



# East Northamptonshire Council

## Licensing Committee - 7 October 2009

### Licensing Activity - March - September 2009

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#### Summary

This report summarises the licensing activity for East Northamptonshire Council over the last six months and also reports on delegation to officers for minor variations.

#### Attachment(s)

Licensing Activity Statistics

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#### 1.0 Licensing Activity

1.1 Appendix 1 summarises the licensing activity within the District of East Northamptonshire over the last six months. It breaks down the number of new licences, variations, reviews, Temporary Event Notices (TENs) and personal licence applications.

#### 2.0 Licensing Act 2003 – Minor Variations

2.1 A review of the above legislation by the Government has seen the addition of a minor variation process and a new condition for community premises. This was the subject of a report to the Policy and Resources Committee in September 2009, when Members approved delegation to officers for minor variations.

2.2 A minor variation is considered to be a variation that will not impact adversely on the licensing objectives. It will be the responsibility of the Licensing Officer to make the decision as to whether there could be an impact. The Licensing Officer is a role that sits with the Commercial Health Manager. There is a statutory fee of £89 for a minor variation.

2.3 An application may not be made as a minor variation to:

- extend the period for which the licence has effect
- vary substantially the premises to which it relates
- add or alter a designated premises supervisor (DPS)
- add the sale by retail or supply of alcohol as an activity authorised by the licence
- authorise the supply of alcohol at any time between 11pm and 7am or increase the amount of time on any day during which alcohol may be sold by retail or supplied; or
- add the alternative licence condition relating to Community premises

These matters will be considered through the normal variation process.

2.4 The changes to the Licensing Act allow the management committee of the community premises to include in its application for an alternative licence condition to apply instead of the normal mandatory conditions. The alternative licence condition is the condition that every supply of alcohol under the premises licence must be made or authorised by the management committee rather than the Designated Premises Supervisor.

#### 4.0 Recommendation

4.1 Members are asked to note the contents of this report.

<b>Implications:</b>					
<b>Corporate Outcomes or Other Policy/Priority/Strategy</b>					
Good Quality of Life	<input type="checkbox"/>	Good Reputation	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Good Value for Money	<input type="checkbox"/>	High Quality Service Delivery	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Effective Partnership Working	<input type="checkbox"/>	Strong Community Leadership	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Effective Management	<input type="checkbox"/>	Knowledge of our Customers and Communities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Employees and Members with the Right Knowledge, Skills and Behaviours				<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Other:</b>					
Decision(s) would be outside the budget or policy framework and require full Council approval					
<b>Financial</b>	There are no financial implications at this stage				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	There will be financial implications – see paragraph				<input type="checkbox"/>
	There is provision within existing budget				<input type="checkbox"/>
	Decisions may give rise to additional expenditure at a later date				<input type="checkbox"/>
	Decisions may have potential for income generation				<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Risk Management</b>	An assessment has been carried out and there are no material risks				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Material risks exist and these are recorded at Risk Register Reference - inherent risk score - residual risk score -				<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Staff</b>	There are no additional staffing implications				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Additional staff will be required – see paragraph				<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Equalities and Human Rights</b>	There will be no impact on equality (race, age, gender, disability, religion/belief, sexual orientation) or human rights implications				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	There will be an impact on equality (see categories above) or human rights implications – see paragraph				<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Legal</b>	Power: Licensing Act 2003 and Gambling Act 2005				
	Other considerations:				
<b>Background Papers:</b>					
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<b>Date: 18 September 2009</b>					
<b>CFO</b>		<b>MO</b>		<b>CX</b>	

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**Appendix One - LICENSING ACT 2003 APPLICATIONS**  
**1ST MARCH - 31ST AUGUST 2009**

	<b>NEW PREMISES</b>
17/04/2009	Thrapston Charter Fair
28/04/2009	Irthlingborough Town Band Club
08/05/2009	Luvly Jubbly 80 High St Rushden
11/05/2009	Rushden High Street
19/05/2009	The Old Auction House, Thrapston
27/05/2009	St James Church Sunday School Hall, Thrapston
21/07/2009	Spanhoe Lodge Harringworth Road, Nr Laxton
12/08/2009	New Lodge Fields, Armston Road, Polebrook
17/03/2009	Stanwick Lakes Visitors Centre
	<b>VARY PREMISES</b>
18/05/2009	Lounge One Rushden
27/05/2009	Kebab Express, Rushden
28/05/2009	Courtyard Luxury Lodge, Stanwick
14/08/2009	Rushden Kebab House, 138 Wellingborough Road
16/03/2009	Green Dragon, 1 Hall Hill, Brigstock
	<b>REVIEW</b>
30/04/2009	George Inn, Oundle
15/09/2009	Irthlingborough Town Band Club (Review CLUB)
15/09/2009	Irthlingborough Town Band Club (Review PREMISES)

**TENS**            214  
**PERSONAL**    47  
**VARY DPS**     14  
**TRANSFERS**   27