



**Report of the Service Manager  
To the Statutory Licensing Sub Committee  
30 June 2023**

**Licensing Act 2003  
Section 34 Application to Vary a Premises Licence**

1. **Premises: Weobley Castle, Llanrhidian, Swansea, SA3 1HB.**
2. **Applicant:** Christopher John Mabbett.
3. **Application to Vary a Premises Licence.**
- 3.1 An application to vary a premises licence was received by this authority on the **21<sup>st</sup> April 2023.**

The application proposes to expand the licenced area to include an additional area and to amend the following activities and hours.

**Performance of Live Music**

Friday – Saturday 2300 hours – 0000 hours  
Sunday 1000 hours – 2200 hours

**Playback of Recorded Music**

Friday – Saturday 2300 hours – 0000 hours  
Sunday 1000 hours – 2200 hours

**Performance of Dance**

Friday – Saturday 2300 hours – 0000 hours  
Sunday 1200 hours – 2200 hours

**Late Night Refreshment**

Friday – Saturday 2300 hours – 0000 hours

**Supply of Alcohol**

Friday – Saturday 1000 hours – 0000 hours  
Sunday 1200 hours – 2200 hours

A copy of the application and plan is attached at **Appendix A and Appendix A1.**

A copy of the existing licensed area and proposed addition plan is attached at **Appendix A2.**

- 3.2 The premises currently operates under a premises licence.

**The times the licence authorises the carrying out of licensable activities:**

**Performance of Live Music**

Friday & Saturday 12.00 hours - 00.00 hours

Sunday 12.00 hours - 22.00 hours

**Playback of Recorded Music**

Friday 12.00 hours - 00.00 hours

Saturday 11.00 hours - 00.00 hours

Sunday 11.00 hours - 22.00 hours

**Performance of Dance**

Friday & Saturday 12.00 hours - 00.00 hours

Sunday 12.00 hours - 22.00 hours

**Late Night Refreshment**

Friday & Saturday 23.00 hours - 00.00 hours

**Supply of Alcohol**

Friday & Saturday 12.00 hours - 00.00 hours

Sunday 12.00 hours - 22.00 hours

A copy of the existing premises licence is attached at **Appendix B**.

A copy of the existing plan is attached at **Appendix B1**.

**4. Background**

The premises is 14<sup>th</sup> century fortified manor house on the Gower Peninsular. The premises has a premises licence which allows three, three-day events per year.

A location plan is attached at **Appendix C**.

**5. Promotion of the Licensing Objectives**

5.1 The Licensing Act 2003 contains four licensing objectives, namely: -

- (i) Prevention of Crime and Disorder;
- (ii) Public Safety;
- (iii) Prevention of Public Nuisance;
- (iv) Protection of Children from Harm.

Each of these objectives is of equal importance and the application must demonstrate how they are to be promoted.

**6. RELEVANT REPRESENTATIONS**

**6.1 Responsible Authorities**

**a) South Wales Police**

No representations.

**b) Trading Standards**

No representations.

**c) Mid and West Wales Fire Authority**

No representations.

**d) Health and Safety**

No representations.

**e) Planning Authority**

No representations.

**f) Pollution Division**

No representations.

**g) Child Protection**

No representations.

**h) Primary Care Trust/Local Health Board**

No representations.

**i) Licensing Authority**

No representations

**j) Immigration**

No representations.

**k) Other Persons**

A representation has been received by 1 other person.

A copy of the representation is attached at **Appendix D**.

**7. Policy Considerations**

7.1 Considering this application Members should have regard to the current Statement of Licensing Policy (the Policy) which can be found at the following link.

[Statement of licensing policy - Swansea](#)

**8. Guidance Issued by the Home Secretary**

8.1 Members should also have regard to the relevant parts of the current statutory guidance (The Guidance), issued by the Home Secretary in December 2022 in particular:

- (i) Introduction – Chapter 1
- (ii) Licensing Objectives – Chapter 2

- (iii) Applications For Premises Licences – Chapter 8
- (iv) Determining Applications – Chapter 9
- (v) Conditions attached to Premises Licences – Chapter 10
- (vi) Statement of Licensing Policy – Chapter 14

A link to the Guidance can be found at:

[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/1125660/Revised\\_guidance\\_issued\\_under\\_section\\_182\\_of\\_the\\_Licensing\\_Act\\_2003\\_December\\_2022.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1125660/Revised_guidance_issued_under_section_182_of_the_Licensing_Act_2003_December_2022.pdf)

## **9. Determination of the Application**

- 9.1 The decision must be based on the individual merits of the application and the representations received, with a view to promoting the licensing objectives outlined in paragraph 5 of the report.
- 9.2 In arriving at the decision, Members should also have regard to the relevant provisions of the Policy and the Guidance as previously provided. Reasons must be provided for any departures from the Policy or Guidance.
- 9.3 In reaching the decision the Committee must, having regard to the representations, take such steps mentioned below (if any) as it considers appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives: -
- (a) Grant the licence subject to:
    - i) conditions that reflect the operating schedule, modified to such extent as the authority considers appropriate for promotion of the licensing objectives. Certain regulated entertainment under the Licensing Act 2003 (as amended), has been deregulated. Where entertainment is deregulated but licensable activities continue to take place on any premises, any licence conditions imposed on a grant of a licence in respect of any deregulated entertainment will be suspended.
  - (b) Reject the whole or part of the application.

**The Licensing Sub Committee's instructions are requested.**

Background Papers:	Licence Application
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