

Application for the review of a premises licence or club premises certificate under the Licensing Act 2003

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Before completing this form please read the guidance notes at the end of the form.
If you are completing this form by hand please write legibly in block capitals. In all cases ensure that your answers are inside the boxes and written in black ink. Use additional sheets if necessary.
You may wish to keep a copy of the completed form for your records.

I Elise Brophy, Senior Licensing Officer, Oldham Council

(Insert name of applicant)

apply for the review of a premises licence under section 51 / apply for the review of a club premises certificate under section 87 of the Licensing Act 2003 for the premises described in Part 1 below (delete as applicable)

Part 1 – Premises or club premises details

Postal address of premises or, if none, ordnance survey map reference or description

Woodhouses Cricket Club, Medlock Road, Woodhouses

Post town Failsworth

Post code (if known) M35 9NG

Name of premises licence holder or club holding club premises certificate (if known)

Woodhouses Cricket Club

Number of premises licence or club premises certificate (if known)

PL0995

Part 2 - Applicant details

I am

Please tick ✓ yes

1) an individual, body or business which is not a responsible authority (please read guidance note 1, and complete (A) or (B) below)

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2) a responsible authority (please complete (C) below)

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3) a member of the club to which this application relates
(please complete (A) below)

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(A) DETAILS OF INDIVIDUAL APPLICANT (fill in as applicable)

Please tick ✓ yes

Mr

☐

Mrs

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Miss

☐

Ms

☐

Other title
(for example, Rev)

Surname

First names

I am 18 years old or over

Please tick ✓ yes

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**Current postal
address if
different from
premises
address**

Post town

Post Code

Daytime contact telephone number

**E-mail address
(optional)**

(B) DETAILS OF OTHER APPLICANT

Name and address

Telephone number (if any)

E-mail address (optional)

(C) DETAILS OF RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY APPLICANT

Name and address Elise Brophy, Senior Licensing Officer Sir Robert Peacock House, Vulcan Street, Derker, Oldham, OL1 4LA
Telephone number (if any) 07595088948
E-mail address (optional) Elise.brophy@oldham.gov.uk

This application to review relates to the following licensing objective(s)

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| | Please tick one or more boxes ✓ |
| 1) the prevention of crime and disorder | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 2) public safety | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 3) the prevention of public nuisance | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 4) the protection of children from harm | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

Please state the ground(s) for review (please read guidance note 2)

The licence held by Woodhouses Cricket Club affords the holder to run up to 4 outdoor events per year at the premises subject to a number of “Special Event Conditions”.

Woodhouses Cricket Club breached their licence conditions when they organised a music event to take place on Saturday 24th August 2025 without the required 28 days’ notice to the Police and Licensing Authority, or proper notice to residents.

By breaching their conditions, the licence holder brings in to question their ability to uphold the licensing objectives. Without the ability to review and engage with the licence holder on their event management plan, noise management plan and any other aspect of the event, responsible authorities cannot be certain that the required safeguards are in place to uphold the objectives during the event.

Please provide as much information as possible to support the application (please read guidance note 3)

The conditions to restrict events to 4 per year were agreed by the licence holder upon applying for the grant of the premises licence in 2018. The conditions were proposed by Environmental Health (EH) in their capacity of a responsible authority consulting on the application. The comments made by the EH Officer at the time were:

“The applicant has not fully considered public nuisance in their operating schedule. I’m concerned about the application to play music, both recorded and live music outdoors until midnight. I believe this has the potential to cause serious problems to the local residents in terms of noise nuisance. I have to object to this.

Consequently, we recommend that the application should only be granted subject to the following being conditions attached to the grant of the licence:

1. The number of events where music is played outside the clubhouse shall be limited to 4 per calendar year
2. A minimum period of 4 weeks to elapse between such outdoor events before another event is staged outdoors
3. The construction and taking down of equipment/stages/fencing for outdoor events be limited to between 9am and 11pm
4. The applicant must submit an event notification form to the council at least 4 weeks before the event if they are to attract more than 200 people to the event”

The representation made by the EH Officer was accepted by the licence holder and a refined version of the suggested conditions above were applied to the licence upon issue.

On 4th August 2025 the Licensing Service became aware of an event to be run at Woodhouses Cricket Club on 24th August 2025. Notification of this event came by way of complaint from a local resident. As part of their licence conditions, the licence holder must:

5. Notice period

Woodhouses Cricket Club will notify the police and local authority that any such event is being held at least 28 clear days before such an event. Not including the day that the notice is given or the day of the event.

6. Notice to local residents

Local residents will be notified by letter at least 28 clear days before such an event. Not including the day that the notice is given or the day of the event. The letter will include details of the event and details of a point of contact for the cricket club who will be on duty on the day of the event including a telephone number.

Both conditions were breached. A person commits an offence under the Section 136 of the Licensing Act 2003 if “he carries on or attempts to carry on a licensable activity on or from any premises otherwise than under and in accordance with an authorisation”. On successful prosecution the penalty for this offence is up to 6 months imprisonment, a fine, or both.

Following the complaint that brought the event to the attention of the Licensing Service, contact was made with Woodhouses Cricket Club by a Licensing Officer. The officer was informed the reason they failed to comply with the conditions around notification was due to them misplacing their premises licence. This further identifies an offence Under section 57 of the Licensing Act 2003, whereby a premises licence holder must ensure that the licence or a certified copy is held on the premises.

In addition to this, it must be noted that the licence holder applied to vary their conditions of licence specifically relating to special events in October 2024, where they sought to increase the maximum

number of attendees from 1500 to 2000. This further goes against any mitigation from the club that they were not aware of the requirements as part of their licence regarding these events.

Following the Licensing Service becoming aware of the 24th August 2025 event, notice was given to all responsible authorities so they could consider the implications. There were issues with the noise management plan which had to be discussed and altered in consultation with the Environmental Health team. It then took until 20th August 2025, some 4 days prior to the event, for the parking arrangements with the Traffic Team and first aid provisions with NWAS to be agreed due to the proposals being insufficient for the event taking place.

It is requested that the Licensing Committee consider the permissions and conditions of this licence.

It is proposed that the permissions relating to live and recorded music be altered. The premises are currently permitted to play live and recorded music both indoors and outdoors. It is proposed to revise the licence to permit the playing of live and recorded music indoors only.

It is proposed the conditions relating to special events be removed and replaced with

No events involving licensable activities to take place involving the use of the outside areas of the clubhouse and the cricket pitch.

For any events the licence holder wishes to hold in the future, they will be required to apply for one off premise licences within the prescribed notice period outlined in the Licensing Act 2003. This affords all responsible authorities and residents the statutory consultation period to properly consider the plans put in place and resolve in a satisfactory timeframe prior to events taking place.

The Licensing Service are open to the reconsideration of the permissions and conditions going forward where the licence holder evidences the appropriate planning around events through the statutory process. At the appropriate time should the premises wish to revert the licence back to its original form, they would be required to apply to vary the licence so the matter can be considered by responsible authorities and residents.

Have you made an application for review relating to the premises before

Please tick ✓ yes

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If yes please state the date of that application

Day	Month	Year
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

If you have made representations before relating to the premises please state what they were and when you made them

N/A

Please tick ✓ yes

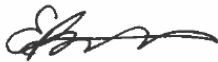
- I have sent copies of this form and enclosures to the responsible authorities and the premises licence holder or club holding the club premises certificate, as appropriate ✓
- I understand that if I do not comply with the above requirements my application will be rejected ✓

IT IS AN OFFENCE, UNDER SECTION 158 OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003, TO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT IN OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS APPLICATION. THOSE WHO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT MAY BE LIABLE ON SUMMARY CONVICTION TO A FINE OF ANY AMOUNT.

Part 3 – Signatures (please read guidance note 4)

Signature of applicant or applicant's solicitor or other duly authorised agent (please read guidance note 5). **If signing on behalf of the applicant please state in what capacity.**

Signature



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Date **16th September 2025**

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Capacity **Senior Licensing Officer, Oldham Council**

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Contact name (where not previously given) and postal address for correspondence associated with this application (please read guidance note 6)	
Post town	Post Code
Telephone number (if any)	
If you would prefer us to correspond with you using an e-mail address your e-mail address (optional)	

Notes for Guidance

1. A responsible authority includes the local police, fire and rescue authority and other statutory bodies which exercise specific functions in the local area.
2. The ground(s) for review must be based on one of the licensing objectives.
3. Please list any additional information or details for example dates of problems which are included in the grounds for review if available.
4. The application form must be signed.
5. An applicant's agent (for example solicitor) may sign the form on their behalf provided that they have actual authority to do so.
6. This is the address which we shall use to correspond with you about this application.