

RECORD OF DECISION

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

DATE OF HEARING: MONDAY, 10 NOVEMBER 2025

MEMBERS: Councillors A E Costello, S J Criswell and

N Wells (Chair)

Date: 10 November 2025

PLEASE NOTE

You have a right of appeal to the Magistrates Court against the decision above. You MUST lodge any appeal with the Magistrates Court within 21 days from the date of this decision.

The address of the Magistrates Court is:Peterborough, Huntingdon and Fenland Magistrates Court
Bridge Street
Peterborough
PE1 1ED

APPLICATION CONSIDERED:

Name of premises: The Crown and Pipes, 14 High Street, Fenstanton PE28 9LQ

We heard representations from the following persons:

The Applicant - Neil and Caroline Humphreys

Interested Parties – Mickey Pallet (written representation within the agenda pack.

In making our decision we considered the following:

- The Licensing Act 2003
- The Section 182 Guidance
- The Council's Statement of Licensing Policy
- The Applicant's oral submissions
- Suggested amendments from the Applicant and Interested Parties
- Responses to questions asked by members and those attending the hearing

Our decision is as follows:

Having considered all the above, the Members determined to GRANT the premise licence subject to conditions.

Our reasons for reaching the decision are as follows:

We have carefully considered the application before us, including the written representations (both in support and those objecting) and those from Responsible Authorities. We have carefully listened and considered to the oral representations made today.

We have applied relevant legislation and guidance, including our policy, and reminded ourselves that our fundamental function is to promote the licensing objectives and we must be satisfied that granting this application would promote those licensing objectives; of which we give equal weight and importance.

We do determine that we can grant this licence.

We are satisfied that the granting of this application on the conditions outlined below would promote the licensing objectives:

- 1. The sale by retail of alcohol for consumption ON the premises
- 1. Sunday to Thursday 12:00 to 23:00
- 2. Friday to Saturday 12:00 to 23:30

We are not satisfied that the application for late night refreshment is clear enough for us to grant it.

We do impose the conditions as agreed by the Applicant with Cambridgeshire Constabulary, as outlined below, as we consider that they are necessary and appropriate to prevent crime and disorder:

- 2. Digital CCTV with appropriate recording equipment shall be installed. The CCTV to cover all licensed areas including any outdoor areas, the entrances and exits to the premises.
- 1. The CCTV system shall record footage when the premises is open for licensable activities.
- 2. CCTV equipment must be maintained in good working order; be correctly time and date stamped and must be retained for a minimum period of 31 consecutive days.
- 3. The CCTV at exit points will record a clear facial image of every person entering or exiting in any light condition.
- 3. An appointed member of staff will be present when the premises is conducting a licensable activity, who is capable and competent at using the CCTV system and downloading CCTV footage on their own recordable media and be able to hand this footage over to the Police / Local Authority on request.
- 4. A refusal log and incident book will be maintained to record any instances of refused sales, anti-social behaviour, crimes or disturbances. (These shall be made available for inspection by the police upon reasonable request).

- 5. A written delegation of authority record will be kept at the premises whereby non personal licence holders are authorised to make sales on behalf of a personal licence holder.
- 6. Persons under the age of 18 shall not remain on the premises after 21:00hrs, unless a private hire event is taking place, and they are accompanied by a responsible adult.
- 7. All staff with the responsibility of serving alcohol must have completed their alcohol training covering relevant licensing legislation, age verification, the prevention of proxy sales, the prevention of sales to those who appear intoxicated, prior to being authorised to sell alcohol. The training is to be carried out at least once every 6 months and written records of the training must be kept. Records will be kept of such training and will be immediately available for inspection by Cambridgeshire Police or authorised officer of a responsible authority for inspection upon request.
- 8. All customer facing staff must complete welfare and vulnerability training, this is to include 'Ask for Angela' Scheme (as long as it is still in operation). The training is to be carried out at least once every 12 months and written records of the training must be kept for inspection by Cambridgeshire Police or authorised officer of a responsible authority.
- 9. A Challenge 25 policy shall be operated at the premises at all times. All staff shall require identification of all customers who appear to be less than 25 years old and wish to purchase alcohol. Acceptable proof of age will be a PASS approved proof of age card, UK passport or a UK photographic driving licence.
- 10. All staff will be trained in Challenge 25, conflict resolution, and incident reporting.
- 11. Challenge 25 materials shall be displayed at the premises, including at the point of sale of alcohol, to inform customers of the operation of the scheme.
- 12. The premises licence holder shall display prominent signage requesting customers to leave the premises quietly.

In relation to the application, we do not impose conditions relating to the playing of recorded or live music within the hours sought as we are satisfied that it falls within the exemption imputed into the Licensing Act 2003 by virtue of the Live Music Act 2012 and the Legislative Reform (Entertainment Licensing) Order 2014. We also note paragraphs 16.26 and 16.33 of the Statutory Guidance which confirms that a licence is not required for music in this circumstance.

We do however consider that the following conditions are necessary and appropriate to prevent public nuisance arising from the concerns expressed in respect of late night noise nuisance:

- 13. For any recorded or live music at the premises between the hours of 11:00pm and 8:00am:
- 1. All windows and doors must remain closed, except for access and egress.

2. Music should not be audible outside the premises.

Dated: 10 November 2025

The applicant or those who made a relevant representation has the right of appeal to a Magistrates Court within 21 days from the date of this decision notice by contacting:

Peterborough Magistrates Court, The Court House, Bridge Street, Peterborough, PE1 1ED.

Schedule of Conditions attached to this licence as per the application