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NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

MEETING HELD IN THE VIA ZOOM
ON MONDAY, 5TH OCTOBER, 2026 AT 9.30 AM

MINUTES

Present: *Councillors: Dave Winstanley (Chair), Elizabeth Dennis, Keith Hoskins and Bryony May.*

In Attendance: *Luca Benedito (Trainee Committee, Member and Scrutiny Officer), Jennifer Doggett (Litigation & Regulatory Enforcement Lawyer), Jasmine Jennings (Licensing Team Leader), James Lovegrove (Committee, Member and Scrutiny Manager), Joe Mannix (Licensing & Community Safety Manager) and Dimple Roopchand (Legal Manager and Deputy Monitoring Officer).*

Also Present: *At the commencement of the meeting approximately 3 members of the public, including registered speakers.*

1 ELECTION OF A CHAIR

Councillor Keith Hoskins proposed and Councillor Elizabeth Dennis seconded and, it was:

RESOLVED: That Councillor Dave Winstanley be appointed as Chair for this meeting of the Licensing Sub-Committee.

2 ELECTION OF A RESERVE MEMBER

Councillor Keith Hoskins proposed and Councillor Elizabeth Dennis seconded and, it was:

RESOVLED: That Councillor Bryony May be appointed as Reserve Member for this meeting of the Licensing Sub-Committee.

3 HEARING PROCEDURE

The Sub-Committee noted the hearing procedure.

4 REVIEW OF A PREMISES LICENCE IN RESPECT OF THE BARN, LOWER ROAD, TEA GREEN, LUTON, HERTFORDSHIRE, LU2 8PS

The Licensing Officer presented the report entitled 'Application by Clerk of Offley Parish Centre for the review of a Premises Licence in respect of The Barn, Lower Road, Tea Green, Luton, Hertfordshire, LU2 8PS.'

The report together with questions and submissions from the Applicant and their Representatives, and the Other Persons, as well as advice from the Legal Advisor, was considered.

5 DECISION NOTICE

The agreed decision notice is attached as part of the Minutes of this meeting.

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The meeting closed at 10.49 am

Chair

Decision Notice

Date of Hearing	Monday 5 th October 2026
Members of Panel	Councillors: Dave Winstanley, Elizabeth Dennis, Keith Hoskins, Bryony May (Reserve Member)
Premises Licence Holder(s) Name	The Barn Tea Green Ltd
Premises Address	Lower Road, Tea Green, Luton, Hertfordshire, LU2 8PS
Date of Application	5 th August 2026
APPLICATION FOR REVIEW	This is an application for a review of a Premises Licence under Section 51 of the Licensing Act 2003. The Sub-Committee has read the material presented to it and has listened to all the evidence and submissions. The Sub-Committee has considered the National Guidance and the Statement of Licensing Policy and has come to the following decision: The Sub-Committee has decided to take no action.
STATUTORY GUIDANCE CONSIDERATIONS	The Sub-Committee has taken into account the Guidance issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 (September 2026 version) in reaching its decision. It has found the following sections to be of particular relevance in reaching this decision: Sections 1.3; 1.4; 1.5; 1.16; 1.17; 2.20; 2.21; 9.42; 9.43; 9.44; 10.8; 10.9; 11.19; 11.20; 16.55.
LICENSING POLICY CONSIDERATIONS	The Sub-Committee has taken into account the North Hertfordshire District Council's Statement of Licensing Policy in reaching its decision. They have found the following sections to be of particular relevance in reaching this decision. Sections B6; D2.1; D2.5; D2.8; D2.9; D6.2; D6.3; D6.8; E2.1; E3.1.1; E3.1.4; E3.2.4; E3.2.5; E3.3.1; E3.9.1; E3.9.3, F4.1; F8.1; F8.2; O1.1; O2.2.
RATIONALE FOR DECISION	1. In coming to its decision, the Sub-Committee has listened to the comments addressed by both parties at this review hearing. The Sub-Committee is mindful to strike a healthy balance between the applicant of the review and the premises licence holder to support their business.

	2. In addressing the public nuisance, public safety and prevention of crime and disorder licensing objectives, Members have had regard to the written and oral evidence presented in this application. 3. Members have not found on the evidence presented any breach of the licensing objectives.
COMMENCEMENT DATE	This decision will come into effect from the end of the period for appealing the decision (21 days starting tomorrow) or, if the decision is appealed, the point at which the appeal has been dealt with by the Magistrates' Court.
RIGHTS OF REVIEW	At any stage, following the grant of a premises licence, a responsible authority, such as the Police, or any other person, such as a resident living in the vicinity of the premises, may ask the licensing authority to review the licence because of a matter arising at the premises in connection with any of the four licensing objectives. The review is a request for the Council to look at the existing licence and decide whether its conditions are adequate to meet the four licensing objectives defined under the Licensing Act 2003. Ordinarily, a further review would need to focus on matters at the premises following this review, it should not be used to re-visit issues raised at today's hearing. The licensing authority can refuse a further review on the grounds that it is repetitious