



Cambridge City Council

## **Licensing Hearing Panel (Licensing 2003 Act) Sub Committee**

**Date:** Monday, 16 February 2026

**Time:** 10.00 am

**Venue:** Council Chamber, The Guildhall, Market Square, Cambridge, CB2 3QJ [access the building via Peashill entrance]

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### **Agenda**

- 1      Appointment of a Chair
- 2      Declarations of Interest
- 3      Meeting Procedure
- 4      Consideration of an Application for a Premises Licence to be Granted - Gusto Cafe and Organic Food, Unit 2, 172 East Road, Cambridge, CB1 1BG      (Pages 3 - 32)

**Licensing Hearing Panel (Licensing 2003 Act) Sub Committee**  
**Members:** Clough, McPherson and Wade

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## Agenda Item : 4

### **CONSIDERATION OF AN APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE TO BE GRANTED**

**Gusto Cafe and Organic Food, Unit 2, 172 East Road,  
Cambridge, CB1 1BG**

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**To: Licensing Sub-Committee:**

**Report by: Wangari Njiiri**

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**Wards affected: Market**

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## **INTRODUCTION**

1.1 An application under section 17 of the Licensing Act 2003 to apply for a Premises Licence for the sale by retail of alcohol with respect to Gusto Cafe and Organic Food, Unit 2,172 East Road, Cambridge, CB1 1BG has been received from Bella Organic Café LTD. The application was served on Cambridge City Council (the Licensing Authority) on 22 December 2025. A copy of the application was also served on each responsible authority. The application and plan are attached to the report as Appendix 1, Appendix 1b respectively.

1.2 The applicant is seeking to provide the following licensable activities:

1.2.1 Supply of alcohol (for consumption on and off the premises) from Monday to Sunday between the hours of 09:00 to 23:00

1.2.2 Recorded Music Monday to Sunday between hours of 09:00 to 23:00

- 1.3 In accordance with the regulations of the Act, the application was advertised on the premises and in Cambridge News on 6 January 2026 to invite representations from responsible authorities and other persons. The last date for submitting representations was 19 January 2026.
- 1.4 The applicant has offered conditions, which can be seen on page 9 of the application form (Appendix 1), in addition to conditions agreed with Cambridgeshire Constabulary, acting as a Responsible Authority following pre-application advice.
- 1.5 One representation was received from 'Other persons' contained within the report as Appendix 2.
- 1.6 No representations were received from Responsible Authorities. However Environmental Health agreed additional conditions, which are detailed in Appendix 3.
- 1.7 The application needs to be determined.

## **2. RECOMMENDATION**

- 2.1 That Members determine the application on its individual merits having reference to the statutory licensing objectives and Cambridge City Council's Statement of Licensing Policy and the Cumulative Impact Assessment.

## **3. BACKGROUND**

- 3.1. The proposed premises is located within a Cumulative Impact Area (CIA) and is therefore subject to the Cumulative Impact Assessment.
- 3.2. The onus is on the applicant to demonstrate why the granting of the licence would not add to the cumulative impact already being experienced within the area.
- 3.3. Appendix 4 details a map, showing premises with licences for the Supply

of Alcohol, within the surrounding area of premises.

- 3.4. The premises was previously a musical instrument store, and is now operating as a café and delicatessen.
- 3.5. The proposed licence holder previously submitted a premises application in November 2025, however subsequently withdrew this application.
- 3.6. In carrying out its licensing functions, the Licensing Authority must have regard to its Statement of Licensing Policy, the Cumulative Impact Assessment and additionally the statutory guidance issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003. The relevant sections from the Council's Statement of Licensing Policy are:
  - Objectives, section 2
  - Fundamental principles, section 4
  - Cumulative Impact, section 5
  - Licensing Hours, section 6
  - Licence Conditions, section 8

#### **4. CONSULTATIONS**

- 4.1 The Licensing Act 2003 requires applications made under section 17 of the Act to be served on the Responsible Authorities and also advertised on the premises and in a local newspaper circulating within the vicinity of the premises. During the consultation period, Responsible Authorities and Other Persons (any individual, body or business entitled to make representations to licensing authorities) may make a representation in respect of the application.
- 4.2 Statutory consultation has therefore taken place with Responsible Authorities and interested parties in accordance with the procedures set out in the Licensing Act 2003 and associated regulations made under the Act.

#### **5. OPTIONS**

- 5.1 Whilst having reference to the information provided by the applicant, the information raised in the representations and also Cambridge City Council's Statement of Licensing Policy and Cumulative Impact Assessment, the Sub-Committee's decision must be made with a view to promoting one or more of the four licensing objectives, namely:

- (a) the prevention of crime and disorder;
- (b) public safety;
- (c) the prevention of public nuisance; and
- (d) the protection of children from harm.

5.2 Members should take such steps that they consider are necessary for the promotion of the licensing objectives. The Sub-Committee may resolve:

- (a) to grant the licence subject to the mandatory conditions and those conditions offered by the applicant which may be modified to such extent as the authority considers necessary for the promotion of the licensing objectives;
- (b) to exclude from the scope of the licence any of the licensable activities to which the application relates;
- (c) to refuse to specify a person in the licence as the premises supervisor;
- (d) to reject the application.

5.3 Members must give reasons for their decision.

## **6. CONCLUSIONS**

6.1 The Licensing Authority has a duty under the Licensing Act 2003 to promote the Licensing Objectives. Each objective has equal importance. In carrying out its licensing functions, the Licensing Authority must also have regard to its Statement of Licensing Policy, the Cumulative Impact Assessment and the Statutory Guidance under the Licensing Act 2003, and it is bound by the Human Rights Act 1998. The Council must also fulfill its obligations under Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 to do all that it reasonably can to prevent crime and disorder in Cambridge.

## **7. IMPLICATIONS**

### **(a) Financial Implications**

Cambridge City Council (the Licensing Authority) has a statutory duty to determine applications made under the Licensing Act 2003. The application fees associated with such applications are set by Central

Government and are intended to cover the cost of administering the licensing regime.

There are no specific financial implications associated with this report.

**(b) Staffing Implications**

There are no staffing implications associated with this report.

**(c) Equal Opportunities Implications**

No Equality Impact Assessment has been conducted as the only consideration in reaching a decision is whether the granting of the application will undermine the statutory licensing objectives.

**(d) Environmental Implications**

Any environmental implications that need to be considered must specifically relate to the promotion of the statutory licensing objectives and will be contained in the representations made by the responsible authorities or interested parties.

**(e) Community Safety**

Cambridge Constabulary, Cambridgeshire Fire & Rescue Service, Cambridge City Council's Environmental Health Team, Cambridge City Council's Planning Service, Cambridgeshire County Council's Child Protection & Review Unit, Cambridgeshire County Council's Trading Standards Department and the Public Health Director were consulted as part of the application process and could have made representation if it was considered that the granting of the application would undermine one or more of the statutory licensing objectives.

Those making representations would have raised any relevant community safety implications.

**8. BACKGROUND PAPERS:** The following are the background papers that were used in the preparation of this report:

- [Licensing Act 2003](#)
- [The Licensing Act 2003 \(Premises licences and club premises certificates\) Regulations 2005](#)

- [Guidance issued under section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003](#)
- [Cambridge City Council's Statement of Licensing Policy](#)
- [Cambridge City Council's Cumulative Impact Assessment](#)

**Appendix 1 – Application Form**

**Appendix 1b – Plans**

**Appendix 2 – ‘Other persons’ representation**

**Appendix 3 – Environmental Health agreed conditions**

**Appendix 4 – Map of premises with Premises Licence for the supply of alcohol in surrounding area**

To inspect these documents either view the above hyperlinks or contact the Commercial & Licensing Team at [taxi@cambridge.gov.uk](mailto:taxi@cambridge.gov.uk).

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Date originated: 28 January 2026

Last updated: 04 February 2026

## Online Application Details

General Details																			
Licence Type																			
Premises Licence																			
Application Type																			
Premises licence - new																			
Fees																			
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Location to be Licensed																			
Unit 2 172 East Road Cambridge Cambridgeshire CB1 1BG																			
Trading Name																			
Gusto cafe & Organic food																			
I am the																			
Proposed Licence Holder																			
Agent Details																			
Proposed Licence Holder Details																			
BELLA ORGANIC CAFÉ LTD 172 East Road Cambridge Cambridgeshire CB1 1BG Tel: [REDACTED] Mob: [REDACTED] Email: [REDACTED]																			
Additional Proposed Licence Holder(s)																			
Additional Contacts																			
Rohallah Bastam [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Mob: [REDACTED] Email: [REDACTED].uk																			
Licence Type Additional Data Setting																			
Please confirm you have read the notes above on demonstrating entitlement to work in the UK		Yes																	
Proposed licence holder right to work share code		N/A																	
Proposed licence holder nationality		[REDACTED]																	
Additional proposed licence holder right to work share code																			

Additional proposed licence holder nationality	
Premises telephone number	
Non-domestic rateable value of premises (£)	57000
In what capacity are you applying for the premises licence?	**A limited company / limited liability partnership**
Confirm the following	I am carrying on or proposing to carry on a business which involves the use of the premises for licensable activities
When do you want the premises licence to start?	22-12-2025
If you wish the licence to be valid only for a limited period, when do you want it to end?	
Please confirm you have read the notes above on regulated entertainment	Yes
Proposed DPS date of birth	[REDACTED]
Proposed DPS place of birth	[REDACTED]
Proposed DPS nationality	[REDACTED]en
Please confirm you have read and understood the above declaration	Yes
Full name	HACI KUL
I am the	The [proposed] licence holder
Premise Alcohol Licence	
Premises description	<p>The premises is a ground floor commercial unit operating as a café and delicatessen. The business offers non-alcoholic beverages, ready-made pastries and pre-prepared food products which are reheated on site only. There is no full kitchen and no cooking takes place on the premises; food preparation is limited to storage, display and heating using a small oven and warming equipment. The premises also offers a range of organic Italian grocery products. The layout includes a customer seating area, service counter, food and grocery display areas, storage facilities and customer toilet facilities. Alcohol will be supplied for consumption both on and off the premises. On-sales of alcohol will be strictly ancillary to the provision of food and will be served by table service only to seated customers. Off sales of alcohol will be limited, controlled and ancillary to the purchase of food or grocery items and supplied in sealed containers only. The premises will not operate as an alcohol-led venue or as a general off-licence. The premises is located within a mixed commercial and residential area and will be operated and managed in a manner that promotes the licensing objectives, including the prevention of crime and disorder, public safety, the prevention of public nuisance and the protection of children from harm. Prior to application being made the applicant has sought the advice of the licensing officer at Lancashire Constabulary and agreed conditions to be part of the application</p>

Premises capacity	40
Will you be providing plays?	No
Monday start	
Monday end	
Tuesday start	
Tuesday end	
Wednesday start	
Wednesday end	
Thursday start	
Thursday end	
Friday start	
Friday end	
Saturday start	
Saturday end	
Sunday start	
Sunday end	
Licence location	
Further details	
Seasonal variations	
Non-standard times	
Will you be providing films?	No
Monday start	
Monday end	
Tuesday start	
Tuesday end	
Wednesday start	
Wednesday end	
Thursday start	
Thursday end	
Friday start	
Friday end	
Saturday start	
Saturday end	
Sunday start	
Sunday end	
Licence location	
Further details	

Seasonal variations	
Non-standard times	
Will you be providing indoor sporting events?	No
Monday start	
Monday end	
Tuesday start	
Tuesday end	
Wednesday start	
Wednesday end	
Thursday start	
Thursday end	
Friday start	
Friday end	
Saturday start	

Saturday end	
Sunday start	
Sunday end	
Further details	
Seasonal variations	
Non-standard times	
Will you be providing boxing or wrestling entertainment?	No
Monday start	
Monday end	
Tuesday start	
Tuesday end	
Wednesday start	
Wednesday end	
Thursday start	
Thursday end	
Friday start	
Friday end	
Saturday start	
Saturday end	
Sunday start	
Sunday end	
Licence location	Page 12
Further details	

Seasonal variations	
Non-standard times	
Will you be providing live music?	No
Monday start	
Monday end	
Tuesday start	
Tuesday end	
Wednesday start	
Wednesday end	
Thursday start	
Thursday end	
Friday start	
Friday end	
Saturday start	
Saturday end	
Sunday start	
Sunday end	
Licence location	
Further details	

Seasonal variations	
Non-standard times	
Will you be providing recorded music?	Yes
Monday start	09:00
Monday end	23:00
Tuesday start	09:00
Tuesday end	23:00
Wednesday start	09:00
Wednesday end	23:00
Thursday start	09:00
Thursday end	23:00
Friday start	09:00
Friday end	23:00
Saturday start	09:00
Saturday end	23:00
Sunday start	09:00
Sunday end	23:00
Licence location	Indoors

Further details	Background recorded music only, played at low volume and incidental to the café and delicatessen operation. Music will not be amplified to cause nuisance and will be controlled to ensure it does not impact neighbouring premises. No live music, DJ-led music, or entertainment focused activity will take place.
Seasonal variations	
Non-standard times	
Will you be providing performance of dance?	No
Monday start	
Monday end	
Tuesday start	
Tuesday end	
Wednesday start	
Wednesday end	
Thursday start	
Thursday end	
Friday start	
Friday end	
Saturday start	
Saturday end	
Sunday start	
Sunday end	
Licence location	
Further details	

Seasonal variations	
Non-standard times	
Will you be providing anything similar to live music, recorded music or performances of dance?	No
Monday start	
Monday end	
Tuesday start	
Tuesday end	
Wednesday start	
Wednesday end	
Thursday start	
Thursday end	
Friday start	

Friday end	
Saturday start	
Saturday end	
Sunday start	
Sunday end	
Description	
Licence location	
Further details	
Seasonal variations	
Non-standard times	
Will you be providing late night refreshment?	No
Monday start	
Monday end	
Tuesday start	
Tuesday end	
Wednesday start	
Wednesday end	
Thursday start	
Thursday end	
Friday start	
Friday end	
Saturday start	
Saturday end	
Sunday start	
Sunday end	
Licence location	
Further details	
Seasonal variations	
Non-standard times	
Will you be selling or supplying alcohol?	Yes

Monday start	09:00
Monday end	23:00
Tuesday start	09:00
Tuesday end	23:00

Wednesday start	09:00
Wednesday end	23:00
Thursday start	09:00
Thursday end	23:00
Friday start	09:00
Friday end	23:00
Saturday start	09:00
Saturday end	23:00
Sunday start	09:00
Sunday end	23:00
Licence location	For consumption on and off the premises
Seasonal variations	None
Non-standard times	None
Concerns in respect of children	N/A – The premises does not provide any adult entertainment, adult services, nudity, sexualised content, age-restricted films, gaming machines, or similar activities. The premises operates as a family friendly café and delicatessen. Alcohol sales are strictly ancillary to food and grocery purchases and are subject to a Challenge 25 policy at all times.
Opening hours - Monday start	09:00
Opening hours - Monday end	23:00
Opening hours - Tuesday start	09:00
Opening hours - Tuesday end	23:00
Opening hours - Wednesday start	09:00
Opening hours - Wednesday end	23:00
Opening hours - Thursday start	09:00
Opening hours - Thursday end	23:00
Opening hours - Friday start	09:00
Opening hours - Friday end	23:00
Opening hours - Saturday start	09:00
Opening hours - Saturday end	23:00
Opening hours - Sunday start	09:00
Opening hours - Sunday end	23:00
Opening hours - Seasonal variations	
Opening hours - Non-standard times	Page 16

a) General - all four licensing objectives (b,c,d,e)

The premises will operate as a food-led café and delicatessen where the sale of alcohol, both on and off the premises, is strictly ancillary to the provision of food and grocery items. The premises will be overseen by a

Designated Premises Supervisor who holds a valid personal licence. The operation will be managed through clear policies, trained staff, and proportionate controls to ensure the promotion of all four licensing objectives at all times.

Conditions agreed with Cambridgeshire Constabulary as part of pre-application advice provided

1. On-sales of alcohol will be strictly ancillary to the consumption of food
2. Alcohol will be served by table service only, to seated customers only, so no vertical drinking permitted.
3. Off-sales will be limited in range, volume, and strength
4. Alcohol will only be sold where the customer is also purchasing food or grocery items
5. Off-sales are intended as a supplementary offering, such as a bottle of wine to accompany a food order
6. Beer, lager or cider products with an AVB content of 5.5% or above shall not be sold at the premises except for premium or craft products or such other products specifically agreed for sale by the police.
7. No single-can or street-drinking style sales
8. Digital CCTV with appropriate recording equipment shall be installed. The CCTV to cover all licensed areas including the frontage of the premises, the entrances and exits to the premises.
  - a. The CCTV system shall record footage when the premises is open for licensable activities.
  - b. CCTV equipment must be maintained in good working order, be correctly time and date stamped and must be retained for a minimum period of 31 consecutive days.
  - c. The CCTV at exit points will record a clear facial image of every person entering or exiting in any light condition.
  - d. An appointed member of staff will be present when the premises is conducting a licensable activity, who is capable and competent at using the CCTV system and downloading CCTV footage on their own recordable media and be able to hand this footage over to the Police / Local Authority on request.
9. A refusal log and incident book will be maintained to record any instances of refused sales, anti-social behaviour, crimes or disturbances. (These shall be

made available for inspection by the police upon reasonable request).

10. A written delegation of authority record will be kept at the premises whereby non personal licence holders are authorised to make sales on behalf of a personal licence holder.

11. All staff with the responsibility of serving alcohol must have completed their alcohol training covering relevant licensing legislation, age verification, the prevention of proxy sales, the prevention of sales to those who appear intoxicated, prior to being authorised to sell alcohol. The training is to be carried out at least once every 6 months and written records of the training must be kept. Records will be kept of such training and will be immediately available for inspection by Cambridgeshire Police or authorised officer of a responsible authority for inspection upon request.

12. All customer facing staff must complete welfare and vulnerability training, this is to include 'Ask for Angela' Scheme (as long as it is still in operation). The training is to be carried out at least once every 12 months and written records of the training must be kept for inspection by Cambridgeshire Police or authorised officer of a responsible authority.

13. A Challenge 25 policy shall be operated at the premises at all times. All staff shall require identification of all customers who appear to be less than 25 years old and wish to purchase alcohol. Acceptable proof of age will be a PASS approved proof of age card, UK passport or a UK photographic driving licence.

14. All staff will be trained in Challenge 25, conflict resolution, and incident reporting.

15. Challenge 25 materials shall be displayed at the premises, including at the point of sale of alcohol, to inform customers of the operation of the scheme.

16. The premises licence holder shall display prominent signage requesting customers to leave the premises quietly.

17. All off sales shall be in sealed containers only.

18. Persons carrying any open vessel(s) that may contain alcohol must not be admitted to the premises.

19. An SIA licensed supervisor will be on duty at the premises when licensable activities take place. A record shall be maintained (on the premises) which is legible and details:

a. The day and date when door supervisors were deployed.

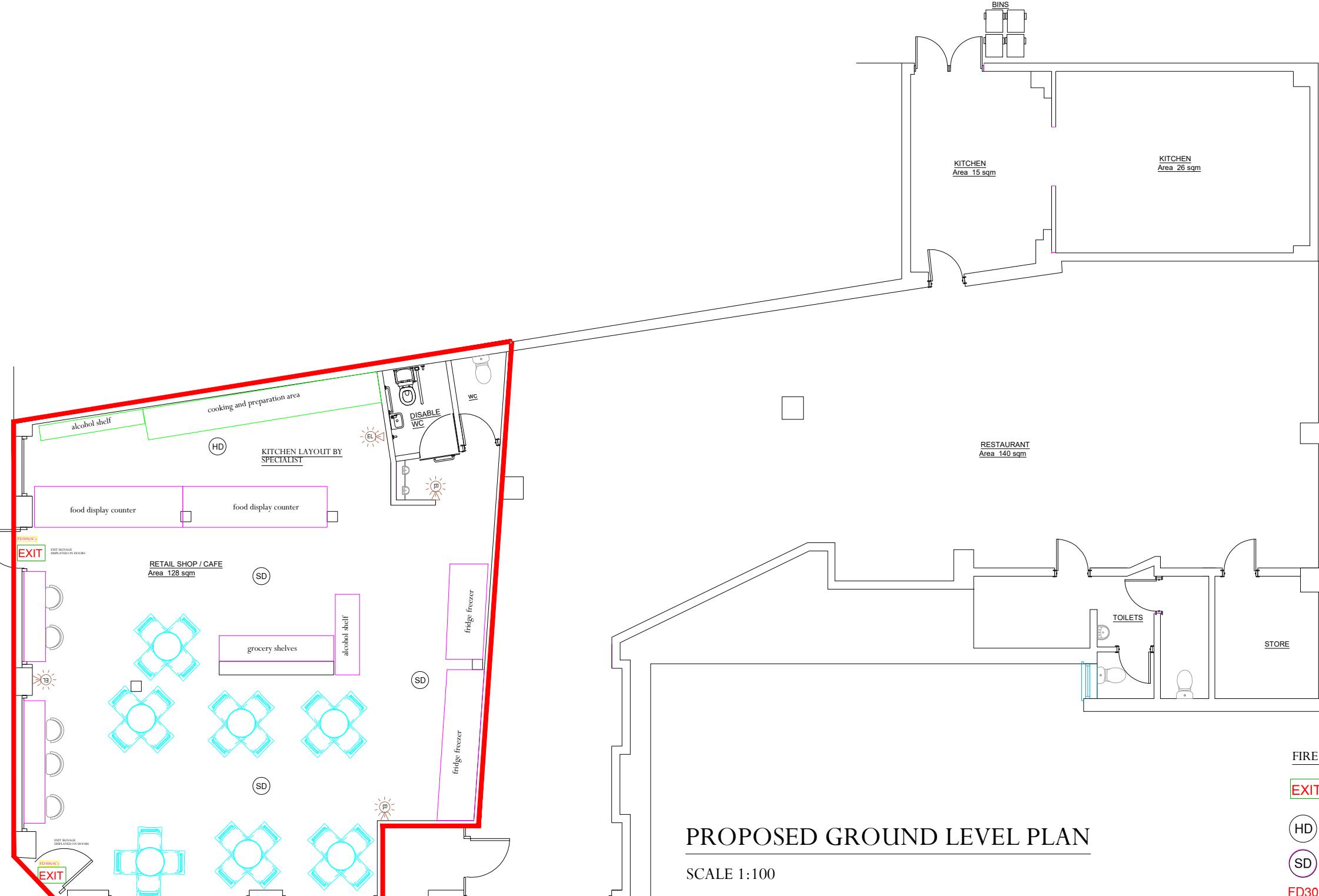
	<p>c. The start and finish time of each door supervisor's worked duty period.</p> <p>20. This record shall be retained on the premises for 31 days and held thereafter for a minimum of 12 months. All such records will be made available immediately upon reasonable request of authorised agents of a Responsible Authority.</p> <p>21. The person nominated as the DPS will join the Cambac / Pub watch scheme and support its aims and objectives. This includes support of its agreed banning policy. The condition is only binding whilst the Cambac / Pub watch scheme is in existence.</p>
b) The prevention of crime and disorder	Alcohol sales will be carefully controlled and will only take place in accordance with the conditions of the premises licence. A Challenge 25 age-verification policy will be operated at all times, supported by staff training in licensing law, refusals, and the prevention of proxy sales. An incident and refusals log will be maintained and made available to authorised officers upon request. The premises will work cooperatively with Cambridgeshire Police and the local authority to prevent crime and disorder.
c) Public safety	The premises will be operated in a responsible manner with appropriate supervision by trained staff. Alcohol for consumption on the premises will be supplied only to seated customers and served by staff. Alcohol will not be self-served. Staff will be trained to recognise intoxication and will refuse service where necessary. The premises will be managed to ensure a safe environment for customers and staff at all times.
d) The protection of public nuisance	The premises will not operate as an alcohol-led venue. Alcohol sales will be limited to the permitted hours and will remain ancillary to food and grocery sales. Background recorded music only may be played at a low level. Staff will monitor customer behaviour and signage will request customers to leave the premises quietly. No outdoor drinking, late-night entertainment, or activities likely to cause disturbance will take place.
e) The protection of children from harm	A strict Challenge 25 policy will be applied to all alcohol sales. Staff will be trained in age verification and safeguarding responsibilities. Children will be permitted on the premises only as part of a family-friendly café environment and will not be supplied with alcohol. No adult entertainment, age-restricted activities, or inappropriate material will be provided at the premises.
Personal Alcohol Licence Holder	
Personal Alcohol Licence	
Full name	HACI KUL
Contact	
Address	[REDACTED]
Personal licence number	[REDACTED]
	Page [REDACTED]

Issuing licensing authority	Cambridge City Council
Please confirm that these details are for the proposed designated premises supervisor	Yes
Start Date	
End Date	
Licence Activity	
Licence activity type	
Area	
Licence Location	
Monday start	
Monday end	
Tuesday start	
Tuesday end	
Wednesday start	
Wednesday end	
Thursday start	
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Friday start	
Friday end	
Saturday start	
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Further details	
Seasonal variations	
Non Standard Time	

Customer Comments:



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## FIRE LEGEND

PHOTOLUMINESCENT EMERGENCY EXIT SIGN

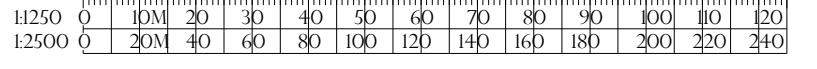
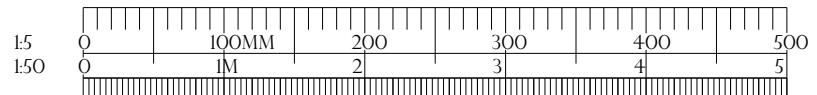
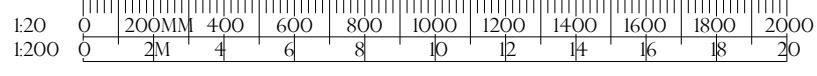
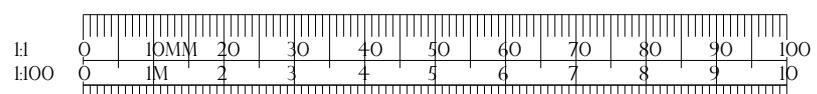
INDICATES POSITION OF MAINS POWERED HEAT DETECTORS

MAINS POWERED, INTERLINKED WITH BATTERY BACK UP SMOKE DETECTOR

INDICATES 30 MINUTE FIRE RESISTING DOOR WITH SMOKE & INTUMESCENT STRIPS AND AUTO DOOR CLOSER (SC).

EMERGENCY LIGHTING AS PER SPEC.

## SCALE RULER



## GENERAL NOTES

1. All aisles have a minimum 1200mm wide walkway
2. Well lit with 46 600x600 ceiling lights
3. Fire Exit lights
4. Front Lobby circulation area free of storage or freezers

## SHOP AT 172 EAST ROAD, CAMBRIDGE CB1 1BG

Drawing Title -

PROPOSED GROUND LEVEL PLAN

Client -

Address - 172 East Road, Cambridge CB11BG

Scale - AS SHOWN @ Date - 12 Dec. 2025

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**From:** decency [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 12 January 2026 17:25  
**To:** licensing (CCity) <[licensing@cambridge.gov.uk](mailto:licensing@cambridge.gov.uk)>  
**Cc:** Cllr Richard Robertson (Cambridge City - Petersfield)  
[REDACTED] Cllr Mike Davey (Cambridge City - Petersfield)  
[REDACTED] Cllr Katie Thornburrow (Cambridge City - Petersfield)  
[REDACTED] >  
**Subject:** Objection: Licence application by the ‘Gusto Organic Café’ at 172 East Rd

Dear [licensing@cambridge.gov.uk](mailto:licensing@cambridge.gov.uk),

I am a member of the public.

This Objection is being sent via [licensing@cambridge.gov.uk](mailto:licensing@cambridge.gov.uk), per the City Council website.

Please:

1. forward my Objection to whatever or whomever is responsible for collecting input from the public on this; and
2. email me to confirm that this has been done.

My full Objection to the Licence application by the ‘Gusto Organic Café’ at 172 East Road is given below my signature.

This email is cc’d to my three Petersfield Ward Councillors, to ensure they are all aware and can take appropriate measures.

Yours sincerely,

Dr J V Neal

[REDACTED]  
Cambridge CB1 2LS  
[REDACTED]

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## **OBJECTION**

I Object to the granting of a licence to sell alcohol at ‘Gusto Organic Café’ on 172 East Road, CAMBRIDGE, Cambridgeshire, CB1 1BG:

- 09:00-23:00 (too many hours) over 7 days of the week (Mon-Sun)
- for sales of alcohol both on and off site during these excessively long hours.

This premises is:

- directly across the street from the 600-pupil St Matthew’s Primary School;
- on the route taken to and from home for many Parkside Community College students; and
- very near the vulnerable adults accommodated at Jimmy’s Night Shelter.

East Road has for many years needed to tackle serious problems with public drunkenness and associated antisocial behaviour, and has been a Cumulative Impact Zone.

The current level of public drunkenness, as well as both drug and alcohol abuse is an ongoing serious problem that must not be exacerbated by the approval of this very extensive on- and off-site licence at Gusto’s on East Road.

Note that the Licensing Act requires consideration of four licensing objectives:

- the prevention of crime and disorder
- public safety
- the prevention of public nuisance
- the protection of children from harm.

Plainly, all four of these considerations are directly relevant to this application by Gusto for such this overly extensive on- and off-site licence at this very sensitive location.

These comments draw on my knowledge and experience as:

- a parent of children formerly at both St Matthew’s Primary School and at Parkside Community College;
- formerly, a Vice Chair of the Governing Body at St Matthew’s Primary School;
- formerly, Chair of the Petersfield Community Trust (PACT); and
- an active and concerned local resident for 45 years of the St Matthew’s area of North Petersfield.

I would have no objection to the granting of an on-site (only) licence, for the responsibly managed consumption of alcohol inside the Café – during hours comparable to those granted to a pub that also sells food to its on-site customers.

Yours sincerely,

Dr J V Neal

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**LICENSING ACT 2003**  
**ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH REPRESENTATION FORM**

To: **Commercial & Licensing Manager**

From: **Environmental Health Manager**

Premises: **Unit 2, 172 East Road, Cambridge, CB1 1BG**

Reference: **SR/421001**

**New premises licence application (297395)**

**Comments:**

Environmental Health has **no representation** to make on this application.

However, under the prevention of public nuisance licensing objective. I recommend that the following conditions be attached, which has been agreed with the agent/applicant:

**Prevention of public nuisance**

1. Patrons will be asked to leave the premises quietly and with due consideration for neighbouring properties. Notices will be displayed in a prominent customer facing area to that effect.
2. The placing of waste including bottles into receptacles outside the premises and collections from and/or deliveries to the premises, including the emptying of premises waste receptacles by waste contractors, shall only take place between the hours of 07:00 and 23:00 to minimise disturbance to nearby properties.
3. Background recorded music will only be played at a low level and indoors only.

Signed:



Date: 8<sup>th</sup> January 2026

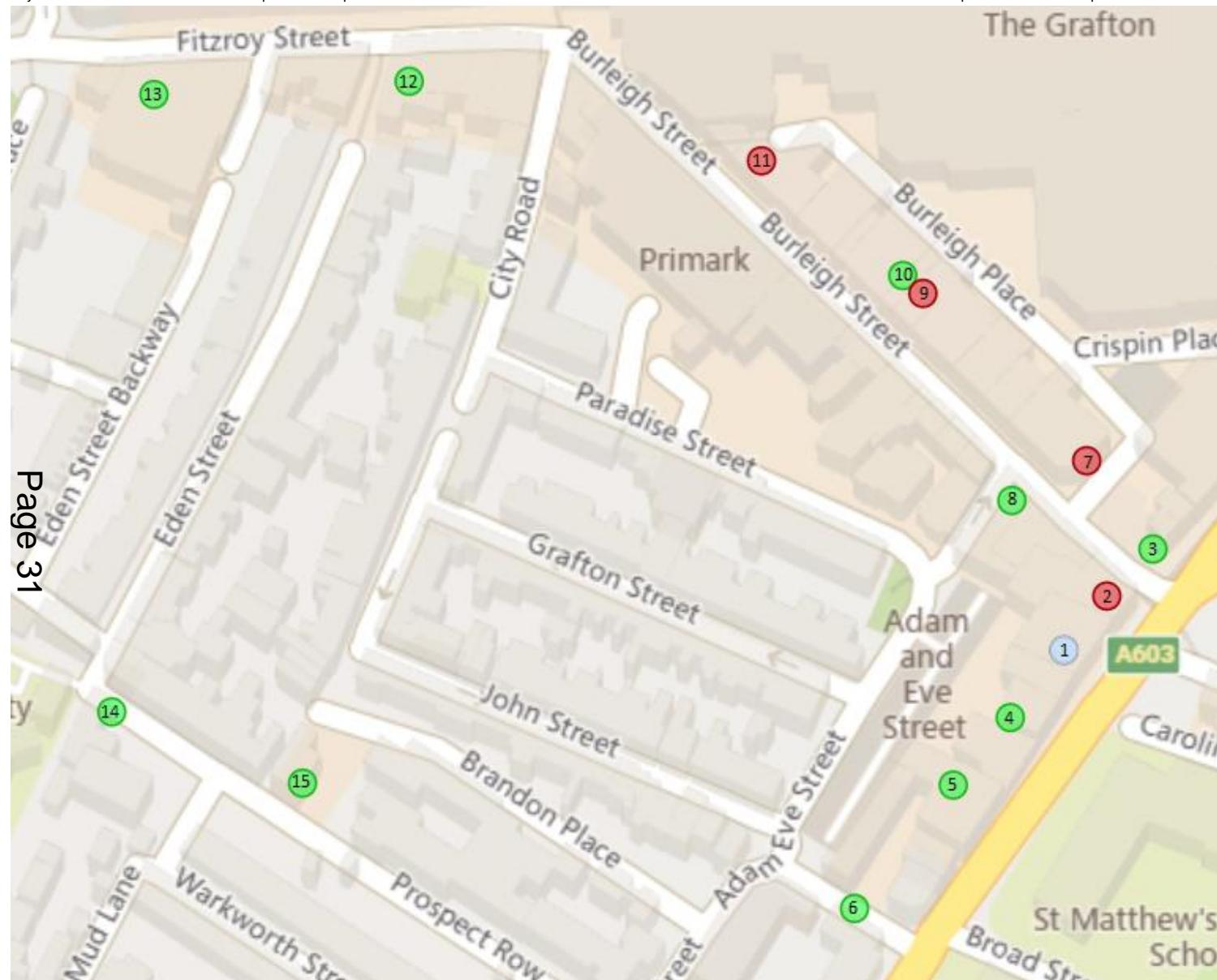
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## Appendix 4 – Map of Premises with Premises licences in surrounding area

Key: **Red** – Sale of Alcohol for consumption on the premises

**Green** - Sale of Alcohol for consumption on and off the premises



## Appendix 4 – Map of Premises with Premises licences in surrounding area

Corresponding number to map	Premises Name	Address	Sale of Alcohol	Start Monday	End Monday	Start Tuesday	End Tuesday	Start Wednesday	Wednesday	Start Thursday	End Thursday	Start Friday	End Friday	Start Saturday	End Saturday	Start Sunday	End Sunday
1 Food	Gusto Cafe and Organic	Unit 2, 172 East Road, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire, CB1 1BG	New premises														
1 Tesco		Unit 1, 172 East Road, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire, CB1 1BG	For consumption off the premises	11:00	20:00	11:00	20:00	11:00	20:00	11:00	20:00	11:00	20:00	11:00	20:00	11:00	20:00
2 WT's Sports Bar Ltd		39B Burleigh Street, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire, CB1 1DG	For consumption on the premises	10:00	01:00	10:00	01:00	10:00	01:00	10:00	01:00	10:00	01:00	10:00	02:00	10:00	02:00
3 The Six Six Bar		The Snug, 170, East Road, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire, CB1 1DB	For consumption on and off the premises	12:00	00:30	12:00	00:30	12:00	00:30	12:00	01:30	12:00	01:30	12:00	01:30	12:00	00:30
4 The Duke Of Cambridge		The Duke Of Cambridge, 176, East Road, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire, CB1 1BG	For consumption on and off the premises	11:00	02:00	11:00	02:00	11:00	02:00	11:00	02:00	11:00	02:00	11:00	02:00	11:00	01:00
5 Mediterranean BBQ		181 East Road, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire, CB1 1BG	For consumption on and off the premises	10:00	03:30	10:00	03:30	10:00	03:30	10:00	03:30	10:00	03:30	10:00	03:30	12:00	02:30
6 The Tram Depot		The Tram Depot, 2-5, Dover Street, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire, CB1 1DY	For consumption on and off the premises	10:00	00:00	10:00	00:00	10:00	00:00	10:00	01:00	10:00	01:00	10:00	01:00	10:00	00:00
7 Hanami		39 Burleigh Street, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire, CB1 1DG	For consumption on the premises	10:00	23:00	10:00	23:00	10:00	23:00	10:00	23:00	10:00	23:00	10:00	23:00	12:00	22:30
8 Giovanni's Caffe and Pizzeria		44 - 45 Burleigh Street, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire, CB1 1DJ	For consumption on and off the premises	11:00	23:00	11:00	23:00	11:00	23:00	11:00	23:00	11:00	23:00	11:00	23:00	11:00	23:00
9 Hong Kong Fusion		21 Burleigh Street, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire, CB1 1DG	For consumption on the premises	10:00	00:00	10:00	00:00	10:00	00:00	10:00	00:00	10:00	00:00	10:00	00:00	12:00	23:30
10 Signorelli's Deli		17 Burleigh Street, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire, CB1 1DG	For consumption on and off the premises	10:00	22:00	10:00	22:00	10:00	22:00	10:00	22:00	10:00	22:00	10:00	22:00	10:00	22:00
11 Cafe Arena		8 Burleigh Street, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire, CB1 1DG	For consumption on the premises	09:00	18:00	09:00	18:00	09:00	18:00	09:00	18:00	09:00	18:00	09:00	18:00	11:00	17:00
12 Aromi Caffe		30 Fitzroy Street, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire, CB1 1EW	For consumption on and off the premises	10:00	22:45	10:00	22:45	10:00	22:45	10:00	22:45	10:00	22:45	10:00	22:45	10:00	22:45
13 Waitrose		6 - 8 Fitzroy Street, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire, CB1 1EW	For consumption on and off the premises	08:00	23:00	08:00	23:00	08:00	23:00	08:00	23:00	08:00	23:00	08:00	23:00	08:00	23:00
14 Luk Thai At The Cricketers		The Cricketers, 18, Melbourne Place, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire, CB1 1EQ	For consumption on and off the premises	11:00	00:00	11:00	00:00	11:00	00:00	11:00	00:00	11:00	01:00	11:00	01:00	11:00	00:00
15 Free Press PH		The Free Press, 7, Prospect Row, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire, CB1 1DU	For consumption on and off the premises	11:00	23:30	11:00	23:30	11:00	23:30	11:00	23:30	11:00	00:00	11:00	00:00	11:00	23:30