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Alcohol, Entertainment and Late-Night Refreshment Licensing Sub-Committee


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Report of Elizabeth Reeve, Licensing
Officer

Licensing Act 2003: Application for a New Premise Licence – The Green Man, 29 Scotgate, Stamford, Lincolnshire, PE9 2YQ.

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Purpose of Report

Sub-Committee to determine an application for a new premises licence.

Recommendations

That the Alcohol, Entertainment and Late-Night Refreshment Sub-Committee consider an application for a new premise licence for The Green Man, 29 Scotgate, Stamford, Lincolnshire, PE9 2YQ. Whilst taking into account the views of the representation made in relation to one or more of the licensing objectives:

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

Decision Information

Does the report contain any exempt or confidential information not for publication?

No

What are the relevant corporate priorities?

Healthy and strong communities

Which wards are impacted?

All wards

1. Implications

Taking into consideration implications relating to finance and procurement, legal and governance, risk and mitigation, health and safety, diversity and inclusion, staffing, community safety, mental health and wellbeing and the impact on the Council's declaration of a climate change emergency, the following implications have been identified:

Finance and Procurement

- 1.1 There are no specific financial implication associated with this report, however, in the event of an applicant, responsible authority or interested person making an appeal against a decision which was then subsequently upheld, the council may incur additional costs.

Legal and Governance

- 1.2 This is an application for new premises licence under S17 of the Licensing Act 2003. The committee should consider whether the application is likely to impact on the promotion of the licensing objectives. In reaching the decision the Committee should consider, the steps that are appropriate to promote the licensing objectives, the representation (including supporting information) presented by the parties, the guidance issued under S182 of the Licensing Act 2003 and the Councils own statement of licensing policy.

Is an Equality Impact Assessment required? No

Community Safety

- 1.3 Community Safety implications will be considered in accordance with the licensing objectives and the duty to consider in accordance with S17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998

2. Background to the Report

2.1 The Licensing Authority were notified by Lincolnshire Police on 20th November 2025 that the Premises Licence for The Green Man in Stamford had lapsed, as the Limited Company which holds the licence had been dissolved in August 2025.

2.2 On 1st December 2025 an application was received by the licensing authority for a New Premises Licence, so that the Premises could recommence trading. **(Appendix 1)**. The application asked for the same licensed area, similar activities and timings below, with any differences from the previous licence and this new application being shown in highlighted yellow:

- **Indoor Sporting Events; Monday to Sunday 9am to 00:00**
(Not on the old licence)

- **The Provision of Live music;**

Indoors Monday to Sunday 12:00 to 00:00, with three days of non-standard timings on Christmas Eve, New Years Eve and Good Friday until **02:00**
(The previous licence had two days of non-standard timings for Christmas Eve until 02:00 but New Years Eve was until 04:00)

Outdoors Saturday and Sunday 14:00 to 23:00
(No outdoors live music was on the previous licence)

- **The Provision of Recorded Music Indoors and Outdoors;** Monday to Sunday **09:00** to 00:00 with three days of non-standard timings on Christmas Eve, New Years Eve and Good Friday Indoors until **02:00**
(The previous licence permitted this from 11:00 and with two days of non-standard timings for Christmas Eve until 02:00 but New Years Eve was until 04:00)

The Provision of Late Night Refreshment Indoors and Outdoors; Friday and Saturday 23:00 to 00:00 with three days of non-standard timings on Christmas Eve, New Years Eve and Good Friday until 02:00 (Not on the old licence)

- **The Sale of Alcohol on and off the Premises;** Monday to Sunday **09:00** to 00:00 with three days of non-standard timings on Christmas Eve, New Years Eve and Good Friday until **01:30**
(The previous licence permitted this from 11:00 and with two days of non-standard timings for Christmas Eve until 02:00 but New Years Eve was until 04:00)
- **Opening hours;** Monday to Sunday **09:00** to 01:00 with non-standard timings until **02:00**
(The previous licence permitted this from 11:00 and with two days of non-standard timings for Christmas Eve until 03:00 but New Years Eve was until 05:00)

3. Key Considerations

3.1 Each application is to be determined on its own merits

- 3.2 During the consultation period Lincolnshire Police submitted a representation that was subsequently withdrawn, after revised Premise Licence conditions were agreed between both parties. A copy of the new conditions are attached at **(Appendix 2)**.
- 3.3 During the consultation period, over 20 residents submitted representations to the application. One representor wished to remain anonymous, and one representation was not accepted, as this was deemed as not relevant.
- 3.4 The applicant held a meeting with some of the residents from a retirement housing complex, and proposed revised timings for all activities to them, which were subsequently agreed **(Appendix 3)**. This group of residents then agreed to withdraw their representations.
- 3.5 A number of resident representations still remain outstanding at the time of writing this report **(Appendix 4)**. These relate to concerns over historic instances of alleged noise disturbances, as well as a concern over a potential increase in noise and anti-social behaviour, as a result of this new application.
- 3.5 A location plan has been included showing proximity of the premises to local residential properties **(Appendix 5)**.
- 3.6 The applicant has also sent a further letter addressed to those who had submitted representations, responding to their concerns **(Appendix 6)**.
- 3.7 Licensing Officers have the delegated authority to decide whether a representation is relevant, vexatious, or frivolous however, Section 9 of the Revised Guidance issued under section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 states:
- 9.9 It is recommended that, in borderline cases, the benefit of the doubt about any aspect of a representation should be given to the person making that representation. The Subsequent hearing would then provide an opportunity for the person or body making the representation to amplify and clarify it.***
- 3.8 It was felt that the representations at Appendix 4 did not fall within the delegated authority.
- 3.9 Where relevant representations are made, the authority must:
- i. Hold a hearing to consider them, unless the authority, the applicant and each person who has made such representation agree that a hearing is unnecessary, and
 - ii. Having regard to the representations, take such steps mentioned below (if any) as it considers necessary for the promotion of the licensing objectives. The steps are:
 - iii. Grant the application subject to conditions that are consistent with the operating schedule modified to the extent that the committee considered appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives and any mandatory conditions that must be included under the Licensing Act 2003.
 - iv. Exclude from the scope of the licence a licensable activity to which the application relates.
 - v. Refuse to specify a person in the licence as a Premises Supervisor. (DPS)
 - vi. Reject the whole or part of the application.

4. Reasons for the Recommendations

4.1 The licensing authority should give appropriate weight to;

- ❖ The steps that are appropriate to promote the licensing objectives.
- ❖ The representation (including supporting information) presented by the parties.
- ❖ The guidance issued under section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003.
- ❖ South Kesteven District Councils Licensing Policy.

4.2 The guidance issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 states at 9.37 that;

“As a matter of practice, Licensing Authorities should seek to focus the hearing on the steps considered appropriate to promote the particular licensing objective or objectives that have given rise to the specific representation and avoid straying into undisputed areas. A responsible authority or other person may choose to rely on their written representation.

They may not add further representations to those disclosed to the applicant prior to the hearing, but they may expand on their existing representation and should be allowed sufficient time to do so, within reasonable and practical time limits.”

5. Consultation

5.1 Statutory 28 day consultation has taken place from 9^h December 2025 until 6th January 2026. During this time one representation from Lincolnshire Police was submitted and withdrawn. A number of representations from members of the public were made, with a number withdrawn, and some still outstanding.

6. Background Papers

6.1 [Statement of Licensing Policy 1st April 2021](#)

6.2 [Guidance to Applicants](#)

6.3 [Guidance issued under section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003](#)

7. Appendices

7.1 Appendix 1 – New Application for a Premises Licence submitted
Appendix 2 – Amended Premise Licence conditions agreed with the Police
Appendix 3 – Proposed Amended timings for all activities & opening hours
Appendix 4 – Copy of outstanding resident representations
Appendix 5 - Location plan of the Premises
Appendix 6 – Letter from applicants to residents