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Statutory Licensing Sub-Committee

Procedure

Introduction

1. The Sub-Committee will conduct its hearings fairly, observing the basic rules of natural justice.
2. Each hearing will take the form of a discussion led by the Chair and cross examination will not be permitted unless the Sub-Committee considers that cross examination is necessary.
3. Hearings will be held in public but the Sub-Committee may decide to exclude the public from all or part of a hearing where it considers the public interest in doing so outweighs the public interest in the hearing taking place in public. In this context "public" includes any party to the hearing or any representative of a party.

Procedure

4. At the beginning of the meeting the Chair shall:-
 - a) ask those present to introduce themselves;
 - b) explain the procedure;
 - c) ask the parties whether they wish permission for another person to appear at the hearing.
5. The Sub-Committee will consider requests from the parties for permission for other persons to appear at the meeting. Such permission will not be unreasonably withheld.
6. The Chair will conduct the hearing taking representations from the parties in the following order:
 - a) the Licensing Officer who will outline the background to the case. The Licensing Officer's role is to provide factual information to the Sub-Committee.
 - b) the applicant/licence holder (including any person appointed to represent the party or any other persons who have been given permission to assist the party).
 - c) any party making representations (including any person appointed to represent the party or any persons who have been given permission to assist the party).

7. Before determination, the applicant/licence holder will be given the final opportunity to address the Sub-Committee.
8. Each party will be given an equal maximum period of time in which to put forward any additional information requested by the Council, to question other persons (if given permission by the Sub-Committee) and address the Sub-Committee.
9. The Sub-Committee may exclude disruptive persons in certain circumstances.
10. The Sub-Committee may adjourn the hearing in certain circumstances.
11. The Sub-Committee will ask the parties to withdraw so that it can consider its determination. In considering its determination, the Sub-Committee may ask its Legal Advisor to provide it with legal and procedural advice. The nature of this advice will be notified to the parties.
12. The Sub-Committee will make its determination at the end of the meeting and this will be confirmed in writing.

Failure of Parties to Attend a Hearing

13. If a party has informed the Council that they do not intend to attend or be represented at a hearing, the hearing may proceed in their absence.
14. Where a party has not so indicated fails to attend or be represented at a hearing the Sub-Committee may:
 - a) where it considers it to be necessary in the public interest, adjourn the hearing to a specified date; or
 - b) hold the hearing in the party's absence.
15. Where the hearing is held in the absence of a party, the authority shall consider at the hearing of the application, representation or notice made by that party.
16. Where a hearing is adjourned to a specified date the Council will notify the parties of the date, time and place to which the hearing has been adjourned.

April 2023

The North Yorkshire Council

Statutory Licensing Sub-Committee

24 April 2026

Pomegranate Persian Tea Room– Application for a new Premises Licence

Report of the Corporate Director of Environment

<p>1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT</p> <p>1.1 The purpose of this report is to determine a premises licence application under the Licensing Act 2003.</p>
<p>2.0 BACKGROUND</p> <p>2.1 An application for the grant of a premises licence has been made for a premises at Pomegranate Persian Tea Room, 5 Park Square, Great Ayton, TS9 6BP. A copy of the application and associated plan is attached at Appendix 1.</p> <p>2.2 The applicant is Hamideh Said Salehi and she also holds a Personal Licence issued by NYC.</p> <p>2.3 A locality plan showing the premises and surrounding area is attached at Appendix 2, which indicates the location of the objectors in relation to the premises.</p> <p>2.4 The application is for the following sole licensable activity: Retail sale of alcohol on the premises</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Monday to Sunday 11:00hrs until 16:30hrs <p>With opening hours of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Monday to Sunday 09:00hrs until 18:00hrs <p>2.5 It should be noted that these are maximum hours permitted by the licence if granted and there is no requirement for the business to sell alcohol or open to the extent of these hours. Hours permitted by a premises licence may differ from those permitted by Planning.</p> <p>2.6 It should also be noted that although regulated entertainment was not applied for, the provisions of the Live Music Act 2015 mean that many forms of entertainment do not require a licence e.g. a performance of amplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day on premises authorised to sell alcohol for consumption on those premises, provided that the audience does not exceed 500.</p>
<p>3.0 PROMOTION OF LICENSING OBJECTIVES</p> <p>3.1 Section 4 of the Licensing Act 2003 places a duty on the Licensing Authority to carry out its functions under the Act with a view to promoting the licensing objectives. The licensing objectives are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">The prevention of crime and disorderPublic safetyThe prevention of public nuisanceThe protection of children from harm.

3.2 Each objective is of equal importance. It is important to note that there are no other licensing objectives, so that these four objectives are always paramount considerations.

4.0 CONSULTATION AND REPRESENTATIONS

4.1 Copies of the application were sent to all statutory responsible authorities in accordance with the provisions of the Licensing Act 2003.

4.2 Applicants are required to publish a notice in a local newspaper and to display a brief summary of the application on an A4 size notice in a prominent position immediately on or outside the premises for at least 28 consecutive days. A record of the application was also published on the Council's website, and the full application was made available for inspection at the Council offices. The consultation took place between 05 March 2026 and 01 April 2026.

4.3 North Yorkshire Police liaised with the applicant who has agreed conditions with them. See **Appendix 3**.

4.4 There have been four representations received from other persons which are attached at **Appendices 4, 5, 6 & 7**.

4.5 There have been 37 letters in support of the application, which are attached at **Appendices 8 to 44**.

4.6 There have been no other representations or comments received from any of the Responsible Authorities.

5.0 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

5.1 All of the Sub-Committee's options are outlined in paragraph 13.0. No alternative options are available.

6.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

6.1 Not applicable.

7.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

7.1 Due to a number of relevant representations being received the Licensing Sub-Committee must hold a hearing to determine the application.

7.2 In making its decision, the Sub-Committee must have regard to the applicant's submissions, the relevant representations, the Council's Statement of Licensing Policy and the Guidance issued under section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003.

7.3 The Licensing Sub-Committee must also have regard to the promotion of the four licensing objectives in exercising its functions under the Licensing Act 2003.

7.4 The Sub-Committee's determination should be evidence-based, justified as being appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives and proportionate to what it is intended to achieve.

7.5 In accordance with Schedule 5 of the Licensing Act 2003 the applicant, and any person who has made a relevant representation, may appeal against any decision of the Licensing Sub-Committee.

7.6 Any appeal against a decision by the Licensing Sub-Committee must be made to the Magistrates' Court within the period of 21 days beginning on the day on which an appellant is notified by the Licensing Authority of that decision.

8.0 EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

8.1 Not applicable

9.0 CLIMATE CHANGE IMPLICATIONS

9.1 Not applicable

10.0 POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

10.1 The following sections of North Yorkshire Council's Statement of Licensing Policy Licensing Act 2003 are relevant in considering the licensing objectives in relation to this application:

- Prevention of crime and disorder – paras 33 - 43
- Public Safety – paras 44 – 49
- The prevention of public nuisance – paras 50 - 52
- The protection of children from harm – paras 53 – 59
- Representations – paras 157 – 162
- Hearings – paras 163 - 164

10.2 **Other considerations** - The following sections of the guidance issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 (updated February 2026) issued by the Home Office are relevant in considering the licensing objectives in relation to this application:

- Crime and disorder – section 2.1
- Public safety – section 2.8
- Public nuisance – section 2.21
- Protection of children from harm – section 2.28

10.3 A recent update to the Section 182 Guidance has been added to help ensure that, when determining licence applications and considering any conditions that may apply, Licensing Authorities have in mind the need to support the development of a thriving hospitality sector while still upholding the existing statutory licensing objectives.

10.4 Section 1.18 of the guidance states that when making licensing decisions, all licensing authorities should consider the need to promote growth and deliver economic benefits.

10.5 **Appendix 45** contains the mandatory conditions which would be imposed if a licence was granted, this would be in addition to those offered in the applicants operating schedule, conditions agreed with North Yorkshire Police and any conditions imposed by the Licensing Sub-Committee.

11.0 HUMAN RESOURCES IMPLICATIONS

11.1 Not applicable

12.0 REASONS FOR OPTIONS

12.1 In accordance with section 18 of the Licensing Act 2003, the licensing authority must hold a hearing to consider the application and any relevant representations.

12.2 The Sub-Committee must, having had regard to the application and any relevant representations, take such steps (if any) as it considers appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives.

13.0 OPTIONS

- 13.1 To take any of the following steps as the Licensing Sub-Committee considers appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives:
- i. Grant the licence as applied for (subject to the added conditions as agreed with North Yorkshire Police).
 - ii. To grant the licence and modify the conditions of the licence.
(for this purpose, the conditions of the licence are modified if any of them are altered or omitted, or any new condition is added).
 - iii. To reject the application in whole or part.

14.0 CONCLUSIONS

14.1 An application has been made for the grant of a premises licence for Pomegranate Persian Tea Room, 5 Park Square, Great Ayton, TS9 6BP.
If granted, conditions agreed with North Yorkshire Police will form part of the licence as well as any conditions imposed by the Licensing Sub-Committee.

APPENDICES:

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| Appendix 1 | - Copy of the application and premises plan |
| Appendix 2 | - Locality plan |
| Appendix 3 | - NYP conditions and agreement |
| Appendices 4-7 | - Representations received from residents |
| Appendices 8-44 | - Letters in support of this application |
| Appendix 45 | -Mandatory conditions |

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08 April 2026

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Presenter of Report – Helen Tait, Licensing Enforcement Officer, West

Note: Members are invited to contact the author in advance of the meeting with any detailed queries or questions.

c)	a recognised club		please complete section (B)
d)	a charity		please complete section (B)
e)	the proprietor of an educational establishment		please complete section (B)
f)	a health service body		please complete section (B)
g)	a person who is registered under Part 2 of the Care Standards Act 2000 (c14) in respect of an independent hospital in Wales		please complete section (B)
ga)	a person who is registered under Chapter 2 of Part 1 of the Health and Social Care Act 2008 (within the meaning of that Part) in an independent hospital in England		please complete section (B)
h)	the chief officer of police of a police force in England and Wales		please complete section (B)

* If you are applying as a person described in (a) or (b) please confirm (by ticking yes to one box below):

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

(A) Individual applicants (fill in as applicable)

Mr	Mrs	Miss	Ms	Other Title (for example, Rev)	
Surname			First names		
Date of birth			I am 18 years old or over		Please tick yes
Nationality					
Current residential address if different from premises address					
Post town				Postcode	
Daytime contact telephone number					
E-mail address (optional)					
Where applicable (if demonstrating a right to work via the Home Office online right to work checking service), the 'share code' provided to the applicant by that service (please see note 15 for information)					


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Second individual applicant (if applicable)

Mr	Mrs	Miss	Ms	Other Title (for example, Rev)	
Surname			First names		
Date of birth or over		I am 18 years old		Please tick yes	
Nationality					
Current residential address if different from premises address					
Post town				Postcode	
Daytime contact telephone number					
E-mail address (optional)					
Where applicable (if demonstrating a right to work via the Home Office online right to work checking service), the 'share code' provided to the applicant by that service: (please see note 15 for information)					

(B) Other applicants

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

Name	POMEGRANATE PERSIAN BAKERY LTD
Address	5 Park Square, Great Aylon, Middlesbrough, TS9 6BP
Company number	

Registered number (where applicable)
 [REDACTED]

Description of applicant (for example, partnership, company, unincorporated association etc.)
 Company
 [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED]

Part 3 Operating Schedule

When do you want the premises licence to start?

DD	MM	YYYY
03	03	2026

If you wish the licence to be valid only for a limited period, when do you want it to end?

DD	MM	YYYY

Please give a general description of the premises (please read guidance note 1)

A SMALL SCALE PERSIAN SPECIALIST RESTAURANT AND TEA ROOM FOCUSED ON SEATED TABLE SERVICE. A SINGLE ROOM OPEN-PLAN DINNING AREA WITH A SERVICE COUNTER, REAR KITCHEN AND ADJUSTED SEATED OUTDOOR YARD/GARDEN. THE COMPACT LAY-OUT ALLOWS FOR TOTAL STAFF OVERSIGHT OF ALL CUSTOMER AREAS.

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

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What licensable activities do you intend to carry on from the premises?

(please see sections 1 and 14 and Schedules 1 and 2 to the Licensing Act 2003)

Provision of regulated entertainment (please read guidance note 2)	Please tick all that apply
a) plays (if ticking yes, fill in box A)	
b) films (if ticking yes, fill in box B)	
c) indoor sporting events (if ticking yes, fill in box C)	
d) boxing or wrestling entertainment (if ticking yes, fill in box D)	

e)	live music (if ticking yes, fill in box E)	
f)	recorded music (if ticking yes, fill in box F)	
g)	performances of dance (if ticking yes, fill in box G)	
h)	anything of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g) (if ticking yes, fill in box H)	

<u>Provision of late night refreshment</u> (if ticking yes, fill in box I)	
<u>Supply of alcohol</u> (if ticking yes, fill in box J)	✓

In all cases complete boxes K, L and M

A

Plays Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			<u>Will the performance of a play take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 3)	Indoors	
Day	Start	Finish		Outdoors	
Mon				Both	
Tue					
Wed			<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 4)		
Thur			<u>State any seasonal variations for performing plays</u> (please read guidance note 5)		
Fri			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the performance of plays at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 6)		
Sat					
Sun					

B

Films Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			Will the exhibition of films take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick (please read guidance note 3)	Indoors	
Day	Start	Finish		Outdoors	
Mon				Please give further details here (please read guidance note 4)	
Tue					
Wed			State any seasonal variations for the exhibition of films (please read guidance note 5)		
Thur					
Fri			Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the exhibition of films at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 6)		
Sat					
Sun					

C

Indoor sporting events Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			<u>Please give further details</u> (please read guidance note 4)
Day	Start	Finish	
Mon			
Tue			<u>State any seasonal variations for indoor sporting events</u> (please read guidance note 5)
Wed			
Thur			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for indoor sporting events at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 6)
Fri			
Sat			
Sun			

D

Boxing or wrestling entertainments Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			<u>Will the boxing or wrestling entertainment take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 3)	Indoors	
				Outdoors	
				Both	
Day	Start	Finish			
Mon			<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 4)		
Tue			<u>State any seasonal variations for boxing or wrestling entertainment</u> (please read guidance note 5)		
Wed			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for boxing or wrestling entertainment at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 6)		
Thur					
Fri					
Sat					
Sun					

E

Live music Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			<u>Will the performance of live music take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 3)	Indoors	
Day	Start	Finis h		Outdoors	
Mon				Both	
Tue					
Wed			<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 4)		
Thur					
Fri			<u>State any seasonal variations for the performance of live music</u> (please read guidance note 5)		
Sat					
Sun			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the performance of live music at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 6)		

F

Recorded music Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			<u>Will the playing of recorded music take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 3)	Indoors	
				Outdoors	
Day	Start	Finish		Both	
Mon				<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 4)	
Tue					
Wed			<u>State any seasonal variations for the playing of recorded music</u> (please read guidance note 5)		
Thur					
Fri			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the playing of recorded music at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 6)		
Sat					
Sun					

G

Performances of dance Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			<u>Will the performance of dance take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 3)	Indoors	
Day	Start	Finish		Outdoors	
				Both	
Mon			<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 4)		
Tue					
Wed			<u>State any seasonal variations for the performance of dance</u> (please read guidance note 5)		
Thur					
Fri			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the performance of dance at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 6)		
Sat					
Sun					

H

Anything of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g) Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			Please give a description of the type of entertainment you will be providing		
Day	Start	Finish	<u>Will this entertainment take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 3)	Indoors	
Mon				Outdoors	
				Both	
Tue			<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 4)		
Wed					
Thur			<u>State any seasonal variations for entertainment of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g)</u> (please read guidance note 5)		
Fri					
Sat			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the entertainment of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g) at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 6)		
Sun					

I

Late night refreshment Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			Will the provision of late night refreshment take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick (please read guidance note 3)	Indoors	
				Outdoors	
Day	Start	Finish		Both	
Mon				<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 4)	
Tue					
Wed			<u>State any seasonal variations for the provision of late night refreshment</u> (please read guidance note 5)		
Thur					
Fri			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the provision of late night refreshment at different times, to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 6)		
Sat					
Sun					

J

Supply of alcohol Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			Will the supply of alcohol be for consumption – please tick (please read guidance note 8)	On the premises	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
				Off the premises	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish	State any seasonal variations for the supply of alcohol (please read guidance note 5) NONE		
Mon	11 Am	16.30			
Tue	11 Am	16.30			
Wed	11 Am	16.30			
Thur	11 Am	16.30			
Fri	11 Am	16.30			
Sat	11 Am	16.30			
Sun	11 Am	16.30			

State the name and details of the individual whom you wish to specify on the licence as designated premises supervisor (Please see declaration about the entitlement to work in the checklist at the end of the form):

Name	HAMIDEH SAID SALEMI
Date of birth	[REDACTED]
Postcode	[REDACTED]
licence number (if known)	[REDACTED]
Issuing licensing authority (if known)	North Yorkshire council

K

Please highlight any adult entertainment or services, activities, other entertainment or matters ancillary to the use of the premises that may give rise to concern in respect of children (please read guidance note 9).

NONE

L

Hours premises are open to the public Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			State any seasonal variations (please read guidance note 5) NONE
Day	Start	Finish	Non standard timings. Where you intend the premises to be open to the public at different times from those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 6) NONE
Mon	9.00	18.00	
Tue	9.00	18.00	
Wed	9.00	18.00	
Thur	9.00	18.00	
Fri	9.00	18.00	
Sat	9.00	18.00	
Sun	9.00	18.00	

M

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

a) General – all four licensing objectives (b, c, d and e) (please read guidance note 10)

The Premises will operate as a small, food-led cafe with all alcohol sales ancillary to table meals and served by waiter/waitress service only. The business will maintain a family-friendly environment through strict management control, comprehensive staff training and a focus on seated dining. The premises will promote all four licensing objectives at all times.

b) The prevention of crime and disorder

Alcohol will only be served to customers seated at tables and primarily as an accompaniment to a substantial food. All staff will receive regular training on the act 2003, to ensure safety at all times. A challenge 25 age verification policy will be operated at all times. A refusals register will be maintained and regularly reviewed. There will be no vertical drinking and no takeaway alcohol.

c) Public safety

The premises has defined entry/exit points, fire exits will be clearly marked and kept unobstructed at all times. Staff will monitor customer numbers to ensure the premises does not exceed its safe capacity.

d) The prevention of public nuisance

The premises does not offer live music, DJs or regulated entertainment. Alcohol will only be served to seated customers taking a table meal. No external drinking will be permitted. Customers will be requested to leave the premises quietly and respect neighbouring residents. Doors and windows will be kept closed where appropriate to prevent noise escape.

e) The protection of children from harm

The Environment is family-oriented with no high-risk activities. A challenge 25 policy will be operated. Acceptable form of ID will be passport, driving license or PASS approved ID. children will only be permitted on the premises when accompanied by an adult. Staff will be trained in age verification and safeguarding responsibilities.

Checklist:

Please tick to indicate agreement

<input type="checkbox"/>	I have made or enclosed payment of the fee.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	I have enclosed the plan of the premises.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	I have sent copies of this application and the plan to responsible authorities and others where applicable.	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	I have enclosed the consent form completed by the individual I wish to be designated premises supervisor, if applicable.	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	I understand that I must now advertise my application.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	I understand that if I do not comply with the above requirements my application will be rejected.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	[Applicable to all individual applicants, including those in a partnership which is not a limited liability partnership, but not companies or limited liability partnerships] I have included documents demonstrating my entitlement to work in the United Kingdom or my share code issued by the Home Office online right to work checking service (please read note 15).	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

It is an offence, under Section 158 of the Licensing Act 2003, to make a false statement in or in connection with this application. Those who make a false statement may be liable on summary conviction to a fine of any amount.

It is an offence under Section 24b of the Immigration Act 1971 for a person to work when they know, or have reasonable cause to believe, that they are disqualified from doing so by reason of their immigration status. Those who employ an adult without leave or who is subject to conditions as to employment will be liable to a civil penalty under section 15 of the Immigration, Asylum and Nationality Act 2006 and pursuant to Section 21 of the same act, will be committing an offence where they do so in the knowledge, or with reasonable cause to believe, that the employee is disqualified.

Part 4 – Signatures (please read guidance note 11)

Signature of applicant or applicant’s solicitor or other duly authorised agent (see guidance note 12). **If signing on behalf of the applicant, please state in what capacity.**

Declaration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> [Applicable to individual applicants only, including those in a partnership which is not a limited liability partnership] I understand I am not entitled to be issued with a licence if I do not have the entitlement to live and work in the UK (or if I am subject to a condition preventing me from doing work relating to the carrying on of a licensable activity) and that my licence will become invalid if I cease to be entitled to live and work in
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	<p>the UK (please read guidance note 15).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The DPS named in this application form is entitled to work in the UK (and is not subject to conditions preventing him or her from doing work relating to a licensable activity) and I have seen a copy of his or her proof of entitlement to work, or have conducted an online right to work check using the Home Office online right to work checking service which confirmed their right to work (please read guidance note 15).
Signature	[Redacted]
Date	[Redacted]
Capacity	Director

For joint applications, signature of 2nd applicant or 2nd applicant's solicitor or other authorised agent (please read guidance note 13). If signing on behalf of the applicant, please state in what capacity.

Signature	
Date	
Capacity	

Contact name (where not previously given) and postal address for correspondence associated with this application (please read guidance note 14)	
[Redacted]	
Post town	[Redacted]
Postcode	[Redacted]
Telephone number	[Redacted]
If you would prefer us to correspond with you by e-mail, your e-mail address (optional)	
[Redacted]	

Notes for Guidance

1. Describe the premises, for example the type of premises, its general situation and layout and any other information which could be relevant to the licensing objectives. Where your application includes off-supplies of alcohol and you intend to provide a place for consumption of these off-supplies, you must include a description of where the place will be and its proximity to the premises.
2. In terms of specific regulated entertainments please note that:
 - Plays: no licence is required for performances between 08:00 and 23.00 on any day, provided that the audience does not exceed 500.
 - Films: no licence is required for 'not-for-profit' film exhibition held in community premises between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day provided that the audience does not exceed 500 and the organiser (a) gets consent to the screening from a person who is responsible for the premises; and (b) ensures that each such screening abides by age classification ratings.
 - Indoor sporting events: no licence is required for performances between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, provided that the audience does not exceed 1000.
 - Boxing or Wrestling Entertainment: no licence is required for a contest, exhibition or display of Greco-Roman wrestling, or freestyle wrestling between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, provided that the audience does not exceed 1000. Combined fighting sports – defined as a contest, exhibition or display which combines boxing or wrestling with one or more martial arts – are licensable as a boxing or wrestling entertainment rather than an indoor sporting event.
 - Live music: no licence permission is required for:
 - a performance of unamplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, on any premises.
 - a performance of amplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day on premises authorised to sell alcohol for consumption on those premises, provided that the audience does not exceed 500.
 - a performance of amplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, in a workplace that is not licensed to sell alcohol on those premises, provided that the audience does not exceed 500.
 - a performance of amplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, in a church hall, village hall, community hall, or other similar community premises, that is not licensed by a premises licence to sell alcohol, provided that (a) the audience does not exceed 500, and (b) the organiser gets consent for the performance from a person who is responsible for the premises.
 - a performance of amplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, at the non-residential premises of (i) a local authority, or (ii) a school, or (iii) a hospital, provided that (a) the audience does not exceed 500, and (b) the organiser gets consent for the performance on the relevant premises from: (i) the local authority concerned, or (ii) the school or (iii) the health care provider for the hospital.
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 - any playing of recorded music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day on premises authorised to sell alcohol for consumption



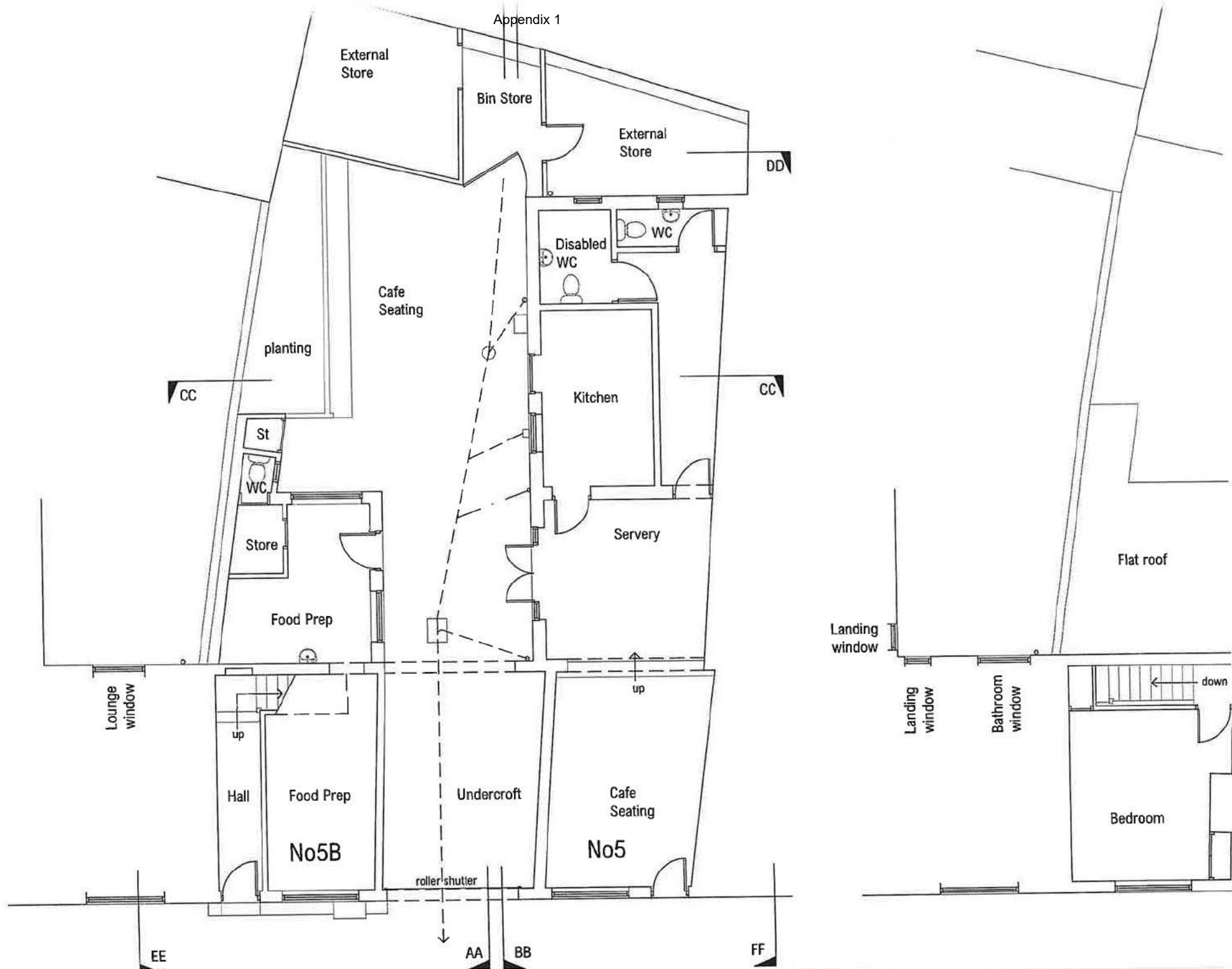
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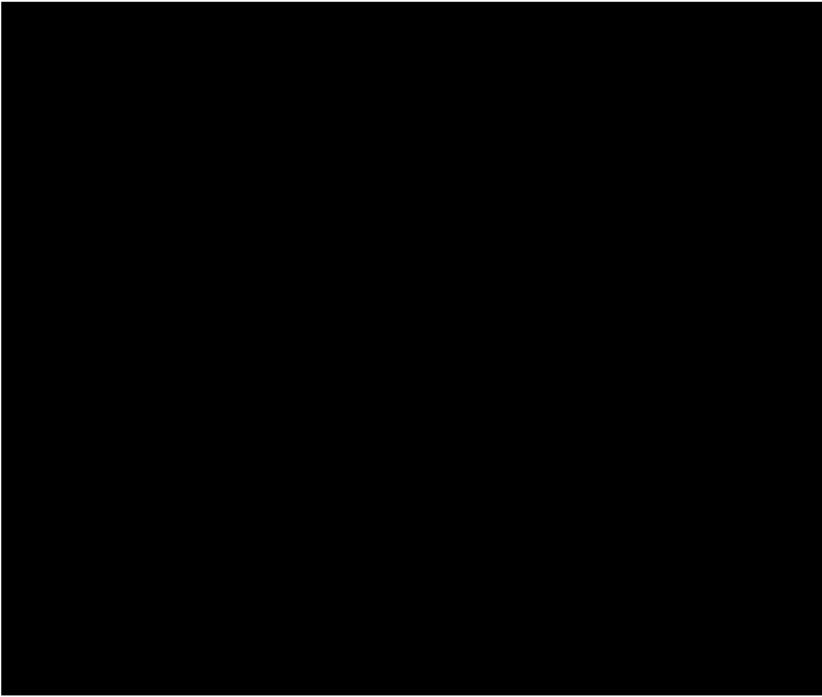
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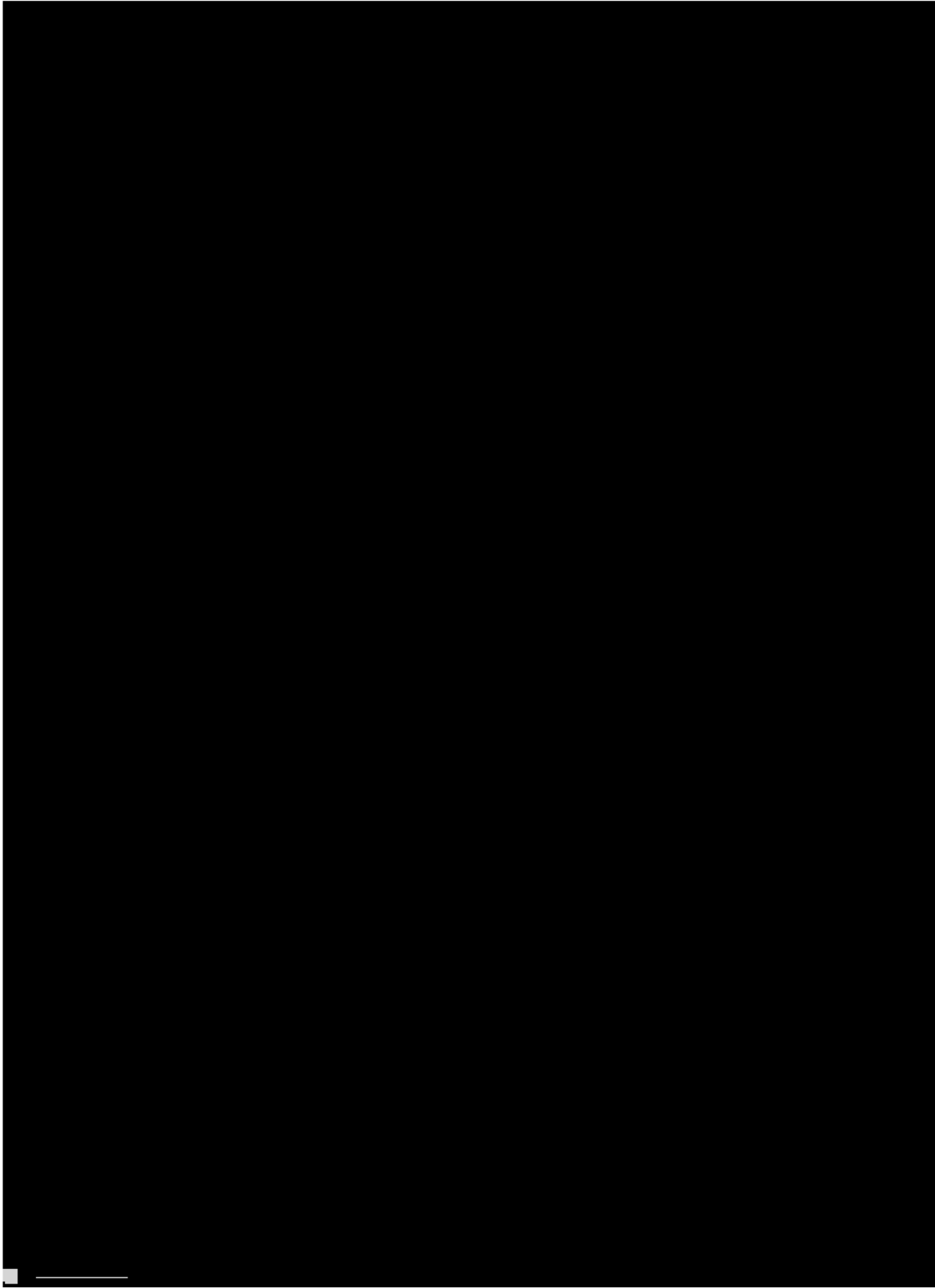
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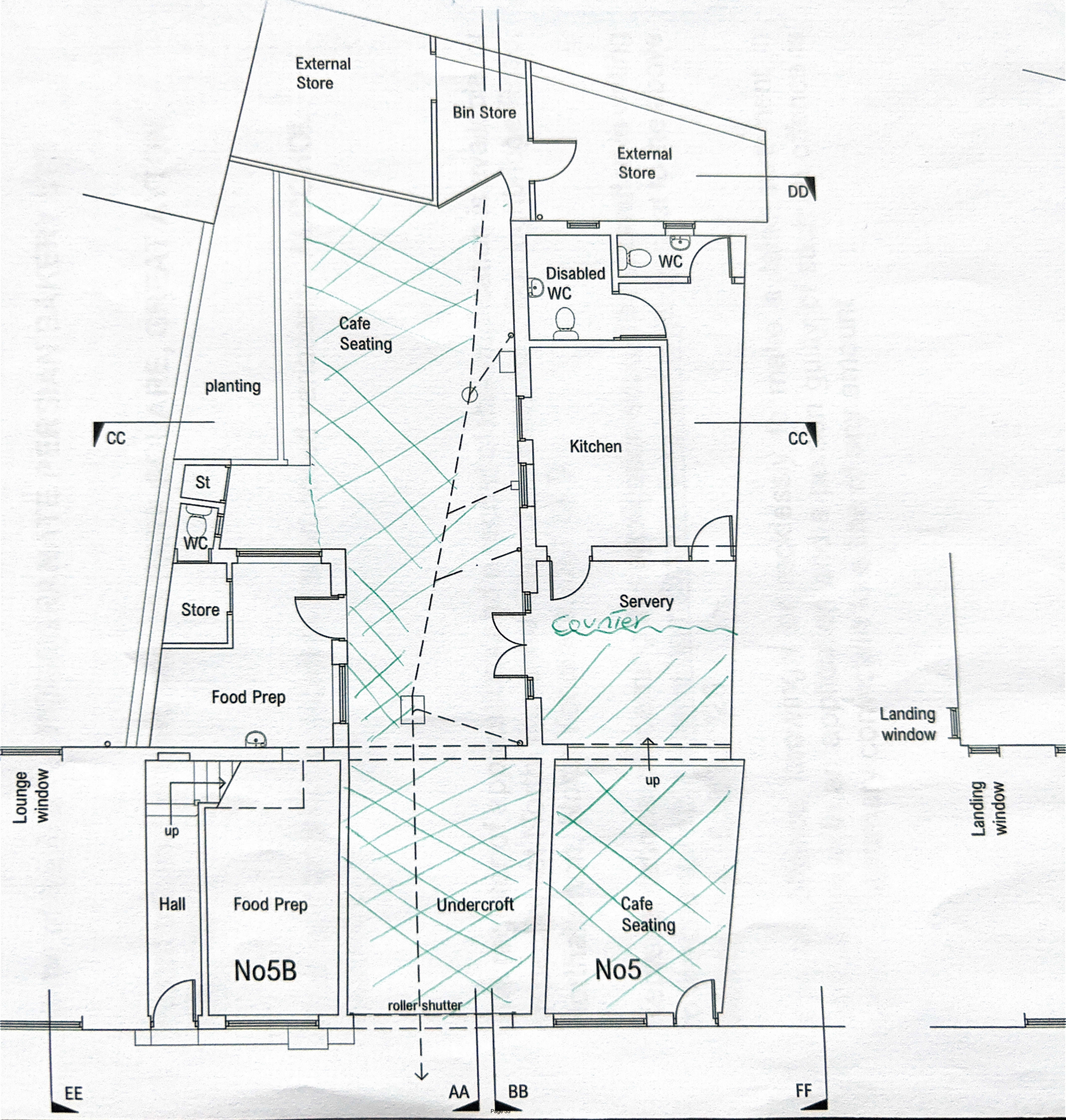
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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Licensing West](#)
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: premises licence application
Date: 11 March 2026 13:02:25

Afternoon Licensing,

Please see the agreed premises licence conditions for Pomegranate Persian Bakery ltd (points 1-2 below).

Hamideh – this email is for your information only.

Kind regards,

Dave

Dave Furlong PC 1720

North Yorkshire Police

Licensing unit
[REDACTED]

From: Hamideh Salehi
Sent: 11 March 2026 10:21
To: Furlong, David
Subject: Re: premises licence application

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Dear PC Furlong,

Thank you for your email and for taking the time to discuss the premises licence application with me.

I confirm that I am happy to accept the conditions outlined in your email regarding the staff training programme and the incident and refusals register. These will be implemented and maintained at the premises in accordance with the requirements.

Thank you again for your guidance and support with the application.

Kind regards,

Hamideh Said Salehi

Pomegranate Persian Bakery Ltd

On 11 Mar 2026, at 10:10, Furlong, David

<[REDACTED]> wrote:

Hi Hamideh,

Thank you for your time to discuss your premises licence application and business model. As you are now aware I am a Licensing Officer for North Yorkshire Police, part of my role is to process all licensing applications that are submitted to North Yorkshire Police in our role as a responsible authority (as defined by the Licensing Act 2003). I would ask that you accept this e-mail as both an acknowledgement to your communication and the formal response.

In assessing this application I have considered the Licensing Objectives and the police would seek the following conditions at Pomegranate Persian Bakery ltd, in addition to those offered in your application to mitigate the risk of Crime and Disorder and Public Nuisance at the premises. Should these conditions not be acceptable to you then North Yorkshire Police would submit a formal representation in respect of this matter.

1. Staff Training

A documented staff training programme shall be provided to all members of staff involved in the retail sale of alcohol at the premises in respect of the following:-

- retail sale of alcohol;
- age verification policy;
- conditions attached to the Premises Licence;
- permitted licensable activities;
- the licensing objectives;

with such records being kept for a minimum of one year. [For the avoidance of doubt, the one year period relates to each respective entry in the log book and runs from the date of that particular entry]

2. Incident & Refusals book

An incident log and refusals register will be kept at the premises and made available on request to an authorised officer or the police which will record the following:

- all crimes reported to the venue

· any complaints / incidents regarding crime and disorder or anti-social behavior

· staff refusals of alcohol for any reason

with such records being kept for a minimum of one year. [For the avoidance of doubt, the one year period relates to each respective entry in the log book and runs from the date of that particular entry]

I would be grateful if you could respond by 5pm on 26/03/2026 (at the latest) if you are amenable to the above conditions. If I have not received any communication from you by this time, I will submit a formal representation on behalf of North Yorkshire Police to the licensing authority.

If you wish to discuss any of the above please do not hesitate to contact me. I look forward to hearing from you in relation to this matter.

Kind regards

Dave

Dave Furlong PC 1720

Police Licensing Officer

Police Licensing Unit

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Thank you for your co-operation.

From: [Licensing West](#)
To: [REDACTED]
Bcc: [Helen Tait](#)
Subject: FW: Pomegranate Persian Bakery Ltd,5 Park Square,Great Ayton, TS9 6BP - Acknowledgement of your Representation
Date: 09 March 2026 15:22:18

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email.

I write to acknowledge receipt of your representation. Please note all representations and contact information will be made available for the applicants to view so that they can respond accordingly.

Should your representation remain unresolved to your satisfaction by the end of the consultation period (1st April 2026), a hearing of the Statutory Licensing Sub-Committee will be convened within 20 working days which you, and anyone else who may submit a representation, will be invited to attend, along with the applicant. We will be in touch further.

You may wish to read more about representations – see page 27 onwards in the attached Policy

[Statement of Licensing Policy - Licensing Act 2003 with effect from 21 May 2025](#)

Thank you

Regards

Licensing Officer

Begin forwarded message:

From: [REDACTED]
Date: 8 March 2026 at 14:30:58 GMT
To: licensing.ham@northyorks.gov.uk
Subject: Pomegranate Persian Bakery Ltd,5 Park Square,Great Ayton, TS9 6BP - Application to supply and sell alcohol

I object to this application.

The above premises are a neighbour of mine and they currently have a license to operate 9.00 - 4.00pm selling food and non alcoholic beverages. The original application only allows them to sell non alcoholic beverages and only stay open until 4pm, inside only.

The building is in a conservation and residential area of Great Ayton and when the public house "The Quarry Stone" at 4a Park Square applied for their license they were told that they could not have outside drinking as when people have a drink and can get loud their voices echo around the old buildings causing a disturbance to residents. The Environmental Department stated that they should not be allowed outside drinking for this reason.

I am objecting to the application because if they are granted a license and people are drinking alcohol and they also have seats outside, which I doubt whether this has been approved, then we are in the same situation where upon it will create more noise escalating around the neighbourhood and disturbing residents.

I have recently had a stroke and require lots of sleep and rest and do not want to be disturbed by extra volume of voices over and above what I have to tolerate already on a daily basis. I find that having to deal with these sort s of situations is having an increased impact on my mental health.

I am also concerned that if they are granted a license, they then may in the future apply for an extended license to run up until late evening which would be totally unacceptable.

The Pomegrante already generates a lot of vehicles and cyclists using their facilities and they also cause problems in where they park their vehicles and bikes, blocking my private entrance on regular occasions not taking into consideration the access required by local residents.

For the reasons listed above I am strongly objecting to the application.

Yours faithfully

[Redacted signature]

Sent from my iPad

From: [Licensing West](#)
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: License application- Persian Bakery Ltd., 5 Park Square,Great Ayton,TS9 6BP
Date: 20 March 2026 10:46:05
Attachments: [image001.jpg](#)

Mr [REDACTED]

Can I point out that I did not put up the notice on the premises, this is the responsibility of the applicant not the Licensing Authority.

The email address of licensing.ham@northyorks.gov.uk are all now sent automatically to licensing.west@northyorks.gov.uk.

Regards

Helen Tait

Licensing Enforcement Officer (Western Area)

Regulation and Harbours

Environment Directorate

North Yorkshire Council

Telephone: 0300 131 2 131

Email: licensing.west@northyorks.gov.uk

Web: www.northyorks.gov.uk

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 20 March 2026 10:32
To: Licensing West

Subject: License application- Persian Bakery Ltd., 5 Park Square,Great Ayton,TS9 6BP

I wish to object to this application. The cafe which is applying is just a few metres from my house and has an archway with seating opening onto the Square. On pleasant days people already sit (often with noisy young children) under the archway and quite often the noise is very noticeable and unavoidable. This is without alcohol being available.

If the license is granted and people are drinking alcohol the noise level will increase . This is inevitable and not something I or my neighbours would appreciate.

Our normally quiet area has fallen foul of this problem before when you granted a license to the Quarrystone pub some years ago which made all our lives an absolute misery with excessive noise.

Could I also point out that the Green Notice of License Application which was put up on the license applicants property by a Helen Tait is obviously " old stock" and should be destroyed and replaced. It invites objections to be sent to "licensing.ham@northyorks.gov.uk" which you do not appear to receive. The system should, one would hope , forward anything sent to that address to the new address , but this is not the case it would seem.

Your green notice says " it is an offence knowingly to make a false statement in connection with an application" ! Your failure to give a correct address for objections should be considered just such a mistake.

Thankyou ,

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Licensing West](#)
Subject: Pomegranate Tea Rooms Great Ayton
Date: 24 March 2026 10:06:00

Hi Helen Tait

I recently objected to the granting of a licence to supply and sell Alcohol in the Pomegranate Tea Rooms 5 Park Square Great Ayton TS96BP as we already have 5 Premises selling Alcohol within a 3 minutes walk of my home [REDACTED] Park Square and do not see the need for another one.

I sent the e-mail to Licensing (Hambleton) about my objection and received a conformation e-mail back from North Yorkshire council.

After speaking to [REDACTED] he has informed me that you have not received this e-mail, hence I'm [REDACTED] ection to you direct.

Regards [REDACTED].

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Licensing West](#)
Subject: Pomegranate Persian Bakery Ltd
Date: 01 April 2026 15:59:47

Dear Helen Tait

I object to the granting of an alcohol license to the above on the grounds that : -

- 1) There are already four licensed premises in the vicinity.
- 2) They would inevitably ask for the hours requested to be extended which would cause more noise into the evening, especially with drinking in the yard area at the side/rear.
- 3) There would be even more congestion caused than at present with parked cars.

Yours faithfully

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Licensing West](#)
Subject: Alcohol license for Pomegranate, 5 Park Square, Great Ayton.
Date: 22 March 2026 17:47:23

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing in support of this license. Hamidah has a lovely restaurant and to be able to enjoy a glass of wine with a meal would make an enjoyable experience better. This is a respectable establishment which is a true asset to our village community. I live in the village and visit this establishment at least twice a week. This restaurant is vital to our village and provides a vital social experience .

Regards,

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Licensing West](#)
Subject: Pomegranate Persian Bakery Ltd, Great Ayton
Date: 22 March 2026 17:42:24

Dear Licensing

I have no objection to the application of this license and give it my full support.

It would give a more relaxing and more enjoyable experience if one could enjoy a glass of wine with a dinner/lunch.

Kind regards

[REDACTED]

M: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Licensing West](#)
Subject: Application for alcohol license Pomegranate bakery Great Ayton
Date: 25 March 2026 21:02:48

I would just wish to offer my support for the granting of the alcohol license for the above premises.

It is really a lovely quiet establishment, where I would love to have the choice to enjoy a glass of prosecco with their delicious food.

I am sure that the service of alcoholic drinks will only enhance the enjoyment of the dishes that are on offer.

Yours sincerely

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Licensing West](#)
Subject: Strong Support for Premises Licence Application – Pomegranate Persian Bakery Ltd
Date: 26 March 2026 10:33:02

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to formally submit my strong support for the premises licence application made by Pomegranate Persian Bakery Ltd, 5 Park Square, Great Ayton, TS9 6BP

As a local resident and regular customer since the business first opened in August 2022, I have seen first-hand how professionally and responsibly the premises is run, and the positive contribution it has made to the local community.

Pomegranate is a well-regarded, welcoming establishment that operates to a very high standard. It has become a valued part of Great Ayton's village centre, attracting a wide range of customers and contributing positively to the local economy and overall atmosphere of the area.

In my experience, the business is managed with great care and attention, and I have every confidence that the introduction of alcohol sales for on-premises consumption between 11:00 and 16:30 will be handled in a responsible and controlled manner. I do not believe this will give rise to any issues in relation to the licensing objectives, including the prevention of public nuisance or disorder.

On the contrary, I believe granting this application will enhance the customer experience and further strengthen an already successful and respected local business.

I fully support this application and respectfully ask that the Council gives it favourable consideration.

Yours faithfully,

[REDACTED]

Local resident, Great Ayton And Stokesley

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Licensing West](#)
Subject: Pomegranate Persian Bakery Ltd
Date: 26 March 2026 12:39:43

I would like to support the above business at 5 Park Sq, Great Ayton TS9 6BP in the application for a alcohol license, the food they serve is delicious and it would be lovely to enjoy a glass of wine while enjoying my lunch. The premises are only open morning & afternoons and you can only reserve a table for 90 mins, its not as if customers are going to go in for a heavy drink session, it will be just a glass of wine etc to enjoy with a meal.

Regards

[REDACTED]

Sent via BT Email App

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Licensing West](#)
Subject: Pomegranate Persian Bakery. 5 Park Square, Great Ayton.
Date: 26 March 2026 15:03:37

Re: Application for Alcohol Licence

To whom it may concern.

I would like to fully support the above Application.

As a regular user of the above Cafe/Restaurant, the owner and staff are persons of integrity, valued members of our village community, and I am certain they will use said license with care.

Yours sincerely

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Licensing West](#)
Subject: Alcohol licence
Date: 26 March 2026 15:28:45

I am contacting you in support of the application for an alcohol licence for Pomegranate Persian Bakery Ltd Great Ayton TS9 6BP.

This business is a great asset to the village and draws visitors to Great Ayton. It has an excellent reputation. An alcohol licence will enhance customers experience without any detriment to the village or neighbours given short licence hours during the afternoon. It will also make this business which is popular with locals and visitors more sustainable in the longer term.

Thanks

Kind Regards

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Licensing West](#)
Subject: Alcohol license for Pomegranate Persian Bakery in Great Ayton.
Date: 28 March 2026 16:54:03

I write as a regular visitor to Great Ayton and to the Pomegranate bakery. It is an excellent business who with a license for alcohol will be able to make the business more sustainable, whilst not having a negative impact at all. As a bakery it is not going to turn into a heavy drinking venue, but will be able to entice more lunch bookings.

Yours sincerely [REDACTED]
Enviat des del meu iPhone

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Licensing West](#)
Subject: Licensing application
Date: 30 March 2026 19:54:26

Licensing Application
Applicant - Pomegranate Persian Bakery Ltd
Postal address of premises -5 Park Square, Great Ayton TS9 6BP

As a resident of Great Ayton and frequent customer of the Pomegranate Persian Bakery for breakfast and lunch service, I support the application for an alcohol licence to allow consumption of alcohol by customers eating in the premises, Monday to Sunday between 11am - 4.30 pm

From personal observation of the owner and staff, I am sure they would serve alcohol in a responsible manner to customers to enhance the dining experience.

Customers would welcome the opportunity to buy wine or beer with a meal.

I hope this application will be considered favourably.

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Licensing West](#)
Subject: Support of Pomegranate Persian bakery
Date: 27 March 2026 09:02:28

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing in support of the alcohol licence application for the Pomegranate Persian Bakery.

Spending my entire childhood in Great Ayton, I believe the Pomegranate tea room has been an invaluable addition to the village. I have visited frequently over the years, enjoying the delicious food and delightful staff who create a relaxed, welcoming atmosphere. It has become a core part of Great Ayton's community and has a reputation which travels far.

An alcohol licence would support this family business and maintain the benefits it gives the wider community. Given the challenges faced by small businesses today, allowing them to diversify their income is an excellent way to boost its long term sustainability. Since it would only be between 11 and 16.30, any disturbances to neighbours would be minimal. Additionally, the respect this business has for the local community is evident and I am confident they would continue to maintain the friendly atmosphere.

I hope this demonstrates why I support this application for such a valuable local business.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my views.

Kind regards,

[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Licensing West](#)
Subject: Pomegranate Persian Bakery Great Ayton
Date: 28 March 2026 21:12:59

Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing in support of the application made by the above premises for a licence to supply alcohol for consumption by its customers during the day.

The Pomegranate is a fabulous eatery offering authentic Middle Eastern food, unavailable at any cafes in the area. It therefore has built up a large regular clientele from the village as well as attracting visitors from much further afield.

Its friendly atmosphere and unique menu makes it an ideal place for celebratory gatherings - from a birthday afternoon tea with friends to a large family get together. Being able to have a glass of 'bubbly', bottle of wine or beer would make such occasions extra special.

The people buying alcohol, should the licence be granted, will be those wanting a drink to go with their meal, not to imbibe an excess of alcohol so I would foresee no problems such as noise or rowdiness that one might otherwise associate with alcohol licence applications.

Yours faithfully

[REDACTED]

Great Ayton

Sent via BT Email App



Sunday, 29 March 2026

F.T.A.O. North Yorkshire County Council Licensing Department

Dear Sir/Madam

Pomegranate Persian Bakery Ltd

I write with respect to the application by the above business for an Alcohol Licence for the supply and consumption of alcohol on the premises. I would support this application on the following grounds:

- The business brings a unique and popular dining experience to the village and the wider locale.
- The proprietor is a highly responsible and fit person to supply alcoholic drinks with meals, principally lunches.
- It is not the type of business to attract customers intent on abusing alcoholic consumption as to cause any sort of trouble, typically the odd glass of wine or modest quantity of beer or lager.
- The licence is solely for 11.00 until 16.30.
- The clientele is for the most part retired folks, occasional business people and people with an interest in a slightly more exotic fare.
- The opportunity to obtain alcoholic drinks with meals will undoubtedly add to the appeal of the type of menu offerings available, adding to the viability and sustainability of the business.

As a resident of the village I see no reason for disallowing this application

Yours faithfully

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Licensing West](#)
Subject: Pomegranate Persian Bakery Alcohol License
Date: 30 March 2026 14:59:13

Dear to whom it may concern

Re Pomegranate Persian Bakery ltd. 5 Park Square, Great Ayton. TS96BP.

My name is [REDACTED] I am 55 years old. I am married with three children who all live in Great Ayton. [REDACTED]

I've been a resident in Great Ayton for the last 26 years. I have been a regular attender at the Pomegranate Persian tea room for the whole time it has been open.

The people who run it are very friendly and responsible and the whole business has added a very welcoming and international feel to the hospitality settings in the village. Their application for an alcohol license would add to daytime and early evening economy.

The food is excellent in quality. The establishment is a real hub for meeting different people. This café contributes to local community life.

I think the addition of alcohol as an option would be an added feature to the other hospitality settings already available in Great Ayton.

I'm not worried that this would bring any negative aspects to the village. I am all for supporting local business to thrive. It will not contribute to any late night adverse drinking problems. The possibility of alcohol will add to the low key option of having a drink but not in a pub setting.

Also, this little café creates jobs locally. I am very for this establishment adding to our developing High Street café and shopping culture. Businesses like these attract local visitors which is a good thing. Supporting them is good for the local area.

I would fully support this excellent local business with their request for serving alcohol on the premises.

Yours sincerely,

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Licensing West](#)
Date: 27 March 2026 20:11:44

Hi. I am writing to you on behalf of the pomegranate restaurant. I have a business [REDACTED] the pomegranate. I spend alot of time there and also do my customers as I always advise them to go there. They go they love it. Its an amazing addition to the village. If we could go and have a glass of wine with our dinner that would be great. I am in complete agreement with them selling alcohol. It would never cause a problem with my business because they are lovely people and would never let that happen. Hopefully you will support people trying to make a living in our village x

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Licensing West](#)
Subject: Support for Licence Application for Pomegranate Persian Tea Room
Date: 26 March 2026 16:07:32

Dear Sir/ Madame,

I writing to express my support for the application for an alcohol licence to the Persian Pomegranate Tea Room in Great Ayton.

I am a 25 year old who spent all my childhood in Great Ayton and believe that the opening of the tea room has been a hugely valuable addition to the village. It offers a friendly, relaxed atmosphere and fantastic food unlike anything else in the local area. Given the challenges that independent businesses are currently facing in this sector, an alcohol licence would massively boost its long term sustainability.

I believe the impact on the village would be wholly positive. Given that the licence would apply only to a small window in the afternoon, it is unlikely to result in any disturbance to local residents. Furthermore, the owners have already demonstrated their commitment to maintaining a welcoming and relaxed environment.

I therefore strongly believe granting this licence would benefit both the business and the wider community, and I fully support the application.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my views.

Yours faithfully,

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Licensing West](#)
Subject: Support in Favour of Sale of Alcohol at Pomegranate Persia Bakery Great Ayton
Date: 27 March 2026 13:23:04

To Whom it May Concern

I am writing in support of the Pomegranate Persian Bakery's proposal to sell alcohol in Great Ayton.

I have been a patron of the cafe for the past 3 years and every dining experience I have had on these premises has been an absolute treat.

Their proposal to sell alcohol on the premises will enhance some of the diners lunchtime experiences, mine included. Tables are booked for 1.5 hours time slots so I am unable to see any reason why the option to sell alcohol, say a glass of wine or beer to accompany their delicious food would cause any problems.

The cafe closes at 4pm and they serve breakfasts before lunchtime that people don't usually drink alcohol with and afternoons are busy with tea and cakes.

I would fully support the sale of alcohol on the premises for the small window of when it would be actually consumed by responsible adults enjoying delicious lunchtime food cooked with love.

There are plenty of other venues in Great Ayton for people who want to consume larger amounts of alcohol at lunch or night.

If I can be of anymore help in support of this application, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your consideration

Kind Regards

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Licensing West](#)
Subject: Re: Pomegranate Persian bakery Ltd
Date: 30 March 2026 14:56:07

On Mon, 30 Mar 2026 at 14:49, janet woolf <janetewoolf@gmail.com> wrote:

To whom it may concern

I am a regular customer of the above bakery and I am sure that granting an alcohol license would not in away change the service and friendliness that customers enjoy, in fact it would enhance the experience of eating there.

Yours sincerely

[REDACTED]

To: [REDACTED]
Subject: [Licensing West](#)
Date: Pomegranate Persian Bakery Ltd
29 March 2026 15:55:56

Dear Sir/Madame

Pomegranate Persian Bakery Ltd of 5 Park Square Great Ayton

I am writing in support of the application by the above business for an Alcohol Licence for the supply and consumption of alcohol on the premises Monday to Sunday between 11am and 4.30 pm.

- The applicant is a responsible and considerate person towards her customers and neighbours, and will provide alcohol appropriately. She is a well respected local business owner by local people who regularly eat here and meet their friends and relatives.
- Customers would appreciate a glass of wine or beer with their excellent food.
- Being able to serve alcohol with food would be an asset to the business.
- I feel it is important to support local well run businesses by independent owners.

Yours sincerely

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Licensing West](#)
Subject: Licence Application by Pomegranate Persian Bakery Limited
Date: 30 March 2026 11:58:21

Dear Sir/Madam

I wish to write in support of the Alcohol Licence which has been requested by the Pomegranate Persian Bakery at 5 Park Square, Great Ayton.

As well as being a regular customer of this business, I have also had the pleasure of knowing the owners for over 20 years. Massoud and Hamideh are, as I'm sure others will testify, the most hospitable, welcoming, hard-working, conscientious and honest people and they have created such a fantastic business in bringing a taste of Persia to North Yorkshire - embracing their heritage in both the decor and the beautiful food they serve daily. Everyone I have recommended the business to has said similarly - it's a slice of culture and a real asset to the local area.

I do hope that they will be able to expand their drinks' selection and that you will duly accept their application for a Licence to serve alcohol.

Kindest regards

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Licensing West](#)
Subject: Pomegranate Persian License
Date: 28 March 2026 12:14:55
Attachments: [PastedGraphic-1.tiff](#)

Hello

I am writing in support of the Pomegranate Persians application for an alcohol license.

The cafe is a lovely addition to our village and I can't see any negatives with this application.

Best of luck to them,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]



From: [REDACTED]
To: [Licensing West](#)
Subject: Fwd: Pomegranate application
Date: 28 March 2026 09:33:12

----- Original Message -----

From: [REDACTED]
To: "licensing.west@northyorkshire.gov.uk" ,
"licensing.weat@northyorks.gov.uk" , [REDACTED]
Date: 28/03/2026 08:39 GMT
Subject: Pomegranate application

Hi team

Please may I express my support for the licensing application by the fabulous folks at Pomegranate in Great Ayton.

I love eating there, and a daytime alcohol licence would enhance the options. The owner and staff are really community-focused and responsible, so I have no worries that it would ever get rowdy.

It is already a destination restaurant and an asset to the village, culturally and commercially.

Thank you

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Licensing West](#)
Subject: Licence application
Date: 26 March 2026 19:59:59

Good evening

I am contacting you in support of the application made by Hamideh Said Salehi for a licence to serve alcohol at Pomegranate, 5 Park Square, Great Ayton, TS9 6BP.

I believe this application should be approved for the following reasons:

- The licence is requested for daytime business hours and therefore will not pose a nuisance or antisocial issues to local residents.
- This restaurant contributes to diversity and social inclusion within the local community.
- This restaurant offers a unique cuisine and thus attracts visitors to Great Ayton. Thus it contributes significantly to the local economy and increases footfall to other local businesses.
- There are several other establishments within walking distance and within Great Ayton that have licences. Thus there is a precedent and it would be concerning if open competition was not allowed.
- I believe that restaurants are facing significant challenges at the present time. Applications like this will help make the business more sustainable. It is not in the interest of the local community, residents or the Council for businesses to close due to lack of viability.

Thank you for considering my views in support of this application.

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Licensing West](#)
Subject: FW: Contact us form
Date: 31 March 2026 16:39:34

Please find below a support of licensing application for a Hamideh Said Salehi at Pomegranate Persian Tea Rooms, 5 Park Square, Great Ayton, TS9 6BP
Kind Regards,

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 31/03/2026 15:39:08
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Contact us form



Question received

We have received a question from a customer.

They told us

Subject

Licensing (Hambleton)

Response required

Yes

Title

Mrs

Name

[REDACTED]

Telephone

Not provided.

Address

[REDACTED]

I am writing in support of a licensing application for the following: Hamideh Said Salehi at Pomegranate Persian Tea Rooms, 5 Park Square, Great Ayton, TS9 6BP has applied for a license for the supply/sale of alcohol. I am a regular customer of the Pomegranite, and a local resident of Great Ayton. This venue is somewhere we go to celebrate birthdays and other important events and we think it would be lovely to be able to have a glass of wine or beer with our meal and cannot see any negative consequences of the tea room being licensed. The venue is very popular, the food is amazing and I wish to express my support for the application. I understand today is the last day of the 28 days consultation which ends tomorrow - 1 April 2026. Please could

you forward this letter to the licensing department as a matter of urgency so it arrives in the consultation window. Many thanks, [REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Licensing West](#)
Subject: Application for pomegranate great ayton
Date: 27 March 2026 20:44:10

To whom it may concern .

I would like to put an application forward for the pomegranate Persian cafe in great ayton , to be able to serve alcohol . I have my own business [REDACTED] to the pomegranate and it is such a lovely asset to our village . They are such lovely people and work so hard , and there food is wonderful and i would love them to be able to offer alcohol too . We have never had any problems with noise or any complaints and all of my clients would love to see them be able to do this too . I hope you will consider my application .

Thankyou

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Licensing West](#)
Subject: Pomegranate Persian Bakery
Date: 28 March 2026 18:38:25

Dear Sir or Madam,

As a regular lunch customer of the Pomegranate, I would like to support the application recently submitted, for an alcohol license to sell alcohol for consumption on the premises, between 11.00 - 16.30, Monday to Sunday.

I live in Great Ayton, and believe that having an alcohol license will only enhance the business. It's a lovely cafe with a loyal clientele who enjoy the beautiful food. Being able to enjoy a glass of wine whilst dining would be excellent.

Close to the Pomegranate is a bar (The Quarry Stone), which is mainly open in the evenings, and also The Royal Oak the latter of which is open all day and neither cause any alcohol related disturbances.

I believe a precedent has been set and that the Pomegranate should be granted an alcohol license and I support wholeheartedly the application.

Yours faithfully,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Licensing West](#)
Subject: Pomegranate alcohol license
Date: 29 March 2026 18:16:06

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to express my support for the alcohol licence application submitted by the pomegranate , located in Great Ayton.

This café has been a positive addition to the local community, offering a welcoming and well-managed space for residents and visitors alike. Granting this licence would help support its continued growth while enhancing the local area’s social and economic vitality.

I believe the owners are responsible operators who will ensure that alcohol is served in a safe and considerate manner, with respect for neighbours and local regulations.

For these reasons, I strongly support the application and hope it will be approved.

Yours faithfully,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Sent from [Outlook for iOS](#)

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Licensing West](#)
Subject: Pomegranate great ayton
Date: 26 March 2026 21:37:47

Dear sir/ madam

I'm writing in support of an alcohol license being granted for the pomegranate cafe in great ayton. This is a unique business in the area and has rapidly developed a superb reputation for outstanding food and atmosphere. I would be confident that any sale of alcohol would be responsible and I do not think it is likely that unruly clientele would be attracted, as there are already an number of purely drinking establishment in the vicinity, where as this is much more likely to be a glass of wine with a meal.

My main reason for supporting it is to help make the business as sustainable as possible because I don't want to lose it .

Kind regards

[REDACTED]

Recently moved from great ayton to stokesley but still a frequent great ayton visitor

Sent from my iPhone

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Licensing West](#)
Subject: Fwd: Subject: Support for Alcohol License Application - Pomegranate Persian Bakery Ltd (5 Park Square, Great Ayton)
Date: 28 March 2026 17:27:56

To the Licensing Department,

I am writing to express my strong support for the licensing application submitted by **Pomegranate Persian Bakery Ltd** at 5 Park Square, Great Ayton (TS9 6BP).

As someone who frequents Great Ayton, I consider this café a standout "hidden gem." The quality of their authentic Persian food—from the fresh bakes to the flavorful main dishes—is exceptional and brings something truly unique to our local high street.

I believe granting a license for the supply of alcohol between **11:00 and 16:30** is a very reasonable request. These modest daytime hours perfectly complement a relaxed lunch or brunch service. Allowing patrons the option of a glass of wine or a beer with their meal would enhance the dining experience without impacting the quiet character of the village.

The bakery is consistently well-managed, clean, and professional. I have total confidence that the owners will uphold the licensing objectives responsibly, and I believe supporting such a high-quality local business is in the best interest of the community.

I hope the council views this application favorably.

Yours faithfully,

[REDACTED]



From: [REDACTED]
To: [Licensing West](#)
Subject: Pomegranate Persian tea room License Application
Date: 31 March 2026 00:21:32

Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing to you regarding the alcohol license application for the premises above.

I would love to give my support to this business on this matter.

The tearoom is a complement to the village, the food is delicious and the ingredients on most part are locally sourced, helping the village to keep going.

The license application is just so customers can enjoy a drink with their meal, the hours asked for are just 11 am to 4.30 pm, their neighbour, the Quarry Stone micro pub doesn't open till 4/4.30pm so they will have no impact on their trade.

As a frequent customer and also a local resident, I hope you can favourably at this application.

Yours sincerely

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Licensing West](#)
Subject: Pomegrante Persian Alcohol Application
Date: 27 March 2026 11:04:34

Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing to express my full support for the alcohol licence application for the Pomegrante Persian Bakery Ltd.

As both a regular customer and a local business owner, I have always found the Pomegrante Persian to be professional, responsible, and a positive presence within the community.

The staff consistently maintains a welcoming and well-managed environment, and I have no concerns about their ability to uphold the responsibilities that come with holding an alcohol licence.

I believe granting this licence would enhance their offering while continuing to benefit the local area and its businesses.

Thank you for considering my support.

Yours faithfully,

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Subject: Pomegranate Persian Bakery Alcohol licence
Date: 27 March 2026 17:44:41
Attachments: [image.png](#)

To whom it may concern,

I would like to fully support the application for an alcohol licence for the Pomegranate Persian Tea rooms 5 Park Square Great Ayton

Hamideh is an essential part of the local community, and draws a huge amount of visitors from far and wide to Great Ayton.

I have a business [REDACTED] Tearooms and see firsthand the customer clientele and how responsibly the business is ran.

I do not hesitate to recommend my customers to Hamideh's tearooms.

We ourselves are regular visitors to the tearoom.

The alcohol license, I have no doubt would be used carefully and would be a nice addition for customers to a family meal.

I understand there will be opposition from local residents, who appear to have a vendetta against the local businesses that are helping to keep the village thriving.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Licensing West](#)
Subject: Persian tea room
Date: 28 March 2026 12:23:39

Dear Licensing Team,

I am writing to express my full support for the licensing application submitted by the Persian Tea Room in Great Ayton.

As a regular customer, I have always found the tea room to be a warm, family-run business that serves a broad and respectful customer base. Families, local running groups, pensioners, and visitors to the village all rely on it as a welcoming and community-minded space. The owners take great pride in maintaining a calm, friendly, and inclusive environment.

The request to offer a small and carefully managed range of alcoholic drinks alongside meals at lunchtime feels like a natural and sensible extension of their existing offer. It would enhance the experience for many of their loyal customers without changing the character of the venue. Based on my experience of the tea room and its clientele, I can see no reason why this would cause any disturbance or concern.

The Persian Tea Room is a valued part of Great Ayton, and I believe this modest licensing request will support its continued success while maintaining the high standards it is known for.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Kind regards,

[REDACTED]

Sent from [Outlook for Android](#)

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Licensing West](#)
Subject: Pomegranate restaurant
Date: 31 March 2026 13:41:05

To whom it may concern,

I understand that the above restaurant in Great Ayton has applied for an alcohol licence during opening hours. I use this restaurant frequently and would like to fully support this application. It will be a great benefit for the owner and the people using this cafe/restaurant, which has no impact on the locals as the cafe closes late afternoon. Therefore no impact on evening traffic. The owner is a very sensible person and will also have the local residents in mind.

Kind regards

[REDACTED]
Sent from my iPhone

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Licensing West](#)
Subject: Reference for drinks licence
Date: 31 March 2026 16:38:48

Sent from my iPhone To Whom it may concern, I am pleased to provide this character reference in support of Hamideh Said Salehi 5 Park Square , great ayton Pomegranate Persian Bakery LTD in their application for a drinks license and the operation of a small restaurant/ Bakery . I have known Hamideh Said Salehi for the past five years as a customer and a friend and throughout this time i have always found her to be a person of integrity, reliability and strong moral character, she consistently demonstrates responsibility in both her professional and personal conduct I would fully support her to have a drinks licence in her business yours faithfully [REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Licensing West](#)
Subject: Fwd: Support for application of license
Date: 31 March 2026 17:00:20

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

From: [REDACTED]
Date: 31 March 2026 at 15:48:05 BST
To: Licensing.west@northyorks.go.uk
Subject: **Support for application of license**

We : [REDACTED] Great Ayton TS9 6GA
support the "Pomegranate Persian Bakery Ltd. 5 Park Square Great Ayton
TS9 6GA support 6BP for the application to supply alcohol . Kind Regards

[REDACTED]
Sent from my iPad

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Licensing West](#)
Subject: Pomegranate Persian Bakery Ltd
Date: 31 March 2026 20:39:20

To whom it may concern,

I write this letter in support of an application by Hamideh Said Salehi and family to secure an alcohol license at the premises Pomegranate Persian Tea Room, 5 Park Square, Great Ayton, TS9 6BP.

My name is [REDACTED], I have worked as a [REDACTED], based opposite the Tea Rooms for many years.

To my knowledge, the owners of the Pomegranate Persian Tea Room are very respectable business owners, with an honourable reputation both personally, and professionally.

It is my belief that the sale of alcohol at the premises to enable people to enjoy a drink with food will add value to an already thriving hub of the community.

I think it is extremely important to support local businesses in these times and would urge you to grant the alcohol license to the family.

I would be happy to discuss this further, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPad

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Licensing West](#)
Subject: Pomegranate
Date: 22 March 2026 16:15:40

Sent from my iPhone My name is [REDACTED]

Hello,

I fully support The Pomegranate in Great Ayton obtaining an alcohol licence, between the hours of 11 and 16.30. I cannot see this becoming an inconvenience as there is a Micro-pub next door who hold longer hours. Myself and my family have been patrons of this establishment for quite a few years and know that the staff are very friendly and helpful.

If anyone would like to contact me please do so on this email address, my telephone number is:

[REDACTED]

Regards

[REDACTED]

Extract from Licensing Act 2003

19 Mandatory conditions where licence authorises supply of alcohol

- (1) Where a premises licence authorises the supply of alcohol, the licence must include the following conditions.
- (2) The first condition is that no supply of alcohol may be made under the premises licence-
- (a) at a time when there is no designated premises supervisor in respect of the premises licence, or
- (b) at a time when the designated premises supervisor does not hold a personal licence or his personal licence is suspended.
- (3) The second condition is that every supply of alcohol under the premises licence must be made or authorised by a person who holds a personal licence.

20 Mandatory condition: exhibition of films

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

(4) In this section-

“children” means persons aged under 18; and

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

21 Mandatory condition: door supervision

- (1) Where a premises licence includes a condition that at specified times one or more individuals must be at the premises to carry out a security activity, the licence must include a condition that each such individual must be licensed by the Security Industry Authority.
- (2) But nothing in subsection (1) requires such a condition to be imposed-
- (a) in respect of premises within paragraph 8(3)(a) of Schedule 2 to the Private Security Industry Act 2001 (c.12) (premises with premises licences authorising plays or films), or
- (b) in respect of premises in relation to-



(i) any occasion mentioned in paragraph 8(3)(b) or (c) of that Schedule (premises being used exclusively by club with club premises certificate, under a temporary event notice authorising plays or films or under a gaming licence), or

(ii) any occasion within paragraph 8(3)(d) of that Schedule (occasions prescribed by regulations under that Act).

(3) For the purposes of this section-

(a) "security activity" means an activity to which paragraph 2(1)(a) of that Schedule applies, and

(b) paragraph 8(5) of that Schedule (interpretation of references to an occasion) applies as it applies in relation to paragraph 8 of that Schedule.

The Licensing Act 2003 (Mandatory Conditions) Order 2014

1. A relevant person shall ensure that no alcohol is sold or supplied for consumption on or off the premises for a price which is less than the permitted price.

2. For the purposes of the condition set out in paragraph 1—

(a) "duty" is to be construed in accordance with the Alcoholic Liquor Duties Act 1979(a);

(b) "permitted price" is the price found by applying the formula—

$$P = D + (D \times V)$$

Where -

(i) P is the permitted price,

(ii) D is the amount of duty chargeable in relation to the alcohol as if the duty were charged on the date of the sale or supply of the alcohol, and

(iii) V is the rate of value added tax chargeable in relation to the alcohol as if the value added tax were charged on the date of the sale or supply of the alcohol;

(c) "relevant person" means, in relation to premises in respect of which there is in force a premises licence—

(i) the holder of the premises licence,

(ii) the designated premises supervisor (if any) in respect of such a licence, or

(iii) the personal licence holder who makes or authorises a supply of alcohol under such a licence;

(d) "relevant person" means, in relation to premises in respect of which there is in force a club premises certificate, any member or officer of the club present on the premises in a capacity which enables the member or officer to prevent the supply in question; and

(e) "value added tax" means value added tax charged in accordance with the Value Added Tax Act 1994(b).



3. Where the permitted price given by Paragraph (b) of paragraph 2 would (apart from this paragraph) not be a whole number of pennies, the price given by that sub-paragraph shall be taken to be the price actually given by that sub-paragraph rounded up to the nearest penny.

4. (1) Sub-paragraph (2) applies where the permitted price given by Paragraph (b) of paragraph 2 on a day ("the first day") would be different from the permitted price on the next day ("the second day") as a result of a change to the rate of duty or value added tax.

(2) The permitted price which would apply on the first day applies to sales or supplies of alcohol which take place before the expiry of the period of 14 days beginning on the second day.

The Licensing Act 2003 (Mandatory Licensing Conditions) (Amendment) Order 2014

1. (1) The responsible person must ensure that staff on relevant premises do not carry out, arrange or participate in any irresponsible promotions in relation to the premises.

(2) In this paragraph, an irresponsible promotion means any one or more of the

following activities, or substantially similar activities, carried on for the purpose of encouraging the sale or supply of alcohol for consumption on the premises —

(a) games or other activities which require or encourage, or are designed to require or encourage, individuals to —

(i) drink a quantity of alcohol within a time limit (other than to drink alcohol sold or supplied on the premises before the cessation of the period in which the responsible person is authorised to sell or supply alcohol), or

(ii) drink as much alcohol as possible (whether within a time limit or otherwise);

(b) provision of unlimited or unspecified quantities of alcohol free or for a fixed or discounted fee to the public or to a group defined by a particular characteristic in a manner which carries a significant risk of undermining a licensing objective;

(c) provision of free or discounted alcohol or any other thing as a prize to encourage or reward the purchase and consumption of alcohol over a period of 24 hours or less in a manner which carries a significant risk of undermining a licensing objective;

(d) selling or supplying alcohol in association with promotional posters or flyers on, or in the vicinity of, the premises which can reasonably be considered to condone, encourage or glamorise anti-social behaviour or to refer to the effects of drunkenness in any favourable manner;

(e) dispensing alcohol directly by one person into the mouth of another (other than where that other person is unable to drink without assistance by reason of disability).

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

3. (1) The premises licence holder or club premises certificate holder must ensure that an age verification policy is adopted in respect of the premises in relation to the sale or supply of alcohol.

(2) The designated premises supervisor in relation to the premises licence must ensure that the supply of alcohol at the premises is carried on in accordance with the age verification policy.



(3) The policy must require individuals who appear to the responsible person to be under 18 years of age (or such older age as may be specified in the policy) to produce on request, before being served alcohol, identification bearing their photograph, date of birth and either -

(a) a holographic mark, or

(b) an ultraviolet feature.

4. The responsible person must ensure that -

(a) where any of the following alcoholic drinks is sold or supplied for consumption on the premises (other than alcoholic drinks sold or supplied having been made up in advance ready for sale or supply in a securely closed container) it is available to customers in the following measures -

(i) beer or cider: ½ pint;

(ii) gin, rum, vodka or whisky: 25 ml or 35 ml; and

(iii) still wine in a glass: 125 ml;

(b) these measures are displayed in a menu, price list or other printed material which is available to customers on the premises; and

(c) where a customer does not in relation to a sale of alcohol specify the quantity of alcohol to be sold, the customer is made aware that these measures are available.”

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