



**FOR THE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF
THE LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE
FOR 8 August 2005**

APPLICATION TO VARY PREMISES LICENCE

Ref.No. MBRO/PR0057/018197

Applicant: Punch Taverns Plc

Premises: Bridge Inn, Bridge Street East, Middlesbrough

Application received: 15 June 2005

Summary of current Licensable Activities:

Sale by retail of alcohol for consumption on and off the premises
Recorded music

Summary of current hours of Licensable Activities:

11.00am – 11.00pm Monday to Saturday
12noon – 10.30pm Sundays

Summary of proposed variation to Hours for Licensable Activities:

9.00am – 12midnight Monday to Thursday
9.00am – 1.00am Friday and Saturday
11.00am – 10.30pm Sundays
An additional hour on various notable dates throughout the year (Bank Holiday Weekends)

Full details of the application and accompanying operating schedule have been reproduced at Appendix 1.

1. Notification to Responsible Authorities:

The following Responsible Authorities have all received notification of the application:

Chief Constable	Planning Manager
Chief Fire Officer	Trading Standards Manager
Area Child Protection Group	Environmental Health Manager (Public Safety and Public Nuisance)

2. Application advertised by the applicant: Evening Gazette 21 June 2005.

3. Legislation

The Licensing Act 2003 requires the Licensing Authority to carry out its functions with a view to promoting the four licensing objectives:

- The Prevention of Crime and Disorder
- Public Safety
- The Prevention of Public Nuisance
- The Protection of Children from Harm

The Licensing Authority must also have regard to its Licensing Policy and any guidance issued by the Secretary of State.

4. Background

The premises consist of a 2 room, one bar Community Public House in a mainly commercial area trading with the benefit of a Justices 'On' Licence. This licence has been converted to a Premises Licence as part of this application.

5. The Representations

On 27 June 2005 a representation was received from Cleveland Police which objects to the application to increase the hours on the ground of the prevention of crime and disorder (see Appendix 2).

On 13 July 2005 a representation was received from Sinead Upton, Principal Trading Standards Officer which objects to the application to increase the hours on the grounds of the prevention of crime and disorder and the protection of children from harm (see Appendix 3).

6. The Licensing Policy

Members are referred to the following relevant sections of the Council's Licensing Policy.

Crime and Disorder	Pages 17 and 18
Protection of children from harm	Pages 19 to 22

And any other sections of the Policy which Members consider to be relevant.

7. Guidance to the Licensing Act 2003

Members are referred to the following relevant sections of the Guidance.

Crime and Disorder	Starting at para 7.20 Annex D
Protection of children from harm	Starting at para 7.47 Annex H

And any other sections of the Guidance which Members consider to be relevant.

8. Members' Options

Members may consider the following options:

1. Grant the application subject to conditions consistent with the operating schedule and mandatory conditions if applicable.
2. Grant the application subject to the:-
 - removal of conditions
 - alteration of conditions
 - addition of new conditions
 - Mandatory conditions if applicable
3. To reject the whole or part of the application to vary.

Members are reminded that any aggrieved party (i.e. Applicant, Responsible Authority, Interested Party) may appeal any decision of the Licensing Committee to the Magistrates Courts.

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Head of Community Protection

Date 8 August 2005

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Decision:

Reasons: