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LICENSING COMMITTEE

Monday, 17 July 2023

Subject	Issued Licences in East Suffolk and an overview of the work of the Licensing Sub-Committees April – June 2023
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Is the report Open or Exempt?	OPEN
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Category of Exempt Information and reason why it is NOT in the public interest to disclose the exempt information.	Not applicable
Wards Affected:	All Wards

Purpose and high-level overview

Purpose of Report:

This report provides an overview of the current number and licences issued with regard to the Licensing Act 2003, the Gambling Act 2005 and taxis by East Suffolk Council. The report also summarises the applications received and the work of the Licensing Sub-Committees from April to June 2023.

Options:

Not applicable. This is an update report for noting.

Recommendation/s:

That the Committee:

- 1) Notes the overview of some of the work of the Licensing Team and the Licensing Sub-committees during the second quarter of 2023.

Corporate Impact Assessment

Governance:

Licensing is a Council function exercised by Licensing Committee and Licensing Sub-Committees.

ESC policies and strategies that directly apply to the proposal:

Not applicable. This is an update report for noting.

Environmental:

Not applicable. This is an update report for noting.

Equalities and Diversity:

Not applicable. This is an update report for noting.

Financial:

Not applicable. This is an update report for noting.

Human Resources:

Not applicable. This is an update report for noting.

ICT:

Not applicable. This is an update report for noting.

Legal:

Not applicable. This is an update report for noting.

Risk:

Not applicable. This is an update report for noting.

External Consultees:

Not applicable. This is an update report for noting.

Strategic Plan Priorities

Select the priorities of the Strategic Plan which are supported by this proposal: <i>(Select only one primary and as many secondary as appropriate)</i>		Primary priority	Secondary priorities
T01	Growing our Economy		
P01	Build the right environment for East Suffolk	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
P02	Attract and stimulate inward investment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
P03	Maximise and grow the unique selling points of East Suffolk	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
P04	Business partnerships	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
P05	Support and deliver infrastructure	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
T02	Enabling our Communities		
P06	Community Partnerships	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
P07	Taking positive action on what matters most	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
P08	Maximising health, well-being and safety in our District	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
P09	Community Pride	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
T03	Maintaining Financial Sustainability		
P10	Organisational design and streamlining services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
P11	Making best use of and investing in our assets	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
P12	Being commercially astute	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
P13	Optimising our financial investments and grant opportunities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
P14	Review service delivery with partners	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
T04	Delivering Digital Transformation		
P15	Digital by default	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
P16	Lean and efficient streamlined services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
P17	Effective use of data	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
P18	Skills and training	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
P19	District-wide digital infrastructure	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
T05	Caring for our Environment		
P20	Lead by example	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
P21	Minimise waste, reuse materials, increase recycling	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

P22	Renewable energy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
P23	Protection, education and influence	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
XXX	Governance		
XXX	How ESC governs itself as an authority	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
How does this proposal support the priorities selected?			
Not applicable. This is an update report for noting.			

Background and Justification for Recommendation

1 Background facts				
1.1	Applications determined during April – June 2023			
Premises and type of application	Address	Hearing/mediated	Date of Hearing	Outcome
Castle Community Rooms NEW WITHDRAWN	Church Street, Framlingham, IP13 9BJ	Yes	13.4.23	Cons end 20.3.23 Withdrawn 11.4.23
Waveney VARIATION WPREM2406	132-134 Bridge Road, Lowestoft, NR33 9JT	Yes – withdrawn	N/A	Cons end 30.3.23 Issued 6.4.23
Carlton Meres Country Park VARIATION PREM2167	Kelsale cum Carlton, Saxmundham, IP17 2QP	No	N/A	Cons end 11.4.23 Issued 12.4.23
Claremont Pier NEW AGC WGAM0017	Claremont Road, Lowestoft, NR33 OBS	N/A	N/A	Cons end 11.4.23 Issued 24.4.23
Morrisons SURRENDER WPREM2253	George Westwood Way, Beccles, NR34 9EJ	N/A	N/A	Surrendered 15.3.23 Completed 2.5.23
Revolution NEW NOT CORRECTLY ADVERTISED	41-43Smallgate, Beccles, NR34 9AE	No	N/A	Cons end 12.4.23 Withdrawn 28.4.23
Deben High School SURRENDER PREM0201	Garrison Lane, Felixstowe, IP11 7RF	N/A	N/A	Surrendered 21.3.23 Building already demolished
Felixstowe Academy SURRENDER PREM0289	Maidstone Road, Felixstowe, IP11 9EF	N/A	N/A	Surrendered 21.3.23

				Building already demolished
Harbour Inn SUMMARY REVIEW WPREM2447	Royal Thoroughfare, Lowestoft, NR33 0AG	Yes	3.5.23	Appeal period end 24.5.23 Issued 30.5.23
Monewden Airfield NEW NOT CORRECTLY ADVERTISED	Monewden, Woodbridge, IP13 7DF	No	N/A	Cons end 18.4.23 Withdrawn
Yoxford Village Hall VARIATION (but done as NEW) PREM2260	Old High Road, Yoxford, Saxmundham, IP17 3HN	No	N/A	Cons end 25.4.23 26.4.23
Norwich Road Stores VARIATION WPREM2267	96 Norwich Road, Lowestoft, NR32 2BS	No	N/A	Cons end 26.4.23 Issued 2.5.23
Rushmere Village Hall VARIATION PREM0232	Humber Doucy Lane, Ipswich, IP4 3PD	No	N/A	Cons end 28.4.23 Issued 4.5.23
Hillside News NEW WPREM2603	21 Hillside Avenue, Worlingham, NR34 7AJ	No	N/A	Cons end 4.5.23 Issued 9.5.23
Honey Pot Centre WPREM2051 Surrender	Upper Olland Street, Bungay, NR35 1BE	N/A	N/A	Surrendered 21.4.23 Completed 22.6.23
YOXFORD Village Hall No Alcohol licence surrendered as new licence. PREM0295	Old High Road, Yoxford, IP17 3HN	N/A	N/A	Completed 26.4.23
Copperfields Blundeston Ltd NEW WPREM2605	16 The Street, Blundeston, NR32 5AQ	No	N/A	Cons end 1.6.23 Issued 2.6.23
Ale of a Time NEW WITHDRAWN	2 Hungate Court, Beccles, NR34 9TR	-	-	Cons end 23.5.23 WITHDRAWN 15.5.23
Southern Hut Ltd NEW WPREM2604	58 Bridge Road, Oulton Broad, NR32 3LR	No	N/A	Cons end 24.5.23 Issued 30.5.23
Next PREM2227 SURRENDER	Unit 1-3 Beardmore Park, Martlesham Heath, IP5 3RX	N/A	N/A	Surrendered 26.4.23

				Completed 25.5.23
Aldeburgh Café SURRENDER PREM2078	Hall Farm, Saxmundham Road, Aldeburgh, IP15 5JD	N/A	N/A	Surrendered 28.4.23 Completed 5.6.23
Shell Felixstowe VARIATION PREM2033	Anzani Avenue, Felixstowe, IP11 4HU	No	N/A	Cons end 26.5.23 Issued 5.6.23
Mini Town Express NEW	92 Hamilton Road, Felixstowe, IP11 7AD	No	N/A	Cons end 31.5.23 Need DPS details
Fodder NEW PREM2261	The Station, Melton, Woodbridge, IP12 1LT	No	N/A	Cons end 31.5.23 Issued 5.6.23
Ale of a Time NEW WPREM2606	27 Blyburgate, Beccles, NR34 9TB			Cons end 14.6.23 Issued 15.6.23
Monewden Airfield NEW WITHDRAWN	Monewden, Woodbridge, IP13 7DF	Yes	10- 12.7.23	Cons end 14.6.23 WITHDRAWN
WV at No 2 NEW	2 Blyburgate, Beccles, NR34 9TA	Yes	13.7.23	Cons now end 10.7.23
Folk East VARIATION PREM2039	Glemham Hall, Little Glemham, Woodbridge, IP13 0BT			Cons end 22.6.23 Now ends 28.6.23
Framlingham Local Stores NEW	22 Bridge Street, Framlingham, IP13 9AH	Yes	18.7.23	Cons end 22.6.23
Lowestoft Club for over 60s NEW WPREM2607	18 Clapham Road, Lowestoft, NR32 1QS	No	N/A	Cons end 23.6.23 Issued 26.6.23
Bungay Street Market NEW	Earsham St, Chaucer St, Cross St & Buttercross, Bungay			Cons end 3.7.23
The Most Easterly Pride NEW	Ness Park, Whapload Road, Lowestoft, NR32 1XG			Cons end 4.7.23
The Waffle Shack NEW	Unit 15 Beach Street, Micklegate Road, Felixstowe, IP11 2GN			Cons end 5.7.23
Hotel Katherine SURRENDER WPREM2503	49 Kirkley Cliff Road, Lowestoft, NR33 0DF	N/A	N/A	Surrendered 12.6.23

Royal Bengal NEW	6 Quay Street, Woodbridge, IP12 1BX			Cons end 10.7.23
Poundland NEW	Unit 1 North Quay Retail Park, Peto Way, Lowestoft, NR32 2ED			Cons end 10.7.23
Brandeston Village Hall Variation/New PREM0409 – no alcohol	The Street, Brandeston, Woodbridge, IP13 7AD			Cons end 12.7.23
Dolphin Hotel SURRENDER PREM0086	41 Beach Station Road, Felixstowe, IP11 2EY	N/A	N/A	Surrendered 13.6.23
Polish Hut SURRENDER PREM2074	10 Orwell Road, Felixstowe, IP11 7HD	N/A	N/A	Surrendered 14.6.23
Blackshore Fish Co NEW	Fishing Hut W19, Southwold Harbour, Blackshore, Southwold, IP18 6TA			Cons end 17.7.23
Black Dog Deli Yoxford NEW	The Old Post Office, Suffolk House, High Street, Saxmundham, IP17 3EP			Cons end 17.7.23
Taberna Saltpeter NEW	Catering Unit 24, Beach Street, Micklegate Road, Felixstowe, IP11 2GN			Cons end 17.7.23
Iceland SURRENDER WPREM2171	4b & 4c Taylors Square, Newgate, Beccles, NR34 9QB	N/A	N/A	Surrendered 20.6.23
GG's Wine Bar NEW	50 Dukes Head Street, Lowestoft, NR32 1JY			Cons end 20.7.23

1.2

Appeals to Magistrates Court

There are currently no appeals to the Magistrates Court.

1.3

28-day consultation period has passed, and application is still to be determined

There is currently one application waiting to be considered by the Licensing Sub-committee:

New Premises Licence – Framlingham Local Stores, Framlingham – hearing 18 July 2023.

1.4	<p>In consultation</p> <p>New Premises Licence – Bungay Street Market, Bungay. Consultation period ends on the 3rd July 2023.</p> <p>New Premises Licence – The Most Easterly Pride, Lowestoft. Consultation period ends on the 4th July 2023.</p> <p>New Premises Licence – The Waffle Shack, Felixstowe. Consultation period ends on the 5th July 2023</p> <p>New Premises Licence – WV at No2, Beccles. Consultation period ends on the 10th July 2023</p> <p>New Premises Licence – Royal Bengal, Woodbridge. Consultation period ends on the 10th July 2023</p> <p>New Premises Licence – Poundland, Lowestoft. Consultation period ends on the 10th July 2023</p> <p>New Premises Licence – Brandeston Village Hall, Brandeston. Consultation period ends on the 12th July 2023</p> <p>New Premises Licence – Blackshore Fishing Co, Southwold. Consultation period ends on the 17th July 2023</p> <p>New Premises Licence – Black Dog Deli Yoxford, Saxmundham. Consultation period ends on the 17th July 2023</p> <p>New Premises Licence – Taberna Saltpeter, Felixstowe. Consultation period ends on the 17th July 2023</p> <p>New Premises Licence – GG’s Wine Bar, Lowestoft. Consultation period ends on the 20th July 2023</p>
1.5	<p>There have been two Sub-committee hearings regarding licensed or gambling premises, or personal licences during the period April to June 2023:</p> <p>3/5/2023 – Review of Premises Licence, Harbour Inn, Lowestoft</p> <p>20/6/23 – Film classification</p>

2 Current position

2.1 Licensing Act Premises

On **29 March 2023** there were 1063 Premises Licences and 922 of these include alcohol on the licence.

There were 62 Club Premises Licences.

On **26 June 2023** there were 1066 Premises Licences and 927 of these include alcohol on the licence.

There were 62 Club Premises Licences.

6 new Premises Licences were granted between April and June 2023.

7 Premises Licences were surrendered.

No Club Premises Certificate were surrendered.

In summary, on 29 March 2023 there were 1125 Premises Licences and Club Premises Licences, and on 26 June 2023, there were 1128.

Licensing Act Premises Comparisons

Date	Number of premises licences and club premises certificates
1 January 2020	1070
1 July 2020	1071
1 January 2021	1073
1 July 2021	1086
1 January 2022	1093
1 July 2022	1111
23 December 2022	1125
26 June 2023	1128

2.2 Gambling Act Premises

On **29 March 2023** there were 33 Gambling Premises Licences in total.

1 Adult Gaming Centre (AGC) Premises Licence was granted for Claremont Pier, Lowestoft

On **26 June 2023** there were 34 gambling premises licences in total.

There were 9 Bingo Premises Licences.

There were 10 Adult Gaming Centre Premises Licences.

There was 1 Family Entertainment Centre Premises Licence.

There was 1 Betting Premises Licence (in respect of a track)

There were 13 Betting Premises Licences (in respect of a premises other than a track).

Gambling Act Premises Comparisons

Date	Number of premises licences and club premises certificates
1 January 2020	40
1 July 2020	40

	1 January 2021	37
	1 July 2021	38
	1 January 2022	38
	1 July 2022	35
	23 December 2022	35
	26 June 2023	34

2.3 Taxi and Private Hire Licences

On **29 March 2023**, there were:

63 hackney carriage vehicles and 164 hackney carriage/private drivers
410 private hire vehicles and 361 private hire drivers
80 private hire operators

On **26 June 2023**, East Suffolk Council licensed:

62 hackney carriage vehicles and 164 hackney carriage/private drivers
432 private hire vehicles and 381 private hire drivers
77 private hire operators

Since the last Licensing Committee in April 2023, the taxi and private hire licence activity is as follows:

April to June 2023

<u>Type of Licence</u>	<u>Renewed</u>	<u>Did not renew</u>	<u>New</u>	<u>Change of Veh</u>
Private Hire Vehicle	51	11	39	13
Hackney Carriage	3	1	3	5
Private Hire Driver	5	2	20	n/a
Hackney Carriage Driver	8	0	2	n/a
Private Hire Operator	5	1	5	n/a
Rickshaws & Horse drawn	1	0	0	0

There are currently 63 new applications for drivers in progress.

Taxi and Private Hire Licence Comparisons

Date	HC/PH Drivers	PH Drivers	HC Vehicles	PH Vehicles	PH Operators
1 January 2020	237	352	136	349	72
1 July 2020	223	341	108	301	75
1 January 2021	203	315	95	289	75
1 July 2021	197	301	101	295	79
1 January 2022	194	321	73	350	81
1 July 2022	178	325	70	367	80

	23 December 2022	171	339	65	391	76
	26 June 2023	164	381	62	432	77
2.4	There have been 3 Sub-Committee hearings regarding a taxi/private hire licence during the period April to June 2023.					

3 How to address current situation

3.1 Not applicable. This is an update report for noting.

4 Reason/s for recommendation

4.1 To keep Licensing Committee members updated as to the work of the Licensing Sub-Committee and Licensing Services.

Appendices

Appendices:

None

Background reference papers:

None