

Licensing Sub-Committee

Committee

Thu 27 Nov 2025 12.30 pm

Oakenshaw Community Centre, Castleditch Lane



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LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

HEARING PROCEDURE

- 1. The Chair will open the hearing and ask Members of the Sub Committee and officers present to introduce themselves.
- 2. The Chair will ask all parties to the proceedings to introduce themselves.
- 3. The Char 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 Chair will invite Members of the Sub-Committee and all parties to the proceedings to put any relevant questions to the Technical Officer.
- 6. The Chair 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 Chair 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 Chair will invite the Responsible Authorities to present their representations. A total of 15 minutes will be allowed.
- 9. The Chair 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 Chair 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.

- 14. The Applicant and/or their representative will be invited to sum up. A total of 5 minutes will be allowed.
- 15. The Chair will ask the Legal Advisor if there is any legal advice to be given.
- 16. The Chair 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:

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:

- 1. the promotion of the four licensing objectives, as given by the Licensing Act 2003, namely:
 - a. the prevention of crime and disorder;
 - b. public safety:
 - c. the prevention of public nuisance; and
 - d. the protection of children from harm.
- 2. Redditch Borough Council's Statement of Licensing Policy;
- 3. guidance issued under section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003; and the Licensing Act 2003.
- 4. The report presented to the Sub-Committee by the Technical Officer, and all relevant written and oral representations.



Licensing Sub-Committee

Thursday, 27th November, 2025 12.30 pm

Oakenshaw Community Centre

Agenda

Membership:

Cllrs: Matthew Dormer

David Munro

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Andrew Fry

REDDITCH BOROUGH COUNCIL

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

27th NOVEMBER 2025

LICENSING ACT 2003

CONSIDERATION OF AN OBJECTION NOTICE SERVED IN RESPONSE TO A TEMPORARY EVENT NOTICE

| PUBLIC HEARING | | | |
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| Director: | Head of Worcestershire Regulatory Services | | |
| Contact Officer: | Paul Morrish Technical Officer (Licensing) 01905 822799 enquiries@worcsregservices.gov.uk | | |
| Appendices: | Appendix 1 – Copy of Temporary Event Notice Appendix 2 – Conditions attaced to relevant premises licence Appendix 3 – Objection from West Mercia Police | | |

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To consider and determine whether to serve a counter notice in respect of a temporary event notice served in respect of licensable activities being proposed to take place at

Popzone
12 Market Place
Redditch
Worcestershire
B98 8AA

A copy of the temporary event notice is attached at **Appendix 1**.

2. BACKGROUND

2.1 On 11 November 2025 a temporary event notice application was received from Mrs Leanne Jean Ringrose in respect of licensable activities being proposed to take place at

Popzone 12 Market Place Redditch Worcestershire B98 8AA

- 2.2 The temporary event notice was served in accordance with the relevant legislation and regulations and the required fee has been paid.
- 2.3 The premises user seeks approval for licensable activities as follows:

| Activity | Days | From | То |
|--|------------|-----------|------|
| Sale by retail of alcohol and provision of regulated entertainment | 10/12/2025 | 21:00 - 2 | 3:59 |
| Sale by retail of alcohol and provision of regulated entertainment | 11/12/2025 | 00:00 - 0 | 3:00 |
| Late Night refreshment | 10/12/2025 | 23:00 - 2 | 3:59 |
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- 2.4 The applicant has stated that the nature of the event is a Christmas function for McDonald's staff. They are requesting permission to allow under 18s to attend the function so all staff can celebrate together.
- 2.4 The premises identified in the temporary event notice is a Nightclub, and is currently authorised to be used to conduct licensable activities by a premises licence.

2.5 The premises licence currently in place at the premises, has a condition contained in the operating schedule as follows;

Under 18s are permitted until 20.00, and must be accompanied by an adult at all times and when attending a specific event eg family fun days.

A copy of the condtions attached to the exising premises lience is attached as **Appendix 2**

2.6 This TEN is seeking to permit under 18's to be present throughout the function on 10th and 11th December 2025

3. OBJECTION NOTICE(S) RECEIVED FROM RELEVANT PERSONS

Police

3.1 An objection notice has been received from PC O'Keefe and sent on behalf of the Chief Officer of West Mercia Police. Concerns are raised relating to the licensing objective of the Protection of Children from Harm. A copy of the objection notice can be seen at **Appendix 3**.

Environmental Health

- 3.2 No objection notices have been served on behalf of Environmental Health.
- 3.3 At any time prior to the hearing, relevant persons may, with the agreement of the premises user, modify the temporary event notice by making changes to the notice. The objection notice shall be treated as having been withdrawn from the time the temporary event notice is modified. No agreement to modify the temporary event notice could be reached in this case.

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@worcsregservices.gov.uk

5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 The 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.
- 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.
- The Sub-Committee must take such of the following steps as it considers appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives:
 - (a) Decide to serve a counter notice
 - (b) Decide not to serve a counter notice
- 5.5 If a counter notice is served then the licensable activities shown in the temporary event notice would not be authorised. If a counter notice is not served then the activities described in the temporary event notice will be authorised to take place.
- At least part of the premises identified in the temporary event notice is currently authorised to be used for licensable activities by a premises licence. As a result, if the Sub-Committee decides not to serve a counter notice, they could decide that it is appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives to attach one or more of the conditions attached to the

relevant premises licence to the temporary event notice. The conditions attached to the relevant premises licence are shown at **Appendix 2**.

- 5.7 The Sub-Committee is asked to note that it may decide to serve a counter notice or attach conditions from the premises licence to the temporary event notice merely because it considers it desirable to do so. It must actually be appropriate in order to promote the licensing objectives.
- 5.8 All parties to the hearing must be notified of the Sub-Committee's decision in writing along with the reasons for the decision.
- 5.9 In accordance with the provisions of Part 3 of Schedule 5 of the Act, where the licensing authority gives a counter-notice under section 105, the premises user may appeal against the decision. Where the authority does not give a counter notice, the relevant person who gave the objection notice may appeal against the decision. In both cases, appeals must be made to a Magistrates Court within 21 days of receiving notification of the decision however, no appeal can be brought less than 5 working days prior to the first proposed event day.
- 5.10 The hearing should be conducted in accordance with the agreed procedure.

6. FOR DECISION

6.1 The Sub-Committee must consider and determine whether to serve a counter notice in respect of the temporary event notice and if it decides not to serve a counter notice, whether it is appropriate to attach any of the conditions from the relevant premises licence to the temporary event notice.







Acknowledgement of a Temporary Event Notice

WRS ref: 25/05484/TEN Date TEN received: 11 November 2025

This letter acknowledges receipt of your Temporary Event Notice (TEN). However, the Police and Environmental Health have a period of three working days from when they are given a copy of the TEN to object to the licensable activities taking place. If there is an objection from either body, you will be notified.

Unless you are notified of an objection, the licensable activities described below are authorised and can take place as specified.

Please read the notes attached to this acknowledgement.

Applicant details

| Applicant name: | Mrs Leanne Jean Ringrose | | |
|-----------------|--------------------------|--|--|
| Address: | 32 | | |
| | Haresfield Close | | |
| | Redditch | | |
| | B97 4PP | | |

Premises details

| Address: | 12 Market Place Redditch Worcestershire B98 8AA |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| Trading as: | Popworld & Zinc Now Popzone/ Gorgeous. |
| Location of activities: | Whole Premises |
| Nature of event: | Christmas function for McDonald¿s staff. The venue is 18, but we request permission to allow under-16s to attend so all staff can celebrate together. Over 18s will wear wristbands for bar service. Welfare officer in attendance. |
| Maximum number of persons permitted: | 499 |

Licensable activities

| Activity | Date | From | То | Capacity |
|----------------------------------|----------|-------|-------|----------|
| TEN - Sale of Alcohol | 10/12/25 | 21:00 | 23:59 | 499 |
| TEN - Regulated Entertainment | 10/12/25 | 21:00 | 23:59 | 499 |
| TEN - Late Night Refreshment | 10/12/25 | 21:00 | 23:59 | 499 |
| TEN - Regulated | 11/12/25 | 00:00 | 03:00 | 499 |

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| Entertainment | | | | |
|---------------------------------|----------|-------|-------|-----|
| TEN - Late Night Refreshment | 11/12/25 | 00:00 | 03:00 | 499 |
| TEN - Sale of Alcohol | 11/12/25 | 00:00 | 03:00 | 499 |

Worcestershire Regulatory Services

On behalf of Redditch Borough Council
Wyre Forest House, Finepoint Way, Kidderminster, Worcestershire, DY11 7WF

General Enquiries: 01905 822799 enquiries@worcsregservices.gov.uk www.worcsregservices.gov.uk

Notes:

Licensable activities are only authorised as described in your TEN. This means that:

- The licensable activities can only take place on the dates and times you have specified in the TEN.
- The maximum number of people at any one time that may be present at the premises during the times when the licensable activities are carried on, including any staff, organisers or performers is the number in the 'capacity' column.

Under section 109 (1) (3) of the Licensing Act, 2003 the premises user is under a duty to display the TEN or this letter of acknowledging your TEN in a prominent position or ensure that it is always in the custody of a nominated person and available for inspection whilst the premises are in use in respect of the TEN. Failure to produce the TEN or the letter of acknowledgement when required carries a maximum penalty of £500.

We cannot modify a TEN once it has been served and acknowledged. If you realise that you have made a mistake in your TEN, you should withdraw it and submit a new TEN.

Please note that no refund will be possible if you subsequently decide to withdraw your Notice, or if your Notice is rejected for any reason.

If you need further information or assistance please do not hesitate to contact the Licensing Section on 01905 822799 or email on enquiries@worcsregservices.gov.uk.



ANNEX 2 - CONDITIONS ATTACHED TO THE LICENCE CONSISTENT WITH THE RELEVANT OPERATING SCHEDULE

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

Regular Liaison with the relevant local authorities employment of SIA registered door staff member of local pubwatch scheme or similar trained and adequate staff first aid trained staff

CCTV

DPS to be present or nominated representative during all opening hours dispersal policy

challenge 21 scheme

Under 18s are permitted until 20.00 and must be accompanied by an adult at all times and when attending a specific event eg family fun days.

b) The prevention of crime and disorder:

Regular Liaison with the relevant local authorities employment of SIA registered door staff member of local pubwatch scheme or similar trained and adequate staff first aid trained staff CCTV

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dispersal policy

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c) Public safety:

Regular Liaison with the relevant local authorities employment of SIA registered door staff member of local pubwatch scheme or similar trained and adequate staff first aid trained staff

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d) The prevention of public nuisance:

Regular Liaison with the relevant local authorities employment of SIA registered door staff member of local pubwatch scheme or similar trained and adequate staff first aid trained staff CCTV

DPS to be present or nominated representative during all opening hours dispersal policy

challenge 21 scheme

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e) The protection of children from harm:

Regular Liaison with the relevant local authorities employment of SIA registered door staff member of local pubwatch scheme or similar trained and adequate staff first aid trained staff CCTV

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challenge 21 scheme

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Other operating conditions

Mediated Conditions with the police

The DPS or manager will join and attend all redditch pubwatch monthly meetings and have a working radio link to control the entre during opening times.

A minimum of two SIA registered door supervisors will work between 20.00hrs and the terminated hour on Friday and Saturday nights. They will also be required on the eve of a bank holiday and the bank holiday itself. They are required to wear high visibility jackets at all times. They will be deployed at the discretion of the DPS and the police, to cater for special events likey to increase the potential for disorder (eg local derby football matches)

A fully working CCTV system shall operate during opening hours should ensure the following as a minimum

Recording of good quality images at a minimum of 15 frames per second. Recording of clear facial images of all patrons entering the premises.

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WEST MERCIA POLICE OBJECTION

TEMPORARY EVENT NOTICE – 25/05484/TEN

Popzone/Gorgeous - (Popworld & Zinc)

I, PC 2510 O'KEEFFE, an appointed Licensing Officer with West Mercia Police, having delegated authority from the Chief Officer to exercise powers under the Licensing Act 2003, hereby give notice of objection to a Temporary Event Notice received by West Mercia Police on 12th November 2025 and submitted by Mrs Leanne Jean Ringrose.

The Notification seeks to authorise licensable activities for sale of alcohol, regulated entertainment and late night refreshment between 2100 hours on 10th December and 0300 hours on 11th December 2025.

This objection is submitted under the Licensing Act 2003, specifically relating to the licensing objective of Protection of Children from Harm.

The proposed event involves the presence of children in a nightclub environment where alcohol will be sold and consumed. This raises significant safeguarding concerns, including:

1. Exposure to Intoxicated Adults and Disorderly Behaviour

Nightclubs are high-risk environments for disorder, intoxication, and potential violence. Children present in such settings are vulnerable to harm and exploitation.

2. Risk of Underage Drinking

Despite age verification measures, the likelihood of underage consumption is heightened in a nightclub setting, particularly during busy events.

3. Inappropriate Environment

Nightclubs typically feature loud music, and limited seating, creating an unsuitable and unsafe environment for minors.

PC 2510 O'KEEFFE

PALO | Prevent Hub | West Mercia Police

Malvern Police Station, Victoria Road, Malvern, Worcs, WR14 2TE

Dated 12th November 2025

