

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

Monday, 11th August, 2025
Time of Commencement: 2.00 pm

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Present: Councillor Ruth Wright (Chair)

Councillors: J Williams G Williams

Officers: Melanie Steadman Licensing Enforcement Officer
 Anne-Marie Pollard Solicitor
 Matthew Burton Licensing Administration Team
 Robert Thomas Manager
 Environmental Health Officer

Also in attendance: The applicant and his brother

1. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR**

Resolved: That Cllr Wright be appointed as Chair.

2. **APOLOGIES**

All members were present.

3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest stated.

4. **APPLICATION TO VARY A PREMISES LICENCE, WHICH HAS RECEIVED A RELEVANT REPRESENTATION**

An application to vary the premises licence had been received on 11th March 2025 from Newcastle Pizza Limited for Caprinos on Liverpool Road. A representation was subsequently submitted in objection to the application as part of the consultation that ended on 9th April 2025.

The applicant and his brother were in attendance.

The Sub-Committee carefully considered the application, the report, the Licensing Act 2003, the statutory guidance and the Council's own statement of Licensing Policy. They also considered statements from the applicant, his brother and the Environmental Protection Officer.

The Sub-Committee agreed that the timings would be granted based upon those included within the report upon which all assessments had been carried out. The conditions proposed and agreed prior to the hearing would also be imposed as they were deemed appropriate to promote the objective of prevention of public nuisance. A condition was added relating to the last food order to be taken within the premises

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half an hour before the terminal hour to allow for the orders to be completed as this was a practice that the premises currently employed.

Resolved: That the licence variation be granted subject to the following timings and conditions:

Late Night Refreshment and Opening Hours:

Sunday to Thursday: 23:00 - 02:00

Friday and Saturday: 23:00 - 03:00

Conditions to be attached to the licence:

1. "No orders will be accepted in the 30 minutes prior to the terminal hour, therefore last orders will be taken Sunday to Thursday at 1:30am and Friday and Saturday 2:30am."
2. "The licensed premises will only use delivery drivers employed by the premises licence holder and training will be given to the drivers on a 6 monthly basis in relation to their impact on local residents with specific mention of the following:
 - a) Drivers will only be allowed to use the A34 for arrival and departure.
 - b) Drivers will not be allowed to use Wilton Street after midnight.
 - c) Drivers must not use the horn on their vehicle when it is stationary, in greeting or frustration or between the hours of 23:00 and 07:00.
 - d) Drivers must not play the radio or sound system on their vehicle when visiting the premises particularly when the windows of the vehicle are open and at all other times it should be at such a level that it cannot be heard from the exterior of the vehicle.
 - e) Drivers must not leave their vehicles with the engine idling outside the premises."
3. "A written record detailing the name of the delivery driver and when the training has taken place must be maintained at the licence premises for a period of 12 months and made available to the Police and Authorised Officers of the Council upon request."
4. "Prominent, clear and legible notices must be displayed at all exits requesting that customers and staff respect the needs of local residents and to leave the premises and area quietly."
5. "A Noise Management Plan (NMP) shall be in use at all times the premises is open to the public and immediately following the terminal licensing hours for a period of 30 minutes. The contents of the NMP must be approved by an authorised Environmental Health Officer prior to implementation. This noise management plan shall, as a minimum, include the noise mitigation measures contained within section 9.4 of acoustic report ref E22506, dated

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12th June 2025, which was supplied in support of an application to vary the premises licence, dated 7th March, 2025. Operations shall be carried out in accordance with the noise management plan.”

6. “The oven extraction system shall be served by a silencer, fitted after the external fan, providing a minimum attenuation of 9dBA.”
7. “There will be no customer collections from the premises after 01:00 hours.”

**Councillor Ruth Wright
Chair**

Meeting concluded at 3.00 pm