BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

22 SEPTEMBER 2025

LICENSING ACT 2003

APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A PREMISES LICENCE

THORNBOROUGH EVENTS

PUBLIC HEARING					
Director:	Head of Worcestershire Regulatory Services				
Contact Officer:	Sarah Royall Technical Officer (Licensing) enquiries@worcsregservices.gov.uk				
Ward(s) affected:	Barnt Green And Hopwood				
Appendices:	Appendix 1 – Application Form Appendix 2 – Representations from other parties in opposition Appendix 3 – Representations from other parties in support				

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

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2.1. To consider and determine an application for grant of a premises licence in respect of

Thornborough Events Thornborough Farm Redhill Road Kings Norton Worcestershire B38 9EH

2.2. A copy of the application is attached at Appendix 1.

3. BACKGROUND

3.1. On 21 July 2025 an application was received from RB Retail and Licensing Services Ltd on behalf of Mr Kenneth Frederick Moore & Mrs Sarah Louise Moore for grant of a premises licence in respect of Thornborough Events

- Thornborough Farm, Redhill Road, Kings Norton, Worcestershire, B38 9EH.
- 3.2. The application contained all the requisite documentation including the fee and a plan of the premises.
- 3.3. 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.
- 3.4. The applicant is applying for the following licensable activities:

Activity	Days	From	То	Indoors/Outdoor
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Performance of Dance	Friday - Sunday	12:00 -	18:00	Outdoors
Performance of Live Music	Sunday	12:00 -	22:00	Outdoors
Performance of Live Music	Friday - Saturday	12:00 -	23:00	Outdoors
Late Night Refreshment	Friday - Saturday	23:00 -	00:00	Outdoors
Playing of Recorded Music	Sunday	12:00 -	22:00	Outdoors
Playing of Recorded Music	Friday - Saturday	12:00 -	23:00	Outdoors
Sale of Alcohol	Sunday	12:00 -	22:00	On Premises
Sale of Alcohol	Friday - Saturday	12:00 -	23:00	On Premises

3.5. The application has also proposed the following Non-Standard Timings:

A privately booked event such as a wedding etc and utilising one or more of the licensing activities applied for within this application could be held on any day of the week. Guest numbers will be limited to 200 persons.

This event will be included within a 28 days per year from 1st May to 30 September proposed to a limit.

- 3.6. The designated premises supervisor identified in the application is Mr Kenneth Frederick Moore.
- 3.7. Office records indicate that several previous events involving the sale of alcohol, regulated entertainment and late night refreshment have taken place at this site address which were authorised by way of Temporary Event Notices. The details of the Temporary Event Notices authorised for the site address are as follows:
 - 2021 Two TENs
 - 2022 Two TENs, one TEN was withdrawn prior to the event.
 - 2023 Six TENs
 - 2024 Thirteen TENs,
 - 2025 Ten TENs

- 3.8. Office records further indicate that there were two complaints regarding the levels of noise at the premises received by the council in June 2024.
- 3.9. Between June 2021 and August 2025 eighteen complaints have been logged by local residents with the Environmental Health noise pollution team regarding noise levels emanating from the premises.

4. REPRESENTATIONS RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITIES

- 4.1. The application has been forwarded to all responsible authorities prescribed under the Licensing Act 2003.
- 4.2. In response, Worcester Fire and Rescue Service submitted a representation requesting the following:

Receipt of the above application is acknowledged and from the information provided the Fire Authority has no objection to the grant of the premises licence, providing an Event Management Plan is submitted to the relevant authorities and advisory group.

- 4.3. The authorised applicant agent has since agreed for the additional condition to be included on the licence when issued.
- 4.4. Environmental Health have also submitted a representation, and having assessed the application have requested for additional conditions to be attached to the licence. These cover the number and spacing of events to address concerns relating to public nuisance, the conditions requested are as follows:
 - Number of events with between 201 and 4000 attendees be limited to 11 days in total, not on consecutive weekends and a maximum of two consecutive days and only on one of the two Bank weekends in May to include the Bank Holiday Monday.
 - 2. Number of events with attendees up to and including 200 (referred to in the application as weddings) to be limited to 5 days in total, no more than one day per month during the period requested in the application, to be held during the week (as indicated on the application).
 - 3. That for each event expecting 201 to 4000 attendees that an Event Management Plan be submitted to and agreed by WRS (acting on behalf of Bromsgrove District Council) at least 3 months beforehand.
 - 4. That a noise management plan is to be prepared and agreed with WRS and implemented for the site to cover all events.

- 5. No category F3 and F4 Fireworks to be used on site.
- 6. That the sections of the application for the provision of late night refreshment is not granted as this would encourage attendees to remain on site after the entertainment stops with the potential to cause noise nuisance.
- 7. That the section covering recorded music and live music is clarified and if the application is in effect for 24 hours between Monday and Friday that this is limited to 12:00 to 23:00.
- 4.5. The above conditions have been agreed with the applicant via the authorised agent, should a licence be granted these conditions will be included on any premises licence issued.

OTHER PERSONS

- 4.6. In responses to the public consultation and site notice, a total of 49 representations were received by the council in relation to the application. 28 representations were received from persons opposing the application and 21 representations were received from persons in support of the application.
- 4.7. Of the representations received objecting to the grant of a premises licence, concerns were raised of the potential for public nuisance, crime and disorder and public safety. A copy of these representations are attached at **Appendix 2.**
- 4.8. Video evidence has also been submitted by one of the objectors, highlighting the impact of noise levels from music events on nearby residential properties. A copy of the videos will be made available at the hearing.
- 4.9. Of the representations received supporting the grant of a premises, individuals stated that based on previous events held on site the applicant has demonstrated that they would actively promote the licensing objectives, by managing events responsibly. A copy of these representations are attached at **Appendix 3.**
- 4.10. It should be noted that 5 further representations were received by the council in support of the application. However, upon review of these submissions, 4 of the representations were deemed not to be valid and 1 letter was submitted with illegible name and contact details.

5. LOCAL POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

5.1. The Sub-Committee should have regard to the Council's Statement of Licensing Policy under the Licensing Act 2003.

5.2. 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@worcsregservices.gov.uk

6. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1. 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.
- 6.2. 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.
- 6.3. The Sub-Committee must also have regard to the representations made and the evidence it hears.
- 6.4. 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.
- 6.5. 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.
- 6.6. 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.
- 6.7. 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.
- 6.8. The hearing should be conducted in accordance with the agreed procedure.

7. FOR DECISION

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