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A meeting of **Alcohol and Entertainment Licensing Sub-Committee** will be held in Committee Rooms, East Pallant House on **Monday 11 September 2023 at 2.30 pm**

MEMBERS: Ms J Brown-Fuller, Mr H Potter and Ms V Weller

## AGENDA

### Part 1

- 1 **To elect a Chairman for this Hearing**
- 2 **Declarations of Interests**

Members and officers are reminded to make any declarations of disclosable pecuniary, personal and/or prejudicial interests they may have in respect of matters on the agenda for this meeting.
- 3 **Licensing Hearings (Pages 1 - 126)**

**Little Monster Tap, 23 The Hornet, Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 1TY**  
Application for a Variation of a Premises Licence (Application Number - 23/00909/LAPRE1):

  - (a) Chair opens the Hearing.
  - (b) Items arising from Regulation 6 Notice (Notice of Hearing).
  - (c) Notice of any representations withdrawn.
  - (d) The procedure will then follow the Sub-Committee protocol and procedure note attached
- 4 **Consideration of any late items as follows:**
  - (a) items added to the agenda papers and made available for public inspection;
  - (b) items which the chairman has agreed should be taken as matters of urgency by reason of special circumstances to be reported at the meeting.

### NOTES

1. The press and public may be excluded from the meeting during any item of business whenever it is likely that there would be disclosure of exempt information as defined in section 100I of and Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972
2. The press and public may view the agenda papers within Part 1 of the agenda on Chichester District Council's website at <http://www.chichester.gov.uk/committees>.

3. Subject to the provisions allowing the exclusion of the press and public, the photographing, filming or recording of this meeting from the public seating area is permitted. To assist with the management of the meeting, anyone wishing to do this is asked to inform the chairman of the meeting of his or her intentions before the meeting starts. The use of mobile devices for access to social media is permitted but these should be switched to silent for the duration of the meeting. Those undertaking such activities must do so discreetly and not disrupt the meeting, for example by oral commentary, excessive noise, distracting movement or flash photography. Filming of children, vulnerable adults or members of the audience who object should be avoided. [Standing Order 11.3 in the Constitution of Chichester District Council]

## CHICHESTER DISTRICT COUNCIL

### THE LICENSING ACT 2003 (THE 'ACT')

#### THE LICENSING ACT 2003 HEARING REGULATIONS 2005

#### SUB-COMMITTEE PROTOCOL

#### PROTOCOL

#### 1. The Notice of Meeting

- (a) The Notice of Sub-Committee meeting issued by the Council shall be accompanied by the following:
  - (i) A report of the Licensing Officer which shall include:
    - (a) Conditions the Licensing Officer considers relevant in the event that the application is granted;
    - (b) Any matters which in his opinion require clarification; and
    - (c) Observations on the application in relation to the Licensing Objectives, National Guidance and local policy.
  - (ii) Where relevant, the notices which have been given by the applicant and other parties under the Act.
- (b) The Notice of Meeting shall be served upon:
  - (i) The applicant (together with copies of relevant representations under the Act);
  - (ii) Persons who have made relevant representations under the Act; and
  - (iii) Where appropriate the Chief Officer of Police who has given notice under the Act.

#### 2. Appearances and Submissions

##### (a) Constitution of the Sub Committee

A Member of a Ward in which the premises are located and is the subject of an application shall not be a Member of the Sub-Committee determining such application.

##### (b) Parties entitled to appear

In accordance with the Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005 any person making relevant representations, the applicant and the Licensing Officer may attend the hearing and may be assisted or represented by any person whether or not the person is legally qualified.

(c) **At the Hearing**

Any party shall be entitled to:

- (i) Respond to any point in support of their application or representation which the Licensing Authority (the 'Authority') has given notice that it may require further clarification on;
- (ii) Normally to put questions to any other party; and
- (iii) Address the Sub-Committee.

(d) **Consequences of non-attendance**

- (i) The Sub-Committee will normally proceed with a hearing where a party has informed the Authority that it does not intend to attend or be represented at the hearing.
- (ii) Where a party has not so indicated but fails to attend or to be represented at the hearing the Sub-Committee may, at its discretion, where it is considered necessary in the public interest, adjourn the hearing to a later date or hold the hearing in the party's absence subject to, (in the latter case), the Sub-Committee considering the application or representations made by the absent party.

(e) **Submissions to the Sub Committee**

- (i) Subject to each party being given an equal maximum time the Sub-Committee may, at its discretion, where it considers appropriate in the public interest, advise parties that it will impose a time limit on speeches or submissions to be made to it.
- (ii) The Sub-Committee may, at its discretion, request that where a number of relevant representations repeat or in substance repeat a representation, that a representative of those making such representations make submissions to it on behalf of the other parties.
- (iii) The production of draft conditions by the Licensing Officer shall not be construed as influencing the Sub-Committee in advance of hearing representations and are produced for administrative convenience in the event that, following formal determination of the application, the Sub-Committee considers it appropriate to grant consent but with such conditions as it may consider appropriate.
- (iv) The Sub-Committee shall not have regard to any information first produced by a party at the hearing without first obtaining the consent of other parties present at the hearing.

(f) **Conduct at the Hearing**

- (i) The Sub-Committee may, at its discretion, require a person to leave the hearing and refuse to permit that person to return or to return only on such conditions as the Sub-Committee specifies if, in its opinion, that person is behaving in a disruptive manner, provided that such person may submit written evidence in accordance with the Regulations.

- (ii) Any irregularity arising from any failure to accord with this procedure shall not make the hearing void. If any person has clearly been prejudiced the Authority will take appropriate steps to rectify the irregularity before reaching its determination. Clerical mistakes in a document arising from accidental slip or omission may be corrected by the Authority.
- (iii) The public (including any parties or their representatives) may be excluded from part of the hearing where the public interest in so doing outweighs the public interest in the hearing taking place in public.
- (iv) The Sub-Committee may adjourn the hearing to a specified date where it considers it necessary to obtain further information or to facilitate representations or to assess such representation at or in the vicinity of the premises.

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Licensing Authority, Chichester District Council, East Pallant House,  
1 East Pallant, Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 1TY

**Alcohol and Entertainment Licensing Sub-Committee**

**Date & Time:** Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2023 at 2.30pm

**Venue:** Committee Rooms, Chichester District Council, East Pallant House, 1 East Pallant,  
Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 1TY

**Application for VARIATION of a PREMISES LICENCE  
(Application Number – 23/00909/LAPRE1)**

Little Monster Tap  
23 The Hornet  
Chichester  
West Sussex  
PO19 7JL

**1. RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 1.1 That the Sub-Committee consider and determine an application made by Little Monster Brewing Company Limited for a Premises Licence variation.**
- 1.2 If the determination is to grant a varied Premises Licence, to give consideration as to whether it is appropriate to attach conditions to ensure the statutory licensing objectives are promoted.**
- 1.3 The Sub-Committee is to give reasons for its decision.**

**2. REASONS FOR HEARING**

- 2.1 The application to vary the existing Premises Licence submitted by Little Monster Brewing Company Limited of Metherell Gard, Burn View, Bude, Cornwall, EX23 8BX (Company Number 11228185) has attracted 32 relevant representations. Of the representations, 21 are in support and 11 in opposition to the application. No representations were received from any of the designated Responsible Authorities under the Licensing Act 2003. All the representations were made by members of the public.

**3. BACKGROUND**

Included in this report are the following attachments:

- 3.1 Copy of the Alcohol and Entertainment Licensing Sub-Committee – Protocol.
- 3.2 Plans depicting the application site and local area in relation to the representations received by the Licensing Authority (**Attachment A**).

- 3.3 Copy of the complete Premises Licence variation application (**Attachment B**).
- 3.4 Copy of all relevant representations (**Attachment C**).
- 3.5 Copy of the existing Premises Licence (and conditions) for Little Monster Tap. (Premises Licence number 3815/23/00770/LAPRED) (**Attachment D**).

#### **4 SUMMARY OF THE PREMISES LICENCE APPLICATION**

- 4.1 A copy of the application to vary the existing Premises Licence is reproduced in full at Attachment B.
- 4.2 Little Monster Brewing Company Limited submitted a valid application on 14 July 2023. As part of the application process, statutory public notices were displayed by the applicant at the premises during the representation period which ran between 14 July 2023 and 11 August 2023 inclusive. In addition, a copy of the statutory public notice was published in the Chichester Observer series on 20 July 2023.
- 4.3 Below are extracts taken from the application form in which the applicant provided a general description of the site and nature of the variation being sought:

*The current licence allows the sale of alcohol from 12.00 – 21.30 hours and we wish to extend this from 12.00 to 23.00 hours. **An additional 1.5 hours.***

*The current licence allows the opening of the premises from 12.00 to 22.00 hours, and we wish to extend this from 12.00 to 23.30 hours. **An additional 1.5 hours.***

*We will only open until these times subject to planning.*

The applicant has also identified a condition currently imposed on the licence which they believe could be removed as part of the variation application, this is Condition 7 of Annex 2) of the current Premises Licence which states:

*“No tapped lagers, or spirits, will be sold for either on or off sales”.*

In support of the application a new plan was also provided illustrating a rotation of the bar (by 90 degrees) making it, in the applicants’ experience “*easier to view customers coming into and exiting the premises to better adhere to the four licensing objectives*”.

- 4.4 The variation application therefore seeks to extend the existing hours the premises is authorised to undertake the supply of alcohol by 1.5 hours with the terminal hour being 23.00 hours rather than the current 21.30 hours.
- 4.5 Naturally the hours the premises would be open to the public would also need to be extended if the application is successful. The current terminal opening hour is 22.00 hours and thus would be extended to 23.30 hours incorporating an additional 1.5 hours.
- 4.6 The table below sets out the existing opening hours and activities on the current Premises Licence compared to what is being applied for.



Licensable Activity	Current hours on existing Premises Licence	Proposed hours as part of variation application
Supply of Alcohol <i>(Consumption indoors &amp; on the premises only)</i>	Everyday 12:00 to <b>21.30</b>	Everyday 12:00 to <b>23.00</b>
Hours premises are open to the public	Everyday 12:00 to <b>22.00</b>	Everyday 12.00 to <b>23.30</b>

4.7 Due to statutory deregulation that has come into effect since the Licensing Act 2003 was introduced in 2005, it is important to be aware that with respect specifically to live music and recorded music, these activities are not actually licensable if all of the following criteria is met:

- The live or recorded music takes place between 08:00 and 23:00.
- It takes place at an alcohol on-licensed premises; and
- The audience is no more than 500 people.

4.8 Given the capacity of the licensed premises is under 500 and it already has an alcohol on-license should live or recorded music take place at the premises between 08.00 and 23.00 these would not be licensable activities.

4.9 The applicant provided additional information in their Operating Schedule as to how they intend to take to promote all four of the licensing objectives should the variation be granted. This is shown within the application form at Attachment B.

## **5 THE PROCESS AND PROMOTION OF LICENSING OBJECTIVES**

5.1 The legislation provides a clear focus on the promotion of four licensing objectives which must be addressed when licensing functions are undertaken. Each objective is of equal importance. The licensing objectives are:

- The prevention of crime and disorder,
- Public safety,
- The prevention of public nuisance, and
- The protection of children from harm.

5.2 In carrying out its licensing functions, the Licensing Authority must also have regard to its current Statement of Licensing Policy 2022-2027, statutory guidance published by the Home Office (August 2023) along with relevant matters raised in any representation(s).

## **6 RELEVANT REPRESENTATION(S)**

- 6.1 A representation is “relevant” if it relates to the likely effect of the grant or variation of a licence on the promotion of at least one or more of the licensing objectives. Representations can be in opposition or support of an application. As stated at paragraph 2.1 above, this application attracted 32 relevant representations, 21 of which are in support and the remaining 11 in opposition. All relevant representations that subsist are reproduced in full at Attachment C.
- 6.2 It is for the Licensing Authority to determine whether a representation (other than a representation from a Responsible Authority of which there are none for this particular application) is frivolous or vexatious. A representation may be considered to be vexatious if it appears to be intended to cause aggravation or annoyance, or without reasonable cause or justification. However, it is recommended that, in borderline cases, the benefit of doubt about any aspect of a representation should be given to the person making the representation.
- 6.3 Amongst other things the supporting representations comment positively on the ambience of the premises and its welcoming nature, reflected in the clientele it attracts. There were supportive comments about the responsible management ethos at the venue. Comments are made based on customers and some neighbours own experiences, most notably the lack of evidence or incident at the premises that undermine any of the four licensing objectives and that extending the operating hours at the premises would not change this. Reference is also made to its city centre location, other licensed premises in the area and a shared desire to support small independent businesses that act as a community hub.
- 6.4 The representations in opposition refer to a number of matters, it is evident that the main areas of concern particularly relate to the likely effect on the promotion of the Public Nuisance and Prevention of Crime and Disorder objectives should the extension to hours be granted as a result of the variation application. Such matters raised include - encouragement of more drinking, concerns around increased noise, loud music, littering and urination. One representor suggests the application will have a *“wholly detrimental impact on the lives of people living nearby”* with another stating the application site is *“unsuitable for extended use being in the middle of a residential area”*.

## **7 CONSIDERATIONS**

- 7.1 In reaching its determination, the Sub-Committee must take into consideration the promotion of the four statutory licensing objectives, the Council’s Statement of Licensing Policy, the current Home Office Guidance along with written and/or oral evidence during the hearing.
- 7.2 It is very important to note that these are the only matters to be addressed by the Licensing Authority when considering this application. The licensing objectives are the only grounds on which representations can be made, and the only grounds on which the Licensing Authority will be able to refuse an application or impose appropriate conditions in addition to mandatory conditions and those proposed by the applicant in their operating schedule.
- 7.3 Human Rights considerations must be taken into account fully in balancing licensing issues, in particular, article 1 of the first protocol and articles 6 and 8. Article 1

relates to the protection of property and the peaceful enjoyment of possessions and property (holding a licence would be considered a possession). Article 8 relates to the right to respect for private and family life, home and correspondence. Article 6 relates to the right to a fair trial. These are however qualified rights and can be deprived of "in the public interest". Interference is permissible if what is done: -

- Has its basis in law;
- Is necessary in a democratic society to fulfil a pressing need or pursue a legitimate aim,
- Is proportionate to the aims being pursued; and,
- Is related to the prevention of crime or, the protection of public order or health or the protection of the rights and freedoms of others.

7.4 The Sub-Committee must consider each application on its own merits, and in accordance with the principles of natural justice, as well as the provisions of the Licensing Act 2003. All relevant factors must be taken into account, and all irrelevant factors must be disregarded.

7.5 All applications before the Sub-Committee must be considered against the backdrop of anti-discriminatory legislation including the Equality Act 2010 and in accordance with the Council's current Equality Strategy.

7.6 In accordance with Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 the Council is under a duty to exercise its functions with due regard to the likely effect on, and the need to do all it reasonably can to prevent, crime and disorder in its areas. The possible crime and disorder implications are clearly relevant factors in the consideration of all applications and this is re-emphasised by the Licensing Act 2003 itself. In giving "due regard" to these possible implications members will consider and weigh up all the information available and representations made, including those from Responsible Authorities and any other person(s).

7.7 The Sub-Committee are required to give reasons for their decision.

## **8. OPTIONS OPEN TO THE SUB-COMMITTEE**

8.1 When considering this application, the following options are available to the Sub-Committee:

- (a) Grant the Premises Licence variation, as applied for;
- (b) Grant the Premises Licence variation as applied for along with any additional conditions considered appropriate to promote one or more of the licensing objectives on which relevant representations have been received.
- (c) Reject the whole or part of the Premises Licence variation application.

## **9 BACKGROUND PAPERS**

- Licensing Act 2003 (as amended)
- Home Office Guidance issued under section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 (August 2023)
- Chichester District Council's Statement of Licensing Policy 2022-2027

## **10 ATTACHMENTS**

**Attachment A:** Plan depicting the application site and local area in relation to the representations received by the Licensing Authority.

**Attachment B:** Copy of the complete Premises Licence variation application.

**Attachment C:** Copy of all relevant representations.

**Attachment D:** Copy of Part A of the existing Premises Licence (3815/23/00770/LAPRED)

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RELEVANT REPRESENTATIONS – 11<sup>th</sup> September 2023

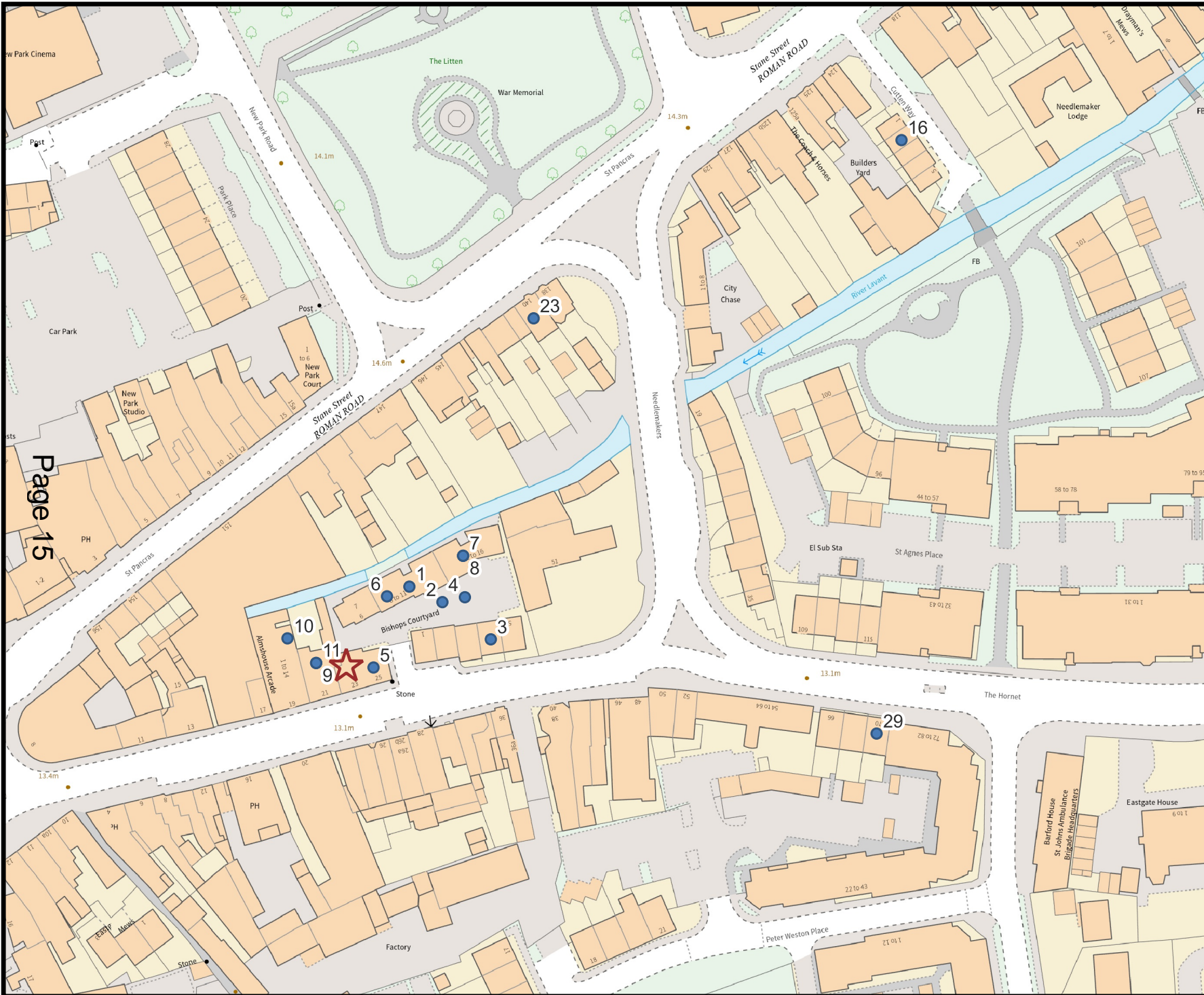
Representor	Name and address	Stance
1	<b>Dr Steve Dye</b> , 10 Bishops Courtyard The Hornet, Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 7GT	OBJECT
2	<b>Mr Fred Harris</b> , Bishops Courtyard, The Hornet Chichester, West Sussex	OBJECT
3	<b>Victor And Wendy Hang</b> , 4 Bishops Courtyard, The Hornet Chichester West Sussex PO19 7GT	OBJECT
4	<b>Mr Paul Burnett</b> , Bishops Courtyard, The Hornet, Chichester, West Sussex	OBJECT
5	<b>Mr Farhad Massoumian</b> , Carpet World, 25 The Hornet Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 7JL	OBJECT
6	<b>Mr &amp; Mrs Sukhchain Singh Kingra</b> , 8 Bishops Courtyard, The Hornet, Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 7GT	OBJECT
7	<b>Mr Simon Ratcliffe</b> , 14 Bishops Courtyard, The Hornet, Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 7GT	OBJECT
8	<b>Mrs Beverly Ratcliffe</b> , 14 Bishops Courtyard, The Hornet, Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 7GT	OBJECT
9	<b>Mr William Owen</b> , Flat 1, 21A The Hornet, Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 7JL	OBJECT
10	<b>Mr and Mrs Robin &amp; Vivianne Barnett</b> , Almshouse Arcade, 19 The Hornet, Chichester, West Sussex	OBJECT
11	<b>Mr Michael P Jones</b> , 21A The Hornet, Chichester, West Sussex	OBJECT
12	<b>Mr Brett Coleborn</b> – email provided	SUPPORT
13	<b>Mr Andy Smith</b> , 49 River Road, Littlehampton, BN17 5BZ	SUPPORT
14	<b>Mr Andy Jeffs</b> – email provided	SUPPORT
15	<b>Mr Stephen Rajan-Iyer</b> , Flat D, 1 St Richards Walk, Chichester West Sussex, PO19 1QA	SUPPORT
16	<b>Mr Shane Hudson</b> , 2 Cutten Way, Chichester West Sussex, PO19 7AJ	SUPPORT
17	<b>Mr Phil Clark</b> – email provided	SUPPORT
18	<b>Ms Kirstie Reed</b> – email provided – address redaction request	SUPPORT

19	<b>Mr Andy Gray</b> – email provided	SUPPORT
20	<b>Ms Lauren Toop</b> , 43 Lillywhite Road, Westhampnett, Chichester West Sussex, PO18 0SQ	SUPPORT
21	<b>Mr Glenn Johnson</b> – email provided	SUPPORT
22	<b>Dr Windsor Holden</b> – email provided	SUPPORT
23	<b>Mr Peter Brocklebank</b> , 140 St Pancras, Chichester, West Sussex PO19 7LH	SUPPORT
24	<b>Mr Laurence Green</b> , 27 The Peacheries, Chichester West Sussex, PO19 7TP	SUPPORT
25	<b>Mr Neil Jerram</b> , 16 Windsor Road, Chichester West Sussex, PO19 7XG	SUPPORT
26	<b>Mr James Allen</b> , 37 Bognor Road Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 7TG	SUPPORT
27	<b>Mr Calum Radcliffe</b> , 88 Victoria Road Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 7HZ	SUPPORT
28	<b>Mr Joseph Crook</b> , 2 The Coppice, Henry Close Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 7WR	SUPPORT
29	<b>Mr Duncan Barks</b> , 70 The Hornet, Chichester, West Sussex PO19 7JJ	SUPPORT
30	<b>Mr Mark Bonham</b> , 6 Wealden Drive, Westhampnett, Chichester West Sussex, PO18 0SF	SUPPORT
31	<b>Miss Michelle Barnes</b> , 2 The Coppice, Henry Close, Chichester West Sussex, PO19 7WR	SUPPORT
32	<b>Mr Neil Thomas</b> – email provided	SUPPORT

# **ATTACHMENT A**

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# Chichester District Council



Location of Representatives  
 23/00909/LAPRE1 Little  
 Monster Tap 23 The  
 Hornet Chichester West  
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## Legend

- Little Monster Tap
- Representation

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# **ATTACHMENT B**

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FORM: L11

Case Reference Number:  
(office use only)

**LICENSING AUTHORITY**

Chichester District Council, East Pallant House, East Pallant, Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 1TY

**Application to vary a Premises Licence  
under the Licensing Act 2003**

**PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS FIRST**

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

I/We (insert name(s) of applicant) .....**Little Monster Brewing Company Limited**..... being the **Premises Licence holder, apply to vary a Premises Licence under Section 34 of the Licensing Act 2003 for the premises described in Part 1 below.**

Premises Licence number

**3815/23/00770/LAPRED**

**Part 1 – Premises Details**

Postal address of premises or, if none, ordnance survey map reference or description  
**Little Monster Tap, 23 The Hornet**

Post town <b>Chichester</b>	Postcode <b>PO19 7JL</b>
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Telephone number at premises (if any)

Non-domestic rateable value of premises

**Part 2 – Applicant Details**

Daytime contact telephone number

Email address (optional)

Current postal address if different from premises address

Post Town

Postcode

**Part 3 – Variation**

Please tick as appropriate

Do you want the proposed variation to have effect as soon as possible? Yes  No

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

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

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

1. The current licence allows the sale of alcohol from 1200-2130 and we wish to extend this from 1200 to 2300 hours. An additional 1.5 hours
2. The current licence allows the opening of the premise from 1200-2200 and we wish to extend this from 1200 to 2330. An additional 1.5 hours.

We will only open until these times subject to planning.

3. Also, on Part A: Annex 2:7 of the current license it states:  
*No tapped lagers, or spirits, will be sold for either on or off sales.*  
 We would like this condition removed.

In addition, we have obtained a music licence from PPL PRS.Licence number 02298247

We have rotated the bar 90 degrees to make it easier to view customers coming into and exiting the premises in order to better adhere to the 4 licensing objectives. A new plan is enclosed.

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

**Part 4 – Operating Schedule**

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

**Provision of regulated entertainment (please see guidance note 3) Please tick all that apply**

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

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

**Supply of alcohol (if ticking yes, fill in box J)**

**In all cases complete boxes K, L and M**

# A

<b>Plays</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			Will the performance of a play take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick (please read guidance note 4)	Indoors	
Day	Start	Finish		Outdoors	
Mon			Please give further details here (please read guidance note 5)	Both	
Tue					
Wed			State any seasonal variations for performing play (please read guidance note 6)		
Thur					
Fri			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 (please read guidance note 7)		
Sat					
Sun					

# B

<b>Films</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			Will the exhibition of films take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick (please read guidance note 4)	Indoors	
Day	Start	Finish		Outdoors	
Mon			Please give further details here (please read guidance note 5)	Both	
Tue					
Wed			State any seasonal variations for the exhibition of films (please read guidance note 6)		
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 7)		
Sat					
Sun					



### C

<b>Indoor sporting events</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			Please give further details (please read guidance note 5)
Day	Start	Finish	
Mon			State any seasonal variations for indoor sporting events (please read guidance note 6)
Tue			
Wed			
Thur			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 (please read guidance note 7)
Fri			
Sat			
Sun			

### D

<b>Boxing or wrestling entertainment</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			Will the boxing or wrestling entertainment take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick (please read guidance note 4)	Indoors	
Day	Start	Finish		Outdoors	
Mon			Both		Please give further details here (please read guidance note 5)
Tue					
Wed			Both		State any seasonal variations for the boxing or wrestling entertainment (please read guidance note 6)
Thur					
Fri			Both		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 (please read guidance note 7)
Sat					
Sun					

# E

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

# F

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

# G

<b>Performances of dance</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			<b>Will the performance of dance take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</b> (please read guidance note 4)		<b>Indoors</b>	
					<b>Outdoors</b>	
					<b>Both</b>	
<b>Day</b>	<b>Start</b>	<b>Finish</b>	<b>Please give further details here</b> (please read guidance note 5)			
Mon						
Tue			<b>State any seasonal variations for the performance of dance</b> (please read guidance note 6)			
Wed						
Thur			<b>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</b> (please read guidance note 7)			
Fri						
Sat						
Sun						

# H

<b>Anything of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g)</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			<b>Please give a description of the type of entertainment you will be providing</b>			
			<b>Will the entertainment take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</b> (please read guidance note 4)		<b>Indoors</b>	
					<b>Outdoors</b>	
					<b>Both</b>	
<b>Day</b>	<b>Start</b>	<b>Finish</b>	<b>Please give further details here</b> (please read guidance note 5)			
Mon						
Tue			<b>State any seasonal variations for entertainment of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g)</b> (please read guidance note 6)			
Wed						
Thur			<b>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</b> (please read guidance note 7)			
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<b>Late night refreshment</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			Will the provision of late night refreshment take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick (please read guidance note 4)	Indoors	
				Outdoors	
Day	Start	Finish	Both		
Mon			Please give further details here (please read guidance note 5)		
Tue					
Wed			State any seasonal variations for the provision of late night refreshment (please read guidance note 6)		
Thur					
Fri			Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the provision of late night refreshment at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 7)		
Sat					
Sun					

## J

<b>Supply of alcohol</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			Will the supply of alcohol be for consumption – please tick (please read guidance note 9)	On the premises	
				Off the premises	
Day	Start	Finish	Both		
Mon	1200	2300	State any seasonal variations for the supply of alcohol (please read guidance note 6)		
Tue	1200	2300			
Wed	1200	2300	Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the supply of alcohol at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 7)		
Thur	1200	2300			
Fri	1200	2300			
Sat	1200	2300			
Sun	1200	2300			

# 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 10)

No Activities of this type will occur.

# L

Hours premises are open to the public Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			State any seasonal variations (please read guidance note 6)
Day	Start	Finish	
Mon	1200	2330	Non standard timings. Where you intend the premises to be open to the public at different times from those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 7)
Tue	1200	2330	
Wed	1200	2330	
Thur	1200	2330	
Fri	1200	2330	
Sat	1200	2330	
Sun	1200	2330	

Please identify those conditions currently imposed on the licence which you believe could be removed as a consequence of the proposed variation you are seeking

on Part A: Annex 2:7 of the current license it states:

*No tapped lagers, or spirits, will be sold for either on or off sales.*

We would like this condition removed.

Please tick as appropriate

• I have enclosed the Premises Licence

• I have enclosed the relevant part of the Premises Licence

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

Reasons why I have not enclosed the Premises Licence or relevant part of Premises Licence

## M

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

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

The product to be offered at the micro pub are quality generally small batch, meaning that customers appreciate them rather than consuming volume irresponsibly. Volume and binge drinking is not encouraged. Volume discounts will not typically be forthcoming. Prices of our alcohol drinks will discourage that behaviour. Our knowledge of real ale and brewing will be on hand to educate customers about our beers.

As the micropub is by its nature is small, we will be able to closely observe customers behaviours and well being. Experience has shown that micro pub owners soon build relationships with their clientele and they accept the behaviours expected of them with respect to the business and it's place in the community.

We have rotated the position of the bar by 90 degrees as this provides better viewing of the premises and customers coming in and exiting.

### b) **The prevention of crime and disorder**

The bar manager who holds a personal licence will be staffing many of the sessions and overseeing the safe and compliant operation of the micropub. He will ensure the licencing law is upheld., Staff will be inducted to adhere to this.

The entrance will be well lit whilst window lighting will be subdued to give good views of those entering and those passing on the payment respectively.

Cash handling will be discreet and kept out of sight where possible.

Drunkenness and anti social behaviour will not be tolerated with robust action taken against offenders. A ZERO tolerance policy will be taken on drug use, violence and disorderly conduct.

We have 6 cameras installed within the premises which acts as a deterrent and also records all activity.

### c) **Public safety**

The micropub layout is straightforward in that the entrance/ exit at the front is in the centre and the fit out design keeps this access clear sufficiently for wheelchair users. This area will also be well lit and signed. The staff will have good sight of the front door and also the pavement outside. Customer numbers can affectively be monitored as the capacity will comprise of a specific amount of seated customers with the remainder standing up to the limit of 56.

The staff can advise on safe passage home. Taxi numbers, bus times and routes and rail timetables and train status will be on hand and available.

### d) **The prevention of public nuisance**

Public nuisance factors are very low here. There is no access/ exit to the rear, so the pavement to the front is the only route to and from the micropub. The size and ambience means that its straightforward for the owner and staff to monitor customers and to ensure they depart quietly and safely with respect to neighbouring business and residents. There are 3 opening sash windows on the first level. One is in the 'staff only' locked kitchen and the others are in the customer area – however these have a stop lock to prevent them opening past a safe height. As above, comprehensive information on taxis and public transport facilities are provided to enable customers to depart safely.

Additional cigarette disposal boxes will be installed outside the premises, although our new clientele are mostly vapers as opposed to smokers.

The tap room currently only has 1 toilet, similar to other drinking establishments in Chichester. However the extended hours will not put any additional pressure on the toilet facilities – this would only happen if we increased the number of people using the tap room. In any case, we will direct our clientele to the free facilities at Cattle Market car park.

### e) **The protection of children from harm**

U18s will be permitted when accompanied by an adult but only until 6pm. The 'challenge 25' identification model is now widely used and is adopted by us. Micropubs unfortunately do not generally attract younger drinkers who seem to prefer more vibrant establishments that serve lager

and shots and other mass produced products.

**Checklist:**

**Please tick to indicate agreement**

- I have made payment of the fee - <https://www.chichester.gov.uk/licensingpayments> or
- I have not made payment of the fee because this application has been made in relation to the introduction of the late night levy.
- I have sent copies of this application and the plan to Responsible Authorities and others where applicable.
- I understand that I must now advertise my application.
- I have enclosed the Premises Licence or relevant part of it or explanation.
- I understand that if I do not comply with the above requirements my application will be rejected.

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

**Part 5 – Signatures** (please read guidance note 12)

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



Signature .....

Date .....27/6/23.....

Capacity ..... Owner of Little Monster Brewing Company Limited

**Where the Premises Licence is jointly held, signature of 2<sup>nd</sup> applicant (the current Premises Licence holder) or 2<sup>nd</sup> applicant’s Solicitor or other authorised agent** (please read guidance note 14). **If signing on behalf of the applicant, please state in what capacity.**

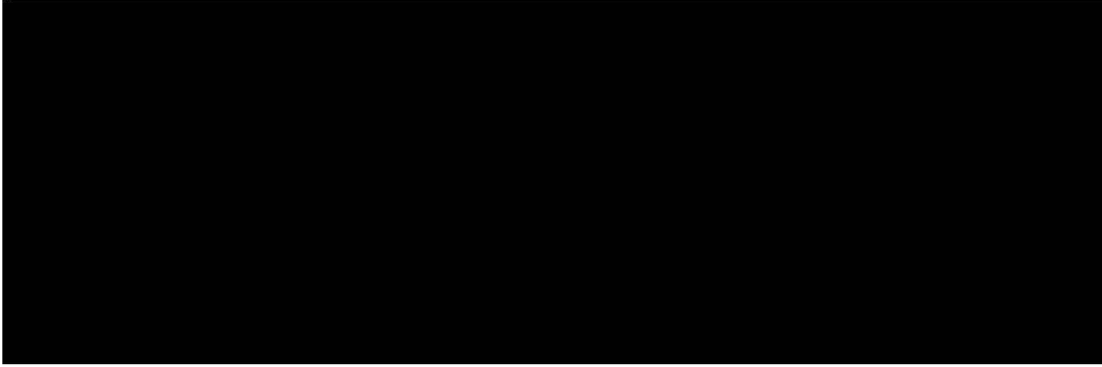
Signature .....

Date .....

Capacity .....



Contact name (where not previously given) and address for correspondence associated with this application (please read guidance note 15)  
Brenden Quinn




## Notes for Guidance

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

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

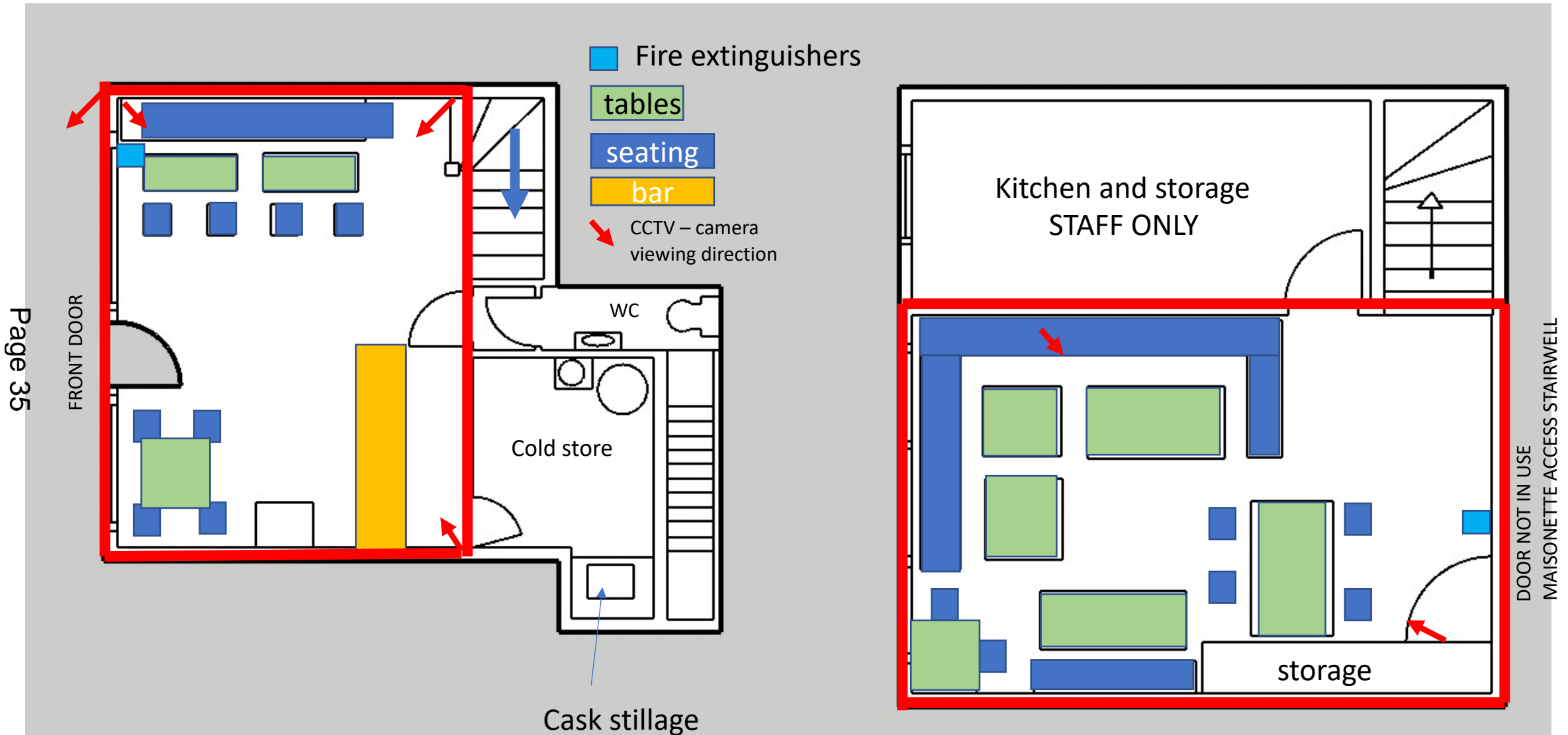
- any playing of recorded music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, at the non-residential premises of (i) a local authority, or (ii) a school, or (iii) a hospital, provided that (a) the audience does not exceed 500, and (b) the organiser gets consent for the performance on the relevant premises from: (i) the local authority concerned, or (ii) the school proprietor or (iii) the health care provider for the hospital.
  - Dance: no licence is required for performances between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, provided that the audience does not exceed 500. However, a performance which amounts to adult entertainment remains licensable.
  - Cross activity exemptions: no licence is required between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, with no limit on audience size for:
    - any entertainment taking place on the premises of the local authority where the entertainment is provided by or on behalf of the local authority;
    - any entertainment taking place on the hospital premises of the health care provider where the entertainment is provided by or on behalf of the health care provider;
    - any entertainment taking place on the premises of the school where the entertainment is provided by or on behalf of the school proprietor; and
    - any entertainment (excluding films and a boxing or wrestling entertainment) taking place at a travelling circus, provided that (a) it takes place within a moveable structure that accommodates the audience, and (b) that the travelling circus has not been located on the same site for more than 28 consecutive days.
4. Where taking place in a building or other structure please tick as appropriate (indoors may include a tent).
  5. For example state type of activity to be authorised, if not already stated, and give relevant further details, for example (but not exclusively) whether or not music will be amplified or unamplified.
  6. For example (but not exclusively), where the activity will occur on additional days during the summer months.
  7. For example (but not exclusively), where you wish the activity to go on longer on a particular day e.g. Christmas Eve.
  8. Please give timings in 24 hour clock (e.g. 16.00) and only give details for the days of the week when you intend the premises to be used for the activity.
  9. If you wish people to be able to consume alcohol on the premises, please tick 'on the premises'. If you wish people to be able to purchase alcohol to consume away from the premises, please tick 'off the premises'. If you wish people to be able to do both, please tick 'both'.
  10. Please give information about anything intended to occur at the premises or ancillary to the use of the premises which may give rise to concern in respect of children regardless of whether you intend children to have access to the premises, for example (but not exclusively) nudity or semi-nudity, films for restricted age groups or the presence of gaming machines.
  11. Please list here steps you will take to promote all four licensing objectives together.
  12. The application form must be signed.
  13. An applicant's agent (for example solicitor) may sign the form on their behalf provided that they have actual authority to do so.
  14. Where there is more than one applicant, each of the applicants or their respective agents must sign the application form.
  15. This is the address which we shall use to correspond with you about this application.

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LITTLE MONSTER TAP, 23 THE HORNET, PO19 7JL

Ground Floor

First Floor



Alcohol consumption permitted only in the red borderline

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# **ATTACHMENT C**

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# Comments for Licensing Application 23/00909/LAPRE1

## Application Summary

Application Number: 23/00909/LAPRE1

Address: Little Monster Tap 23 The Hornet Chichester West Sussex PO19 7JL

Proposal: 1st Variation of Premises Licence

Case Officer: Simon Grant

## Customer Details

Name: Dr Steve Dye

Address: 10 Bishops Courtyard, The Hornet, Chichester, West Sussex PO19 7GT

## Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Licensing Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: 18/07/2023 11:13 AM Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to object to the proposed extension to trading hours at the Little Monster Tap.

As an owner of one of the flats located in Bishops Courtyard, directly to the rear of the premise, we are already subjected to noise, litter and antisocial behaviour (urinating) from the premises clientele and any extension to licencing hours will only exacerbate the current issues.

Extended hours will lead to more waste, and given the already limited space for bins, could lead to this spilling out into the courtyard for the owners and residents to have to deal with.

Noise from bottling up will be pushed later into the night, causing disturbances for the residents.

The provision of only a single toilet in the premises also causes issues, where clientele, upon seeing a queue for it, revert to going outside and urinating in Bishops Courtyard. Extended hours will increase this behaviour as it is consumed for longer hours, thus requiring more toilet visits.

It is on the above points that I wish to object to the extension of licencing hours for the above establishment.

Regards,

Dr Steve Dye

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From: Fred  
Sent: 23 Jul 2023 10:28:47 +0000  
To: Licensing  
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Chichester Licensing ref 23/00809/LAPRE1

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Dear Sirs

Monster Alehouse. the Hornet

I write to oppose the current extension of the License to The Monster Tap Alehouse.

I have read the objections published on your website and agree with the points made by Mr Burnet, Mr Ratcliffe and Dr Dye.

I own a flat on the second floor of Bishops Courtyard. My Lounge and Bedroom windows look out onto the Courtyard and its entrance which is directly opposite the gates.

I am in bed most nights by 9pm and am quite used to drifting off around 10 pm listening to the varied conversations of drinkers and smokers who congregate albeit occasionally in our entrance. I would not enjoy this beyond 10 pm which the extended hours would no doubt cause nor would I enjoy the late night bottle and can emptying at closing time.

I have recently become a double grandparent for the first time and sleep is an even more important factor for both me and my grandchildren when they come to stay.

Please add my objection to this application

Yours Faithfully

Fred Harris  
Bishops Courtyard  
20th July 2023

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6<sup>th</sup> August 2023-08-06

Dear Sirs

**License application of The Little Monster Tap Chichester for  
extending opening hours**

I wish to make a formal objection to the proposed application by The Little Monster Tap Chichester for an extension to their licencing hours .

AS residents of Bishop Courtyard, my objection to this application is on the grounds of public nuisance & noise levels. I m very concerned about the noise level which will be generated to us and the surrounding residential area as a result of the extending opening hours.

Kind Regards

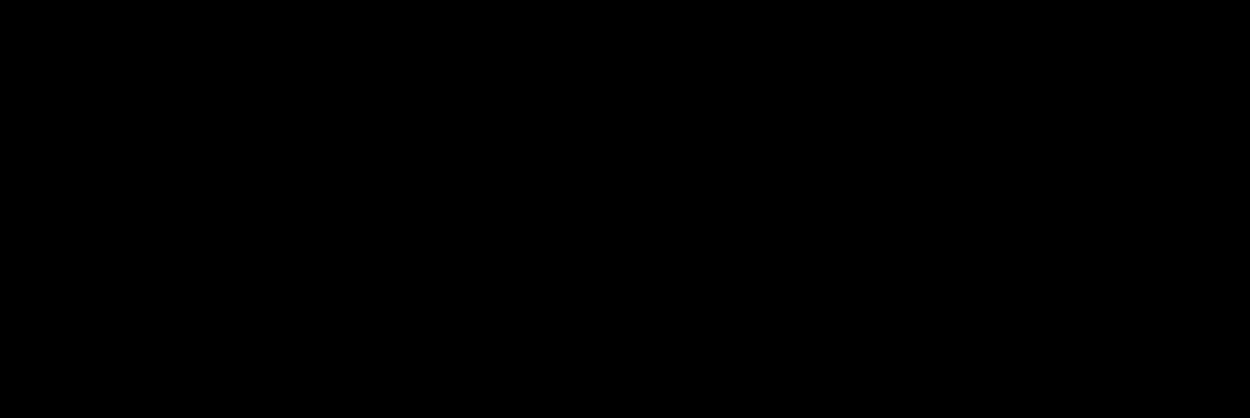
*Victor & Wendy Hang*

4 Bishop Courtyard

Chichester

PO19 7GT

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**From:** Paul Burnett [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 14 July 2023 15:05  
**To:** dcplanning shared <dcplanningshared@chichester.gov.uk>  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Objection - licensing 23/00909/LAPRE1 - Alehouse, The Hornet

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If not your Dept, please pass to [Licensing](#), thank you.

My house is 2 doors from The Alehouse. I bought it 27 years ago when the Alehouse was a grocery store. There are flats above The Alehouse and to the west along The Hornet. My house is part of the Bishops Courtyard residential development, built 1994/6; 15 homes in total. After around 6pm the area reverts to being wholly residential.

We don't support, or feel there is any justification for, an extension of hours as this will increase the noise, loud music, dirt, urine and faeces currently affecting our house, others in the Courtyard and the Courtyard itself, courtesy of The Alehouse's existence. A proper pub exists 60 yards down the road adjoining Eastgate Square. Historically the Alehouse premises have been used as a grocery store. The Alehouse calls itself a micro-brewery, which could be considered unsafe in a residential area, a fire hazard and pollutant.

The only access The Alehouse has to the rear of its premises for disposing of waste is directly into the Courtyard. They have rights of access for storage of waste only over a narrow sliver of land on which they, the Carpet shop, and the 3 flats above keep their bins. They're not allowed to take vehicles into the Courtyard. Their rubbish bins have to be wheeled outside the gates for collection.

As things stand, The Alehouse is open to the public until 2200 hrs (closes for serving drinks 2130). The noise from putting out empty beer casks and other detritus from the day's business there impacts directly on Courtyard residents plus residents of the flats above. It's a noisy, anti-social business for a lot of people.

I object to the proposed extension of opening hours from 2200 hrs to 2330 hrs. This would have a wholly detrimental impact on the lives of people living nearby, including

rubbish being put in bins at midnight instead of 2230hrs, unruly behaviour of many of the pub's customers, peeing and defecating irresponsibly, and leaving litter, so much later than at present. Their mess is left for residents to clear up - 7 days and nights weekly. It is very unpleasant. I object also to the extension of closing time for the sale of alcohol from 2130 hrs to 2200 hrs.

I also object to the provision of music any later than 2130 hrs, the present closing time. How are people meant to sleep.

I object to the proposed removal of the limitation on the sale of tapped lagers and spirits. The Alehouse had limits applied to its sale of alcoholic products for good reasons and nothing has changed.

The Alehouse has 1 loo only, insufficient for the present number of customers who simply use Bishops Courtyard's walls, open spaces and the privacy this offers, instead.

In summary, I object to an extension of serving and closing times; to an extension of product sales as mentioned, and to extending hours in which music can be played.

The Alehouse abuts a busy pavement, immediately adjacent to an, at times, busy road. Safety can be an issue, as it is, and the licensing authority may wish to consider this matter too. Local residents, including families with young children, have had enough of the noise, dirt and rowdy behaviour that The Alehouse's customers create. A pub's a pub.

Thank you, Paul Burnett

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**From:** farhad massoumian >

**Sent:** 10 August 2023 10:25

**To:** Licensing>

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] 23/00909/LAPRE1 | 1st Variation of Premises Licence | Open for Consultation | Little Monster Tap 23 The Hornet Chichester West Sussex PO19 7JL

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As a business owner, who operates right next door to a Little Monster pub, I would like to express my concern regarding new opening hours of the above pub. As it stands, every morning, as I come to the shop at 6AM, I start by sweeping away numerous cigarette butts, littering the pavement. My bin is situated inside the Bishop's Courtyard, and it is often has rubbish that others put in to it, which annoys me because I have to pay to have it emptied. I am not saying that it is done solely by the patrons of the pub, but as it is mainly bottles and cans, it makes me think of them first. I am also worried of the potential fights that drunk patrons might start outside my shop premises, breaking windows, etc. I agree with everything else that has been expressed in the negative comments. Please take my concerns in to consideration.

Farhad Massoumian

Carpet World, 25 The Hornet, Chichester

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From: sukh kingra  
Sent: 31 Jul 2023 16:12:30 +0000  
To: Licensing  
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Fw: The Little Monster Tap

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My Wife, Myself and our young child have recently moved in to our new home and We look out onto the gates.

We were not aware that the Drinking establishment on the Hornet was going to have late night drinking having been advised that the drinking stopped at 9.30.

We have read all the objections and support but We feel that the contents of the objections are correct and thus oppose the extended license application

Mr & Mrs Sukhchain singh kingra

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14th July 2023  
Licensing Committee  
Chichester District Council  
East Pallant House  
Chichester  
West Sussex

Dear Sirs

**Licensing Act 2003- Section 34**

**Little Monster brewing Company Limited Little Monster Tap 23 The Hornet  
Chichester West Sussex PO19 7JL. 23/00909/LAPRE1. Re-submitted  
Application.**

We have been advised that the above application has now been resubmitted following the failure of the original application . Our letter of the 20th June which I wrote to the Licensing Committee seems now invalid so we have revised have it as dated 14th July 2023.

We believe that the four licensing objectives ( Public safety, prevention of crime and disorder, prevention of public nuisance and the protection of children from harm) will not be met with the revised hours.

The issue of extended hours is not just a matter for the Licensing Department and it should involve The Planning Department, The Environmental Health Department, Fire , Police and We believe, a letter to all owners of the Properties that make up Bishops Courtyard. Your Licensing requirement states that an Advertisement should be placed in a Local Newspaper which We do not believe is sufficient in this day and age especially as many of the properties are owned by Landlords who live away from Chichester. Your Officers correctly advise that the Applicant has a duty to inform via the press and by way of a circular/letter to local residents, if Local Newspaper circulation is considered sparse. Already , with this re-submitted application, We have looked for the mandatory notice in the Window of the establishment and it is not published at the time of writing.

We have wished the new management every success in their venture but in making this revised application we feel that it will have the potential to detract and encroach on our lives.

My wife and I are experienced property developers and fully researched our surroundings when we bought our property two years ago. We knew we were buying a property in a Commercial Street and were aware of The Eastgate Public House , its full license and its music noise as we were aware of the various take away establishments on The Hornet. We were also delighted to see The Hornet Alehouse two doors away with its specific license and its hours and its specific Ale trade. Its Clients smokers, drinkers , young and old seemed to be a good crowd and in the main remain so.

The change in ownership has shown a significant shift in the business model and the demographic has changed. It is a lot busier and we are pleased for them but we have seen the level of noise, cigarette butts and general congregation of vapers, smokers and general bon homie outside of the premises and the entrance to our courtyard increase in the last few months.

My Wife , Myself and one of our neighbours recently formed a team and entered The quiz night at the bar and we thoroughly enjoyed ourselves We think their may have been fifty or so people attending and the toilet queue was four deep at times and clearly there is a need for better facilities.

The management suggest that they may have a long term renovation scheme for the whole property which may include an additional toilet upstairs but The Chichester District Council has adopted The Local Government ( Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 Section 20.

This Act sets out the minimum requirements establishments with 1-25 covers need one WC with wash hand basin and an accessible version (Unisex) which might not meet their current disabled requirement presently in the establishment as there is no turning circle within the toilet area for a wheelchair. Numbers of 26-60 which is the probable capacity of the bar and upstairs requires the establishment to have one WC and hand basin for males and one WC and Hand basin for females it also seems to imply a third Accessible Unisex Toilet.

The Councils preamble mentions a higher standard may be required for what are referred to as businesses focussing on vertical drinking which one might consider The Alehouse to be.

My own experience when needing a toilet and finding it busy with a queue has been to go to my own home and come back. The experience of some who do not own a home in the proximity is to enter through our gates and urinate against the wall and dustbin area. Somebody in the courtyard now has to hose the area on a regular basis.

The fitting of locked gates to both pedestrian gates would cause a potential fire and safety issue were there a fire or serious accident outside the establishment as the Alehouse premises has only one fire escape in addition to the front door. This fire escape exits into Bishops Courtyard and thus the customers would be unable to escape the area as they would not have the key codes to leave the area.

The increased hours that are asked for will only add further incidents as the bar may become a hub for the last drink before the wait for the kebab, or takeaway. If the license is granted there is potential for increased noise from 9pm through to 11.30. On busy days the customer base expands along the pavement and into the entrance to Bishops Courtyard. We have experienced foul language only once but the sound permeates through and up into the Courtyard. The extended hours has the potential to exacerbate the situation. On these hotter days recently The door to the establishment is left open.

Under the current hours we have no complaints as the establishment is closed by 9.30pm so we have no reason to complain, other than the urination and smoking detritus. The urination is obviously caused by senseless individuals but their situation is not made easy due to the lack of toilets.

The original Planning Consent Decision Sign of Sheet 2434978 dated 4th January 2018 gave change of use to the site and the document brings up a number of issues including a point made by the Environmental Health Officer. They did not object to the proposal on the understanding that there would be no amplified music, live entertainment, tannoy, television or similar on the premises. All of the forgoing have been seen at the premises. Their reason-To protect the amenity of neighbouring residential dwellings

The document refers to the smoking issue and they concur with my previous concerns that this could generate undue noise and unduly harm the character of the street. Signage requiring patrons to remain in one area , sensitively designed and secure recepticals that could be brought in after closing limit vandalism that may be harmful to the amenity.

Due to the size of the building, and the relatively early closing hours proposed, it is not considered that the proposal would be likely to lead to large groups in the street, and any disturbance would be in the public realm and thus the jurisdiction of The Police. They made no mention of the toileting facilities at the time which should We believe have been a red flag based on The Council Guidelines.

The cigarette issue is really outside of the scope of the establishments control other than the vandalised cigarette receptacle bolted to the wall frequently vandalised presumably to collect the butts for recycling. We know they can do little about the problem other than clear it up in the morning.

With regard to the bins, The Alehouse has the use of the courtyard for their refuse bins and in general they are not a problem. The increased trading hours will generate more waste and whilst presently the bins seem to be accessed the next day it is possible that these increased hours may require the management to dispose of bottles cans and ancillary rubbish during trading hours which will affect us late at night. The establishment does not serve food other than snacks but they actively encourage their clientele to purchase food from any of the takeaway establishments in the town and consume it on the premises and this will add to further rubbish disposal problems. Twice a month they are visited by a street food operator who sets up and cooks outside the establishment.

The management will not want to store food waste on the premises overnight and may resort to binning this waste at the end of the shift. Not a problem at 9.30 -10pm but at 11.30 obviously an issue to The Residents of Bishops Courtyard.

In reading the many letters of support , comments and objections applying to the original application We note that a CAMRA representative wrote in favour of the application at the time.

“Micropubs represent both a revival of the simple origins of pubs, they sell local products, consisting of real ales, ciders, cold snacks, the small size of the premises, mean that the Landlord is in full control of what happens on their premises and the customers are well behaved, everything you do or say in a micro pub is likely to be seen and heard by the staff. People enter and leave in a respectful manner and the premises observes traditional or shorter opening hours which do not impinge on the neighbours.”

The Alehouse, as it was , embodied all of the above but in its new format it has become a trendy lovely establishment and We believe it to remain a useful asset under its current hours and remit.



The Landlord and his staff are extremely pleasant but there are times when the establishment is Managed without the landlord being present and We believe that the extended hours may make the departing staff vulnerable there is rarely more than one in attendance.

There are many documents on line which relate to the original planning and license applications too numerous to mention individually but We would ask you to refer to them before making your decision to grant these extended hours.

We may not like the noise, the loud Sunday Music, the cigarettes and the low burble of conversation from those outside having a drink and a smoke, it is what We know and tolerated but the Owner is now looking to expand and it is this which we disagree with hence our objections. in researching for our Objection it would seem that The concerns of The Environmental Officer have been long ignored.

On looking at the current Licensing Application I note that there is a plan included which shows a red border around the two floors of the property, The Document states that Alcohol Consumption permitted only in the red borderline. The seating plan does not include the six additional poser tables and chairs nor does it include the two maybe three barstools. The bench seating is capable of seating perhaps 8 plus the additional six new seats and the window seats six people thus the seating capacity of downstairs is at least 30 with upstairs being 22 so a total seating of perhaps 50 and then some standing perhaps the potential of 60 customers. From the plan it would seem that no alcohol is consumed outside but I would ask you to draw your own conclusions here as it plainly is.

Finally the fact that a full hours License may be granted will reduce the value/saleability of our properties. From my own recent personal experience a bridging mortgage was refused on our property because of the proximity of a Licensed property. The Mortgage Supplier considered a busy pub down values residential property. It was only after an explanation that the Hornet Alehouse was only licensed until 9pm that the application was re-considered.

In summary we do not think the property is suitable for a full hours license in either its structure or its location. The Hornet has become a unique street in Chichester with traditional and bespoke businesses. There are more than enough fully licensed premises in South Street and The Eastgate is just along the road. Is it really necessary to have another late night drinking establishment.

We think there are environmental issues with regard to Noise through Live Music and crowded pavements in a busy and fast road.

There are issues for the Police with regard to The Street Congregation, Parking Issues for deliveries which will be greater.

There are Health and safety issues regarding vermin and food waste disposal.

Fire safety Risk and exiting issues from the establishment in case of fire.

Please also take into account our original letter 20th June and prior and subsequent email conversations as evidential to our Objections.

I will be returning to Chichester at the end of the month and will galvanise the absentee Landlords and their tenants to making the own comments regarding this application.

Yours faithfully

Simon Ratcliffe

for and on behalf of The Resident Owners of Bishops Courtyard.



# Variation Premises Licence - Representation

Reference: 3617-5426-6386-0681

## Details of premises or club premises

Premises address	
Address / location	Monster Tap Room 23 The Hornet Chichester
Easting	
Northing	
Applicant name (if known)	
Application number (if known)	

## Details of person making representation

Title	
First name	Beverly
Last name	Ratcliffe
Address	
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Address line 2	The Hornet
Street	
Locality	

Town	Chichester
County	County
Postcode	PO19 7GT
Telephone number	
Alternative telephone number	
Email address	
Correspondence Address (if different to the above)	
Address line 1	
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If there are additional persons making representation please add them here	

## Representation details

This representation relates to the following licensing objective(s)	The prevention of public nuisance
Please state the ground(s) for making the representation	
	The majority of owners in Bishops Courtyard bought their properties when 23 The Hornet was either a Provisions Shop, an Estate Agent or a Delicatessen. Those who have bought more recently did so knowing there was a licensed premises close by, but with restricted hours. Would those people have bought a property in South Street ? – absolutely not as it's a street with numerous late night licensed units and

The prevention of public nuisance

as a result has all of the problems that that can bring. Purchasing a property, a home, is usually the largest investment one makes in a lifetime and its an investment we would all wish to protect. The Monster Tap Room clearly has some passionate customers judging by the letters of support that have been published but at the end of an evening they all return to their homes. Would they feel differently if a fully licensed premises suddenly appeared next to their properties ? The inadequate toilet facilities of the establishment have only become apparent in recent times since the Monster Tap Room changed hands from the Hornet Alehouse. Obviously we have no way of confirming where the perpetrators who choose to use our courtyard to urinate in have come from but it is a problem that has never occurred in the past. Last weekend I attended a meeting that the applicant and manager kindly arranged in order to inform us of their plans for the future. They assured me that they would be diligent in clearing the cigarette butts which are to be found in front of our courtyard gates and that they would ensure that rubbish would not be emptied into their bins, which are sited within our courtyard, at the end of the night. Whilst they are both amenable to the problems we are highlighting once a license is granted the next incumbents may not have their high standards. The applicant suggested that without the extended license he would have to close the business. I would suggest that if the applicant needed the extended

hours to make his business viable I would have thought it his responsibility to ensure that the property he was choosing was in a suitable area where a full license was acceptable. Not inflict it on residents above and around who were here before him. The Monster Tap Room and previously The Hornet Ale House clearly fulfils a need for many people. It employs local people, supports local charities. In its current format it clearly has a place in the city but as another objector has said it is perhaps trying to expand in a premises that is not suitable for their ambitious plans. I appreciate that Chichester needs to encourage independent business's into the City and we don't need anymore empty premises but that does not mean that CDC should have the power to change any retail unit into a fully licensed premises without regard for the people who are already living there and disregard its own guidelines. In 2017/18 23 The Hornet changed from a retail unit to a drinking establishment and the environmental health officer when considering the application clearly says that the premises is not suitable for ; Live music, amplification, Tanoy, television or similar and his reasoning was in order to protect the neighbouring residential dwellings. Chichester District council has adopted the local government (miscellaneous provisions) Act which sets out the requirement for toilets for such establishments. Are these factors now going to be ignored ?

Please provide any additional information to support this representation	
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## Supporting evidence

## Declaration

I/we certify that the information contained within this form is correct to the best of my/our knowledge	Confirmed
Name	Beverly Ratcliffe
Date	08/08/2023

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MR William Owen

Flat 1

21A The Hornet

Chichester

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PO19 7JL

1<sup>st</sup> August 2023

The Licencing Committee

Chichester District Council

East Pallant House

Chichester

West Sussex

PO19 1TY

Application N0: 23/00909/LAPRE1 The Little Monster Tap,23 The Hornet Chichester, PO19 7JL

I wish to oppose the above application.

I work in the farming industry which requires me to be at my work very early in the mornings weekends included I go to bed at 9-30pm and rise at 5am. I can already hear the noise from the little monster tap coming through the party wall in my room, so I am very concerned that the extension of licencing hours to 11-30 will compromise my sleep.

I would be grateful if you would consider my objection.

Yours sincerely

William Owen

Mr & Mrs R.K. Barnett  
Almshouse Arcade  
19 The Hornet  
Chichester  
West Sussex  
PO19 7JL

1<sup>st</sup> August 2023

The Licensing Committee  
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PO19 7JL

Application: 23/00909/LAPRE1 The Little Monster Tap, 23 The Hornet, Chichester, PO19 7JL

Dear Sirs,

As the owners of the Almshouse Arcade the property next door but one to the Little Monster Tap, we feel we must object to the extension of opening hours at the LMT.

We feel the building is unsuitable for this extended use being in the middle of a residential area and sympathise with the residents of 21A The Hornet & Bishops Courtyard.

We support small independent businesses which the Hornet Alehouse was, the LMT plans are too ambitious for these premises.

Yours Faithfully,  
R.K & V Barnett

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Mr M P Jones  
21A The Hornet  
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27<sup>th</sup> July 2023

The Licencing Committee  
Chichester District Council  
East Pallant House  
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Application:23/00909/LAPRE1 The Little Monster Tap,23 The Hornet, Chichester, PO197JL

Dear Sir/Madam.

I wish to object to the above application to extend opening hours from 9-30 to11-30.

My objection is based on my concern that the new licence will increase the possibility of public nuisance for the dwellings close by, including my own.

Number 21/21A is a historic- listed building that dates back to 1690 it has 4 flats and a small clothing shop at the front the interior walls are mainly lathe and plaster and plasterboard it has no Soundproofing, Double glazing or loft insulation it is directly adjacent to Number23 The little Monster tap Alehouse.

I am particularly concerned about the noise nuisance as this already happens when the Little Monster Tap is open customer noise and music filters through the party walls. As this nuisance currently ceases at 9-30 10-00(although not ideal) it is tolerated. Extending licencing hours to 11-30 will exacerbate the noise thus affecting the wellbeing of those who live in very close proximity to the Little Monster Tap, therefore, I would respectfully ask that the committee to consider this objection.

In addition, I agree with The Ratcliffe/Residents 'objection with note to Page1:(Par3) "The Extension of licencing hours is not just a matter for the licencing department."

Yours sincerely

Michael P Jones.

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From: Brett Coleborn  
Sent: 25 Jul 2023 10:46:25 +0100  
To: Licensing  
Subject: [EXTERNAL] 23/00909/LAPRE1 - Little Monster Tap, 23 The Hornet

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Dear Sirs

Having seen the application and associated objections, I write in support of the proposals to extend the opening hours of the Little Monster Tap (LMT). In the current climate, it would appear to me to be imperative to give local independent businesses the best chance of generating a profit to help them continue to thrive. The LMT offers a community environment that serves a product produced within the Chichester District as well as employing residents of the area and offering opportunities to local musicians.

Having considered the objections raised thus far, they would appear to somewhat fanciful, if taken at their highest. Notwithstanding the fact that one statement likely amounts to an actionable defamation against myself and other regulars.

The example of the queue for the bathroom facilities on a quiz night would appear to have been offered as a deliberately disingenuous example as to the generality of the situation. The quiz is run once a month and the format allows time for several breaks. Naturally, at these times people make use of the opportunity to use the bathroom and it may become busier than usual. However, being a micropub (not a microbrewery as erroneously stated in one objection) the limited capacity means that the facilities on offer are easily adequate and the use thereof unlikely to require more than a momentary wait.

Since the inception of the building becoming a pub in the guise of The Hornet Alehouse, and continuing under the LMT, the venue has had a focus on offering a positive contribution to the local area and providing a safe and friendly atmosphere for all. In the five years or so that the premises has been open as a pub, I have personally never experienced any unruly or offensive behaviour either inside or outside the venue and have certainly not been aware of any customers engaging in behaviour that would amount to an

offence under the Public Order Act 1986. With The Hornet being the main thoroughfare back to the east of the city from the city centre, as well as it being proximate to many other public houses and takeaways, that any allegations of poor behaviour can be accurately attributed to anyone who has visited the LMT is entirely spurious and ill conceived. Given that I frequently pass by the gates of the Courtyard at various times of day due to the location of my own property, I am sure that I would have noticed the behaviour complained of. I have also never noticed being able to hear audible music from this point on The Hornet. Further, both the interior and the exterior curtilage appearance of the building have always presented as clean and tidy. Any customers either smoking or vaping outside the premises are always at pains to allow safe entry and exit to the building for others as well as ensuring that the passage of other pedestrians is not impeded.

The fact that there is a pedestrian gate that cannot be locked due to the fact that it would impede the safe escape from the rear of the adjacent commercial properties can only be seen to be due to the dereliction of the developer and/or freeholder or management company of the development. It would appear inequitable to seek to criticise the current occupiers of the commercial premises for the failures of those who constructed the domestic properties and neglected to put in place adequate mitigation for the storage of the bins of the existing premises and their fire safety requirements. If motivated to improve the situation, I'm sure the residents of the domestic properties could petition the current freeholder/management company to find a satisfactory solution.

Having considered the four planning objectives, it is difficult to see how the extension of the license for an additional 90 minutes would negatively impact upon these. The demographic of micropubs is naturally inclined to individuals who prioritise quality over quantity and against those who wish to drink with a view to getting drunk and becoming more likely to engage in crime, disorder, or public nuisance as a result. The LMT has always felt a safe environment to spend time in and is well served with CCTV cameras both internally and externally. Being a 'wet' pub, the premises does not tend to attract those who have children with them in this day and age. I am also aware that a Challenge 25 policy is in existence to prevent the service of alcohol to anyone who is under the age of 18.

Yours faithfully



Brett Coleborn

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# Comments for Licensing Application 23/00909/LAPRE1

## Application Summary

Application Number: 23/00909/LAPRE1

Address: Little Monster Tap 23 The Hornet Chichester West Sussex PO19 7JL

Proposal: 1st Variation of Premises Licence

Case Officer: Simon Grant

## Customer Details

Name: Andy Smith

Address: 49 River Road, Littlehampton BN17 5BZ

## Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Licensing Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: 27/07/2023 1:13 PM I have been visiting the Hornet Ale House, now the Little Monster Tap, "LMT", weekly for 5 years.

Micro pubs are a safe environment, what ever your gender, and in general are very welcoming community minded places to pop in and sit and chat with anyone who happens to be there.

The LMT is all of this, and a hub for a mix of easy going folk, who organise activities, excursions, charitable events, entertainment, but most of all, a place for some , otherwise lonely people to join in with life in a safe jovial atmosphere.

I have never witnessed any type of antisocial behaviour, and if it ever did occur, I'm sure the management would swiftly deal with it , for everyone's benefit and safety.

The attitude of LMC and their customers is primarily, life can be easy if we all get along, so I'm sure any worries or licensing issues could be worked out amicably.

Due to the present financial climate, small breweries are suffering, as indeed are many micro pubs.

It would be a great loss to Chichester if this community hub was forced to close its doors.

If opening for a few extra hours would help, then I fully support it.

Andy Smith.

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From: Andy Jeffs  
Sent: 7 Aug 2023 12:30:16 +0000  
To: Licensing  
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Application For Extension Of Trading Hours - Little Monster Taproom/Hornet Ale House, Chichester.

**This Message originated outside your organization.**

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Dear Sirs,

I am writing to add my support to this application.

My email was going to be a brief message of support for a successful local business that has survived a global pandemic and continuing economic pressures by providing the local community with exactly what it wants. In a desert of formulaic, big-brand bars and restaurants, the Little Monster Taproom provides an oasis of high quality produce in a quiet, safe, relaxed environment to a consequently more discerning clientele. The extension of trading hours is therefore hugely important to its continued success by allowing it to compete with and complement other hospitality businesses in the immediate area.

However, having read some of the other correspondence you have received, I want to challenge some of the grounds of the objections made, because most are “imaginative” at best, and as a patron of the Taproom, downright insulting at worst.

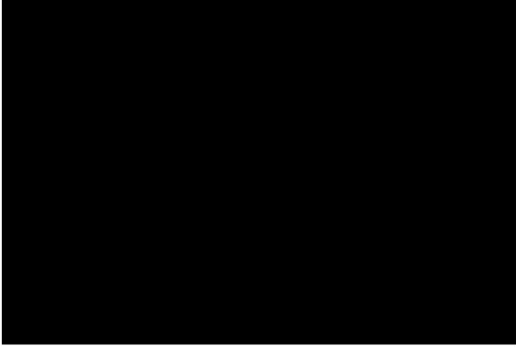
- Calling the location a quiet residential area is laughable when almost the entire street is commercial property, including a wine warehouse, a motorcycle dealership and of course, another public house.
- Directly opposite the entrance to Bishops Courtyard is a Chinese takeaway open until 10:30pm on weekends, and a pizza takeaway open until midnight every night of the week. I’d suggest there is far more public nuisance to residents and threat to public safety from the carousel of delivery drivers and customers using this entrance and adjacent pavements as parking spaces, and if we’re speculating, maybe even the odd “comfort stop”?
- Apparent observations of antisocial behaviour being directly attributable to patrons of the Taproom are circumstantial, speculative and offensive. Quite simply, no-one needs to walk from the Taproom to the entrance of Bishops Courtyard to relieve themselves, smoke or whatever else antisocial behaviour the residents claim. The bathroom facilities are more than appropriate for the size of the Taproom and there are seats and tables for any smokers directly outside.

Of the four licencing objectives to be met, those objecting only seem to be focused on one, using deliberately emotive language and speculation to suggest that public nuisance will increase.

My support for allowing the Taproom to stay open during the same hours as any other public house in the city is my support for a small, independent business continuing to be a thriving, well-supported and well-regarded concern.

Yours faithfully,

Andy Jeffs



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From: Stephen Rajan-Iyer  
Sent: 7 Aug 2023 13:47:17 +0100  
To: Licensing  
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Application 23/00909/LAPRE1- Little Monster Tap, 23 The Hornet

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Application 23/00909/LAPRE1- Little Monster Tap, 23 The Hornet

Sir,

I write in support of the above application to extend the opening hours of the Little Monster Tap.

It is well recognised that the LMT has become over the years a community and cultural hub in Chichester, employing local people and showcasing local produce. Additionally, as an independent business, it brings variety and texture to the overall experience of visitors to the city, and the extension of opening hours can only enhance this experience.

I understand that objections to this extension have been raised regarding;

- 1/the prevention of crime and disorder,
- 2/ public safety,
- 3/the prevention of public nuisance
- 4/ the protection of children from harm.

Of course, these are all matters that should concern the residents of Chichester and all of civil society.

Regarding the prevention of crime and disorder, I should point out that in the 5 years I have been coming to the Hornet Alehouse, and latterly the Little Monster Tap, the police have never been called upon because of anti-social behaviour of any nature. Nor have any local residents hitherto voiced concern over such behaviours.

I fail to see how the extension of opening hours might cause any alarm to local residents on these grounds, or indeed on grounds of public safety, given that there is no history of any such behaviour.

Certain complainants have alleged that the courtyard area in front of their properties has been used for the purpose of public urination and defecation. Again, in all the time I have been a patron of the above establishments, never have I heard this concern raised to the management, or to customers.

I concede the such anti-social behaviour may occur in that area, but to allege that this is due to the customers of the LMT is specious and without foundation. Certainly, no evidence to the contrary has been forthcoming.

I am at a loss as to why the protection of children should be an issue here at all.

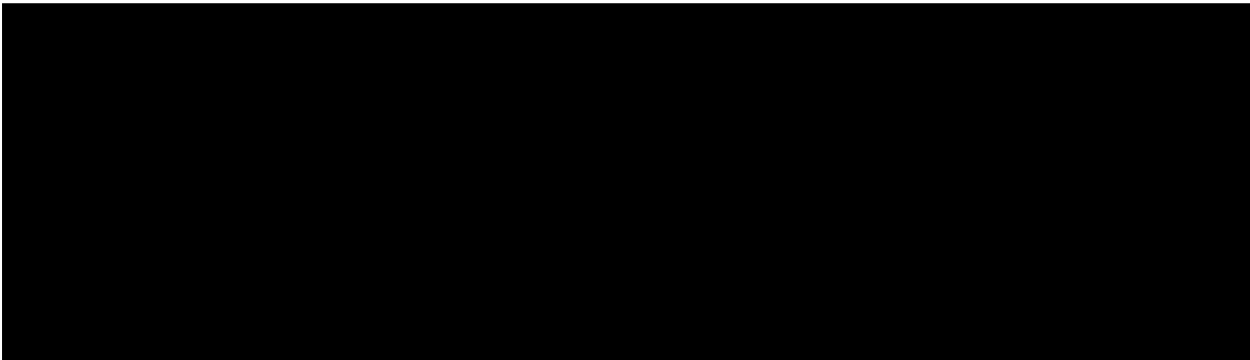
The Hornet and The Little Monster Tap have always been safe, inclusive and welcoming places. How children might be put at any risk by the extension of opening hours is beyond me.

In short, I would ask the licensing committee to grant the proposed extension of the current license, and to dismiss these objections as groundless.

Yours,

Stephen Rajan-Iyer

1d, St Richards Walk,  
Chichester PO19 1QA





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10<sup>th</sup> August 2023

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East Pallant House  
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PO19 1TY

Application:23/00909/LAPRE1 The Little Monster Tap,23 The Hornet, Chichester, PO197JL

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to express my wholehearted support for extending licensing hours for the Little Monster Tap (LMT) by an additional 90 minutes. This extension would benefit the pub and aligns perfectly with the objectives of the licensing committee.

The Little Monster Tap is my "local", not only due to its proximity as the closest pub to Cutten Way but also because of the unique sense of community it fosters. The idea of a cherished establishment like the LMT closing its doors at 9:30 pm feels inadequate, especially for a city centre. I have personally encountered evenings where a greater number of people tried to come in after the bar had "called time" than during the preceding hours. All seemed pleasant individuals intending to visit the local brewery's taproom after enjoying a meal nearby.

Temporary event licenses previously granted for later opening hours have been an overwhelming success, with no evidence to suggest any problems. Such events, including the preview of a local singer/songwriter's debut album, have significantly enriched our community and have been a supportive platform for local talent. Extending the hours for the Little Monster Tap aligns perfectly with the vision that Chichester council should support cultural endeavours.

Moreover, the Little Monster Tap (and the Hornet Alehouse before it) has a long-standing tradition of fostering a community atmosphere, and patrons consistently show respect and courtesy to neighbours. I accept that when feeling jovial, we can all make a little too much noise, but as a community, we all want to respect our neighbours and keep the noise down as we leave. Indeed, the extra 90 minutes will inevitably offer a more staggered approach for people coming and going, minimising the likelihood of any disturbances and ensuring a smooth and quiet departure for everyone.

In conclusion, I urge the licensing committee to consider the overwhelming support from the community and the compelling alignment of the extension with the licensing objectives. Granting this extension will undoubtedly contribute to the continued success of the Little Monster Tap and the burgeoning cultural scene in our city centre. We should all be proud to have a world-class craft brewing company in the Chichester area.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter. Undoubtedly, you will make the best decision in the interest of all Chichester residents and visitors.

Yours sincerely

Shane Hudson

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From: Phil  
Sent: 11 Aug 2023 13:47:25 +0000  
To: Licensing  
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Support for Extending Opening Hours of Little Monster Tap

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Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing to express my strong support for Little Monster Tap, a small local business, in their application to extend their opening hours. As a resident and an enthusiastic patron of the establishment, I believe that granting this extension would be a positive step for the community and a testament to Chichester's commitment to fostering local businesses.

Little Monster Tap has become an integral part of our community, providing a unique and inviting space for locals and visitors alike to enjoy quality produce, local musicians, and a warm, friendly atmosphere. It is not just another faceless commercial enterprise; instead, it represents the heart and soul of Chichester's thriving local culture.

One of the most admirable aspects of Little Monster Tap is its commitment to supporting the local community. By employing local people and sourcing their produce from nearby suppliers, the business actively contributes to the economic growth of the area. An extension of their opening hours would undoubtedly create more job opportunities and bolster the local economy, which is especially crucial in challenging times.

In regard to concerns about potential antisocial behaviour, I firmly believe that Little Monster Tap's clientele does not seek excessive consumption, but rather they value the establishment for its commitment to quality. The patrons are drawn to the unique atmosphere, the occasional live music, and the opportunity to socialize in a respectful and pleasant environment. The owners and staff have always demonstrated a responsible approach to alcohol service, ensuring that customers' well-being is a top priority.

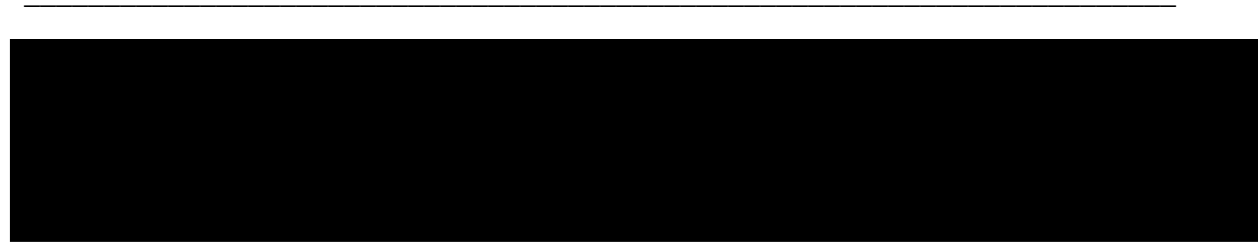
I have personally witnessed the positive impact of Little Monster Tap on the community. It has become a gathering place for friends and I feel comfortable taking my young family there. Extending the opening hours would enable more people to enjoy these experiences and contribute further to the vibrant culture of our city.

In conclusion, I kindly request the Licensing Authority to seriously consider and approve the extension of opening hours for Little Monster Tap. This small local business has proven its worth, bringing joy, camaraderie, and economic benefits to our community. The establishment's responsible practices and genuine dedication to quality over quantity make me confident that this extension will not lead to any increase in antisocial behaviour.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I trust that you will make the decision that will best serve the interests of the community and continue to promote the growth of local businesses.

Yours sincerely,

Phil Clark





# Variation Premises Licence - Representation

Reference: 6472-6338-2591-5525

## Details of premises or club premises

Premises address	
Address / location	Little Monster Tap 23 The Hornet Chichester West Sussex PO19 7JL
Easting	486547
Northing	104810
Applicant name (if known)	
Application number (if known)	

## Details of person making representation

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If there are additional persons making representation please add them here	

## Representation details

This representation relates to the following licensing objective(s)	The protection of children from harm
Please state the ground(s) for making the representation	
The protection of children from harm	I have tried to use your comment form on the web, but I am only getting an error message
	Dear Mr Grant I write in response to application 23/00909/LAPRE1 re 1st Variation of Premises Licence for the Little Monster Tap in the Hornet and wish to offer these comments in SUPPORT of the application. The Little Monster Tap (LMT) (formerly The

Hornet) has been a licenced establishment for 5 years. My partner and I have been regulars for most of that time during which we have made some firm friends and have both been welcomed into a wonderful and inclusive community which has offered solace in times of need, and was honoured for the community work carried out during the pandemic. More pertinently to me, it has always been a place I have considered a 'safe space' for all whenever it is open. Now under it's new guise as the LMT the new owner, wonderful management and staff have gone to great pains to ensure that none of this community spirit has been lost and it remains a place that I have no qualms recommending – either as a welcoming quality establishment with excellent beer, or as a safe space for anyone – which is not something I can say for some of the other pubs in the city. LMT is a venue that prides itself on its support of the locale – whether that be for the supplies of drinks or snack, for the support of good causes, or for the promotion of other local small businesses and local musicians. At this time when there are so many empty units within the city shopping centre, the support of all the businesses in Chichester is more important than ever. The current Chichester Local Plan (2014-2029) outlines a number of objectives for the City – provision of a variety of employment types, use of entrepreneurial flair, the enjoyment of a vibrant historic city enhanced through opportunities to enjoy local culture and

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arts, and to feel a sense of community – all of which are contributed to by the LMT. Although I am aware that the licence amendment application is subject to its own checks and balances, Policies 3, 10, 26, and 28 of this document are also supportive. I have, as suggested by your website, read the various comments made by others in response of this application and I do not recognise the public nuisance behaviours alleged in some responses as originating from the other users of the LMT. I have never witnessed anything approaching that alleged and I struggle to associate them with the decent individuals that I have met there. The gated area referenced is located in an area with several pubs open until 11 o'clock plus a number hot food takeaways, on one of the thoroughfares out of the city centre toward east and is frequented by many as they leave those pubs open in the centre of the city of an evening. I am aware that it is possible to secure gates with a 'one way' lock that would prevent access but not prevent egress in case of an emergency which is something that could be explored by the landlord/s of the Courtyard? In response to the 4 licencing objectives (the prevention of crime and disorder, public safety, the prevention of public nuisance and protection of children from harm), the LMT is an establishment which provides a service of 'quality over quantity' in a safe and friendly space covered by CCTV and which participates in the



these objectives are taken seriously.  
The additional 90 minutes proposed for an already licenced premises in an area where there are already other premises licenced until 11:00, plus late night hot food takeaways is de minimus at best, while giving the opportunity for an already established business to thrive in a competitive market in these challenging times. I do not want my address details made public please.  
Yours sincerely, Kirstie Reed

## Supporting evidence

## Declaration

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Date	27/07/2023

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From: Andy Gray  
Sent: 10 Aug 2023 08:48:20 +0000  
To: Licensing  
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Support for Licensing Application 23/00909/LAPRE1

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Dear Sirs,

I am writing in support of the above application from The Little Monster Tap (LMT) and its request to extend its opening hours by 90 minutes in the evening.

Tap rooms and Micropubs have been pivotal in breathing life into high streets up and down the country by repurposing unused retail units which is part of their attraction and uniqueness in the eyes of the customers who frequent them.

Since the opening of the Hornet Ale House, and it's subsequent change into the Little Monster Tap Room, I would be highly surprised if there was any recording reporting of Public Nuisance or disorder as a result of patrons from the pub and for there to be any suggestion that this would start occurring due to the introduction of an additional 90 minutes of trading is an outlandish suggestion - especially considering that a Public House 50 metres away trades until 11pm five nights a week and until 12am on Fridays and Saturdays.

Whilst I can understand some of the objections from residents situated behind the Tap Room I do get the feeling that their arguments are lazy and disingenuous; to suggest that additional noise generated from "bottling up" or "additional waste" when the products served by the Tap Room are a 95% mix of draft ale and cans is really showing a lack of understanding of the trade of the Micropub.

Furthermore, any argument based on a Micropubs number of toilets and the requirement to queue to use it is farcical at best. There are three Micropubs in Chichester, all of which have one toilet - I have been to sporting and musical events in large venues with multiple toilet facilities and still had to queue up to use them.

For an objection argument to suggest that if a business needs the 90 minute's additional to remain trading they should move location to a livelier part of Town shows a complete misunderstanding of how thriving sub districts are created in forward thinking and progressive Towns, variety is key and the focus on small, independent and alternative offerings is what brings a unique feel to the Hornet/Drapers yard area which is unlike any other part of Chichester.

Any suggestion that the entrance of the courtyard is being used by patrons of the Tap Room to congregate to smoke and/or urinate are completely irrational considering the number of customers/delivery drivers using that drop off point to use the Take Aways adjacent to it.

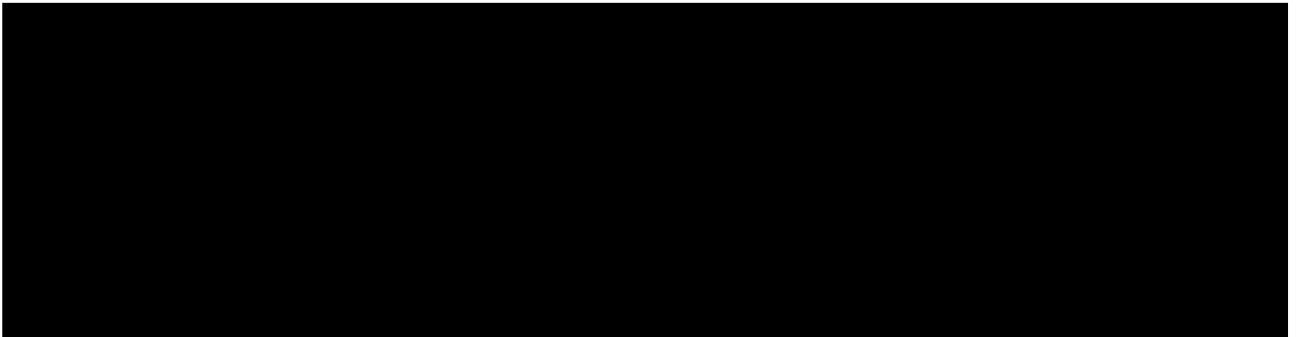
In addition, the Tap Room is a welcoming, community focused, safe environment to even contemplate their being any risk to anyone's safety, especially children is preposterous - the Management and Staff of The Little Monster are experienced and professional in all of their duties, reinforced by CCTV protection and a loyal, devoted and diverse customer base who use the Micropub because of its inclusivity and friendliness.

I for one would be proud to have such an alternative and unique offering of diverse outlets on the doorstep of the street that I lived in - just imagine how a buzzing and thriving area would increase the price of the residential properties!

I fully endorse and support the application for an additional 90 minutes of trading to bring it in line with other outlets trading in the same proximity.

Kind regards,

Andy Gray



# Comments for Licensing Application 23/00909/LAPRE1

## Application Summary

Application Number: 23/00909/LAPRE1

Address: Little Monster Tap 23 The Hornet Chichester West Sussex PO19 7JL

Proposal: 1st Variation of Premises Licence

Case Officer: Simon Grant

## Customer Details

Name: Ms Lauren Toop

Address: 43 Lillywhite Road, Westhampnett, Chichester, West Sussex PO18 0SQ

## Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Licensing Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: 10/08/2023 1:07 PM Dear Sirs

I am writing in support of the Little Monster Tap and their application to extend their license.

I have been attending the tap (formerly The Hornet Ale House) for many years and it is one of the friendliest, welcoming places in the city. There is never any trouble and it attracts a certain type of clientele who are there simply to enjoy the fantastic offerings of local craft beer, ales, ciders and gins that are on offer.

As a young female, the Little Monster Tap is one of the only places I feel comfortable attending alone. This is due to the friendly atmosphere, the friendly bar staff who would simply not tolerate any anti-social behavior and the regulars that attend who are all very friendly and polite. I do not believe that by extending the opening hours, this will have any adverse effect on how things are currently run.

Having read some of the objections to the extension of the license. I have to say I strongly disagree with the arguments put forward and I can honestly say that I have never been witness to any anti-social behavior as a result of any of the Little Monster Tap patrons. I have also found that the toilet situation has never been of any issue, yes there might be a slight queue at busy times, but never enough to warrant going elsewhere!

In conclusion, I believe that extending the hours of the Little Monster Tap can only be a positive for the community. Providing an alternative to some of the other "rowdy nightlife" in Chichester for those who wish to stay out a bit longer and to continue to enjoy good company and good beer.

Yours sincerely,

Lauren Toop

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I was the owner of the Hornet Alehouse before I handed it over to Little Monster at the beginning of this year. During the 5 years I had the business we had a lot to contend with and I came out of Covid mentally drained and a lot poorer. However, I am very proud of the community we built up within the micropub and there was no way I wanted that to disappear. With my staff over the five years, Tom Priestley initially and Lorna Miller, we always paid particular attention to our neighbours and concentrated on the 4 licencing objectives.

- The prevention of crime and disorder
- Public safety
- The prevention of public nuisance
- The protection of children from harm

It was therefore imperative, as the leaseholder of the premises, that I found someone to take it on who would continue to build on what we created. Brenden, the owner of Little Monster, is a giant in the world of craft beer, brewing some of the best beer in the UK right on our doorstep. We should embrace that. He desperately wanted a presence in the city so it was a perfect fit. It was also important that he retained Lorna as she was so important to me and what we created at The Hornet Alehouse and her experience in the industry is massive.

During the five years we ran The Hornet Alehouse we never had a single complaint from our neighbours and did everything within our power to attract the right sort of customer. This I am pleased to say has continued and I now enjoy being a customer because I know it is a safe environment to be in and it is being run the right way.

I am therefore supporting this application. Since we opened other similar premises have been allowed to open and operate with longer hours so this application will mean the Little Monster Tap can operate on a similar playing field and remain financially viable for the Little Monster team. With Lorna Miller managing the same ethos is still there to uphold the 4 licencing objectives and protect the community that has grown up among the regulars who are all very protective and proud of the environment and neighbouring community. I see no change in the customer base the bar attracts or with the way it is managed.

Regards, Glenn Johnson

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**From:** Windsor Holden  
**Sent:** 29 Jul 2023 13:01:47 +0000  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Re: 23/00909/LAPRE1 – Little Monster Tap, 23 The Hornet

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Dear Sirs,

I am writing in support of the above application.

Firstly, I have been a regular customer of both The Hornet Alehouse since its inception in 2018 and of its successor, The Little Monster Tap, since that business began operations earlier this year and thus believe that I am in a reasonable position to assess and address the various objections to the licensing extensions which have recently been put forward.

I will respond specifically to those comments raised by Mr Simon Ratcliffe in his letter dated 14<sup>th</sup> July, as this appears to be the most comprehensive in terms of its objections.

Firstly, the complainant alleges that “we have seen the level of noise, cigarette butts and general congregation of vapers, smokers and general bon homie (*sic*) outside of the premises and the entrance to our courtyard increase in the last few months”. I can state categorically that this is not the case, with the possible exception of *bonhomie* (noun: cheerful friendliness; geniality) which, I would concur, continues to be the case and which I would feel is generally what one looks for in a licensed establishment.

It is unfortunate that on his visit to the property, the complainant had to queue behind three individuals prior to gaining access to the lavatory. Clearly this is an experience which the objector has not encountered in his past experience when using the facilities at any pubs, restaurants, clubs and indeed public conveniences, and hence his sense of indignation on this occasion. I would tentatively suggest that, firstly, if this is indeed an isolated experience in the individual’s life, he has been more fortunate than most of his peers; secondly, that during my own (many) visits to the establishment, I have never had to wait more than a couple of minutes to use said facilities, a period of time I think that most of us would not consider excessive.

The complainant then alleges that as a result of this supposed excess queuing time, some patrons “enter through our gates and urinate against the wall and dustbin area”. I find this highly improbable (given that the patrons are content to queue – see above) and would suggest that if individuals are indeed urinating in the courtyard, then they might well be patrons of other establishments, regrettably using the courtyard for a “comfort break” on their walk home.

The rest of the objection is littered with a plethora of hypotheticals and conditionals, none of which is backed up with evidence to suggest that these scenarios either (a) have a significant probability of playing out or (b) represent a risk to the community, the patrons or indeed the author of the objection.

Let us take a couple of these choice morsels as exemplars:

- *“The increased trading hours will generate more waste and whilst presently the bins seem to be accessed the next day it is possible that these increased hours may require the management to dispose of bottles cans and ancillary rubbish during trading hours which will affect us late at night.”* In modern parlance, “it is possible” could be said to be performing an awful lot of “heavy lifting” in this case. Will they dispose of said items during trading hours? And, if they did, would it really have an adverse impact upon the complainant?
- *“We believe that the extended hours may make the departing staff vulnerable there is rarely more than one in attendance.”* Why? Where is the evidence for this? What is the likelihood of this? Has it happened under current opening hours and what is the level of increased risk?

The complainant argues that four licensing objectives (Public safety, prevention of crime and disorder, prevention of public nuisance and the protection of children from harm) “will not be met with the revised hours”. At no point in his objection does he provide any reasonable rationale why there would be any risk posed to any of these. *Public safety?* A claim that there are “exiting issues from the establishment in the case of fire”. Are there? Are there really? And are these any greater after 9.30pm? *Prevention of crime and disorder?* Where is the evidence to suggest that marginally increasing the licensing hours of a micropub patronized primarily by real ale enthusiasts will result, directly or indirectly in crime and/or disorder? The same goes for prevention of public nuisance. And as for the protection of children from harm, I am perplexed as to why the complainant even brings this to the table (the body of the letter fails to produce one single argument as to why this licensing objective might not be met).

Both the Hornet Alehouse and its successor, the Little Monster Tap, have been a credit to the community: more than that, they have created a sense of community, successively attracting a host of regular customers to enjoy a safe, pleasant, relaxing environment in good company with the added incentive of superb beer.

I fully support the license proposals.

Yours,

Dr Windsor Holden

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**From:** peter brocklebank  
**Sent:** 10 Aug 2023 16:39:46 +0100  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Application 23/00909/LAPRE1

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Peter Brocklebank  
140, St Pancras  
Chichester  
PO19 7LH

Dear Sirs

I write in support of the above application for extended opening hours at the Little Monster Tap, formerly known as the Hornet Ale House.

I have been a regular patron of the HAH now LMT since moving to Chichester over four years ago, during that time I have made many friends and acquaintances mainly due to the friendly and amicable atmosphere that it has.

I have never once witnessed any unruly behaviour ! My wife also has joined me in the LMT on occasion and enjoys the friendly atmosphere.

In contrast I live in St Pancras and witnessed a lot of poor behaviour, fights, drunkenness, broken bottles and cigarette butt's strewn along the pavement when 'Woodies' was open, thankfully now closed ! And I believe they had a licence until 2 am on Fridays and Saturdays.

I complained several times to the Council but nothing was done!

As an occasional smoker I have stood outside the LMT, along with others, smoking and making use of the receptacle for cigarette butt's etc, again never once have I witnessed anyone from the LMT standing in the entrance to Bishops Court smoking.

Given that there is another public house nearby , The Eastgate, I see no reason why the applied for extended hours should not be in line with The Eastgate's.

Regarding the 'queue ' for the WC , apart from a quiz night, when one or two may queue during the breaks, I have never had a problem accessing the WC when needed, which by the way is always kept clean and tidy.

The LMT management and staff are obviously experienced professionals ensuring a friendly welcoming atmosphere.

The LMT provides a much needed local community spirit to this area and as a small business should be supported.

I wholeheartedly support the application!

Regards  
Peter Brocklebank

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# Comments for Licensing Application 23/00909/LAPRE1

## Application Summary

Application Number: 23/00909/LAPRE1

Address: Little Monster Tap 23 The Hornet Chichester West Sussex PO19 7JL

Proposal: 1st Variation of Premises Licence

Case Officer: Simon Grant

## Customer Details

Name: Mr Laurence Green

Address: 27 The Peacheries, Chichester, West Sussex PO19 7TP

## Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Licensing Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment:09/08/2023 3:44 PM To whom it may concern

I am writing in support of the above application.

With regard the 4 licencing objectives ;

The prevention of crime and disorder and public nuisance.

Having been a patron of this establishment since it began as the Hornet Alehouse and now as the Little Monster Tap (LMT). In that time, I have never witnessed or heard of the police being called to respond to any incident at said premises. This is also backed up when analysing publicly available data on crime in the area. I have found no data to support any allegation that increasing the opening hours would change this fact. Add to this that the general demographic that attend LMT prefer quality over quantity, as such are not out to get drunk, and therefore statistically the probability of crime, disorder and public nuisance from an LMT patron is significantly less - whilst not zero , I do not believe there have been any incidences linked to LMT to date.

I have seen the comments regarding the toilets and whilst at times during events a queue can form, the turnaround is normally quite quick, and I've never had to wait more than a few minutes before using the facilities.

Public safety.

The Little Monster Tap is a safe place for all, irrespective of gender, ability, or sexuality. The staff go all out to make all feel welcome. I have witnessed an off-duty staff member actually rush out into the street to provide assistance and first aid to a member of the public who had been walking along the hornet and had tripped and fallen.

the protection of children from harm.

I am aware LMT operate a challenge 25 policy and have personally witnessed the staff

challenging people for ID. Whilst families do frequent LMT, from my experience its for a short time only as LMT do not serve food, but drinks and snacks only. I certainly have not seen any children in LMT past 7pm.

Regards

Laurence Green

# Comments for Licensing Application 23/00909/LAPRE1

## Application Summary

Application Number: 23/00909/LAPRE1

Address: Little Monster Tap 23 The Hornet Chichester West Sussex PO19 7JL

Proposal: 1st Variation of Premises Licence

Case Officer: Simon Grant

## Customer Details

Name: Mr Neil Jerram

Address: 16 Windsor Road, Chichester, West Sussex PO19 7XG

## Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Licensing Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment:10/08/2023 2:35 PM In common with many of those who have commented on this application, I have been a regular patron over the past 5 years of this establishment, both in its time as The Hornet Alehouse and lately as The Little Monster Tap at the Hornet. Very early in my patronage it became obvious that the vast majority of the clientele are, like me, enthusiastic real ale aficionados to whom quality is more important than quantity, and that, being of like minds, one can strike up a conversation with anyone on the premises, regulars or not. It has become quite a community, and I have made new friendships through my visits as well as continuing established ones.

In all the time I have used the bar, I have never witnessed any disorder, nor would I expect to, knowing the clientele.

As has been noted, it is not in a quiet location, motorists using The Hornet, which is, in effect, Chichester's inner ring road, do so noisily. From late afternoon there is a steady flow of people returning home from work in Chichester and soon after there is another flow of people going into town for whatever nightlife they can find. Given that there are 3 establishments serving takeaway food within 50 yards, all providing deliveries as well, and within the confines of The Hornet, 2 restaurants and a public house which is open until midnight at weekends, the footfall in the area is going to be high, but high footfall does not equate to crime and disorder.

In these days of businesses teetering on the edge of survival, it is important that we stand up for the little man, the local company selling local produce, and that we embrace what the area has to offer, an outstanding amenity.

I support the application to extend the opening hours, all like businesses should be on a level playing field.

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# Comments for Licensing Application 23/00909/LAPRE1

## Application Summary

Application Number: 23/00909/LAPRE1

Address: Little Monster Tap 23 The Hornet Chichester West Sussex PO19 7JL

Proposal: 1st Variation of Premises Licence

Case Officer: Simon Grant

## Customer Details

Name: Mr James Allen

Address: 37 Bognor Road, Chichester, West Sussex PO19 7TG

## Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Licensing Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: 28/07/2023 6:56 PM As a customer for several years of the LMT/Hornet ale house, I believe they should be allowed to stay open to the same time as every other public house in the area.

It seems unfair to penalise a small, independent business by not allowing them the same opportunities for trade as their bigger competitors.

The Little monster Tap and it's previous iteration, the hornet ale house, have created a wonderful space for a community of like minded people and it would be a great shame for the council to not give it all available support. Chichester desperately needs more small independent businesses and it needs to do what it can to make sure those that are already here thrive.

As for the complaints, how they can be solely attributed to the customers of the LMT is a mystery worthy of Sherlock Holmes. There are 2 late night takeaways directly opposite (which do not provide customer toilets) and the hornet is a well used route home, for people who have been to the many other bars and restaurants in town. On top of this anyone who had visited the LMT would realise that the vast majority of the customers are not the sort of people who would commit the acts they have (rather offensively) been accused of.

Lorna and the team do a wonderful job to ensure that any disturbance to the local community is kept at an absolute minimum and are committed to running a responsible and friendly hub for the local community.

The Little monster should be allowed it's extended licence to enable it to continue to be a competitive and successful business, in very challenging times.

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# Comments for Licensing Application 23/00909/LAPRE1

## Application Summary

Application Number: 23/00909/LAPRE1

Address: Little Monster Tap 23 The Hornet Chichester West Sussex PO19 7JL

Proposal: 1st Variation of Premises Licence

Case Officer: Simon Grant

## Customer Details

Name: Mr Calum Radcliffe

Address: 88 Victoria Road, Chichester, West Sussex PO19 7HZ

## Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Licensing Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment:02/08/2023 4:14 PM A great opportunity to support not only a small local business, but also a friendly local community hub.

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# Comments for Licensing Application 23/00909/LAPRE1

## Application Summary

Application Number: 23/00909/LAPRE1

Address: Little Monster Tap 23 The Hornet Chichester West Sussex PO19 7JL

Proposal: 1st Variation of Premises Licence

Case Officer: Simon Grant

## Customer Details

Name: Mr Joseph Crook

Address: 2 The Coppice, Henry Close, Chichester, West Sussex PO19 7WR

## Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Licensing Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: 11/08/2023 2:48 PM I am writing in support of the above licensing application.

As a regular patron of The Little Monster Tap and formerly The Hornet Alehouse, I have had the pleasure of witnessing the staff's dedication to fostering a safe, responsible and vibrant environment within our community.

I firmly believe that an extension to the licensing hours would be a positive addition to local nightlife and would offer LMT similar opportunities for business as other local public houses. Moreover, I see no credible evidence to suggest that the extension to the licensing hours would jeopardise the upholding of the four licensing criteria.

The so-called evidence to the contrary provided in the letters of objection appears to be wholly anecdotal and spurious.

I understand that concerns may arise regarding the impact of extended alcohol service hours. However, I firmly believe that the staff of LMT are well-prepared to address any potential challenges and uphold the high standards of professionalism and responsibility that they have consistently demonstrated.

Finally, I would like to highlight the opportunity that this licensing application affords to support not only a local independent business in the city, but also the producers of the drinks and snacks that are on offer there.

The Little Monster Tap should be granted the additional 90 minutes of trading time, to give it the same opportunities for business as other public houses in the area.

Yours faithfully,

Joseph Crook


From: Duncan Barkes  
Sent: 25 Jul 2023 14:12:25 +0000  
To: Licensing  
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Support for Licensing Application 23/00909/LAPRE1

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FAO: Simon Grant and colleagues

From: Duncan Barkes, 70 The Hornet, Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 7JJ

Mobile number 

I am writing in support of Licensing Application 23/00909/LAPRE1 made by the Little Monster Tap at 23, The Hornet, Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 7JL.

The premises were initially home to the multi-awarding The Hornet Alehouse and is now run by the highly experienced team at Little Monster.

I urge you to grant the additional licensing hours outlined in the application in order to support this local independent business that does so much for the local community through its events and community initiatives. It's also a valuable local employer.

The venue is not just a 'tap-room' for drinking, it's a ready-made and welcoming community that also raises funds for local charities.

I have made new friends at the place over the past several months and it's increasingly clear to me it's a place where many go for companionship and to feel included. This is increasingly important for an individual's mental well-being.

The majority of snacks and drinks on sale are local and are sourced from other independent businesses.

Little Monster Tap also supports local musicians and live music. It adds much needed diversity to Chichester's nightlife offering a safe and inclusive environment for all.

Regarding allegations or concerns about customers and anti-social behaviour, as a customer and resident of The Hornet, I've never witnessed such a thing.

I genuinely do not believe how extended opening hours, a mere additional 90 minutes, would cause an issue in the neighbourhood. If I thought it would cause any problems, I would not be supporting this application as a local resident who lives in the area.

I'd also flag up that the location of the Little Monster Tap is opposite three fast food takeaways which enjoy good late night trade from those exiting the heart of city along The Hornet. This naturally causes additional noise. To suggest that the Little Monster Tap is already creating this

noise or will heighten it is pure folly.

In my experience, those leaving the Little Monster Tap do so in a respectful manner.

It's a tough time for UK businesses, it's a doubly-tough time for local independent businesses which is why I urge you to support this licence application so this particular business can thrive to survive.

With very best wishes,

Duncan Barkes

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# Comments for Licensing Application 23/00909/LAPRE1

## Application Summary

Application Number: 23/00909/LAPRE1

Address: Little Monster Tap 23 The Hornet Chichester West Sussex PO19 7JL

Proposal: 1st Variation of Premises Licence

Case Officer: Simon Grant

## Customer Details

Name: Mr Mark Bonham

Address: 6 Wealden Drive, Westhampnett, Chichester, West Sussex PO18 0SF

## Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Licensing Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: 11/08/2023 8:30 PM I write in support of the application by the Little Monster Tap, formerly the Hornet Ale House, in respect of their application to extend the licensing hours.

As a former serving Sussex Police officer, I have in the past seen and been called to numerous incidences of poor behaviour in licensed premises within the county, including some in Chichester. My background makes me extremely mindful of the needs of not just the staff and customers of a bar, but also those who reside in the area.

In my leisure time, I frequently visit the Little Monster Tap (LMT) and can categorically confirm that this establishment is as well run as any I have had the pleasure to drink in. The staff are in full control of their surroundings at all times, and I have never witnessed any moments of disorder. This makes for an extremely safe environment for all, regardless of age, gender or health. Everyone is made welcome, and I have seen several instances of members of staff going to some lengths to assist the less able in enjoying their visit.

The LMT is self-policing to a far greater extent than most licensed public houses. In the five plus years that I've used the Hornet/Little Monster Tap, I have found it to be exceptional where matters such as safety and public nuisance are concerned. Knowing how well it is managed, I have no doubt that extending the licensing hours to those requested by the applicant will have no detrimental effect on the neighbourhood.

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# Comments for Licensing Application 23/00909/LAPRE1

## Application Summary

Application Number: 23/00909/LAPRE1

Address: Little Monster Tap 23 The Hornet Chichester West Sussex PO19 7JL

Proposal: 1st Variation of Premises Licence

Case Officer: Simon Grant

## Customer Details

Name: Miss Michelle Barnes

Address: 2 The Coppice, Henry Close, Chichester, West Sussex PO19 7WR

## Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Licensing Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: 11/08/2023 9:59 PM Dears sirs.

My name is Michelle Barnes.

I have worked at the establishment when it was The Hornet Alehouse. I left the job to start another. However, as a physically disabled female I have found the formerly The Hornet Alehouse, now The Little Monster Tap, to be a wonderful place in the community. I have felt safe there. Even when locking up at the end of the night sometimes, the patrons would courteously protect me from passers by from other establishments and walk me home. This feeling of safety I cannot truly express. It is highly prized let me tell you!

Even now, the management don't have to go out of the way to help me or others feel safe, it is simply a way of being. If you've never felt this yourselves I suggest you visit!

Being physically disabled, I am extremely cautious about where I can and cannot go, however I have never had to worry about negative physical behaviour in The Little Monster Tap, i.e. being near a fight, as to my knowledge one has never "broken out". All the patrons of the establishment are of kind heart, and would help each other at the drop of a hat.

There's many a patron who care and campaign about the environment and other local green efforts therefore wouldn't leave cigarette butts or any other mess behind.

To enable a community hub such as this to have a few more minutes of trading hours, I have zero objections, and I would actively encourage this lifeline of a place to grow.

Please allow them the extension of times.

Many thanks.

Michelle Barnes

From: Neil Thomas  
Sent: 26 Jul 2023 10:17:37 +0000  
To: Licensing  
Subject: [EXTERNAL] 23/00909/LAPRE1 - Little Monster Tap, 23 The Hornet

**This Message originated outside your organization.**

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Dear Sirs,

I am writing in support of licensing application 23/00909/LAPRE1 made by the Little Monster Tap for an extension to their opening hours, on the basis that in these difficult times for local independent businesses this offers the best chance for this excellent addition to the hospitality offering in Chichester to continue to thrive.

As a customer of this establishment I was surprised to read the objections that have been raised around rowdy and anti-social behaviour. In over five years I have never witnessed any such behaviour and find it hard to believe that the decent and considerate people I have mixed with at the Little Monster Tap would act in this way. It would also seem that the alleged public order offences we are told take place in the bin area to the rear of the premises (which cannot with any credibility be attributed to LMT customers) could be entirely negated with a small adjustment to the courtyard gates to enable them to be locked from the outside but safely opened from within the courtyard.

With regard to the four criteria that are considered in licensing applications I can see no reason why an additional 90 minutes of opening time would impact on these in a negative way. The safe and friendly environment created by the hard working and conscientious LMT team, along with CCTV and the operation of the Challenge 25 policy mean everything is being done to ensure compliance with the planning policies.

The positive contribution this business brings to the local area through the provision of locally-produced beers, social events, charitable activities and occasional live music means that an extra 90 minutes of opening time can only be a good thing and I urge you to approve this application.

Yours faithfully,

Neil Thomas

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# **ATTACHMENT D**

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# Licensing Act 2003 Premises Licence - Part A

Chichester District Council, East Pallant House,  
1 East Pallant, Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 1TY

Premises Licence Number - **3815/23/00770/LAPRED**  
Issued in substitution for licence **3815/23/00740/LAPRES** previously granted

## Part 1 – Premises details

### Postal address of premises, or if none, ordnance survey map reference or description, including post town, post code

Little Monster Tap  
23 The Hornet  
Chichester  
West Sussex  
PO19 7JL

**Telephone number** Not Given

### Where the licence is time limited the dates

Not Applicable

### Licensable activities authorised by the licence

Activity	Location
Sale by Retail of Alcohol	Indoors

### The times the licence authorises the carrying out of licensable activities

#### Sale by Retail of Alcohol

*Standard Days and Timings*  
Every Day 12:00 - 21:30

### The opening hours of the premises

*Standard Days and Timings*  
Every Day 12:00 - 22:00

### Seasonal variation

None

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**Where the licence authorises supplies of alcohol whether these are on and / or off supplies**

Alcohol is supplied for consumption on and off the premises.

**Part 2**

**Name, (registered) address, telephone number and email (where relevant) of holder of Premises Licence**

Little Monster Brewing Company Limited  
Metherell Gard  
Burn View  
Bude  
Cornwall  
EX23 8BX

Email  
Contact Phone Number

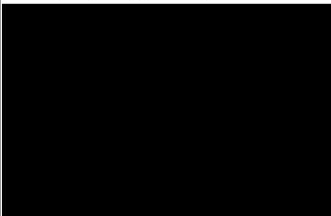


**Registered number of holder, for example company number, charity number (where applicable)**

Registered Business Number      11228185

**Name, address and telephone number of Designated Premises Supervisor where the Premises Licence authorises the supply of alcohol**

Mrs Lorna Miller



Contact Phone Number      Not given

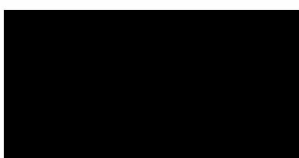
**Personal Licence number and issuing authority of Personal Licence held by Designated Premises Supervisor where the Premises Licence authorises the supply of alcohol**

Personal Licence Number -   
Licensing Authority – Chichester District Council

**Annex 1 – Mandatory conditions**

- 1      (1)      Where a Premises Licence authorises the supply of alcohol, the licence must include the following conditions.

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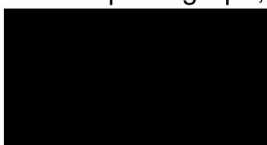
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- (2) The first condition is that no supply of alcohol may be made under the Premises Licence -
    - (a) at a time when there is no Designated Premises Supervisor in respect of the Premises Licence, or
    - (b) at a time when the Designated Premises 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.
- 2
- (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).
- 3 The responsible person must ensure that free potable water is provided on request to customers where it is reasonably available.
- 4
- (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-

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- (a) a holographic mark, or
- (b) an ultraviolet feature.

5 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.

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

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

- (a) "duty" is to be construed in accordance with the Alcoholic Liquor Duties Act 1979;
- (b) "permitted price" is the price found by applying the formula-

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

where-

- (i) P is the permitted price,
  - (ii) D is the amount of duty chargeable in relation to the alcohol as if the duty were charged on the date of the sale or supply of the alcohol, and
  - (iii) V is the rate of value added tax chargeable in relation to the alcohol as if the value added tax were charged on the date of the sale or supply of the alcohol;
- (c) "relevant person" means, in relation to premises in respect of which there is in force a premises licence-
- (i) the holder of the premises licence,
  - (ii) the designated premises supervisor (if any) in respect of such a licence, or
  - (iii) the personal licence holder who makes or authorises a supply of alcohol under such a licence;
- (d) "relevant person" means, in relation to premises in respect of which there is in force a club premises certificate, any member or officer of the club present on the premises in a capacity which enables the member or officer to prevent the supply in question; and
- (e) "value added tax" means value added tax charged in accordance with the Value Added Tax Act 1994.

3. Where the permitted price given by Paragraph (b) of paragraph 2 would (apart from this paragraph) not be a whole number of pennies, the price given by that

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sub-paragraph shall be taken to be the price actually given by that sub-paragraph rounded up to the nearest penny.

4. (1) Sub-paragraph (2) applies where the permitted price given by Paragraph (b) of paragraph 2 on a day ("the first day") would be different from the permitted price on the next day ("the second day") as a result of a change to the rate of duty or value added tax.
- (2) The permitted price which would apply on the first day applies to sales or supplies of alcohol which take place before the expiry of the period of 14 days beginning on the second day.

## **Annex 2 – Conditions consistent with the operating schedule**

- 1 A "Challenge 25" policy whereby any person attempting to buy alcohol who appears to be under 25 will be asked for photographic identification to prove their age. The recommended forms of identification that will be accepted are passports, driving licences with a photograph, photographic military ID or proof of age cards bearing the 'PASS' mark hologram.
- 2 Suitable and sufficient signage advertising the "Challenge 25" policy will be displayed in prominent locations in the premises.
- 3 The Premises Licence Holder shall ensure that all staff members, engaged or to be engaged, in selling alcohol at the premises shall receive the following induction training. This training will take place prior to the selling of such products:

- The lawful selling of age restricted products
- Refusing the sale of alcohol to a person who is drunk

Further verbal reinforcement/refresher training covering the above will be carried out thereafter at intervals not to exceed eight (8) weeks, with the date and time of the verbal reinforcement/refresher training documented.

All such training undertaken by staff members shall be documented and recorded. All training records shall be made available to officers of any Responsible Authority.

- 4 Digital CCTV and appropriate recording equipment to be installed in accordance with Home Office Guidelines relating to UK Police Requirements for Digital CCTV System (PSDB Publication Number 09/05), operated and maintained throughout the premises internally and externally to cover all public areas and within the booth areas, including the entrance to the premises. The system shall be on and recording at all times the premises licence is in operation.
  - The CCTV cameras and recording equipment must be of sufficient quality to work in all lighting levels inside the premises at all times.
  - CCTV footage will be stored for a minimum of thirty one (31) days.
  - The management will give full and immediate cooperation and technical assistance to the police in the event that CCTV footage is required for the prevention and detection of suspected or alleged crime. A member of staff must be present at all times who can operate the system and supply copies of these images on request to either police, council or other authorised officer.
  - The CCTV images will record and display dates and times, and these times will be checked regularly to ensure their accuracy.
  - Subject to Data Protection guidance and legislation, the management of the premises will ensure that key staff are fully trained in the operation of the CCTV, and

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will be able to download selected footage onto a disk for the police without difficulty or delay and without charge to Sussex Police.

- Any breakdown or system failure will be notified to the police immediately and remedied as soon as practicable.
- In the event of the CCTV system hard drive being seized as evidence as part of a criminal investigation by Sussex Police or for any other reason, the premises will be expected to install a replacement hard drive or a temporary replacement drive as soon as practicable.

- 5 An incident log will be maintained at the premises showing a detailed note of incidents that occur in the premises and any refusal of alcohol. The incident log will be inspected and signed off by the Designated Premises Supervisor (or a person with delegated authority) at least once a week. The log book should be kept on the premises and be available for inspection at all times the premises are open by authorised officers of any responsible authority. An incident will be defined as being one which involves an allegation of a criminal offence. Any refusals made at any of the bars/point of alcohol service e.g.: for intoxication, will also be recorded in writing.
- 6 Off sales will be limited to cask beer and cider in sealed containers, or beer in bottles or cans.
- 7 No tapped lagers, or spirits, will be sold for either on or off sales.
- 8 Patrons will not be permitted to take drinks outside in open containers beyond the licensed perimeter of the premises to consume whilst smoking or congregating outside.
- 9 Persons under the age of 18 years are only permitted to be on the premises until 1800hrs and must be accompanied by an adult.
- 10 The Premises Licence Holder and/or members of staff will monitor the departure of customers to ensure they do so in a quiet and orderly manner as to not cause a disturbance to others.
- 11 Contact details for taxi companies along with bus/train information will be available to customers.

### **Annex 3 – Conditions attached after a hearing by the Licensing Authority**

None

### **Annex 4 – Plan(s)**

The attached plan(s) titled '**17-01994 = SITE AND KEY**' and '**17-01994 = GROUND AND FIRST FLOOR PLAN**' dated '**22-11-2017**' shows the area(s) licensed for the purpose of the Licensing Act 2003.

### **NOTES**

Please note that this Premises Licence may have been subject to exclusion of a licensable activity, modification of the conditions, removal of the Designated Premises Supervisor, suspension or revocation and also the name and address of the licence holder may not currently be valid. If you wish to verify the current status of the licence, you should contact Chichester District Council.

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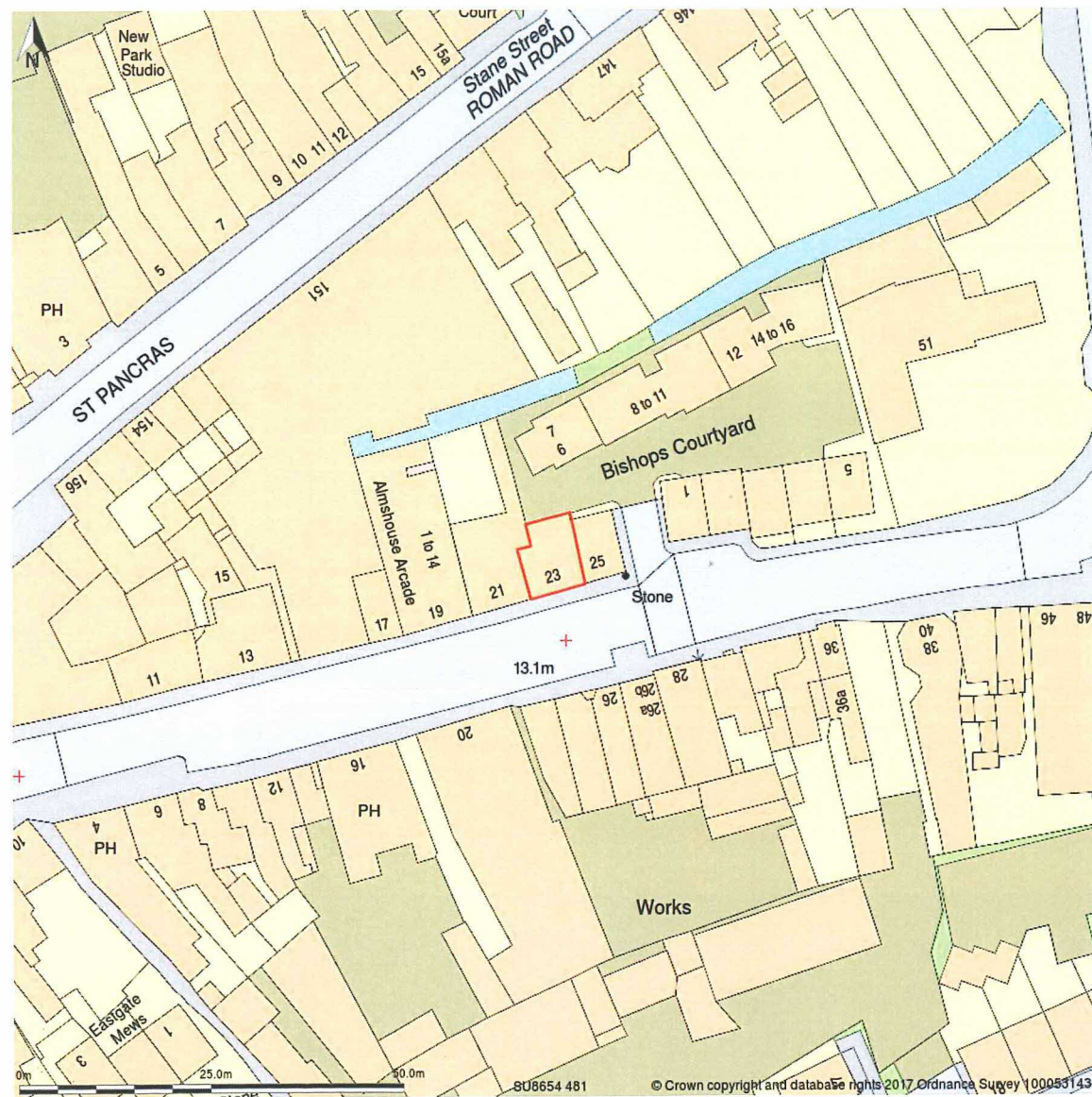
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# FLOORPLANS ACCOMPANYING NEW PREMISES LICENCE APPLICATION

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## Legend for Floorplans

	External or boundary wall
	Internal stud wall
	Very low height clearance
	Reduced height clearance (above approx 1m)
	High wall mounted airconditioning unit
	Cupboards, Kitchen units etc
	Glass partition
	Stairs
	Window
	Fire extinguishers
	Fire - break glass panel (proposed location)
	CCTV Camera with lens orientation as per arrow direction
	Border indicating limit within which alcohol maybe consumed

21 November 2017

