

LICENSING PANEL (LICENSING ACT 2003 FUNCTIONS)

ADDENDUM 1

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From: [Brighton Licensing](#)
To: [Mohd \[REDACTED\]](#)
Cc: [EHL Licensing](#)
Subject: RE: Square Pizza Stop – Amended Hours and Strengthened Conditions (Application 2026/00177/LAPREN)
Date: 24 February 2026 15:11:00

Dear Mohammed,

Thank you for coming back to me so quickly with your in principle agreement. As I mentioned, I have put together a list of conditions for all aspects of your application so that the committee have a range of conditions to choose from depending on the decision that they make on the day.

I agree that a static SIA door person and MSU provision may not be appropriate if the premises is closed to the public from 23:00 but these conditions are a reference document for the committee to cover all the possibilities they may wish to discuss.

I hope that is helpful.

Kind regards,

Claire

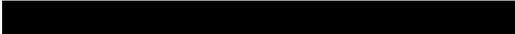
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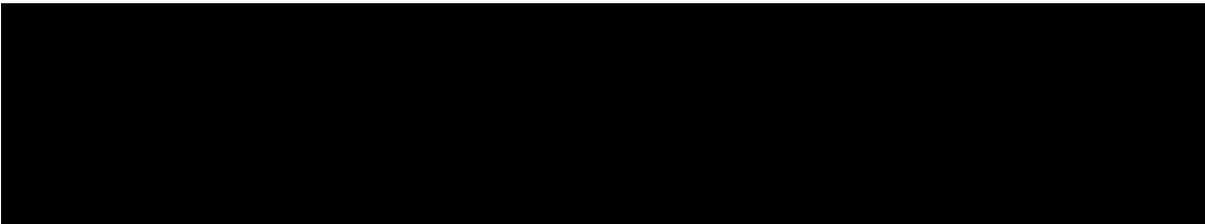


From: Mohd 

Sent: 24 February 2026 13:34

To: Brighton Licensing <Brighton.Licensing@sussex.police.uk>

Subject: Re: Square Pizza Stop – Amended Hours and Strengthened Conditions
(Application 2026/00177/LAPREN)



Dear Claire,

Thank you for forwarding the proposed conditions.

I confirm that I am willing to agree in principle to the delivery-only arrangement from 23:00 – 01:00 and to the majority of the proposed conditions relating to CCTV, incident logging, delivery records, staff training and general management controls. I am keen to operate responsibly and to ensure the promotion of the licensing objectives.

However, given that the premises will be closed and locked to the public from 23:00 and operating solely as a delivery kitchen, I would be grateful for clarification regarding the proportionality of a permanent SIA door supervisor from 21:00 and the requirement for a Mobile Support Unit contract. As there will be no public access after 23:00, I would respectfully submit that these measures may not be necessary in practice.

I remain open to discussion and am happy to consider reasonable and proportionate conditions that reflect the nature of the operation.

Kind regards,

Mohammed 

Southcoast Biryani Ltd

Square Pizza Stop

On Tue, 24 Feb 2026, 12:34 Brighton Licensing,
<Brighton.Licensing@sussex.police.uk> wrote:

Dear Mohammed,

Please find attached a list of proposed conditions that I will be sending to the Local Authority today for their consideration at the hearing for Square Pizza Stop. The timings in red depend on what the committee may or may not grant and some conditions may not apply if the premises is only open for deliveries after 23:00. These are just viewed as reference for the Panel and for yourselves; and are a starting point of the standard/wording expected.

As mentioned, Sussex Police will not be withdrawing their representation and will present a case as such to the Panel.

Kind regards,

Claire

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From: Mohd [Redacted]
Sent: 24 February 2026 01:19
To: Brighton Licensing <Brighton.Licensing@sussex.police.uk>

Subject: Re: Square Pizza Stop – Amended Hours and Strengthened Conditions
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Dear Claire,

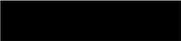
Thank you for your email.

I understand that the matter will proceed to a Licensing Panel and that Sussex Police will be submitting proposed conditions for consideration.

I look forward to reviewing the proposed conditions once received and will respond promptly to confirm whether they can be agreed.

Thank you for your continued correspondence.

Kind regards,

Mohammed 
Southcoast Biryani Ltd
Square Pizza Stop

On Mon, 23 Feb 2026, 15:21 Brighton Licensing,
<Brighton.Licensing@sussex.police.uk> wrote:

Good Afternoon Mohammed,

Thank you for your email. I have copied in the Local Authority for their awareness of the changes that you have proposed.

As mentioned before, this was a potential amendment that Sussex Police may consider, however, we still believe this application needs to be heard at a Licensing Panel to ensure all parties are able to be questioned around how your business will operate in practice.

I will be submitting some proposed licence conditions to the Panel for their consideration as part of the hearing. I will forward this document across to you at the same time for your awareness. If you feel they are something you can agree to then please do reply to all regarding this.

Sussex Police will be maintaining their representation against the grant of a new late night refreshment licence and will present our case at the hearing in due course.

Kind regards,

Claire

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From: Mohd [Redacted]
Sent: 20 February 2026 11:54
To: Brighton Licensing <Brighton.Licensing@sussex.police.uk>
Subject: Re: Square Pizza Stop – Amended Hours and Strengthened Conditions (Application 2026/00177/LAPREN)

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Dear Claire,

Thank you for your email and for outlining a potential way forward.

I can confirm that I am willing to amend the application as follows:

Late Night Refreshment: Thursday, Friday and Saturday 23:00 – 01:00

From 23:00 onwards:

- The premises will be closed and locked to members of the public
- No walk-in customers will be permitted
- No collections from the premises
- Delivery only via online platforms
- Deliveries to residential or business addresses only (no street or open space deliveries)
- Only staff members will remain inside the premises to prepare and process orders

All previously proposed conditions regarding CCTV, staffing, incident logs and management will remain in place.

I hope this addresses Sussex Police's concerns and I would welcome confirmation as to whether this amendment would enable the withdrawal of the Police representation.

Kind regards,

Mohammed [REDACTED]

Southcoast Biryani Ltd

Square Pizza Stop

On Wed, 18 Feb 2026, 10:12 Brighton Licensing,
<Brighton.Licensing@sussex.police.uk> wrote:

Dear Mohammed,

Thank you for your further amendments. I have copied in the Local Authority

(Brighton & Hove City Council) Licensing team so they can confirm that your amendments will be noted with the Licensing Panel.

From a Police perspective, the revised amendments still do not mitigate Police concerns. From a crime & disorder perspective, having people remain in the city centre waiting for food and congregating in a busy hotspot area until 01:00 increases risk. Additionally, there are already a number of other LNR outlets open until late and by another potentially opening this could add to the cumulative effect and the issues that the area already suffers with.

The only potential amendment that Sussex Police may consider is if you moved to delivery only to residential or business addresses from 23:00 – 01:00 with your premises closed and locked to members of the public from this point. This would mean agreeing to strict conditions around this and food could not be delivered around the corner to a street/open space but only to home or business addresses. The public would not be allowed to attend 8 Pool Valley to place or collect orders from 23:00, everything would need to be done through online delivery platforms with only staff members remaining on the premises to cook and process orders.

Please let me know if this is something you could consider. Either way, the application will likely need to be heard by a Panel so please ensure you are applying for and agreeing to what your business requires.

Kind regards,

Claire

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From: Mohd [REDACTED]
Sent: 17 February 2026 16:24
To: Brighton Licensing <Brighton.Licensing@sussex.police.uk>
Subject: Re: Square Pizza Stop – Amended Hours and Strengthened Conditions
(Application 2026/00177/LAPREN)

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Dear Claire,

Further to our recent correspondence, I would like to formally amend my application as follows:

Late Night Refreshment: Thursday, Friday and Saturday only
23:00 – 01:00

All previously proposed conditions remain in place, including:

- No online delivery platforms
- Walk-in takeaway only
- Minimum of two staff members after midnight
- CCTV to Sussex Police standard with 31 days retention
- Active queue management and no loitering policy
- Clear signage requesting customers to leave quietly
- Regular litter patrols
- Incident log maintained and available for inspection

I hope this further reduction in both days and hours demonstrates my willingness to minimise any potential impact within the City Safety Area.

Please confirm that this amendment will be noted for the Licensing Panel.

Kind regards,

Mohammed [REDACTED]
Southcoast Biryani Ltd
Square Pizza Stop

On Tue, 17 Feb 2026, 16:00 Brighton Licensing,
<Brighton.Licensing@sussex.police.uk> wrote:

Good Afternoon Mohammed,

Thank you for your email and for sending your proposed amendments to your application across.

Unfortunately, what you have proposed does not change the Police Licensing position as walk ins/in person takeaway is viewed as higher risk than solely delivery. This is because it is still encouraging persons who may be under the influence of drugs or alcohol to remain and congregate in an area in the centre of the city. With your venue in particular you have minimal inside space for customers to wait meaning they will have to wait outside for any orders which increases the risk that they may come into contact with other persons in the night time economy.

Delivery only via online delivery partners means that food is being taken to people's home to be consumed away from the centre of town with persons not staying in the night-time economy and potentially becoming a victim of crime. Therefore the removal of that, while we acknowledge is a compromise, is unfortunately not a factor that we believe can reduce risk in this case.

The Brighton & Hove City Council Statement of Licensing Policy Matrix is very clear that new Fast Food Venues are a 'No' when considering licensing applications in the city centre and exceptional circumstances would need to be shown and met. East Street and its surround are regularly a Hotspot patrol area for Sussex Police showing the increased risk in this area of the city.

Therefore, Sussex Police will be maintaining their representation and will present the Police case at the Panel Hearing in due course.

Kind regards,

Claire

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From: Mohd [Redacted]
Sent: 12 February 2026 12:39
To: Brighton Licensing <Brighton.Licensing@sussex.police.uk>
Subject: Square Pizza Stop – Amended Hours and Strengthened Conditions
(Application 2026/00177/LAPREN)

[Redacted]

Dear Licensing Officer,

Re: Square Pizza Stop, [8 Pool Valley, Brighton](#) – Application
2026/00177/LAPREN

I write further to the representation submitted by Sussex Police in respect of our application for a new Premises Licence.

Having carefully considered the concerns raised, we would like to formally amend our application as follows:

- Late Night Refreshment: Friday and Saturday only
- Hours: 23:00 – 02:00
- No online delivery platforms (no Uber Eats, Deliveroo or similar)
- Walk-in customers only

In addition, we are prepared to strengthen our operating schedule and include the following conditions:

- Minimum of two staff members on duty after midnight
- CCTV system installed to Sussex Police standard with 31 days retention and footage made available upon request
- Clear signage requesting customers to leave quietly
- Active no-loitering policy enforced by staff
- Staff to monitor and manage any queue outside the premises
- No seating provided – takeaway only
- Litter checks conducted every 30 minutes during operating hours
- Incident log maintained and available for inspection

Our intention is to operate a small, well-managed takeaway business that does not add to existing issues in the area.

By reducing days, reducing hours, and removing online deliveries, we believe we are significantly limiting potential impact.

We are keen to work constructively with Sussex Police and would welcome

the opportunity to discuss any further measures that may assist in resolving concerns.

Kind regards,

Mohammed [REDACTED]

For and on behalf of Southcoast Biryani Ltd

Square Pizza Stop

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