

DECISION NOTICE

NORTHERN Area Licensing Sub Committee

Decision made on 26 July 2023

Application for a Premises Licence – Calne Bike Meet, Calne Recreation Ground, Off Anchor Road, Calne made by the National Association for Bikers with a Disability

Councillors:

Cllr Peter Hutton (Chair), Cllr Trevor Carbin and Cllr Nic Puntis.

Decision:

Arising from consideration of the report, the evidence and submissions from all parties and having regard to the Statutory Guidance, the Council's Statement of Licensing Policy and the Licensing Act 2003, the application for a Premises License in respect of Calne Bike Meet, Calne Recreational Ground be GRANTED for the licensable activities as shown below:

Licensable Activities	Days	Timings
Sale by retail of alcohol (ON and OFF sales only)	Friday	16:00 – 00:00
	Saturday	18:00 – 00:00
Live Music (Indoors and Outdoors)	Friday and Saturday	19:00 – 23:00
Recorded Music (Indoors and Outdoors)	Friday and Saturday	19:00 – 23:00
Late Night Refreshment	Friday	23:00 – 05:00
	Saturday	23:00 – 05:00
<i>Hours open to the public (Not a licensable activity)</i>	<i>From 10:00 on Friday to 12:00 on Sunday</i>	

And subject to the following condition:

- That an Event Management Plan is submitted to Wiltshire Council no later than 3 months prior to the event taking place.

The Sub Committee also wished to include the following Informative:

- That amnesty bins are placed on all the entrances to the campsite at Calne Recreational Ground.

The Applicant

The Applicant's representatives began by informing the panel that the event planned for 28/29/30 July 2023 event had been cancelled due to issues with such close timings. It was believed that misinformation had been prevalent regarding the event which had led to the representation being made and further email exchanges with other residents. They had confidence in their rigorous Noise Management Plan that had been put together and no issues or complaints by either residents or from Responsible Authorities including Wiltshire Council and the police were anticipated by following it. It was assumed and welcomed by the Applicant that a review of the Premises Licence if granted could be held by Wiltshire Council if any complaints were received. The Event Management Plan was described in detail with the Applicant highlighting the use of a security team and the event being advertised specifically as adult only. The Applicant also wished to mention their association of over 30 years with the National Association for Bikers with a Disability (NABD) who had plenty of experience in running events.

Clarification was given on the timings of music, with it being confirmed that live music would end at 22:00 and recorded music being played from 22:00 until everything was turned off at 23:00. The bar would not be selling any glass bottles and would only be selling canned drinks for which recycling facilities would be available. Spirited drinks would be available and would be decanted into suitable receptacles behind the bar before being served. It was confirmed that there would be no pyrotechnics or fireworks at the event.

It was confirmed that there would be no performance of dance and that its inclusion in the licence application was in error and that it should be removed from the application.

Attendance was confirmed at a maximum of 500 and advertised as such with pre-booking being advised. Facility bookings, such as toilets, had been based on this attendance number.

Responsible Authorities

There were no representations from any Responsible Authorities.

Representations

The local resident who made a representation was not present at the meeting.

Reasons

In reaching its decision, the Sub Committee took account of and considered all the written evidence and the representations from all parties present at the hearing.

The Sub Committee heard no evidence that the Applicants would fail to promote the Licensing Objectives and included an Informative to place amnesty bins at all the entrances to the event site.

The Sub Committee held confidence in the Applicants' ability to follow the Licensing Objectives. Positive comments were made by the Sub Committee regarding the level of detail in the Event Management Plan.

The Sub Committee also considered the relevant provisions of the Licensing Act 2003 (Sections 4 and 18); the four Licensing Objectives; the guidance issued under Section 182 of the Act and the Licensing Policy of Wiltshire Council.

Right to Appeal

The Premises Licence Holder, any Responsible Authority(ies) and Interested Parties who made representations were informed that they may appeal the decision made by the Licensing Sub Committee to the Magistrates Court. The appeal must be lodged with the Magistrates Court within 21 days of the written notification of the decision. In the event of an appeal being lodged, the decision made by the Licensing Sub Committee remains valid until any appeal is heard and any decision made by the Magistrates Court.

A Responsible Authority or an Interested Party may apply to the Licensing Authority for a Review of a Premises Licence. Whether or not a Review Hearing takes place is in the discretion of the Licensing Authority, but, if requested by an Interested Party will not normally be granted within the first 12 months except for the most compelling circumstances.