



**Report of the Service Manager
To the Statutory Licensing Sub Committee - 31 January 2024**

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

- 1. Premises: Weobley Castle, Llanrhidian, Swansea, SA3 1HB.**
- 2. Applicant: Love Trails Festivals Ltd.**
- 3. Application to Vary a Premises Licence.**
- 3.1 An application to vary a premises licence was received by this authority on the **11th December 2023.**

The application is being made to amend the operating schedule for the licensable activities on offer during the event.

This application is being made to add in the performance of dance as a licensable activity.

This application is being made to add 17 conditions to the operating schedule.

This application is being made to amend the site opening times of the event

Films

Thursday 1600 hours to 0100 hours

Friday Sunday 1000 hours to 0100 hours

Live Music

Thursday 1600 hours to 0100 hours

Friday 0900 hours to 0300 hours

Saturday 0900 hours to 0400 hours

Sunday 0900 hours to 0200 hours

Recorded Music

Thursday 1600 hours to 0100 hours

Friday 0900 hours to 0300 hours

Saturday 0900 hours to 0400 hours

Sunday 0900 hours to 0200 hours

Performance of Dance

Thursday 1600 hours to 0100 hours

Friday 0900 hours to 0300 hours

Saturday 0900 hours to 0400 hours

Sunday 0900 hours to 0200 hours

Late Night Refreshment

Thursday 2300 hours to 0200 hours

Friday 2300 hours to 0400 hours

Saturday 2300 hours to 0400 hours

Sunday 2300 hours to 0300 hours

Supply of Alcohol

Thursday 1200 hours to 0230 hours

Friday 1200 hours to 0330 hours

Saturday 1200 hours to 0430 hours

Sunday 1200 hours to 0230 hours

Opening Hours of Premises

Thursday – Monday - 1200 hours – 1200 hours

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

- 3.2 The premises currently operates under a premises licence.
The times the licence authorises the carrying out of licensable activities:

Exhibition of Films

Thursday 1600 hours to 0000 hours

Friday to Sunday 1000 hours to 0000 hours

Playback of Recorded Music

Thursday 1600 hours to 0000 hours

Fridays 1000 hours to 0100 hours

Saturday 1000 hours to 0200 hours

Sunday 1000 hours to 2300 hours

Performance of Live Music

Thursday 1600 hours to 0000 hours

Fridays 1000 hours to 0100 hours

Saturday 1000 hours to 0200 hours

Sunday 1000 hours to 2300 hours

Late Night Refreshment

Thursday 2300 hours to 0000 hours

Fridays 2300 hours to 0200 hours

Saturday 2300 hours to 0100 hours

Supply of Alcohol

Thursday 1600 hours to 0000 hours

Fridays 1200 hours to 0200 hours

Saturday 1200 hours to 0200 hours

Sunday 1200 hours to 2300 hours

The opening hours of the premises

Thursday 1600 hours to 0000 hours

Friday 0001 hours to 0000 hours

Saturday 0001 hours to 0000 hours

Sunday 0001 hours to 0000 hours

Monday 0001 hours to 1200 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 Festival is a running event. This is a four-day event which will take place on one occasion annually, between Thursday and Monday during the months of May and October.

A location plan is attached at **Appendix C & C1 (including licensed areas in blue)**

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**

A representation has been received from South Wales Police. A copy of the representation has been attached at **Appendix D**

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

A representation has been received from Pollution. A copy of the representation has been attached at **Appendix D**

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

Representations have been received from 24 other persons. Copies of the representations are 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 January 2024 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://www.gov.uk/government/publications/explanatory-memorandum-revised-guidance-issued-under-s-182-of-licensing-act-2003>

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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