

Minutes of the Statutory Licensing Sub-Committee

2 April 2026

-: Present :-

Councillor Spacagna (Chair)

Councillors Douglas-Dunbar and Long

22. Election of Chair

Councillor Spacagna was elected as Chair for the meeting.

23. Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting of the Sub-Committee held on 9 February 2026 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

24. Application for a Variation of a Premises Licence

Members considered a report on an application for a Variation of the Premises Licence in respect of No 18/Hyde Dendy, 18 Esplanade Road, Paignton, TQ4 6BD.

Written representation received from:

Name	Details	Date of Representation
Member of the public	Representation objecting to the application for a Premises Licence on the grounds of 'The Prevention of Crime and Disorder', 'The Prevention of Public Safety' and 'The Prevention of Public Nuisance'.	26 February 2026

Oral representation received from:

Name	Details
Applicant	The Applicant, supported by their business partners presented the submitted application and responded to questions from Members.

Decision:

That the application for a Variation to a Premises Licence in respect of Hyde Dendy/No 18, 18 Esplanade Road, Paignton be approved as applied for.

Reasons:

Having carefully considered the written and oral Representations, Members unanimously resolved to grant the variation application as applied for, having been satisfied that with the proposed additional conditions all of the Licensing Objectives would be promoted.

Members were reassured by the Applicant's professional and committed approach, as demonstrated in his oral representation and noted that the Applicant and their business partners had considerable experience in venues of a similar scale.

In coming to their decision, Members had careful regard to the revised layout of the premises and were helpfully provided with various diagrams and photographs at the hearing, which enabled them to gain a clear understanding of the impact of the changes on both the venue and the surrounding area.

Members noted the concerns raised in the one written Representation received in relation to disturbance in a residential area, though were unable to understand the extent of those concerns, as the Objector did not attend the hearing. Furthermore, Members noted the absence of representations from any of the Responsible Authorities and deduced from this, that they had no concerns with this variation application. In forming this opinion, Members noted the proactiveness of the Responsible Authorities in submitting representations, where concerns presented.

Members were reassured by the thorough Dispersal Policy provided by the Applicant, and the obvious thought which had gone into its revision to mitigate the impact of their proposals, demonstrating a clear understanding of the Applicants responsibilities as a Premises License holder and of the Licensing Objectives. Members noted the efforts to stagger the dispersal of their clients with those of surrounding venues, and the methods used to direct them away from residential areas when leaving the premises.

In concluding, Members unanimously resolved to approve the application as submitted and considered that the additional conditions proposed were both appropriate and proportionate, and determined in all the circumstances, that the Licensing Objectives would not be undermined in granting the application for a Variation to a Premises Licence. However, noting, should issues arise as a result of granting this application, a Review of the Premises Licence is available to any Responsible Authority or any other person.