

Extracts from this Authority's Current Licensing Policy.

Paragraph 1.11

It is recognised that the licensing function is only one means of securing the delivery of the licensing objectives and should not therefore be seen as solving all problems within the community. The Licensing Authority will therefore continue to work in partnership with its neighbouring authorities, the Police, local businesses and local people towards the promotion of the objectives as outlined.

Paragraph 1.12

Each licence application will be considered on its own merits in the context of the four licensing objectives, and unless relevant representations are received from Responsible Authorities or other parties, there is no provision for the Licensing Authority to impose conditions on a licence other than those proposed within an application.

Paragraph 3.2

We recognise that the licensing and compliance role of the Licensing Authority is important in improving the health, safety, security and welfare of the District's residents, visitors and business community. As part of that remit we will have a responsible licensing regime, which balances the needs of licence holders and residents.

Paragraph 3.3

Licensed premises provide a key role as an employer, in regeneration, and in attracting people to the District. The efficient regulation of licensed premises plays an essential role in enabling businesses to thrive and maximise contribution to the economy of the area.

Paragraph 4.7

In an effort to avoid unnecessary hearings, applicants are strongly advised to consult with the Responsible Authorities before submitting their applications. Applicants are advised to prepare risk assessments and from these formulate any steps they consider necessary to promote the licensing objectives and then consult with the Responsible Authorities. Failure to do so may lead to representations, which can only be determined by a licensing hearing.

Paragraph 5.3 Prevention of Crime and Disorder

...In addition to the requirement for the Licensing Authority to promote this licensing objective, it also has a duty under Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 to exercise its functions with due regard to the likely effect of the exercise of those functions on, and do all it reasonably can to prevent crime and disorder in the District.

The Licensing Authority encourages applicants to include in their operating schedules the steps they propose to take to reduce/deter crime and

disorder. These steps will vary from premises to premises and according to the type of licensable activities that are to be carried on.

Paragraph 5.4

CCTV remains one of the most effective measures for reducing crime and disorder. The Licensing Authority expects both town centre and large scale premises that retail alcohol for consumption on or off the premises will have an effective CCTV system installed that operates in compliance with the reasonable requirements of Lincolnshire Police.

Paragraph 9.3 - Conditions of Licence

.... in order to minimise problems and the necessity for hearings, it would be sensible for applicants and clubs to consult with Responsible Authorities when schedules are being prepared. This would allow for proper liaison before representations prove necessary.