



West Oxfordshire  
Application to vary a premises licence  
Licensing Act 2003

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\* required information

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Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?

Yes  No

Put "no" if you are applying on your own behalf or on behalf of a business you own or work for.

### Applicant Details

\* First name

\* Family name

\* E-mail

Main telephone number  Include country code.

Other telephone number

Indicate here if you would prefer not to be contacted by telephone

Are you:

Applying as a business or organisation, including as a sole trader

Applying as an individual

A sole trader is a business owned by one person without any special legal structure. Applying as an individual means you are applying so you can be employed, or for some other personal reason, such as following a hobby.

### Applicant Business

Is your business registered in the UK with Companies House?  Yes  No

Is your business registered outside the UK?  Yes  No

Business name  If your business is registered, use its registered name.

VAT number   Put "none" if you are not registered for VAT.

Legal status

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Your position in the business

Home country

United Kingdom

The country where the headquarters of your business is located.

**Business Address**

If you have one, this should be your official address - that is an address required of you by law for receiving communications.

Building number or name

Street

District

City or town

County or administrative area

Postcode

Country

United Kingdom

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**APPLICATION DETAILS**

**This application cannot be used to vary the licence so as to extend the period for which the licence has effect or to vary substantially the premises to which it relates. If you wish to make that type of change to the premises licence, you should make a new premises licence application under section 17 of the Licensing Act 2003.**

I/we, as named in section 1, being the premises licence holder, apply to vary a premises licence under section 34 of the Licensing Act 2003 for the premises described in section 2 below.

\* Premises Licence Number

Are you able to provide a postal address, OS map reference or description of the premises?

Address     OS map reference     Description

**Postal Address Of Premises**

Building number or name

Merriscourt Gallery

Street

Merriscourt

District

City or town

Chipping Norton

County or administrative area

Oxfordshire

Postcode

OX7 6QX

Country

United Kingdom

**Premises Contact Details**

Telephone number

01608658585

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Non-domestic rateable value of premises (£)

37,500

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#### VARIATION

Do you want the proposed variation to have effect as soon as possible?  Yes  No

Do you want the proposed variation to have effect in relation to the introduction of the late night levy?

Yes  No

You do not have to pay a fee if the only purpose of the variation for which you are applying is to avoid becoming liable to the late night levy.

If your proposed variation would mean that 5,000 or more people are expected to attend the premises at any one time, state the number expected to attend

#### Describe Briefly The Nature Of The Proposed Variation

Describe the premises. For example the type of premises, its general situation and layout and any other information which could be relevant to the licensing objectives. Where your application includes off-supplies of alcohol and you intend to provide a place for consumption of these off-supplies, you must include a description of where the place will be and its proximity to the premises.

Merriscourt is a secluded, rural wedding venue with no close neighbours. We would like to extend our opening and license times to allow brunches in the venue with the option of alcohol, such as bucks fizz, served alongside. We would also like a variation to allow amplified music in the courtyard to allow our couples & their guests to enjoy a variety of background music during the drinks reception. We would also like to extend this area of music being played to our Gallery Garden, which is situated just at the end of The Gallery with views across the Cotswold fields for miles.

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#### PROVISION OF PLAYS

[See guidance on regulated entertainment](#)

Will the schedule to provide plays be subject to change if this application to vary is successful?

Yes  No

#### Standard Days And Timings

MONDAY

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Provide timings in 24 hour clock (e.g., 16:00) and only give details for the days of the week when you intend the premises to be used for the activity.

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Will the performance of a play take place indoors or outdoors or both?

- Indoors       Outdoors       Both

Where taking place in a building or other structure select as appropriate. Indoors may include a tent.

Provide further details here.

State type of activity to be authorised, if not already stated, and give relevant further details, for example (but not exclusively) whether or not music will be amplified or unamplified.

Amplified music and reputable theatre company to organise.

State any seasonal variations for performing plays.

For example (but not exclusively) where the activity will occur on additional days during the summer months.

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Non standard timings. Where the premises will be used for the performance of a play at different times from those listed above, list below.

For example (but not exclusively), where you wish the activity to go on longer on a particular day e.g. Christmas Eve.

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#### PROVISION OF FILMS

[See guidance on regulated entertainment](#)

Will the schedule to provide films be subject to change if this application to vary is successful?

- Yes  No

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#### PROVISION OF INDOOR SPORTING EVENTS

[See guidance on regulated entertainment](#)

Will the schedule to provide indoor sporting events be subject to change if this application to vary is successful?

- Yes  No

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#### PROVISION OF BOXING OR WRESTLING ENTERTAINMENTS

[See guidance on regulated entertainment](#)

Will the schedule to provide boxing or wrestling entertainments be subject to change if this application to vary is successful?

- Yes  No

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#### PROVISION OF LIVE MUSIC

[See guidance on regulated entertainment](#)

Will the schedule to provide live music be subject to change if this application to vary is successful?

- Yes  No

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#### PROVISION OF RECORDED MUSIC

[See guidance on regulated entertainment](#)

Will the schedule to provide recorded music be subject to change if this application to vary is successful?

- Yes  No

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## PROVISION OF PERFORMANCES OF DANCE

[See guidance on regulated entertainment](#)

Will the schedule to provide performances of dance be subject to change if this application to vary is successful?

Yes  No

### Standard Days And Timings

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Provide timings in 24 hour clock (e.g., 16:00) and only give details for the days of the week when you intend the premises to be used for the activity.

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Will the performance of dance take place indoors or outdoors or both?

Indoors  Outdoors  Both

Where taking place in a building or other structure select as appropriate. Indoors may include a tent.

State type of activity to be authorised, if not already stated, and give relevant further details, for example (but not exclusively) whether or not music will be amplified or unamplified.

Amplified and organised by a reputable company

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State any seasonal variations for the performance of dance.

For example (but not exclusively) where the activity will occur on additional days during the summer months.

Non-standard timings. Where the premises will be used for the performance of dance at different times from those listed above, list below.

For example (but not exclusively), where you wish the activity to go on longer on a particular day e.g. Christmas Eve.

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#### PROVISION OF ANYTHING OF A SIMILAR DESCRIPTION TO LIVE MUSIC, RECORDED MUSIC OR PERFORMANCES OF DANCE

[See guidance on regulated entertainment](#)

Will the schedule to provide anything similar to live music, recorded music or performances of dance be subject to change if this application to vary is successful?

Yes  No

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#### PROVISION OF LATE NIGHT REFRESHMENT

Will the schedule to provide late night refreshment be subject to change if this application to vary is successful?

Yes  No

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#### SUPPLY OF ALCOHOL

Will the schedule to supply alcohol be subject to change if this application to vary is successful?

Yes  No

#### Standard Days And Timings

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Will the sale of alcohol be for consumption?

- On the premises     Off the premises     Both

If the sale of alcohol is for consumption on the premises select on, if the sale of alcohol is for consumption away from the premises select off. If the sale of alcohol is for consumption on the premises and away from the premises select both.

State any seasonal variations.

For example (but not exclusively) where the activity will occur on additional days during the summer months.

Non-standard timings. Where the premises will be used for the supply of alcohol at different times from those listed above, list below.

For example (but not exclusively), where you wish the activity to go on longer on a particular day e.g. Christmas Eve.



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**ADULT ENTERTAINMENT**

Highlight any adult entertainment or services, activities, or other entertainment or matters ancillary to the use of the premises that may give rise to concern in respect of children.

Provide information about anything intended to occur at the premises or ancillary to the use of the premises which may give rise to concern in respect of children, regardless of whether you intend children to have access to the premises, for example (but not exclusively) nudity or semi-nudity, films for restricted age groups etc gambling machines etc.

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**HOURS PREMISES ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

**Standard Days And Timings**

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Provide timings in 24 hour clock (e.g., 16:00) and only give details for the days of the week when you intend the premises to be used for the activity.

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State any seasonal variations.

For example (but not exclusively) where the activity will occur on additional days during the summer months.

Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises to be open to the members and guests at different times from those listed above, list below.

For example (but not exclusively), where you wish the activity to go on longer on a particular day e.g. Christmas Eve.

Identify those conditions currently imposed on the licence which you believe could be removed as a consequence of the proposed variation you are seeking.

Condition 2: The provision of live music outdoors shall be restricted to the courtyard, be unamplified only and shall cease at 23:00 hours.

- I have enclosed the premises licence
- I have enclosed the relevant part of the premises licence

Reasons why I have failed to enclose the premises licence or relevant part of premises licence.

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**LICENSING OBJECTIVES**

Describe the steps you intend to take to promote the four licensing objectives:

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

List here steps you will take to promote all four licensing objectives together.

Ensure all couples ask all guests to prebook taxis before the event  
Challenge 25 scheme in place and practiced by all staff

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b) The prevention of crime and disorder

CCTV in operation throughout the premises  
All incidents of criminal nature being reported

c) Public safety

Up to date fire risk assessments to detail maximum number capacity & safety for guests

d) The prevention of public nuisance

Ensure all couples ask all guests to prebook taxis before the event

e) The protection of children from harm

Challenge 25 scheme in place and practiced by all staff

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**NOTES ON REGULATED ENTERTAINMENT**

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In terms of specific **regulated entertainments** please note that:

Plays: no licence is required for performances between 08:00 and 23.00 on any day, provided that the audience does not exceed 500.

Films: no licence is required for 'not-for-profit' film exhibition held in community premises between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day provided that the audience does not exceed 500 and the organiser (a) gets consent to the screening from a person who is responsible for the premises; and (b) ensures that each such screening abides by age classification ratings.

Indoor sporting events: no licence is required for performances between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, provided that the audience does not exceed 1000.

Boxing or Wrestling Entertainment: no licence is required for a contest, exhibition or display of Greco-Roman wrestling, or freestyle wrestling between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, provided that the audience does not exceed 1000. Combined fighting sports –defined as a contest, exhibition or display which combines boxing or wrestling with one or more martial arts –are licensable as a boxing or wrestling entertainment rather than an indoor sporting event.

Live music: no licence permission is required for:

- o a performance of unamplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, on any premises.
- o a performance of amplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day on premises authorised to sell alcohol for consumption on those premises, provided that the audience does not exceed 500.
- o a performance of amplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, in a workplace that is not licensed to sell alcohol on those premises, provided that the audience does not exceed 500.
- o a performance of amplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, in a church hall, village hall, community hall, or other similar community premises, that is not licensed by a premises licence to sell alcohol, provided that (a) the audience does not exceed 500, and (b) the organiser gets consent for the performance from a person who is responsible for the premises.
- o a performance of amplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, at the non-residential premises of (i) a local authority, or (ii) a school, or (iii) a hospital, provided that (a) the audience does not exceed 500, and (b) the organiser gets consent for the performance on the relevant premises from: (i) the local authority concerned, or (ii) the school or (iii) the health care provider for the hospital.

Recorded Music: no licence permission is required for:

- o any playing of recorded music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day on premises authorised to sell alcohol for consumption on those premises, provided that the audience does not exceed 500.
- o any playing of recorded music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, in a church hall, village hall, community hall, or other similar community premises, that is not licensed by a premises licence to sell alcohol, provided that (a) the audience does not exceed 500, and (b) the organiser gets consent for the performance from a person who is responsible for the premises.
- o any playing of recorded music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, at the non-residential premises of (i) a local authority, or (ii) a school, or (iii) a hospital, provided that (a) the audience does not exceed 500, and (b) the organiser gets consent for the performance on the relevant premises from: (i) the local authority concerned, or (ii) the school proprietor or (iii) the health care provider for the hospital.

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Dance: no licence is required for performances between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, provided that the audience does not exceed 500. However, a performance which amounts to adult entertainment remains licensable.

Cross activity exemptions: no licence is required between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, with no limit on audience size for:

- o any entertainment taking place on the premises of the local authority where the entertainment is provided by or on behalf of the local authority;
- o any entertainment taking place on the hospital premises of the health care provider where the entertainment is provided by or on behalf of the health care provider;
- o any entertainment taking place on the premises of the school where the entertainment is provided by or on behalf of the school proprietor; and
- o any entertainment (excluding films and a boxing or wrestling entertainment) taking place at a travelling circus, provided that (a) it takes place within a moveable structure that accommodates the audience, and (b) that the travelling circus has not been located on the same site for more than 28 consecutive days.

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### PAYMENT DETAILS

This fee must be paid to the authority. If you complete the application online, you must pay it by debit or credit card.

Variation Fees are determined by the non-domestic rateable value of the premises.

To find out a premises non domestic rateable value go to the Valuation Office Agency site at [http://www.voa.gov.uk/business\\_rates/index.htm](http://www.voa.gov.uk/business_rates/index.htm)

Band A - No RV to £4300 £100.00

Band B - £4301 to £33000 £190.00

Band C - £33001 to £87000 £315.00

Band D - £87001 to £125000 £450.00\*

Band E - £125001 and over £635.00\*

\*If the premises rateable value is in Bands D or E and the premises is primarily used for the consumption of alcohol on the premises then your are required to pay a higher fee

Band D - £87001 to £125000 £900.00

Band E - £125001 and over £1,905.00

If you own a large premise you are subject to additional fees based upon the number in attendance at any one time

Capacity 5000-9999 £1,000.00

Capacity 10000 -14999 £2,000.00

Capacity 15000-19999 £4,000.00

Capacity 20000-29999 £8,000.00

Capacity 30000-39999 £16,000.00

Capacity 40000-49999 £24,000.00

Capacity 50000-59999 £32,000.00

Capacity 60000-69999 £40,000.00

Capacity 70000-79999 £48,000.00

Capacity 80000-89999 £56,000.00

Capacity 90000 and over £64,000.00

\* Fee amount (£)

315.00

### DECLARATION

I/WE UNDERSTAND THAT 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.

Ticking this box indicates you have read and understood the above declaration

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This section should be completed by the applicant, unless you answered "Yes" to the question "Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?"

* Full name	<input type="text" value="Thomas Astor"/>
* Capacity	<input type="text" value="Director"/>
* Date	<input type="text" value="08"/> / <input type="text" value="02"/> / <input type="text" value="2023"/> dd mm yyyy

Once you're finished you need to do the following:

1. Save this form to your computer by clicking file/save as...
2. Go back to <https://www.gov.uk/apply-for-a-licence/premises-licence/west-oxfordshire/change-1> to upload this file and continue with your application.

Don't forget to make sure you have all your supporting documentation to hand.

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