

Public Document Pack



BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL

MEETING OF THE LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

FRIDAY 23RD MAY 2025

AT 11.30 A.M.

PARKSIDE SUITE, PARKSIDE, MARKET STREET, BROMSGROVE,
WORCESTERSHIRE, B61 8DA

MEMBERS: Councillors J. Clarke, P. M. McDonald and S. A. Robinson

Reserve Member: Councillor D. J. A. Forsythe

AGENDA

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE HEARING PROCEDURE (Pages 5 - 8)

1. Election of Chairman for the meeting
2. To receive apologies for absence and notification of substitutes
3. Declarations of Interest

To invite Councillors to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests or Other Disclosable Interests they may have in items on the agenda, and to confirm the nature of those interests.

4. Application for the variation of a Premises Licence with regards to the Dodford Inn, Whinfield Road, Dodford, Bromsgrove, Worcestershire, B61 9BG (Pages 9 - 72)
5. To consider any other business, details of which have been notified to the Head of Legal, Equalities and Democratic Services prior to the commencement of the meeting and which the Chairman, by reason of special circumstances, considers to be of so urgent a nature that it cannot wait until the next meeting.

J. Leach
Chief Executive

Parkside
Market Street
BROMSGROVE
Worcestershire
B61 8DA

14th May 2025

**If you have any queries on this Agenda please contact
Pauline Ross
Democratic Services Officer**

**Parkside, Market Street, Bromsgrove, B61 8DA
Tel: 01527 881406
Email: p.ross@bromsgroveandredditch.gov.uk**

**If you have any questions regarding the agenda or attached papers,
please do not hesitate to contact the officer named above.**

Notes:

**Although this is a public meeting, there are circumstances when the
Sub-Committee might have to move into closed session to consider
exempt or confidential information. For agenda items that are exempt,
the public are excluded.**



INFORMATION FOR THE PUBLIC

Access to Information

The Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 widened the rights of press and public to attend Local Authority meetings and to see certain documents. Recently the Freedom of Information Act 2000 has further broadened these rights, and limited exemptions under the 1985 Act.

- You can inspect agenda and public reports at least five days before the date of the meeting.
- You can inspect minutes of the Council, Cabinet and its Committees/Boards for up to six years following a meeting.
- You can have access, upon request, to the background papers on which reports are based for a period of up to six years from the date of the meeting. These are listed at the end of each report.
- An electronic register stating the names and addresses and electoral areas of all Councillors with details of the membership of all Committees etc. is available on our website.
- A reasonable number of copies of agendas and reports relating to items to be considered in public will be made available to the public attending meetings of the Council, Cabinet and its Committees/Boards.
- You have access to a list specifying those powers which the Council has delegated to its Officers indicating also the titles of the Officers concerned, as detailed in the Council's Constitution, Scheme of Delegation.

You can access the following documents:

- Meeting Agendas
- Meeting Minutes
- The Council's Constitution

at www.bromsgrove.gov.uk

Appendix

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE (Premises)

HEARING PROCEDURE

1. The Chairman will open the hearing and ask Members of the Sub-Committee and officers present to introduce themselves.
2. The Chairman will ask all parties to the proceedings to introduce themselves.
3. The Charman will ask all parties if they are satisfied with the hearing procedure to be followed. Any variation to the hearing procedures will be at the discretion of the Chairman.
4. The Technical Officer (Licensing), Worcestershire Regulatory Services will present the report.
5. The Chairman will invite Members of the Sub-Committee and all parties to the proceedings to put any relevant questions to the Technical Officer.
6. The Chairman will invite the Applicant and/or their representative to present their case and call any witnesses. A total of 15 minutes will be allowed.
7. The Chairman will invite Members of the Sub-Committee and all parties to the proceedings to put any relevant questions to the Applicant and/or their representative.
8. The Chairman will invite the Responsible Authorities to present their representations. A total of 15 minutes will be allowed.
9. The Chairman will invite Members of the Sub-Committee and all parties to the proceedings to put any relevant questions to the Responsible Authorities.
10. All Other Parties to the proceedings will be invited to present their representations or elect a spokesperson to speak on their behalf. A total of 15 minutes will be allowed.
11. The Chairman will invite Members of the Sub-Committee and all parties to the proceedings to put any relevant questions to the Other Parties.
12. The Responsible Authorities will be invited to sum up. A total of 5 minutes will be allowed.
13. The Other Parties will be invited to sum up. A total of 5 minutes will be allowed.

Appendix

14. The Applicant and/or their representative will be invited to sum up. A total of 5 minutes will be allowed.
15. The Chairman will ask the Legal Advisor if there is any legal advice to be given.
16. The Chairman will close the Hearing so that the Sub-Committee can reach its decision in private.
17. The Sub-Committee's decision will be confirmed in writing to the Applicant and those parties who made representations within 5 working days.
18. If any party to the proceedings wishes to appeal against the Sub-Committee's decision an appeal must be commenced by the appellant giving a notice of appeal to the designated officer for the magistrates' court within a period of 21 days beginning with the day on which the appellant was notified by the licensing authority of the decision which is being appealed.

NB

In considering any representations or notice made by a party the Sub-Committee may take into account documentary or other information produced by a party in support of their application, representations or notice either before the hearing or with the consent of all other parties at the hearing.

Please Note:

1. ***Each application coming before the Licensing Sub-Committee will be treated on its own merits, and the Sub-Committee will take its decision based upon:***
 - a) ***the promotion of the four licensing objectives, as given by the Licensing Act 2003, namely:***
 - ***the prevention of crime and disorder;***
 - ***public safety;***
 - ***the prevention of public nuisance; and***
 - ***the protection of children from harm;***
 - b) ***Bromsgrove District Council's Statement of Licensing Policy;***
 - c) ***guidance issued under section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003; and***
 - d) ***the Licensing Act 2003.***
 - e) ***The report presented to the Sub-Committee by the Technical Officer, and all relevant written and oral representations.***

This page is intentionally left blank

BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

FRIDAY 23 MAY 2025

LICENSING ACT 2003

APPLICATION FOR VARIATION OF A PREMISES LICENCE

DODFORD INN

PUBLIC HEARING	
Director:	Head of Worcestershire Regulatory Services
Contact Officer:	Sarah Royall Licensing and Duty Support Officer enquiries@worcsregservices.gov.uk
Ward(s) affected:	PERRYFIELDS WARD
Appendices:	Appendix 1 – Application Form & Plans Appendix 2 – Existing Licence & current plan Appendix 3 – Representations from other parties

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1. To consider and determine an application for variation of the premises licence in respect of the premises below:

**Dodford Inn
Whinfield Road
Dodford
Bromsgrove
Worcestershire
B61 9BG**

1.2. A copy of the application is attached at **Appendix 1**.

1.3. A copy of the existing licence is attached at **Appendix 2**.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1. On 27 March 2025 an application was received from Gina & David John Myatt for variation of the premises licence in respect of

**Dodford Inn
Whinfield Road
Dodford
Bromsgrove
Worcestershire
B61 9BG**

- 2.2. The application contained all the requisite documentation including the fee.
- 2.3. It can be confirmed that the application has been advertised in accordance with the requirements of the Licensing Act 2003 and associated regulations and that the application has also been served on all responsible authorities.

- 2.4. The current licence authorises the following activities on the premises

Sale of alcohol from 10:00 hours until 23:00 hours Mondays to Thursdays, 10:00 hours until 00:00 hours Fridays to Saturdays, 11:00 hours until 23:00 hours on Sundays.

Live music from 10:00 hours until 00:00 hours Fridays to Saturdays.

Recorded Music from 10:00 hours until 00:00 hours Fridays to Saturdays.

- 2.5. The licence permits the following non standard timings:

All licensable activities shall finish at 12 midnight on the following notable days/dates:

Every Monday and Sunday for all Bank Holidays, namely, Easter, Early May Bank Holiday, Spring Bank Holiday and August Bank Holiday;

Every Thursday prior to Easter Bank Holiday;

Christmas Eve; and

Boxing Day.

Christmas Day - 12:00 - 15:30 & 19:00 - 23:00

New Year's Eve - All licensable activities listed are permitted till the start of trading hours on New Year's Day.

- 2.6. The applicant is applying for the following variations to their existing licence:

Removal of all non standard timings.

Amendment to permitted alcohol sales hours - Permit the sale of alcohol from 10:00 on Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays (currently 11:00), aligning with Friday and Saturdays.

Permit the sale of alcohol until 00:00 on Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays (currently 23:00), aligning with Fridays and Saturdays.

Removal of Annex 3 - This condition currently restricts the use of the outside patio area by customers after 23:20. We request its removal to allow continued monitored use of the area.

Extension of the licensed area in accordance with the attached drawings.

- 2.7. Officers have noted that the applicants have requested the extension of Live and Recorded Music until 00:00 Sundays to Thursdays. The proposal to extend the hours for live and recorded music is no longer being pursued by the applicants, therefore this proposal will not be considered as part of this application.
- 2.8. The Live Music Act 2012 permits licensed premises to have Live and Recorded Music until 23:00, therefore the premises is permitted to have Live and Recorded Music until 23:00 Sundays to Thursdays.

3. REPRESENTATIONS

RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITIES

- 3.1. The application has been forwarded to all responsible authorities prescribed under the Licensing Act 2003. No representations have been received from any of these responsible authorities.

OTHER PERSONS

- 3.2. 13 valid representations have been received from other persons relating to concerns for the potential for public nuisance. Representations raise concerns regarding the protection of children from harm and public safety. Some of the representations allude to the potential for disorder. A copy of these representations are attached at **Appendix 3**.

4. LOCAL POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

- 4.1. The Sub-Committee should have regard to the Council's Statement of Licensing Policy under the Licensing Act 2003.
- 4.2. The Council's Statement of Licensing Policy is available to download from the Council's website or to request a hard copy, contact Worcestershire Regulatory Services on 01905 822799 or email enquiries@worcestersregservices.gov.uk

5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1. The Sub-Committee is obliged to determine this application with a view to the promotion of the licensing objectives which are:
 - the prevention of crime and disorder;
 - public safety;
 - the prevention of public nuisance;

- the protection of children from harm.
- 5.2. In making its decision, the Sub-Committee is also obliged to have regard to the guidance issued by the Secretary of State under section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 and the Council's own Statement of Licensing Policy.
 - 5.3. The Sub-Committee must also have regard to the representations made and the evidence it hears.
 - 5.4. The Sub-Committee must take such of the following steps as it considers appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives:
 - (a) Grant the application as requested
 - (b) Modify the conditions of the licence, by altering or omitting or adding to them.
 - (c) Reject the application in whole or in part.
 - 5.5. The Sub-Committee is asked to note that it may not modify the conditions or reject the whole or part of the application merely because it considers it desirable to do so. It must actually be appropriate in order to promote the licensing objectives.
 - 5.6. All parties to the hearing will be notified of the Sub-Committee's decision in writing within five working days of the conclusion of the hearing.
 - 5.7. Any party aggrieved by a decision taken by the Sub-Committee may appeal against the decision to a Magistrates' Court within 21 days of being notified of the decision in writing.
 - 5.8. The hearing should be conducted in accordance with the agreed procedure.

6. FOR DECISION

- 6.1. The Sub-Committee must consider and determine the application.

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 Gina Myatt David Myatt

(Insert name(s) of applicant)

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	PL0209
--------------------------------	--------

Part 1 – Premises Details

Postal address of premises or, if none, ordnance survey map reference or description			
The Dodford Inn, Whinfield Road, Dodford , Bromsgrove, Worcestershire. B61 9BG			
Post town	Bromsgrove	Postcode	B61 9BG

Telephone number at premises (if any)	01527 835825
Non-domestic rateable value of premises	£ 51,000

Part 2 – Applicant details

Daytime contact telephone number	[REDACTED]
E-mail address (optional)	[REDACTED]
Current postal address if different from premises address	[REDACTED]
Post town	[REDACTED]
Postcode	[REDACTED]

Agenda Item 4

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? DD MM YYYY

--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

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 see guidance note

2) The proposed variations to the existing licence are as follows:

1. Removal of all non-standard timings
2. Amendment to permitted alcohol sales hours:
 - o Permit the sale of alcohol from 10:00 on Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays (currently 11:00), aligning with Fridays and Saturdays.
 - o Permit the sale of alcohol until 00:00 on Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays (currently 23:00), aligning with Fridays and Saturdays.
3. Removal of Annex 3 (3):
 - o This condition currently restricts the use of the outside patio area by customers after 23:20. We request its removal to allow continued monitored use of this area.
 - o The area will be closely monitored by staff to mitigate any potential nuisance from customers congregating near the car park.
4. Extension of the licensed area in accordance with the attached drawings.

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:

N/A

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

Agenda Item 4

A

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

Agenda Item 4

B

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

C

Indoor sporting events Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			<u>Please give further details</u> (please read guidance note 5)
Day	Start	Finish	
Mon			<u>State any seasonal variations for indoor sporting events</u> (please read guidance note 6)
Tue			
Wed			
Thur			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for indoor sporting events at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 7)
Fri			
Sat			
Sun			

D

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

Agenda Item 4

E

Live music Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			Will the performance of live music take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick (please read guidance note 4)	Indoors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish			
Mon	10:00	00:00	Please give further details here (please read guidance note 5) The music would be amplified, however this would only take place indoors with windows and doors closed after 22:00. The building is modern and well insulated and has the benefit of air conditioning in mitigation of the desire to open windows and doors to cool the air.		
Tue	10:00	00:00			
Wed	10:00	00:00	State any seasonal variations for the performance of live music (please read guidance note 6)		
Thur	10:00	00:00			
Fri	10:00	00:00	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)		
Sat	10:00	00:00			
Sun	11:00	00:00			

Agenda Item 4

F

Recorded music Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			Will the playing of recorded music take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick (please read guidance note 4)	Indoors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish		Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mon	10:00	00:00	<p>Please give further details here (please read guidance note 5)</p> <p>The music would be amplified, however this would only take place indoors with windows and doors closed after 22:00. The building is modern and well insulated and has the benefit of air conditioning in mitigation of the desire to open windows and doors to cool the air.</p> <p><u>State any seasonal variations for the playing of recorded music</u> (please read guidance note 6)</p> <p>The playing of recorded music is more likely to be</p> <p><u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the playing of recorded music at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 7)</p> <p>New Years Eve- All licensable activities listed are permitted till the start of trading hours on New Years Day</p>		
Tue	10:00	00:00			
Wed	10:00	00:00			
Thur	10:00	00:00			
Fri	10:00	00:00			
Sat	10:00	00:00			
Sun	11:00	00:00			

G

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

H

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

I

Late night refreshment 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)	
Day	Start	Finish	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mon	-----	-----	Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tue	-----	-----	Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wed	-----	-----	<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 5)	
Thur	-----	-----	<u>State any seasonal variations for the provision of late night refreshment</u> (please read guidance note 6)	
Fri	-----	-----	<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the provision of late night refreshment at different times, to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 7)	
Sat	-----	-----		
Sun	-----	-----		

Agenda Item 4

J

Supply of alcohol 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	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish		Off the premises	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mon	10:00	00:00	State any seasonal variations for the supply of alcohol (please read guidance note 6)	Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Tue	10:00	00:00			
Wed	10:00	00:00			
Thur	10:00	00:00		<u>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</u> (please read guidance note 7)	
Fri	10:00	00:00			
Sat	10:00	00:00		New Years Eve- All licensable activities listed are permitted till the start of trading hours on New Years Day	
Sun	11:00	00:00			

K

<p>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).</p> <p>Nothing Applicable</p>
--

L

Hours premises are open to the public Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			<u>State any seasonal variations</u> (please read guidance note 6)
Day	Start	Finish	
Mon	10:00	00:30	<p><u>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</u> (please read guidance note 7)</p> <p>New Years Eve- All licensable activities listed are permitted till the start of trading hours on New Years Day</p>
Tue	10:00	00:30	
Wed	10:00	00:30	
Thur	10:00	00:30	
Fri	10:00	00:30	
Sat	10:00	00:30	
Sun	11:00	00:30	

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.

Annex (3) That the Licence Holder and/or the Designated Premises Supervisor ensures that patrons do not congregate in the beer garden after 11.20 p.m. on any day other than for the use of a smoking area as has been designated. The management and staff will supervise this use from the time designated up to closing time.

Agenda Item 4

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 and e) (please read guidance note 11)

The conditions contained within Annex 2 of the existing premises licence will be extended to cover the additional opening times requested in this application. Staff will be updated upon the conditions and the implications of failure to work in line with these conditions.

b) The prevention of crime and disorder

Staff are instructed to refuse to serve alcohol to anyone appearing to be adversely affected by alcohol or other substances. If this type of incident should occur then many persons suspected will be asked to remove themselves from the premises and escorted by staff and/or management to ensure everyone's safety and maintain peace.
A number of additional security cameras have been installed at strategic points to aid facial recognition on entry and activities within the grounds of the venue.
Patrols by management take place at regular intervals throughout functions in order to spot and monitor any potential infringements.

c) Public safety

The additional security cameras will assist in maintaining public safety.
A defibrillator has been installed and registered on the outside of the building. This will add to public safety in the event of sudden incidents of potential life threatening conditions.

d) The prevention of public nuisance

Additional security cameras assist with the spotting of potential incidents of public nuisance which will be backed by regular patrols conducted by management around the full perimeter of the grounds and buildings.
Conditions applied to contracts for events will contain instruction and information on both management and customer responsibilities to public nuisance.
Air conditioning has been installed in all public areas of the building, thus allowing windows and doors to be kept shut during amplified music performances.
No outdoor music to be allowed after 23:00 hrs on any night.

e) The protection of children from harm

Existing conditions for the protection of children will remain in place and be fortified by the additional security camera system and the regular patrols by management throughout the venue.

Checklist:

Please tick to indicate agreement

- I have made or enclosed payment of the fee; or
- I have not made or enclosed 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	27/3/2025
Capacity	Premises licence holder

Where the premises licence is jointly held, signature of 2nd applicant (the current premises licence holder) or 2nd 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)

Post town		Post code	
Telephone number (if any)			
If you would prefer us to correspond with you by e-mail, your e-mail address (optional)			

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:

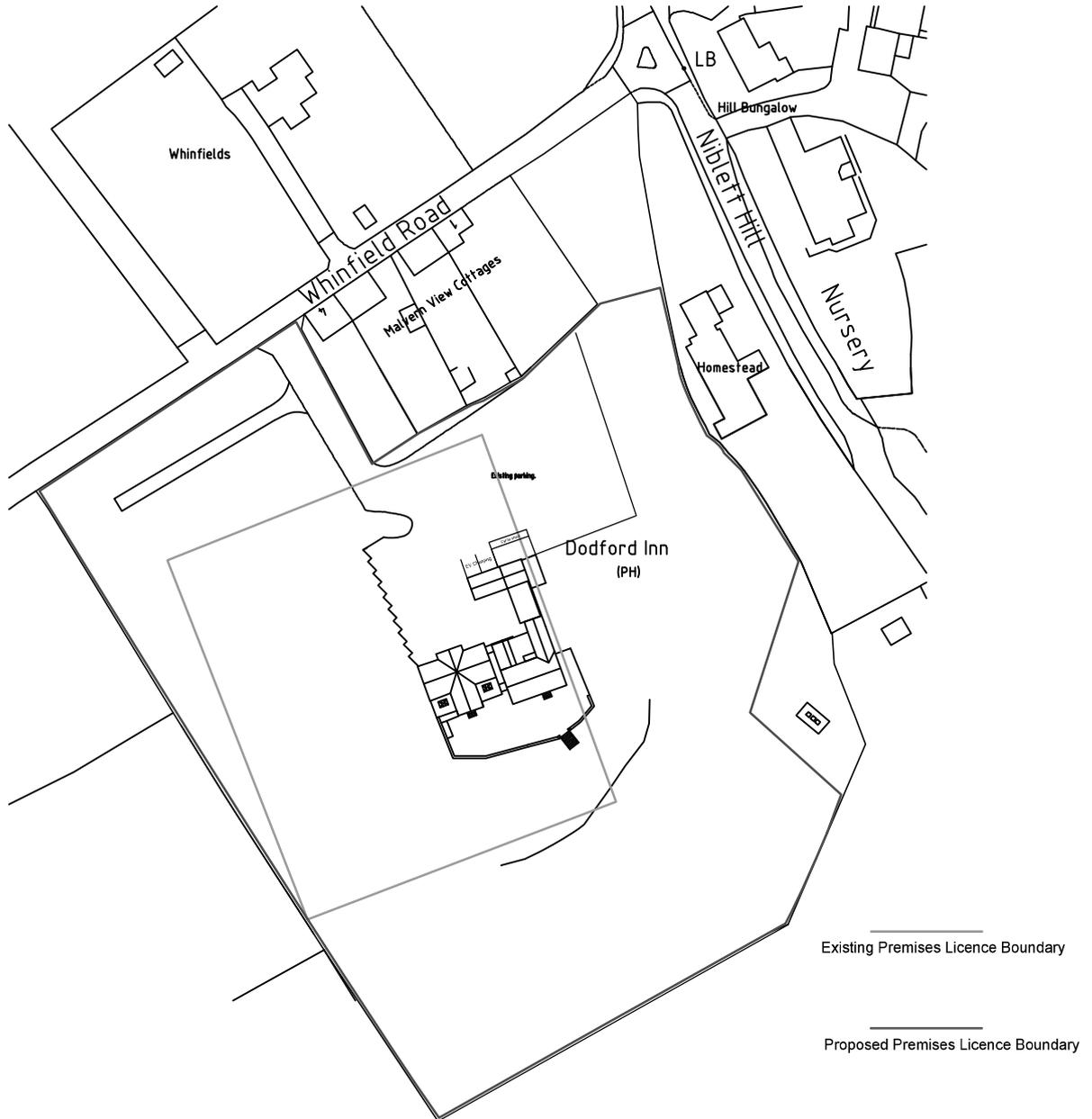
Agenda Item 4

- 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.

Agenda Item 4

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.

LOCATION PLAN Scale 1:1250



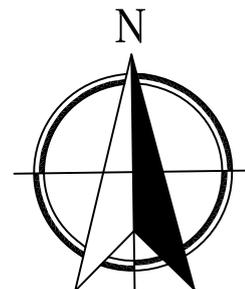
Ordnance Survey (c) Crown Copyright 2015. All rights reserved. Licence number 100022432

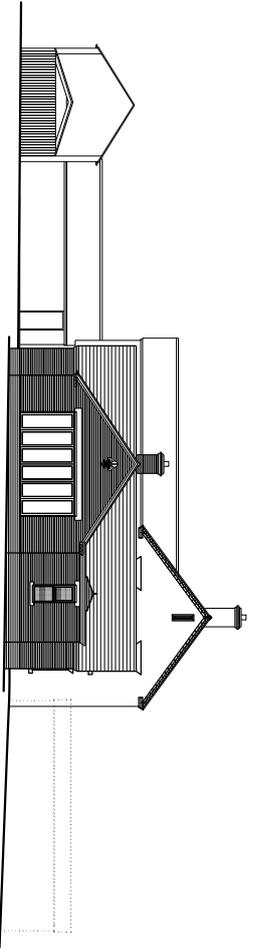
SCALE CHECK 50M at 1:1250

0 10 20 30 40 50

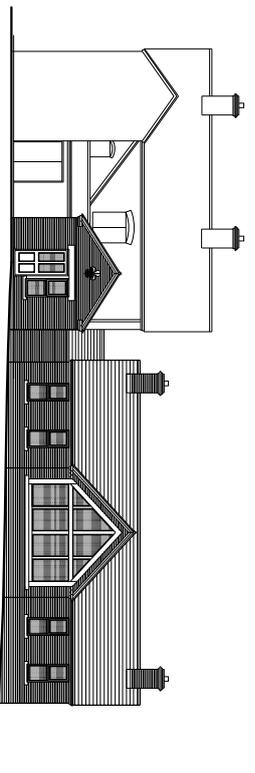
18:22:LP

DODFORD INN
WHINFIELD ROAD
DODFORD
BROMSGROVE
WORCS. B61 9BG

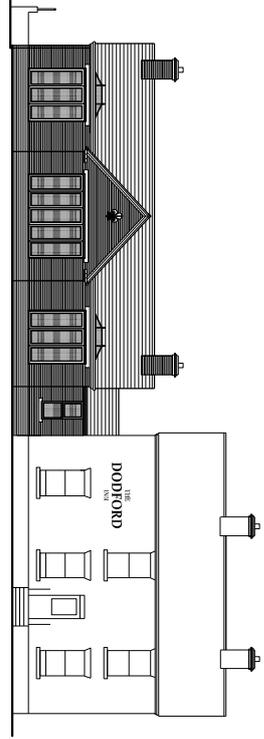




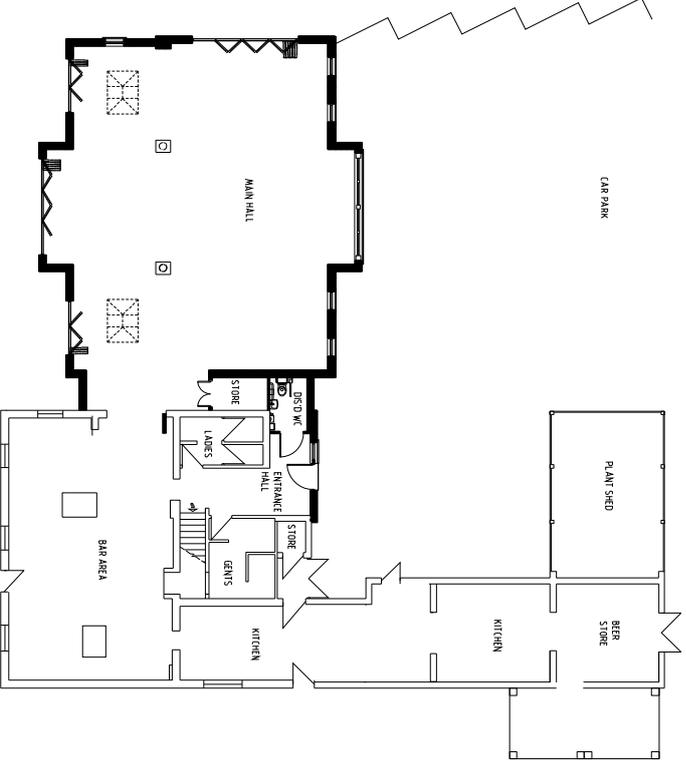
Side Elevation (West)



North Elevation



South Elevation (Rear)



REVISIONS	
FORRESTER ASSOCIATES	
ARCHITECTS	
PROJECT	
THE DODFORD INN	
WINDFIELD ROAD	
DODFORD	
BRODSHROVE	
961 980	
REFURBISHMENT & EXTENSIONS	
PROPOSAL	DRAWING NUMBER
DATE	SCALE
AUG 15 11 00 @ A1	15:18:SK

LICENSING ACT 2003



Bromsgrove
District Council
www.bromsgrove.gov.uk

PREMISES LICENCE

PREMISES LICENCE NUMBER

PL0209

Part 1 – Premises Details

Postal address of premises, or if none, ordnance survey map reference or description, including Post Town, Post Code

Dodford Inn
Whinfield Road
Dodford
Bromsgrove
Worcestershire
B61 9BG

Where the licence is time limited, the dates

Not applicable

Licensable activities authorised by the licence and the times the licence authorises the carrying out of licensable activities

Activity – Sale of alcohol	Days	From	To	Consumption On/Off
Sale of Alcohol	Sunday	11:00	- 23:00	Both
Sale of Alcohol	Friday - Saturday	10:00	- 00:00	Both
Sale of Alcohol	Monday - Thursday	10:00	- 23:00	Both
Activity - Other	Days	From	To	Indoors/Outdoors
Performance of Live Music	Friday - Saturday	10:00	- 00:00	Indoors
Playing of Recorded Music	Friday - Saturday	10:00	- 00:00	Indoors

Non-standard timings

All licensable activities shall finish at 12 midnight on the following notable days/dates:

Every Monday and Sunday for all Bank Holidays, namely, Easter, early May Bank Holiday, Spring Bank Holiday and August Bank Holiday;

Every Thursday prior to Easter Bank Holiday;

Christmas Eve; and

Boxing Day.

Christmas Day - 12:00 - 15:30 & 19:00 - 23:00

New Year's Eve - All licensable activities listed are permitted till the start of trading hours on New Year's Day.

Agenda Item 4

The opening hours of the premises

Days	From		To
Sunday	11:00	-	23:30
Friday - Saturday	10:00	-	00:30
Monday - Thursday	10:00	-	23:30

All licensable activities shall finish at 12 midnight on the following notable days/dates:

Every Monday and Sunday for all Bank Holidays, namely, Easter, early May Bank Holiday, Spring Bank Holiday and August Bank Holiday;

Every Thursday prior to Easter Bank Holiday;

Christmas Eve; and

Boxing Day.

Christmas Day - 12:00 - 15:30 & 19:00 - 23:00

New Year's Eve - All licensable activities listed are permitted till the start of trading hours on New Year's Day.

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

Alcohol is supplied for consumption both on and off the premises

Part 2

Name, (registered) address, telephone number and email (where relevant) of holder of premises licence

Gina And David Myatt



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

Name, address and telephone number of designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises for the supply of alcohol

Gina Myatt

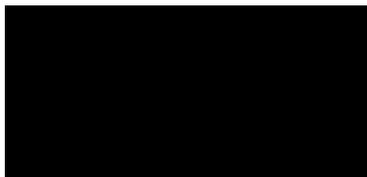


Personal licence number and issuing authority of personal licence held by designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises for the supply of alcohol

Personal Licence No: 14/06693/PERSLI

Licensing Authority: Bromsgrove District Council

Agenda Item 4



AUTHORISED OFFICER
Head of Regulatory Services
Worcestershire Regulatory Services
On behalf of Bromsgrove District Council

Date of first issue: 18 March 2024

This version valid from: 18 March 2024

Issuing Authority: Bromsgrove District Council
Parkside
Market Street
Bromsgrove
Worcestershire
B61 8DA

ANNEX 1 – MANDATORY CONDITIONS

The making and authorisation of alcohol sales

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.

Every supply of alcohol under the premises licence must be made or authorised by a person who holds a personal licence.

Irresponsible alcohol promotions

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.

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).

Provision of free potable water

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

Age verification policy for the sale or supply of alcohol

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.

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.

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

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

Availability of small measures of alcohol

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.

Permitted price of alcohol

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—
 - P is the permitted price,
 - D is the rate 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
 - 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) “valued added tax” means value added tax charged in accordance with the Value Added Tax Act 1994.
3. Where the permitted price given by Paragraph (b) of paragraph 2 would (apart from this paragraph) not be a whole number of pennies, the price given by that sub-paragraph shall be taken to be the price actually given by that sub-paragraph rounded up to the nearest penny.
4.
 - (1) Sub-paragraph (2) applies where the permitted price given by Paragraph (b) of paragraph 2 on a day (“the first day”) would be different from the permitted price on the next day (“the second day”) as a result of a change to the rate of duty or value added tax.
 - (2) The permitted price which would apply on the first day applies to sales or supplies of alcohol which take place before the expiry of the period of 14 days beginning on the second day.

ANNEX 2 – CONDITIONS CONSISTENT WITH THE OPERATING SCHEDULE

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

The Licence Holder and DPS will control any potential negative impact to local residents by operating the premises in a considered and well managed way.

All reasonable steps will be taken to minimise the impact of licensable activities and any potential anti-social behaviour on the immediate surroundings of the premises.

Consideration will be given to staff training so that they are aware of the premises licence and the licence requirements to meet the four Licencing objectives.

b) The prevention of crime and disorder:

Serving staff will be given guidance on how to refuse alcohol sales to any persons who appear drunk.

Serving staff will be given guidance on how to identify and deal with proxy sales alcohol to persons who appear to be under the age of 18.

CCTV to be installed as follows:

CCTV cameras are located within the premises to cover public areas including entrances and exits.

The system records clear images permitting the identification of individuals.

The CCTV system is able to capture a minimum of 8 frames per second and all recordings footage must be securely retained for a minimum of 31 days.

The CCTV system operate at all times while the premises are open for licensable activities. All equipment will have a constant and accurate time and date generation.

The CCTV system is fitted with security functions to prevent recordings being tampered with, i.e password protected.

Members of trained staff will be available at the premises during operating hours and be able to provide viewable copies on request to police

SIA Staff will be employed when it is deemed by a risk assessment that these will required or when asked to do so by the police, local authority or any other relevant authority.

c) Public safety:

The maximum number of people permitted on the premises is calculated and detailed within the fire risk assessment and that number that number will not be exceeded within the hours of any licensed activity. This figure is currently agreed at 150 persons seated and 240 standing. This figure includes staff and management.

All parts of the premises and all fittings and apparatus therein , lighting, heating, air-conditioning and other installations will be maintained in good order and in safe condition.

d) The prevention of public nuisance:

Public notices will be placed at the entrance/exit and in all outside areas to remind customers of the need to respect neighbours and leave the premises quietly.

e) The protection of children from harm:

No unaccompanied children under the age of 16 will be allowed to remain on the premises during the hours of Licencing activities.

Accompanied children present at licensable activities will have been assessed under risk assessment of the management and staff prior to events and staff will work with responsible guardians will work together to ensure the health and safety of those considered vulnerable.

GHALLENGE 25

The staff and management will operate the challenge 25 scheme within the premises.

Appropriate signs informing of the operation of the Challenge 25 will be displayed within the premises.

All staff will be trained in the understanding of the Challenge 25 scheme.

A Refusals and Challenge log will operate alongside the Challenge 25 and ensure all challenges made by staff are fully recorded in the log including: Date, Time, Member of staff involved and ID produced Y/N.

A refusals record will be kept at the premises which details all refusals to sell alcohol. This record will include the Date and Time of the incident and a description of the customer, along with the name of the member of staff who refused service, along with a clear reason for the refusal. All entries will be made within 24 hours of the refusal. The record will be made available for inspection and copying within a reasonable time of a request by an officer of any responsible authority.

Other operating conditions

Conditions agreed with West Mercia Police February 2024;

Authorised for the Sale of Alcohol will be defined in a written document. This will detail who has authorised the sale of alcohol and evidence that the staff member has been trained to spot under age drinkers. This document will be signed by both the staff member and the DPS. This document will be left on site and will be made available to the police, local authority or any other relevant authority seeking inspection of a copy.

An Incident Book The premise must record all incidents occurring on the premises. These include First Aid, Removal of Persons, Any injury sustained and persons refused the sale of alcohol. This can be reviewed by a relevant authority seeking this request. Full training will be given to all staff on how to use the incident book.

ANNEX 3 – CONDITIONS ATTACHED AFTER A HEARING BY THE LICENSING AUTHORITY

(1) That a clear and legible sign be displayed, advising taxi drivers not to sound their horns in the car park; (2) That a sign be displayed in the pub stating 'Respect local residents as you leave', as well as advertising contact details of local taxi firms; and (3) That the Licence Holder and/or the Designated Premises Supervisor ensures that patrons do not congregate in the beer garden after 11.20 p.m. on any day other than for the use of a smoking area as has been designated. The management and staff will supervise this use from the time designated up to closing time.

ANNEX 4 – PLANS

As deposited with the licensing authority

LICENSING ACT 2003



Bromsgrove
District Council
www.bromsgrove.gov.uk

PREMISES LICENCE SUMMARY

PREMISES LICENCE NUMBER

PL0209

Premises Details

Postal address of premises, or if none, ordnance survey map reference or description, including Post Town, Post Code

Dodford Inn
Whinfield Road
Dodford
Bromsgrove
Worcestershire
B61 9BG

Where the licence is time limited the dates

Not applicable

Licensable activities authorised by the licence and the times the licence authorises the carrying out of licensable activities

Activity – Sale of alcohol	Days	From	To	Consumption On/Off
Sale of Alcohol	Sunday	11:00	- 23:00	Both
Sale of Alcohol	Friday - Saturday	10:00	- 00:00	Both
Sale of Alcohol	Monday - Thursday	10:00	- 23:00	Both

Activity - Other	Days	From	To	Indoors/Outdoors
Performance of Live Music	Friday - Saturday	10:00	- 00:00	Indoors
Playing of Recorded Music	Friday - Saturday	10:00	- 00:00	Indoors

Non-standard timings

All licensable activities shall finish at 12 midnight on the following notable days/dates:

Every Monday and Sunday for all Bank Holidays, namely, Easter, early May Bank Holiday, Spring Bank Holiday and August Bank Holiday;

Every Thursday prior to Easter Bank Holiday;

Christmas Eve; and

Boxing Day.

Christmas Day - 12:00 - 15:30 & 19:00 - 23:00

New Year's Eve - All licensable activities listed are permitted till the start of trading hours on New Year's Day.

Agenda Item 4

The opening hours of the premises

Days	From		To
Sunday	11:00	-	23:30
Friday - Saturday	10:00	-	00:30
Monday - Thursday	10:00	-	23:30

All licensable activities shall finish at 12 midnight on the following notable days/dates:

Every Monday and Sunday for all Bank Holidays, namely, Easter, early May Bank Holiday, Spring Bank Holiday and August Bank Holiday;

Every Thursday prior to Easter Bank Holiday;

Christmas Eve; and

Boxing Day.

Christmas Day - 12:00 - 15:30 & 19:00 - 23:00

New Year's Eve - All licensable activities listed are permitted till the start of trading hours on New Year's Day.

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

Alcohol is supplied for consumption both on and off the premises

Name, (registered) address of holder of premises licence

Gina And David Myatt



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

Name of designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises for the supply of alcohol

Gina Myatt

State whether access to the premises by children is restricted or prohibited

Access by children is not restricted or prohibited

Date of first issue: 18 March 2024

This version valid from: 18 March 2024

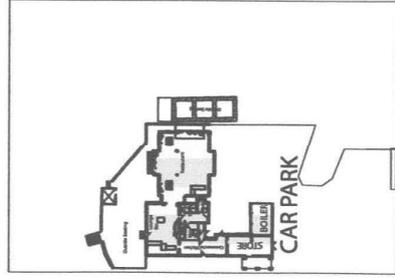
Issuing Authority: Bromsgrove District Council
Parkside
Market Street
Bromsgrove
Worcestershire
B61 8DA

AUTHORISED OFFICER
Head of Regulatory Services
Worcestershire Regulatory Services
On behalf of Bromsgrove District Council

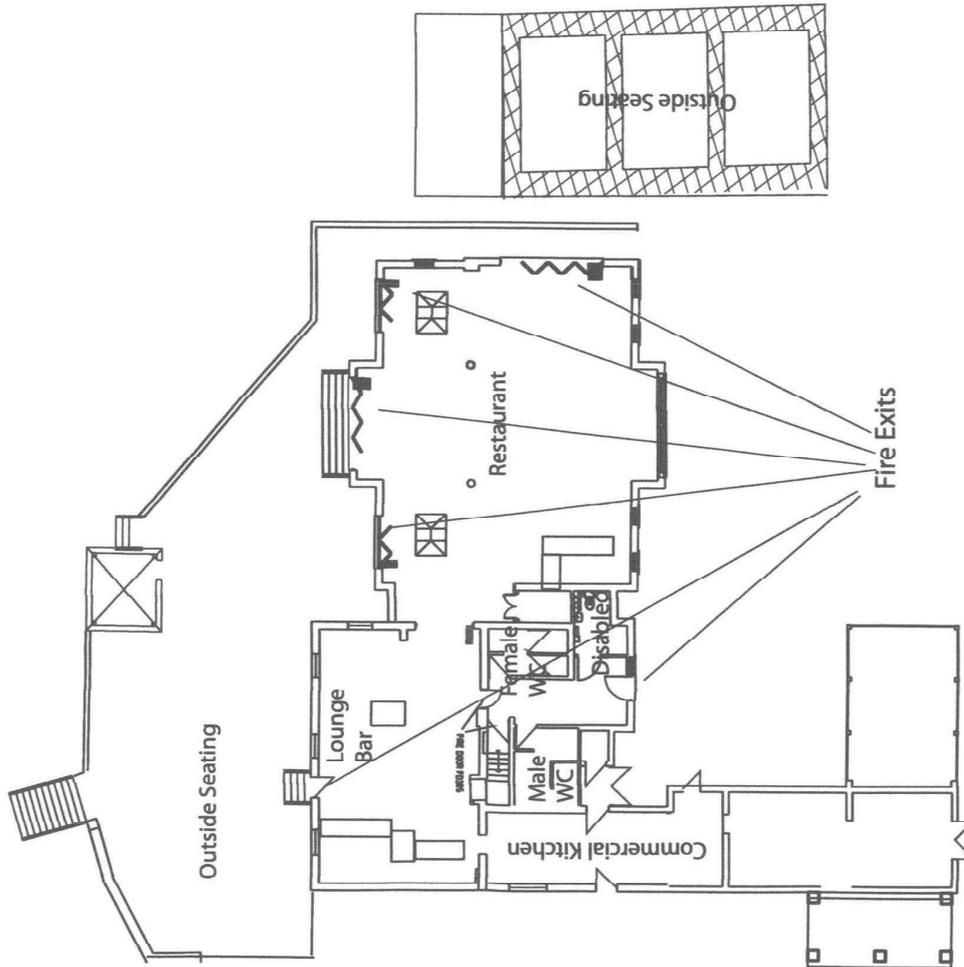
Agenda Item 4

PLAN OF THE DODFORD INN The Dodford Inn, Whinfield Road, Dodford, Bromsgrove, Worcestershire. B61 9BG	
Original Scale:	1:100 Plan of building 1:500 Plan of Licenced area.
Title:	Licensed area relevant to Premises Licence.
Provide by: Mr D J Myatt	
Drawn: 12th July 2023	

Extent of licenced area.



Original Scale 1:500



Original Scale 1:100

This page is intentionally left blank

Agenda Item 4

Cc: [REDACTED]

Subject: re licensing of the Dodford Inn, Whinfield Road, Dodford B61 9BG proprietor D Myatt

This email originated from outside of the organisation

STOP : Were you expecting this email? Does it look genuine?

THINK : Before you CLICK on any links or OPEN any attachments.

Dear Sirs,

I am writing to express my concerns about the proposed extended hours for the above Inn, during the week and at the weekend, as well as the ability to sell alcohol outside of the actual Inn itself.

Whilst I wish the business well, I live half a mile away, and yet found myself last summer, having to sleep with my windows closed whenever they either had music playing, or musicians playing outside, or hadn't actually closed their windows and doors, as sound travels down the valley.

As there are many families close to the pub, and others of us who work, and need to get a good night's sleep, so please do not extend the licensing hours.

I personally would also appreciate it, if you refused to let them sell alcohol outside of the premises, in order to protect the neighbouring properties, as well as those of us are further afield, but who hear the Dodford Inn as if they were their immediate neighbours. Hearing drunk people speaking loudly as they do, when you're outside, trying to enjoy one's garden, or even walk the dogs, isn't my favourite pastime.

Standard pub hours are acceptable, and are equal to the licensing of the Village Hall. I see no reason for any increase, especially as the owners have either made no attempt, or have been unsuccessful to monitor the sound omitted from the inn, which they said they would do when they applied for change of use last year - but then I understand there is no time limit that can be applied to these things!

Kindest regards

[REDACTED]

Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: 25/01407/VARYPL

This email originated from outside of the organisation

STOP : Were you expecting this email? Does it look genuine?

THINK : Before you CLICK on any links or OPEN any attachments.

Good morning,

We write to express our concerns and object to the application to amend the licence at the Dodford Inn.

As residents who live very close to the property, we feel there are many aspects that will have a negative impact on not only ourselves, but the wider community - Our response is written in line with the four licensing objectives.

The requested change to the premises licence boundary is of huge concern and, we feel, unnecessary. The current boundary allows ample space for the sale of alcohol while keeping it in the confines of the establishment. The change of area would bring the permitted sale of alcohol to within 10 meters of our property and would also extend down the field towards the nature reserve. We do not understand why this would be necessary, given that the current arrangement has been ample to provide for the number of people permitted to attend events.

Extending the boundary, has a huge potential to cause increased public nuisance with people being permitted to purchase alcohol so close to residential properties. We already experience noise from the people attending functions and that is within the current boundaries - this will be significantly worse if the boundary is moved.

The protection of children from harm: There are many children living within the area, as well as a first school and a charity for children which hosts residential visits, being located exceedingly close. The families and children that visit the centre are supported through the vision of the charity 'working with schools, social workers, health visitors and other referral agencies, to give children from deprived areas that much needed break and a 'breath of fresh air'. Families, children and groups can often be seen walking along the lanes of the village and Whinfield Road, having the boundary changed would mean that the sale of alcohol is permitted right next to the hedgerow along which children and many others walk frequently.

Public safety: If the boundary is increased for the sale of alcohol, it is likely to attract a larger number of people to visit, with the possibility of 'festival like' pop-up sales around the field. We are concerned,

Agenda Item 4

The prevention of public nuisance: As already outlined, the change of the boundary would increase this aspect greatly. In addition to this, there have already been a number of occasions when the sound of the music from the pub can be clearly heard from our home. We understand that, in the initial application, there was a requirement for a noise meter to be fitted - this does not appear to have been completed and so we are already affected by the noise - increasing times and days of this would exacerbate this further. There are many families living in close proximity to the pub and to have to close your windows on a nice day to eliminate the noise is not acceptable.

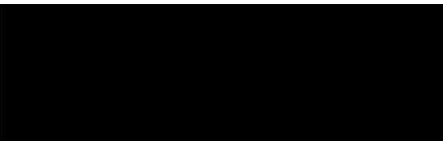
We did phone the pub on an occasion as the sound was so loud, we now understand that this should have been sent to yourselves which we will ensure we do in the future.

When the initial planning application was granted, we understand that this was with a clause of the field not being used for any commercial use, if this was the case obviously, the boundary change would not be permitted.

It is difficult to understand how this change of licence is appropriate when residents of Dodford have so many planning constraints applied to their homes and properties due to living in a conservation area.

We understand how difficult it is to run a business, but strongly feel that the changes to the current application are not appropriate within the conservation area in which we live.

Many thanks



Subject: 25/01407/VARYPL Dodford Inn -Objection to licence application

This email originated from outside of the organisation

STOP : Were you expecting this email? Does it look genuine?

THINK : Before you CLICK on any links or OPEN any attachments.

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to formally object to the application for an amendment of hours and extension of the licenced area by The Dodford Inn Whinfield Road, Dodford, Bromsgrove B61 9BG, which I understand is currently under consideration by your department.

My objection is based on the grounds of **prevention of public nuisance**, specifically due to concerns regarding **noise disturbance**.

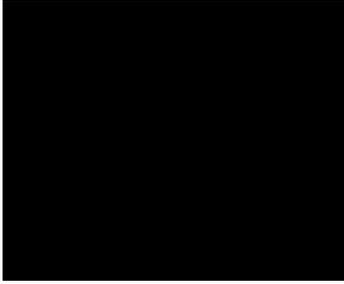
I am a resident of Alfreds Well, Dodford, which is in close proximity to the proposed licensed premises. I am very concerned that the granting of this licence, particularly if it allows for extended hours, live music, or outdoor activities, will significantly increase noise levels in the area—particularly during evenings and weekends. This would negatively affect the quality of life and wellbeing of local residents and my young children.

There is already a noticeable level of noise in the area from the existing establishment, and adding further licensed hours is likely to exacerbate this issue. Noise from loud music, patrons congregating outside, and late-night operations often carries well into residential streets, disrupting the sleep of my young children and creating an ongoing disturbance.

I believe that the proposed licensing hours and activities are inappropriate for this location, which is predominantly residential and should be afforded a reasonable level of peace and quiet, especially during night-time hours.

I urge the licensing authority to consider the likely negative impact on the local community and to refuse the licence application or, at the very least, impose stringent conditions to mitigate noise nuisance—such as earlier closing times, soundproofing requirements, and restrictions on outdoor music or smoking areas.

Yours faithfully,



Agenda Item 4

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 23 April 2025 17:51
To: WRS Enquiries <enquiries@worcsregservices.gov.uk>
Subject: Objection to Variation in Premises Licence for the Dodford Inn

This email originated from outside of the organisation

STOP : Were you expecting this email? Does it look genuine?
THINK : Before you CLICK on any links or OPEN any attachments.

Dear Worcestershire Regulatory Services,

Please find attached my objection to the application submitted by David Myatt for the Variation in Premises Licence for the Dodford Inn.

The reference number for this application is **25/01407/VARYPL**

I would be grateful if you could confirm receipt of my letter.

Many thanks,

[REDACTED]



Licensing,
Wyre Forest House,
Finepoint Way,
Kidderminster
DY11 7WF

Dear Worcestershire Regulatory Services,

I am the immediate neighbour to the Dodford Inn and have lived in my house, [REDACTED] on Whinfield Road, for over 20 years.

The Dodford Inn is a traditional village pub and has been for 150 years without difficulties and has served the local community very well. There have never been problems with the operation of the pub with regards to the residents of Dodford. Since the pub became privately owned and gained additional planning approval as a wedding venue, access for the local community to visit the pub has been severely restricted with current opening on Friday, Saturday and Sunday lunch / afternoon providing there is not a private event booking – these take precedence. Increasingly there have been many more private events leading to even less opportunity to visit the pub.

The current situation is that there are now many occasions when private events mean serious disturbance to the community with loud music and shouting and screaming from people attending the events. This noise from partygoers appears uncontrolled by the pub management team. There is a fear within the community that any complaint or approach to the pub results in reprisal and members of the local community have been banned from the pub for such approaches. People are now wary about making representations. The pub management refuse to work in harmony with the local villagers. At the planning meeting to discuss the change of use to include being able to operate as a wedding venue the Chairman of the planning committee did not allow the Villagers the opportunity to speak at the meeting even though it was within his discretion to allow this.

The pub has a licence for indoor music, however by opening the folding doors and the use of the terrace and patio area the music is extremely loud outside. The noise can be heard across Dodford. In my house I can clearly hear the music and shouting with my windows closed. Even once the event finishes there is still noise whilst people wait for taxis and the noise on the field, which is being used as a carpark, is considerable and keeps me awake.

I'm also concerned about the likelihood of increase in traffic. With the proposed licence the pub could open every night serving alcohol until midnight. This would extend the drinking hours of those frequenting public houses in Bromsgrove / the locality and drinking could

continue at the Dodford. The access to the Dodford Inn is rural, along a narrow lane, past cottages that front onto the road. It is not safe for the increased level of traffic that is likely with an extension of the premises hours and opening potentially seven days a week, particularly for private events with the high numbers of people attending these events.

The removal of the restrictions on the terrace – currently it closes at 11:20am, would be extremely detrimental and cause public nuisance in its own right. The pub is situated in the heart of a residential

village. The sound from the grounds and field of the pub travels across the village. Currently the situation is disruptive and noisy, particularly when the music is played with the folding doors open – however currently this only can happen until 11:20pm. With the removal of the restriction this disruption could continue late into the night.

The current planning permissions for the Dodford Inn does not allow use of the field for any commercial use. Extending the use of the alcohol licence for serving alcohol across the whole of the site, as proposed by the application, would not fit with the current planning permission not to permit use of the field. My fields are adjacent to the pub field with a hedge between. I would find it very intrusive if the pub were to use the field for gin bars, marquees, selling alcohol for consumption on this part of the premises.

I would respectfully ask that the issues and difficulties highlighted in this letter are considered and that the application for the extension of both the hours and the removal of the terrace restrictions are refused based that they will cause a public nuisance to the villagers of Dodford.

Yours faithfully,



From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 23 April 2025 10:12
To: WRS Enquiries <enquiries@worcsregservices.gov.uk>
Subject: Objection to Licensing Application – Dodford Inn Site application No : PL0209

This email originated from outside of the organisation

STOP : Were you expecting this email? Does it look genuine?
THINK : Before you CLICK on any links or OPEN any attachments.

Dear Licensing Team,

Subject: Objection to Licensing Application – Dodford Inn Site application No : PL0209

I am writing as a concerned resident of Dodford to formally object to the proposed changes to the premises licence, as outlined in the recent communication to residents.

My objection is based on the following licensing objectives:

1. Prevention of Public Nuisance

The proposed extension of alcohol sales until midnight throughout the week along with the removal of restrictions on the use of the terrace and patio areas, poses a serious risk of increased noise and disruption. Dodford is a quiet, rural area, and the current restrictions are in place to reflect and protect the peaceful character of our community. Allowing alcohol consumption and use of outdoor spaces late into the night would likely lead to disturbances, particularly for residents living nearby.

2. Public Safety

Extending the licensed area to cover the entire site, along with longer alcohol sale hours, could lead to increased foot traffic, noise, and potentially unsafe situations involving intoxicated patrons moving around a larger and less controlled area. This raises concerns over the safety of both visitors and local residents, especially during late hours when visibility is reduced and oversight may be limited.

3. Protection of Children from Harm

The terrace and patio areas are in close proximity to residential homes where families with young children live. Allowing the use of these outdoor areas without time restrictions may expose children to inappropriate language, behavior, and noise during times when they should reasonably expect quiet and privacy. Also the Childrens Holiday farm is close by which provides a safe rural retreat for Children to experience a countryside experience, which could be affected by the proposed changes.

In conclusion, while I understand the economic or operational motivations for the proposed changes, I believe they pose an unnecessary and harmful risk to the welfare and peace of our local community. I urge you to reject this application in its current form.

Yours faithfully,

A solid black rectangular box used to redact the signature of the sender.

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: 23 April 2025 10:38

To: WRS Enquiries <enquiries@worcsregservices.gov.uk>

Subject: Application no. PL0209

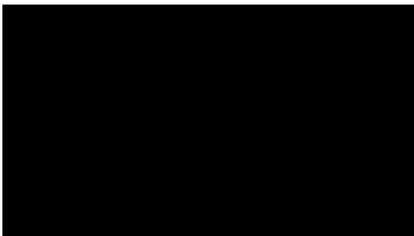
This email originated from outside of the organisation STOP : Were you expecting this email? Does it look genuine? THINK : Before you CLICK on any links or OPEN any attachments.

Re:- Alterations to the premises licence for the Dodford Inn, Whinfield Rd, Dodford.

I wish to register my protest regarding the application for licensing changes to the above premises.

Living within fairly close proximity to the pub a certain amount of noise is to be expected and acceptable within the current curfew of 11.20pm.

However, extending the licensing hours and increasing the licensed area of outside use from the closer proximity of the buildings to the whole substantial acreage of the site will mean a significant increase in the nuisance to me from the volume of noise especially from partygoers outside.



Sent from my iPad

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 16 April 2025 10:27
To: WRS Enquiries <enquiries@worcsregservices.gov.uk>; [REDACTED]
Subject: The Dodford Inn- Application Reference Number PL0209

This email originated from outside of the organisation

**STOP : Were you expecting this email? Does it look genuine?
THINK : Before you CLICK on any links or OPEN any attachments.**

Re: Application Reference Number PL0209

Good morning,

I live opposite the Dodford Inn and have lived in Whinfield Road for more than 20 years. The existing noise levels inside my well-insulated home from loud music & people shouting etc are already loud enough during events so that the TV at times needs to be turned up.

There are at least 5 properties closer to the pub than me, two of which have young families with children under 5 & two where elderly people live.

When cars pile in & out of the pub sometimes en masse it can gridlock the single track roads & make it difficult to get in & out of my property. At other times cars visiting the pub, & not from the vicinity, use Priory Road in particular as a race track. These are all safety concerns.

I am concerned too about anti-social behaviour. I have found glasses & bottles in & near my hedge so people are already not restricted to the premises themselves. This can only get worse if the area- which was only ever an agricultural field- & hours are extended.

Although I understand several local residents have previously contacted the pub directly about some of the above-mentioned issues, I have not. This is because I have previously experienced the present proprietors to be hostile & towards many other local residents in

Agenda Item 4

addition. Also a few years ago when they took some land off a neighbour's garden, they said they were not for/ interested in the custom of local villagers, many of whom have an automatic ban.

Please do not grant this application because of the negative impact it would have on our historic village & Conservation Area with regard to inappropriate use of an agricultural field, noise levels, traffic safety & anti-social behaviour.

Kind regards,

A solid black rectangular box used to redact the signature of the sender.

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 24 April 2025 08:40
To: WRS Enquiries <enquiries@worcsregservices.gov.uk>
Subject: Re: 25/01407/VARYPL (The Dodford Inn)

This email originated from outside of the organisation STOP : Were you expecting this email? Does it look genuine? THINK : Before you CLICK on any links or OPEN any attachments.

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am a resident of Dodford and my house is opposite the Dodford Inn.

The pub lies in a semi rural location within the green belt surrounded by open fields. Extension of the hours to include all the days of the week and removal of non-standard timings will invariably increase noise, vehicular traffic and light pollution thereby adversely affecting the overall enjoyment of residents and the environment. The resident bats which are seen over the fields of the pub as well as other animals and wildlife will also be impacted.

Noise travels very easily over fields all around the village and disturbs the sleep of residents particularly those nearby. The level of noise from the use of the patio after 10.30pm at present has been very high with loud music and customers' voices. These disturb my sleep at weekends. The owners and managers have not been able to control the noise late at night so far and loud music can often be heard until very late at night with no regards for the neighbours. I therefore do not believe that this patio area and the large area of the proposed extension can be adequately managed as stated.

We are happy that the pub is thriving as a business but that the variation of the current licence restrictions as proposed in this application will adversely affect the comfort and peace that residents of the village can reasonably expect to enjoy, adversely affect the environment and disturb bats, other animals and wildlife. I therefore object to this application.

Yours faithfully,

[REDACTED]

Agenda Item 4

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 24 April 2025 10:56
To: WRS Enquiries <enquiries@worcsregservices.gov.uk>
Subject: Objection to the Variation in Premises Licence for the Dodford Inn

This email originated from outside of the organisation

STOP : Were you expecting this email? Does it look genuine?
THINK : Before you CLICK on any links or OPEN any attachments.

Dear Worcestershire Regulatory Services,

Please find attached my objection to the application submitted by David Myatt for the Variation in Premises Licence for the Dodford Inn.

The reference number for this application is **25/01407/VARYPL**

I would be grateful if you could confirm receipt of my letter.

Many thanks,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

24th April 2025

To: Licensing Department
Worcestershire Regulatory Services
Wyre Forest House

Finepoint Way
Kidderminster
Worcestershire
DY11 7WF

Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Formal Objection to the Application to Vary the Premises Licence – The Dodford Inn, Dodford

We write to formally object to the application made to vary the Premises Licence for the Dodford Inn. We do so as local residents living on Whinfield Road, approximately 125 metres from the premises, with only a small field separating our home from the site.

The proposed variation includes:

- Extending the hours for the sale of alcohol to midnight on Sunday through to Thursday (in line with current Friday and Saturday hours),
- Extending alcohol sales from 10am daily,
- Removing the current restriction preventing the use of the outside terrace and patio after 11:20pm,
- Extending the licensed area to encompass the entire site.

We object to the application on the grounds of **public nuisance**, one of the four licensing objectives under the Licensing Act 2003.

Existing Disruption

Under the current licence, the Dodford Inn is already a regular source of late-night noise from private events that are mainly held on Fridays and Saturdays. We frequently experience:

- Loud music (particularly bass-heavy amplified sound),
- Shouting, cheering, and other noise from guests using the outdoor space,
- General disturbance associated with large gatherings and alcohol consumption.

The noise can be clearly heard from within our bedroom with our windows closed.

While this already impacts our ability to enjoy peace in our home, it is currently mitigated to some extent by the existing curfew on use of the outdoor areas after 11:20pm, and by the limitation that such events are typically held only on Friday and Saturdays as these are the only days the licence runs until midnight.

Likely Impact of Proposed Changes

The proposed changes would allow similar events to take place **any day of the week**, with alcohol sales continuing until **midnight** with no restriction on its consumption thereafter. This together with the proposed lifting of the restriction on the terrace curfew time of

11:20pm and the proposed extension of the licenced area would mean **louder disruption throughout the site and even later into the night**. This would dramatically increase the frequency and severity of the disturbance we already experience.

There is a clear risk of **cumulative impact** on nearby residents' amenity, wellbeing, and sleep – particularly given that the property is located in a rural, quiet area with limited ambient noise to mask event-related disturbances.

We believe this would constitute a **significant and ongoing public nuisance**, as defined by:

- Excessive and unreasonable interference with the comfort and convenience of nearby residents,
- A clear risk to public health and wellbeing through sleep disruption and stress.

We are also concerned that the Dodford Inn is in close proximity to The Dodford Children's Holiday Farm, a long-established charity that provides day and residential visits for children, many of whom may be vulnerable or have special needs. The charity works with schools, social workers, health visitors and other referral agencies, to give children from deprived areas that much needed break and a 'breath of fresh air' (Vision taken from the charity website). **The proposed increase in late-night noise and disruption could significantly affect the wellbeing and experience of these children.** The children's farm is sited directly opposite the pub premises on Warbage Lane.

Request for Refusal

We respectfully urge the Licensing Authority to **refuse the application** to vary the licence on the basis that it undermines the objective of preventing public nuisance. The current restrictions provide a reasonable balance between the business's operations and residents' rights to peaceful enjoyment of their homes. The proposed changes would remove that balance.

We thank you for considering our objection, and we remain available for further comment or clarification if required.

Yours sincerely,



From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 24 April 2025 16:08
To: WRS Enquiries <enquiries@worcsregservices.gov.uk>
Subject: Objection Letter

This email originated from outside of the organisation

STOP : Were you expecting this email? Does it look genuine?
THINK : Before you CLICK on any links or OPEN any attachments.

Dear Worcestershire Regulatory Services,

Please find attached our objection to the application for the Variation in Premises Licence for the Dodford Inn, Whinfield Road, Dodford

The reference number for this application is **25/01407/VARYPL**

Thank you,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

24th April 2025

Worcestershire Regulatory Services

Licensing Department

Wyre Forest House

Finepoint Way

Kidderminster

DY11 7WF

Dear Licensing Department,

Objection to the Application for a Variation of the Premises Licence – Dodford Inn

We are writing to formally object to the application for a variation of the premises licence for the Dodford Inn, Whinfield Road, Dodford B61 9BG, submitted under the Licensing Act 2003.

We live at [REDACTED], Alfred's Well, and are regularly affected by noise from events held at the Dodford Inn. Even with the current licence conditions - where alcohol can be served until midnight only on Friday and Saturday nights and the outdoor terrace must be vacated by 11:20pm - we are often disturbed by loud music and party-goers. The noise can be clearly heard both inside our home and when we are in the garden. The noise is much louder when the terrace and outdoor areas are used.

The proposed variation would significantly increase the level and frequency of disruption by:

- Encouraging private events on any day of the week. The potential extension of the licence until midnight on any day would support private functions and parties bookings in the week.
- Permitting alcohol sales until midnight every night would encourage prolonged activity and late-night noise, guests could also continue to drink and party after the closing of the bar.
- Removing time restrictions on the outdoor terrace and patio, meaning noise from outdoor gatherings could continue unchecked late into the night.
- Extending the licenced premises area to the entire site would encourage further use of the outside areas – with these areas being those from which the loudest noise travels.

These changes would result in an unacceptable increase in noise nuisance. We have a young daughter who finds it difficult to sleep when music and guest noise carries from the outdoor areas—her bedroom faces the direction of the venue, and the sound often penetrates into our home even with windows closed.

In addition, we avoid inviting friends or relatives over when events are taking place, as the atmosphere is often spoiled by intrusive noise that undermines the peaceful setting we value in Dodford.

We strongly believe that granting this variation would harm the quality of life for local residents, particularly families and those living in close proximity to the venue. We therefore respectfully urge Worcestershire Regulatory Services to refuse this application.

Yours faithfully,

[REDACTED]

Agenda Item 4

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 25 April 2025 17:01
To: WRS Enquiries <enquiries@worcsregservices.gov.uk>
Subject: Objection

This email originated from outside of the organisation

STOP : Were you expecting this email? Does it look genuine?
THINK : Before you CLICK on any links or OPEN any attachments.

Dear Worcestershire Regulatory Services,

Please find attached our objection to the application for the Variation in Premises Licence for the Dodford Inn, Whinfield Road, Dodford

The reference number for this application is **25/01407/VARYPL**

Thank you,

Kind regards,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Thursday 24th April
2025

Worcestershire Regulatory Services
Licensing Department
Wyre Forest House
Finepoint Way
Kidderminster

Worcestershire
DY11 7WF

Dear Sir/Madam,

Objection to the Application to Vary the Premises Licence for the Dodford Inn
Ref: 25/01407/VARYPL

We are writing to formally object to the proposed variation of the Premises Licence for the Dodford Inn.

We live at ■ Malvern Cottages, one of the four semi-detached cottages directly adjoining the front of the Dodford Inn premises. Our garden backs onto the pub car park. We moved to this area to raise our young family in a peaceful, rural village environment and are proud to be part of the Dodford Conservation Area.

We are particularly concerned about the proposed changes, which would:

1. **Extend the licensed hours until midnight every night**, not just Friday and Saturday as currently permitted. This will increase the number of private events that are likely to be held in the week in addition to those that tend to take place on a Friday and Saturday.
2. **Remove existing restrictions on the use of the patio area**, which currently limits use and must close by 11:20pm.
3. **Extend the licensed premises area to the entire site**, rather than being limited to the building's immediate vicinity.

These proposed changes, if granted, would significantly increase the frequency and duration of noise and disturbance impacting our home and family life.

As parents to two small children (ages 3 and 4) with a third child due imminently, the potential for additional late-night noise is extremely worrying. The current weekend noise already disrupts their sleep, particularly in warmer months when doors are open and party-goers gather outside. We often have to keep windows closed to reduce the impact, making summer nights uncomfortably hot. An extension of hours and removal of outdoor restrictions would only intensify these disturbances.

Additionally, I work full-time as a lift engineer and leave home by 6:00am. A restful night is essential to both my wellbeing and the safety of my work.

The proposal to license the full site for alcohol sales - including the potential for outdoor bars or pop-up drink stands - poses further concern. Increased outdoor activity and noise in the grounds, directly adjacent to our garden where our children play, would concern us for their safety and possibility of being exposed to inappropriate language and behaviour.

This application represents a significant shift from the pub's current operation. We didn't object to the planning application to change the pub's use to include use as a

Agenda Item 4

wedding venue. We have a good relationship with the pub owners and visit the pub as customers. However, we now feel that we have to object to this Premise Licence variation as it feels that there are no boundaries - alcohol served until midnight every night, no time restrictions on outside use and the extension of this outside area to include the whole grounds feels unreasonable and not working in partnership with the local villagers. It is not in keeping with the rural character and conservation values of Dodford nor supporting the rural and peaceful life that the village enjoys.

We respectfully ask that the licensing authority considers our concerns, raised under the licensing objective of preventing public nuisance, and the negative impact this would have on neighbouring families and local villagers. We would ask them to reject the proposed variation to the Premise Licence.

Thank you for taking the time to consider our objection.

Yours faithfully,

A solid black rectangular box used to redact the signature of the person writing the letter.

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 24 April 2025 20:06
To: WRS Enquiries <enquiries@worcsregservices.gov.uk>
Subject: Dodford Inn application

This email originated from outside of the organisation

STOP : Were you expecting this email? Does it look genuine?
THINK : Before you CLICK on any links or OPEN any attachments.

Good evening,

I am writing with concern regarding the application to vary a premises licence or club premises certificate under the licensing act 2003 at the Dodford Inn, Whinfield Road, Dodford, B61 9BG.

As a regular visitor to the pub, and have been for many years, I am very much in support of the family to continue to run a successful business. What already seems to be a thriving wedding venue, it doesn't seem to have any issues with the current hours in place, with regular weddings and parties.

I do not have an objection with the serving hours to begin at 10am, I think this is a lovely way for visitors to enjoy their special day.

A few points I am concerned about, as a village resident, if I were to have my wedding reception at Dodford village hall, this has a cut off time for music at 11.20pm unless a TEN is applied for. Regarding the extension of the music times to 00:00, if this is to be granted I hope this can be managed in a way against nuisance for neighbouring properties. My concerns are how this will impact our small, quiet, conservation village life and the surrounding properties of the pub.

Weeknight noise is a huge concern of mine. Being so close to the venue, we are very much impacted by the noise and how this can impact rest for work. Previous weddings have been heard inside the house even with doors and windows closed.

Perhaps a noise monitor could be installed, like Dodford Village Hall is required to have for neighbouring properties sakes. With future planning for a family, I don't wish for this to affect my family home and leave me unable able to open windows. Two of my neighbours also have young children and Dodford Children's Farm is directly opposite Whinfield Road where young families regularly stay.

My unease also lies with the complete removal of time restrictions for outside areas particularly with the extension of the boundaries, meaning it will be up to the bottom of my garden. I feel it isn't necessary to allow people to be so close to neighbouring properties to drink and be loud. I appreciate you can't control people's actions when leaving the venue, as it currently stands as a car park, I am just unable to understand the reasoning behind the boundary extension and what this will mean for the future, particularly if anything was to be

Agenda Item 4

placed such as food vans, having festivals on the field etc and how this could impact on privacy.

The venue has also created a noticeable amount of traffic within the village, raising particular concern as to the speed at which people drive down Whinfield Road when going to the venue. I understand that this is not something that is directly relevant to the application, though is a concern that I have.

I do hope that my concerns are able to be considered towards the application as well as the wider concern of local residents.

Kind regards,

████████████████████

From: [REDACTED] >
Sent: 24 April 2025 21:24
To: WRS Enquiries <enquiries@worcsregservices.gov.uk>
Subject: PL0209. The Dodford Inn

This email originated from outside of the organisation

STOP : Were you expecting this email? Does it look genuine?
THINK : Before you CLICK on any links or OPEN any attachments.

Whilst I understand the need for a business to grow, it should not be at the detriment of others, neither financially (property values) or well being.

By extending the licensing hours and the permitted area in which to sell and consume alcohol 7 days a week for parties and weddings, would be inappropriate in such a rural location. Already the music travels across the fields and valley, and the venue is in extreme close proximity to several houses.

It is accessed by single track lanes in each direction, thus the traffic leaving in the early hours of the morning would be of significant disturbance to the surrounding village properties.

In conclusion, the proposal would fall into the category of public nuisance

This page is intentionally left blank