required to do so, give that information to an authorised person.
- 11. At all times door supervisors on duty, numbers or persons inside the venue shall be recorded by way of a clicker system or similar, and shall if required to do so, give that information to an authorised person.
- 12. All emergency doors shall be maintained effectively self closing and not held open other than by an approved device.
- 13. The Premises Licence holder / Designated Premises Supervision must develop and operate a policy which ensures the safe evacuation of disabled people in the event of an emergency. All staff shall be made aware of these arrangements.

14. Staff or attendants shall be readily identifiable to members of the public.

#### **Protection of Children from Harm**

- 1. Signage to be displayed around the premises in prominent places informing both staff and customers of the 'Challenge 25' policy.
- 2. Challenge 25 policy promoted on business website.
- 3. A notice(s) shall be displayed in and at the entrance to the premises where they can be clearly seen, indicating that there is a "Challenge 25" policy in place at the premises.
- 4. A prompt or reminder to staff, at the point of sale, to consider whether a sale or challenge is to be made.
- 5. All deliveries of alcohol must be made by a person over the age of 18 years.
- 6. Delivery: ID checks by courier at the point of delivery in line with Challenge 25 age verification policy.
- 7. No person under the age of 18 shall be permitted access to the premises when entertainment of an adult nature is taking place.
- 8. No person under the age of (insert age) shall be permitted to remain on the premises after (insert hours).
- 9. Under 18's events will not take place without prior consultation with the Police and Licensing Authority.
- 10. Under 18's events will not take place at the premises.
- 11. No persons under the age of 18 years will be allowed on the premises after (time) unless accompanied by a responsible adult of 18 years or above and with the express permission and knowledge of the DPS or someone acting under their authority.
- 12. The premises will operate a "Challenge 25" proof of age policy.
- 13. The premises is to maintain a refusals book/record to record the details of incidents where a member of staff has refused to sell alcohol to a person suspected of being under the age of 18. The Premises Licence holder / Designated Premises Supervisor or nominated representative shall regularly monitor the book make a record of these checks. The book must be made available to a Police Constable/Authorised Officers of the Licensing Authority on request.
- 14. Any person who is authorised to sell alcohol at the premises will be provided with training on first appointment and on a regular basis thereafter. Training will include information on how to prevent underage sales and any other relevant matters. A written record will be kept of all training provided and this record will be kept on the premises for inspection by any Responsible Authority.

15. No persons under the age of 18 years to operate the self-serve pumps at any time.

The above are generic conditions that applicants may wish to include within their application to speed up any discussions with the relevant responsible authorities. The use of these conditions does not guarantee the granting of a premises licence. Each application will be assessed on its own merits and in the context of its location and potential to impact on the licensing objectives. Additional conditions, or amendments to these model conditions, may be necessary in order to uphold the four licensing objectives. These model conditions are not exhaustive and do not prevent you from volunteering any alternative measures that you believe are more appropriate for your particular premises.

Applicants will also need to consider whether their premises falls with any designated cumulative impact zones (CIZ) as higher standards will be applied.

For premises licences relating to outdoor music events, festivals, etc. applicants are encouraged to read the guidance provided by Warwick District Council's Safety Advisory Group (SAG) for information on planning their events. This can be found at: <a href="https://www.warwickdc.gov.uk/safetyadvisorygroup">www.warwickdc.gov.uk/safetyadvisorygroup</a>

#### APPENDIX 2 - LIST OF RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITIES

### POLICE:

Chief Officer of Police

Warwickshire Police Licensing Team

Warwickshire Justice Centre Leamington Spa

**Newbold Terrace** 

Leamington Spa

Warwickshire

**CV32 4EL** 

Tel: 01926 484226

Email: southwarksliquorlicensing@warwickshire.pnn.police.uk

#### FIRE AUTHORITY:

County Fire Officer

Warwickshire Fire & Rescue Service

Warwick Street

Leamington Spa

**CV32 5LH** 

Tel: 01926 423231

Email: firesafety@warwickshire.gov.uk

#### **ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES FOR HEALTH AND SAFETY:**

Regulatory Manager

Health and Community Protection

Warwick District Council

Riverside House

Milverton Hill

Royal Leamington Spa

CV32 5HZ

Tel: 01926 456707

Email: ehsafety@warwickdc.gov.uk

### **HEALTH AND SAFETY EXECUTIVE -**

# **Birmingham Office**

19 Ridgeway

9 Quinton Business Park

Quinton

Birmingham

B32 1AL

## **AUTHORITY RESPONSIBLE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH:**

Safer Communities Manager

Health and Community Protection

Warwick District Council

Riverside House

Milverton Hill

Royal Leamington Spa

CV32 5HZ

Tel: 01926 456714

Email: ehpollution@warwickdc.gov.uk

#### THE LICENSING AUTHORITY:

Licensing Team

Health and Community Protection

Warwick District Council

Riverside House

Milverton Hill

Royal Leamington Spa

CV32 5HZ

Tel: 01926 456705

Email: Licensing@warwickdc.gov.uk

# **AUTHORITY RESPONSIBLE FOR PLANNING:**

Manager, Development Services

Warwick District Council

Riverside House

Milverton Hill

Royal Leamington Spa

CV32 5HZ

Tel: 01926 456541

Email: gary.fisher@warwickdc.gov.uk

## BODY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN FROM HARM:

Strategic Commissioning People Group

Building 2, Saltisford Office Park

Ansell Way

Warwick

**CV34 4UL** 

Tel: 01926 410410

E-mail: licenseapplications@warwickshire.gov.uk

# WARWICKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (WEIGHTS & MEASURES):

**Divisional Trading Standards Officer** 

Warwickshire Trading Standards

Old Budbrooke Road

Warwick

**CV35 7DP** 

Tel: 01926 414040

Email: tradingstandards@warwickshire.gov.uk

# NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE/PUBLIC HEALTH:

Public Health Department (Licensing)

NHS Warwickshire/Warwickshire County Council

PO Box 43 – Shire Hall

Warwick

# CV34 4SX

Email: phadmin@warwickshire.gov.uk