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- Yes       No

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**Applicant Details**

\* First name

Martin

\* Family name

Fligg

\* E-mail

martin@matchlnggreenc.com

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

Matching Green Cricket Club

If your business is registered, use its registered name.

\* VAT number

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

\* Legal status

Charity or Association

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\* Your position in the business

Home country

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

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**APPLICATION DETAILS**

Name of club

The above named club applies for a club premises certificate under section 71 of the Licensing Act 2003 for the premises described in this section 2 (the club premises).

The club is making this application to you as the relevant licensing authority in accordance with section 68 of the Licensing Act 2003.

**Postal Address Of Club**

Address  OS map reference  Description

Village Green  
Matching Green

**Contact Details Of Club**

Are the contact details the same as (or similar to) those given in section one?

If "Yes" is selected you can re-use the details from section one, or amend them as required. Select "No" to enter a completely new set of details.

Yes  No

E-mail

Telephone number

Other telephone number

**Name Of Person Performing Duties Of A Secretary To The Club**

First name

Family name

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### Address Of Person Performing Duties Of A Secretary To The Club

Building number or name	<input type="text"/>
Street	<input type="text"/>
District	<input type="text"/>
City or town	<input type="text"/>
County or administrative area	<input type="text"/>
Postcode	<input type="text"/>
Country	<input type="text" value="United Kingdom"/>

### Secretary Contact Details

E-mail	<input type="text" value="martin@matchinggreenc.com"/>
Telephone number	<input type="text"/>
Other telephone number	<input type="text"/>
Non-domestic rateable value of club premises (£)	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>

Are the club premises occupied and habitually used by the club?

Yes  No

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#### CLUB OPERATING SCHEDULE

When do you want the club premises certificate to start?  /  /   
dd mm yyyy

If you wish the certificate to be valid only for a limited period, when do you want it to end?  /  /   
dd mm yyyy

If 5,000 or more people are expected to attend the premises at any one time, state the number expected to attend

### General Description Of Club

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.

Community cricket club pavilion in the middle of Matching Green.  
Sale of alcohol to members and guests

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**PROVISION OF PLAYS**

See guidance on regulated entertainment

Will you be providing plays?

Yes  No

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**PROVISION OF FILMS**

See guidance on regulated entertainment

Will you be providing films?

Yes  No

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**PROVISION OF INDOOR SPORTING EVENTS**

See guidance on regulated entertainment

Will you be providing indoor sporting events?

Yes  No

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**PROVISION OF BOXING OR WRESTLING ENTERTAINMENTS**

See guidance on regulated entertainment

Will you be providing boxing or wrestling entertainments?

Yes  No

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**PROVISION OF LIVE MUSIC**

See guidance on regulated entertainment

Will you be providing live music?

Yes  No

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**PROVISION OF RECORDED MUSIC**

See guidance on regulated entertainment

Will you be providing recorded music?

Yes  No

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**PROVISION OF PERFORMANCES OF DANCE**

See guidance on regulated entertainment

Will you be providing performances of dance?

Yes  No

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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 you be providing anything similar to live music, recorded music or performances of dance?

- Yes  No

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**SUPPLY OF ALCOHOL**

Will you be supplying alcohol by or on behalf of a club to, or to the order of a member of the club?

- Yes  No

**Standard Days And Timings**

MONDAY

Start

End

Start

End

Give 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.

TUESDAY

Start

End

Start

End

WEDNESDAY

Start

End

Start

End

THURSDAY

Start

End

Start

End

FRIDAY

Start

End

Start

End

SATURDAY

Start

End

Start

End

SUNDAY

Start

End

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End

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Will the supply of alcohol be for consumption?

On the premises       Off the premises       Both

If the club wishes members and their guests to be able to consume alcohol on the premises tick on, if the club wishes people to be able to purchase alcohol to consume away from the premises tick off. If the club wishes people to be able to do both tick both.

State any seasonal variations

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

As a cricket club we only use the pavilion from April to September.  
The majority of the sale of alcohol will be Friday evenings (Junior Coaching evening) and Weekends when games take place.  
We do have a small number of midweek evening matches

Non-standard timings. Where the club intends to use the premises for the supply of alcohol at different times from those listed in the column on the left, provide list

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

None

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#### HOURS CLUB PREMISES ARE OPEN TO THE MEMBERS AND GUESTS

Will you be selling by retail alcohol by or on behalf of a club to a guest of a member of the club for consumption on the premises where the sale takes place?

Yes       No

Standard Days And Timings

MONDAY

Start

End

Start

End

Give 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.

TUESDAY

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FRIDAY

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SATURDAY

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SUNDAY

Start  End

Start  End

State any seasonal variations

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

As for members stated previously

Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises to be open to the members and guests at different times from those listed in the column on the left, provide list.

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

None

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ADULT ENTERTAINMENT

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

Give 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.

None

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## LICENSING OBJECTIVES

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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.

Alcohol will be stored in under-cover fridges in the kitchen area out of general sight.  
We will not keep large amounts in stock, rather buying on a week to week basis through the summer months. No stock held when the pavilion is not in use during the winter.  
Sale of alcohol will be restricted to members of our club and their guests.

b) The prevention of crime and disorder

Limited stock held during the summer months.  
No stock held during winter months.  
Sale of alcohol will be restricted to members of our club and their guests.  
Club committee members will be responsible for the serving of alcohol.  
The pavilion is alarmed and Matching has a very strong Neighbourhood Watch community.

c) Public safety

Our risk assessments will be updated to cover the sale of alcohol and the consumption by members and their guests.  
We have a strong Management committee including a 'House Secretary' tasked with maintaining the premises.

d) The prevention of public nuisance

Members and guests will be reminded to leave premises quietly.

e) The protection of children from harm

Children will not be allowed to take alcohol from the fridge.  
The club has many DBS checked members (captains, coaches etc) and a lead Club Safeguarding Officer on the committee.  
Apart from the lead CSO we have two further qualified CSOs in the club.

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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.

Club Licence 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 £8700	£315.00
Band D - £87001 to £12500	£450.00
Band E - £125001 and over	£635.00

\* Fee amount (£)

### DECLARATION

I/we understand it is an offence, liable on conviction to a fine up to level 5 on the standard scale, under section 158 of the licensing act 2003, to make a false statement in or in connection with this application.

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

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

\* Capacity

\* Date  /  /   
dd mm yyyy

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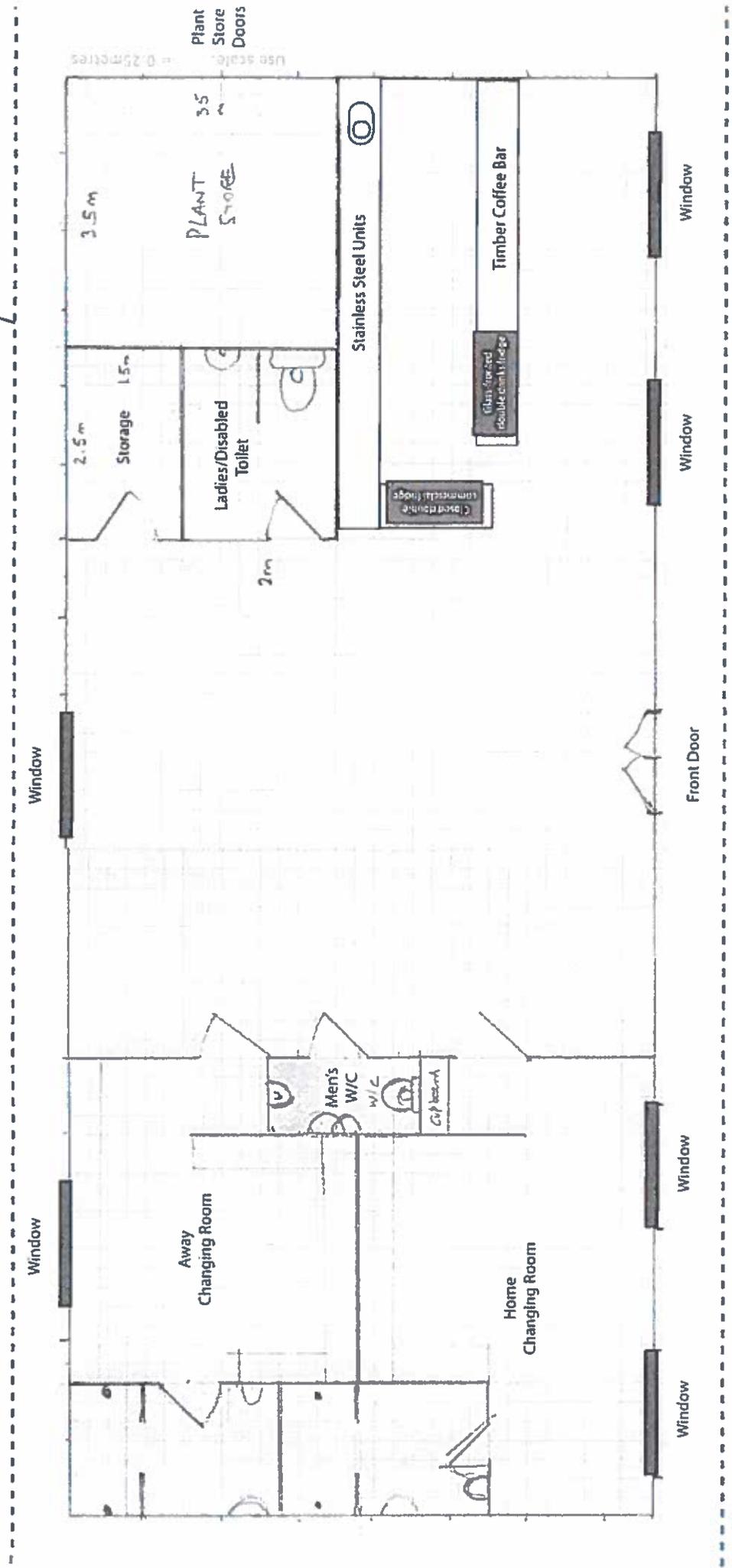
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Matching Green CC  
Club Premises Certificate Application  
May 2021

Red boundary shows proposed licenced area



Cricket Pitch

Notice of Application for a New Premises Licence Under  
The Licensing Act 2003

Notice is given this day 7<sup>th</sup> May 2021 that Martin Figg of  
Yaxinge Cottage, White Roding has applied to the  
Licensing Office of Epping Forest District Council for a  
Premises Licence in respect of Matching Green Cricket  
Pitch, Matching Green.  
The proposed licence is for the sale of alcohol whilst  
a cricket activity is taking place during the summer months.

Monday - Friday 17:00 to 22:00  
Saturday 12:00 to 23:00  
Sunday 12:00 to 22:00

The number of licensed premises is maintained at the  
Licensing Office of Epping Forest District Council, Civic  
Office, High Street, Epping, Essex, CM16 4BZ.  
Applications for premises licences may be inspected at  
the office during office hours. Anyone wishing to oppose  
the application must give written notice to the Licensing  
Office within 28 days of this notice.

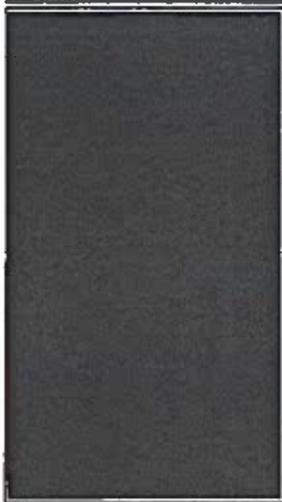
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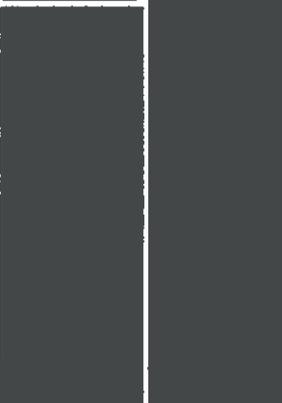
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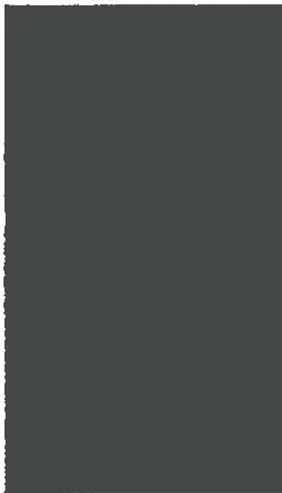


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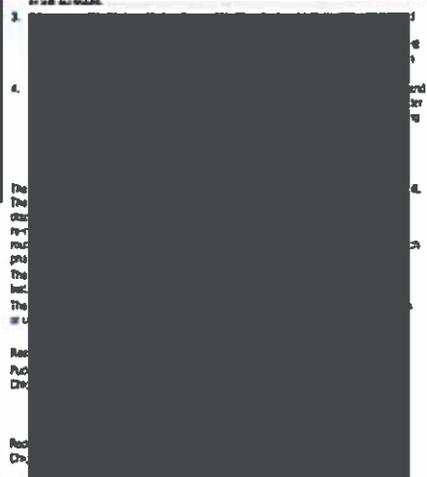
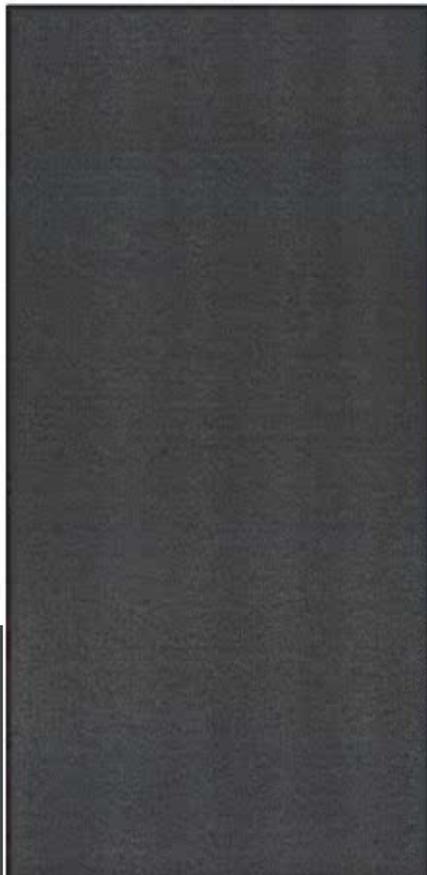
## ▶ Legal Notices

Notice of Application for a New Club Provision License under the Licensing Act 2003  
Notice is given that on 7th May 2021 that Martin Figg of Woodstra Cottage, White Roding has applied to the Licensing office of Essex Forest District Council for a Club Provision License in respect of Matchless Green Cricket Pavilion, Matchless Green. The proposed license is for the sale of alcohol whilst cricket activity is taking place during the summer months Monday - Friday 17.00 to 22.00, Saturday 12.00 to 22.00, Sunday 12.00 to 22.00. The capacity of licensed premises is maintained at the Licensing Office of Essex Forest District Council, Civic Offices, High Street, Epping, Essex, CM18 4QE. Applications for premises licenses may be inspected at the office during office hours. Anyone wishing to oppose the application must give written notice to the Licensing Office within 28 days of this notice. It is an offence knowingly or recklessly to make a false statement in connection with an application which could lead to a fine or summary conviction (maximum £5000)



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# Matching Green Cricket Club Constitution and Rules

as of 6th March 2015

## 1. Name

The name of the Club is Matching Green Cricket Club.

## 2. Club Purposes

The purposes of the Club are to foster and promote participation in the amateur sport of cricket within the community, providing facilities for playing cricket, opportunities for recreation, coaching and competition.

## 3. Affiliation

- 3.1 The Club is affiliated to the England and Wales Cricket Board through the Essex County Cricket Board.
- 3.2 The Club and its members shall ensure that members, playing and non-playing, abide by the ECB Code of Conduct which incorporates the Spirit of Cricket and by the Laws of Cricket.
- 3.3 The Club shall adopt and implement the ECB Safe Hands – Cricket's Policy for Safeguarding Children and any future versions of the policy.
- 3.4 The Club shall adopt and implement both the ECB's One Game Strategy and the club Inclusion and Diversity Policy and any future versions of these documents

## 4. Permitted means of advancing the Purposes

The Committee has the power to:

- 4.1 acquire and provide grounds, equipment, coaching, training and playing facilities, clubhouse, transport, medical and related facilities;
- 4.2 provide coaching, training, medical treatment, and related social and other facilities;



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W. J. Hurnell, Esq.

Chairman S.R. Harnell Esq.

Hon. Secretary M. Figg Esq.

Hon. Treasurer M. Ormondroyd, Esq.

- 4.3 take out any insurance for club committee, employees, contractors, players, guests and third parties;
- 4.4 raise funds by appeals, subscriptions, loans and charges;
- 4.5 borrow money and give security for the same, and open bank accounts;
- 4.6 buy, lease or licence property and sell, let or otherwise dispose of the same;
- 4.7 make grants and loans and give guarantees and provide other benefits;
- 4.8 set aside or apply funds for special purposes or as reserves;
- 4.9 deposit or invest funds in any lawful manner;
- 4.10 employ and engage staff and others and provide services;
- 4.11 co-operate with any organisation, club, sporting body, government or government-related agencies; and
- 4.12 do all other things reasonably necessary to advance the purposes.

NONE of the above powers may be used other than to advance the purposes consistently with the Rules below and the general law.

## **5. Membership**

- 5.1 Membership of the Club shall be open to anyone interested in the sport on application regardless of sex, age, disability, ethnicity, nationality, sexual orientation, religion or other beliefs. However, limitation of membership according to available facilities is allowable on a non discriminatory basis.
- 5.2 The Club may have different classes of membership and subscription on a non discriminatory and fair basis. The Club will have an equitable pricing policy and will keep subscriptions at levels that will not pose a significant obstacle to people participating.
- 5.3 The level of subscriptions will be decided by the Committee from time to time and notified to the members.
- 5.4 The Club will have the following classes of membership:
  - 5.4.1 Full member- playing
  - 5.4.2 Full member – non-playing
  - 5.4.3 Junior member (under the age of 18).
- 5.5 Application for membership of the Club shall be by completion of a membership application form.
- 5.6 No person shall be eligible to take part in the business of the Club, vote at general meetings or be eligible for selection for any Club team unless the applicable subscription has been paid by the due date and/or membership has been agreed by the Club Committee.
- 5.7 The Club Committee may refuse membership, or remove it, at their discretion but only for good cause such as conduct or character likely to bring the Club or cricket into disrepute and:
  - 5.7.1 The Club Committee may only refuse to admit a new member if a resolution is passed at a meeting where the person in question has been notified in writing in advance and been given 14 days to submit written representations for the Club Committee to consider at the meeting. Appeal against a refusal of membership shall be to the Appeal Committee as detailed below.

5.7.2 The procedure for taking disciplinary action against a member, including removing membership, is dealt with in more detail below.

- 5.8 All members will be subject to these Rules and by joining the Club will be deemed to accept these Rules, any Club Regulations and any Codes of Conduct that the Club has adopted. A Code of Conduct for Members and Guests must be displayed prominently to ensure that all Club guests and non-member volunteers are aware of the code and the requirement to abide by it.
- 5.9 The Club Secretary will keep a register of members.
- 5.10 Membership is not transferable and shall cease on death.
- 5.11 A member may resign by written notice to the Club, but the return of any subscription paid is at the discretion of the Club Committee.

## **6. All General Meetings**

- 6.1 All members may attend all general meetings of the Club in person.
- 6.2 All members have one vote.
- 6.3 Members must be given at least 14 clear days notice of all general meetings.
- 6.4 The quorum for all general meetings is 12 members present or 10% of the total membership whichever is greater.
- 6.5 If a quorum is not present within 15 minutes of the start of the meeting, the meeting will be adjourned to the following week at the same time and place or such other time and place as the Committee decide and any voting members attending the adjourned meeting will constitute a quorum.
- 6.6 The Chair or (in his or her absence) another member chosen at the meeting by the members shall preside.
- 6.7 Except as otherwise provided in these Rules or in Club Regulations every resolution shall be decided by a simple majority of the votes cast on a show of hands.
- 6.8 Formalities in connection with general meetings (such as how to put down resolutions) shall be decided by the Committee in Club Regulations and publicised to Club members.

## **7. Annual General Meetings**

The Club will hold an AGM once in every calendar year and not more than 15 months after the last AGM. At every AGM:

- 7.1.1 the Members will elect a Committee including a Chair, Treasurer and Secretary to serve until the next AGM;
- 7.1.2 the Treasurer will produce accounts of the Club for the latest financial year audited as the Committee shall decide;
- 7.1.3 the Committee will present a report on the Club's activities since the previous AGM;
- 7.1.4 the Members will appoint a suitable person to audit the accounts; and
- 7.1.5 the Members will discuss and vote on any resolution (whether about policy or to change the Rules) and deal with any other business put to the meeting.

## **8. Extraordinary General Meetings (EGM)**

An EGM shall be called by the Secretary within 14 days of a request to that effect from the

Committee or on the written request of not less than 7 members signed by them. Such EGM shall be held on not less than 14 nor more than 21 days' notice at a place decided upon by the Committee or in default by the Chair. If the Committee fails to call a meeting within 14 days of receiving a valid request from the members then the requisitionists may themselves call a meeting, the costs of which will be reimbursed by the Club.

## **9. The Committee**

### **9.1 Role**

Subject to these Rules the Committee shall have responsibility for the management of the Club, its funds, property and affairs.

### **9.2 Property, etc.**

9.2.1 The property and funds of the Club cannot be used for the direct or indirect private benefit of members other than as reasonably allowed by the Rules and all surplus income or profits are to be re-invested in the Club. No surpluses or assets will be distributed to members or third parties.

9.2.2 The Club may provide sporting and related social facilities, sporting equipment, coaching, courses, insurance cover, medical treatment, away-match expenses, post match refreshments and other ordinary benefits of Community Amateur Sports Clubs as provided for in the Corporation Tax Act 2010.

9.2.3 The Club may also in connection with the sports purposes of the Club:

- (a) sell and supply food, drink and related sports clothing and equipment;
- (b) employ members (though not for playing) and remunerate them for providing goods and services, on fair terms set by the Committee without the person concerned being present;
- (c) pay for reasonable hospitality for visiting teams and guests; and
- (d) indemnify the Committee and members acting properly in the course of the running of the Club against any liability incurred in the proper running of the Club (but only to the extent of its assets).

9.2.4 The Committee shall ensure that they take practical steps to comply with legislation relating to both The Equality Act 2010 and the safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults.

### **9.3 Composition, etc.**

9.3.1 The Committee shall consist of at least five and not more than twelve members (including Officers).

9.3.2 The Committee members may co-opt club members (up to the maximum permitted number) to serve until the end of the next AGM.

9.3.3 Any Committee member may be re-elected or re-co-opted without limit.

9.3.4 A Committee member ceases to be such if he or she:

- (a) ceases to be a member of the Club; or
- (b) resigns by written notice to the Club; or
- (c) is removed by the Committee in accordance with clause [5.7] and [10].

### **9.4 Committee Meetings**

9.4.1 Whenever a Committee member has a personal interest in a matter to be

discussed he/she must declare it, withdraw from that part of the meeting (unless asked to stay), not be counted in the quorum for that agenda item and withdraw during the vote and have no vote on the matter concerned.

9.4.2 The Committee may decide its own way of operating. Unless it otherwise resolves the following rules apply:

- (a) at least 2 Committee members must be present for the meeting to be valid;
- (b) Committee meetings may be held either in person or by telephone, televisual or other electronic or virtual means agreed by the Committee in which all participants may communicate simultaneously with all other participants;
- (c) the Chair or whoever else those present choose shall chair meetings;
- (d) decisions shall be by simple majority of those voting;
- (e) a resolution in writing signed by every Committee member shall be valid without a meeting; and
- (f) the chair of the meeting shall not have a casting vote.

9.4.3 The Committee shall appoint a Club Welfare Officer to ensure compliance with safeguarding legislation and the ECB Safe Hands policy. The Club Welfare Office shall report to relevant Committee meetings and the reports, together with any action taken, must be minuted.

## 9.5 Bank Account

Any bank account in which any part of the Club's funds are deposited shall be operated by the Committee and shall be held in the name of the Club. Unless regulations state otherwise, all cheques and orders for payment of money from such accounts must be signed by at least two people authorised by the Committee, including at least one Committee member.

## 9.6 Delegation, etc.

The Committee may delegate any of their functions to sub-committees but must specify the scope of its activity and powers; the extent to which it can commit the funds of the Club; its membership; its duty to report back to the Committee. The Committee may wind up any sub-committee at any time or change its mandate and operating terms.

## 9.7 Disclosure

Annual club reports and statements of account must be made available for inspection by any member and all club records may be inspected by any Committee member.

## 10. Removal of Membership, Discipline and Appeals

10.1 Any complaints regarding the behaviour of members, guests or volunteers should be lodged in writing with the Secretary.

10.2 Any person that is the subject of a written complaint or appeal shall be notified of the procedures to be followed by the relevant committee in reasonable time to prepare for any hearing.

- 10.3 The Committee shall appoint a disciplinary sub-committee (Disciplinary Sub-Committee) who will meet to hear complaints within 21 days of a complaint being lodged. Any person requested to attend a Disciplinary Sub-Committee shall be entitled to be accompanied by a friend or other representative and to call witnesses. The Disciplinary Sub-Committee has the power to take appropriate disciplinary action on behalf of the Committee, including the termination of membership or exclusion from Club premises.
- 10.4 The outcome of the disciplinary hearing shall be put in writing to the person who lodged the complaint and the person against whom the complaint was made within 14 days following the hearing.
- 10.5 There shall be a right of appeal within 14 days of receipt of the disciplinary decision or decision to refuse membership:
- 10.5.1 against the Disciplinary Sub-Committee's findings or the sanction imposed or both; and
- 10.5.2 against the Committee's refusal to admit a new member
- in either case, the Committee shall appoint an appeals committee ("Appeals Committee"). The Appeals Committee shall have a maximum of three members which shall not include members involved with the initial disciplinary hearing but may include non-members of the Club. The Appeals Committee shall consider the appeal within 21 days of the Secretary receiving the appeal. The individual who submitted the appeal shall be entitled to be accompanied by a friend or other representative and to call witnesses. The decision of the Appeals Committee shall be final and binding on all parties.

## **11. Property Trustees**

- 11.1 Any property or assets of the Club may be vested in between two and four trustees. The trustees shall hold the same for and on behalf of the members of the Club.
- 11.2 The Committee shall have power by notice in writing to appoint such trustees from the membership of the Club, and may remove them at any time, by resolution of the Committee.
- 11.3 The trustees shall deal with the Club's property and assets as directed by the Committee from time to time.
- 11.4 The trustees shall be entitled to be indemnified against any cost or expense properly incurred in dealing with the property or the assets out of the Club's funds.

## **12. Club Regulations**

The Committee may make Club Regulations consistent with these Rules and will publicise these to the members.

## **13. Notices**

- 13.1 Notices to be sent out in accordance with these Rules may be sent by hand, by post or by suitable electronic means and will be treated as being received:
- 13.1.1 24 hours after being sent by electronic means or delivered by hand to the relevant address;
- 13.1.2 Two clear days after being sent by first class post; or
- 13.1.3 Three clear days after being sent by second class post.



# Rules

TO RUN IN CONJUNCTION WITH NEW CONSTITUTION BROUGHT INTO FORCE BY RESOLUTION AT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD IN MATCHING VILLAGE HALL ON 6th MARCH 2015.

1. The club shall be called Matching Green Cricket Club (The Club).
2. The laws of the Marylebone Cricket Club be adopted on all questions of play.
3. Subscription and Fees:  
Annual Subscriptions (as of March 2014), due by 1st June each year:

Full Playing Member	£50 plus £50 voluntary donation
Full Playing Member	£225 (including all match fees)
Junior Member (under 18)	£50 (includes coaching sessions)
Full Non-Playing Member	min £10 donation

Match fees – including tea (as of March 2014):

Seniors	£10
Juniors (u18)	£5
Students/unemployed	£5
4. Committee:  
The Committee shall consist of the Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Fixture Secretary, House Chairman, Groundsman, Club Welfare Officer, House Chairman, Cricket Captains, Juniors Co-ordinator and 2 elected members (to a maximum of 12 members). Where possible, two of the Committee shall be non-playing members. If any persons on the Committee shall hold two offices, further persons can be elected to the Committee to bring the total number to twelve.
5. Officers and Honorary Members:
  - a) The Honorary Officers of the Club shall be a Chairman, a Treasurer, a Secretary and a Fixtures Secretary and they must all be members of the Club.
  - b) On recommendation of the Committee, at the Annual General Meeting, if it thinks fit, may, by simple majority, elect a President, Vice-Presidents and Life Members. A President, Vice-President or Life Member need not be members of the Club and on election shall, ex officio, be honorary members of the Club and shall be entitled to vote at any Annual or Special General Meeting on any matter except the election of Club Captain or Vice Captains.
6. Annual General Meeting  
The Annual General Meeting of the Club shall be held each year not later than the end of February in each year to transact the following business.
7. Club Colours  
The club colour is maroon. A maroon cap, bearing a club badge may be worn along with sweaters with a single thick maroon bar.
8. Alteration to the Rules  
The rules may be altered by resolution at an Annual or Special General Meeting provided that the resolution is carried by a majority of at least two-thirds of members present at the General Meeting.

## Debbie Houghton

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**From:** Lexi Saxon [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 21 May 2021 14:21  
**To:** Licensing  
**Cc:** parishclerk@matchingcouncil.org.uk; [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Application of license: Matching Green Cricket Club  
**Attachments:** 70e41eb0-e76e-41b7-a92b-4b24fba882db.jpg

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To whom it may concern,

We are writing with concerns regarding the public consultation process for this application.

1. Matching Green village does not receive a local newspaper thus rendering this medium of communication obsolete.
2. The site notice displayed on the cricket club pavilion is inaccurate. The notice on the pavilion states the license will only be used in the summer months and associated with cricket activities. These conditions are not stated in the license application.
3. The site notice was displayed inside the pavilion porch and not clearly visible to passers by.
4. The notice displayed at the pavilion states "It is an offence knowingly or recklessly to make a false statement in connection with an application which could lead to a fine on summary conviction (maximum £5000)". In a small close knit community combined with names and addresses required for representations regarding the license, this is not encouraging local members of the public to be involved in the licensing process as stated in the EFDC letter to residents.
5. The EFDC letter sent to residents is dated 11 days ago, numerous local residents have concerns they would like the opportunity to raise having been informed by word of mouth in the last 24 hours. This leaves a remaining number that are unaware or misinformed.
6. Please be aware that Matching Green Cricket Club pavilion is located on the centre of a village green used regularly by residents of all ages, the impact of this license will be across the entire village and it is appropriate that all residents are given the opportunity to be involved in the licensing process.

We are formally requesting the consultation be extended and letters be sent to all residences in Matching Green to reflect the time lost, misinformation displayed and the lack of notification to the community in Matching Green.

We look forward to hearing from you

Mr and Mrs Saxon  
[REDACTED]

High Laver Road  
Matching Green  
Essex  
[REDACTED]

Mr R Jennings and Mr A Brown  
[REDACTED]

Matching Green  
Essex  
[REDACTED]

N:B image attached is the notice displayed on Matching Green Crocket Club pavilion.

[REDACTED]  
High Laver Road  
Matching Green  
Essex  
[REDACTED]

23<sup>rd</sup> May 2021

The Licensing Team  
Epping Forest District Council  
Civic Offices  
High Street  
Epping  
Essex  
CM16 4BZ

RE: Licence Application; Martin Figg, Matching Green Cricket Club, The Cricket Pavillion, The Green, Matching Green, Essex, CM17 0PZ.

To whom it may concern,

We are writing to make our representation against this licence in its current form, that being as understood from the EFDC letter to residents dated 10<sup>th</sup> May 2021. As is required, the representations below are structured by the grounds detailed in that same letter.

The prevention of crime and disorder:

1. Granting this license will make it more widely known that alcohol and potentially monies may be stored in an unattended premises. This could attract criminal attention.
2. Alcohol consumption in public spaces, particularly past daylight, increases the likelihood of disorderly behaviour and affray as per the incident on Hatfield Heath, June 20th 2020.

Public Safety:

1. The pavilion is in close proximity to 2 ponds that are not fenced. Alcohol consumption, particularly after dark, increases the risk of an accident involving the water.
2. Matching Green is not serviced regularly by public transport nor walking distance to other villages or towns. There are no pavements and no street lighting. The majority of members and their guest will be travelling by car to the venue. The parking solution in place for the cricket club involves cars being parked on the village green. An increased volume of cars after dark moving on, off and around the village green will create a hazard to pedestrians using the green and public highway to move around the village.
3. Since the cricket pavilion has no external lighting, usage of the green after daylight hours involving alcohol consumption is unsafe. It is inappropriate to install lighting as it could pose a hazard to drivers approaching the green and would impact local wildlife particularly breeding birds on the ponds.
4. The cricket pavilion is not serviced by the local council refuse collection. Currently members and volunteers take rubbish home with them and dispose of it via their local collections.

This duty is sometimes not performed resulting in rubbish left unattended overnight and consequently redistributed by the local wildlife. The most recent example being Monday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2021, MGCC rubbish bags that had been left on the pavilion terrace and strewn contents were cleared from the village green by a parish resident. It is unsafe for rubbish, especially glass waste from beverages to be managed in this way.

#### The prevention of public nuisance:

1. Due to the limited space inside the pavilion, most people frequenting the current 'honesty bar' utilise the village green. As this is an open space, the impact of this noise pollution on families in local houses can be high. It is unacceptable to encourage this level of noise pollution till late 7 days a week.
2. The condition of the village green is already significantly degraded near the entrance used by the cricket club for parking. Extended use of the facilities will increase this traffic, damaging it further.
3. The present usage pattern results in litter on the village green, this could increase with extended usage and alcohol consumption.
4. Groups of people drinking alcohol on the public village green may be intimidating for other users and could impact the usage of the space especially for families.
5. Members and guests attending for cricket activities that stay late drinking may be more likely to leave their cars on the village green overnight. In the last 18 months, an increase in cars being collected the following morning and associated noise disturbance, has been noted by residents. If a late license were to be granted 7 days a week, this disturbance could increase.
6. Member and guest activity on the green will greatly increase over and above that relevant to cricket playing with the introduction of cheap alcohol, impacting the condition of the village green alongside increased noise and disturbance for the surrounding community.
7. The village green is suited for daytime recreational activities as is demonstrated by lack of parking, absence of lighting and refuse collection. It is inappropriate as a late license venue.

#### The protection of children from harm:

1. Village residents' children walk and ride on and around the green on bikes and scooters. The village infrastructure and lack of pavements does not support an increased volume of traffic on and around the village green that will occur in the granting of a 7 day a week license.
2. Village residents' young children play on and around the village green directly outside the cricket pavilion. A late night alcohol license will increase the risk of glass breakages and other associated litter becoming a hazard. Without lighting and relying on volunteers and members to manage such incidents this could become a dangerous area.
3. The village green is the only local amenity for young children and families to play outdoors within walking distance of residences in the village. Turning the village green into a 7 day licensed venue will reduce accessibility to outside space for local children and adults alike. It should be noted that access to outside spaces is an important factor for mental and physical wellbeing.

As members of the local community and supporters of Matching Green Cricket Club we would like to propose some suggestions that, if became conditions of the licence, we would support the

application. We feel these conditions would mitigate the concerns and ensure continued balance of usage of the local village green amenity for the whole community, residents and cricket club alike.

1. Licence set for an initial period to end of Sept 2022.
2. Restricted to no more than 3 days in a 7 day period for 51 weeks a year. (Thus enabling full usage during the annual Cricket Week.)
3. Restricted to April – September
4. No waste to be left insecure outside when unattended
5. No alcohol to be served outside of daylight hours
6. No member or guest vehicles to be left on green overnight

Prior to submission of this representation, we reached out to MGCC to open a dialogue. Disappointingly our offers to meet and discuss concerns have been rebuffed. Furthermore, the email exchange has alarmed us, with MGCC establishing a divisive resident's v MGCC rhetoric whilst displaying contempt toward resident concerns and denying the possibility of any existing issues including the aforementioned rubbish disposal. This does not bode well for future communications were issues to arise following a license grant.

We feel this license, in the full scope applied for, along with deteriorated relations will manifest in a lack of consideration for the local resident's and other users of the village green.

Yours faithfully,  
Alexandra and Matthew Saxon

**From:** Lexi Saxon  
**To:** Debbie Houghton  
**Subject:** FW: Application for Matching Green Cricket Club Licence  
**Date:** 10 June 2021 10:37:07  
**Attachments:** MGCC\_email\_signature\_v4.png

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**From:** Matt Saxon [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 04 June 2021 13:53  
**To:** Alex Saxon [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** FW: Application

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**From:** Martin Figg [<mailto:martin@matchinggreencc.com>]  
**Sent:** 26 May 2021 14:43  
**To:** Matt Saxon [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** Matching Green CC Chairman [REDACTED]; Rob Leamon [REDACTED]; Martin Ormondroyd <[REDACTED]>  
[REDACTED]; Ernie Fenwick <[parishclerk@matchingcouncil.org.uk](mailto:parishclerk@matchingcouncil.org.uk)>  
**Subject:** Re: Application

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Matt

I've forwarded your comments to Simon and Rob. I think we all are clear on the objectives of the licence application and we feel some of your 'additional' conditions appear to us to be either unnecessary or draconian. It is really disappointing that, with all the work the club do in the community, there is still distrust from some in the work we do. The club is simply trying to do the right thing. We spend £1000s looking after the playing area and around The Green, with little or no help from the community (except of course the work Nigel Cobby and John Kenney do for us), so the distrust is quite hurtful.

I also want to be totally clear, the licence applied for is a Club Premises Licence which only permits the sale of alcohol to members and their guests. With the recent lack of events due to Covid, the additional income will be very welcome to the club.

To answer your points specifically.

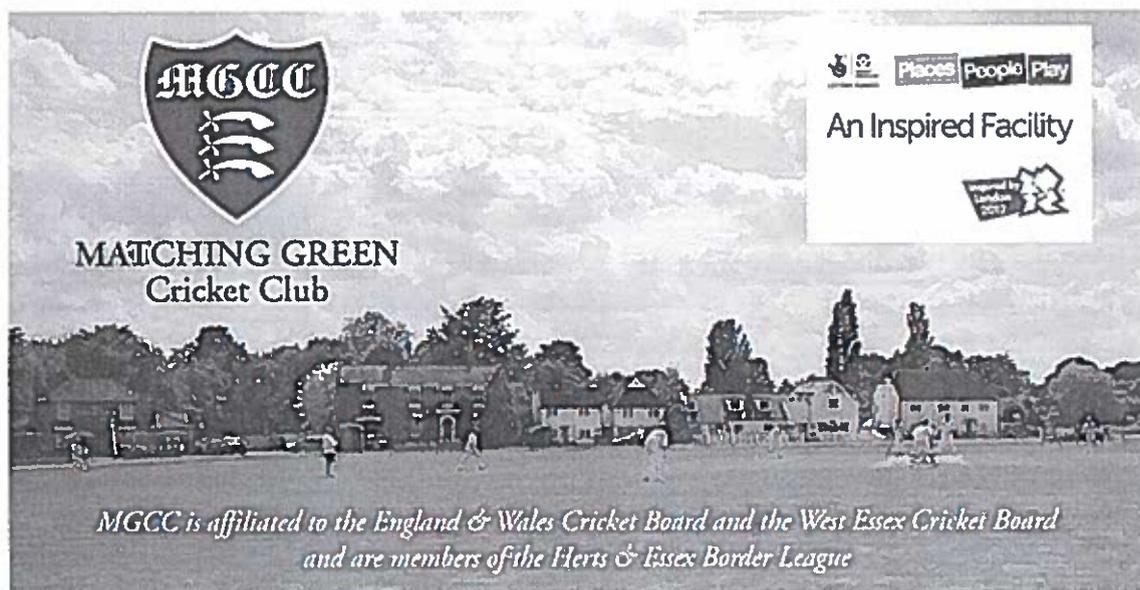
1. Fine, but we feel unnecessary. Just more expense for the club and more bureaucracy.
2. Three times a week is not enough. Three, sometimes four or five games a week plus training and coaching sessions. We have a lease from MPC which very clearly sets out how and when we can use the pavilion. Our licence application mirrors that.
3. This is both unfair and unworkable especially as daylight hours are reduced in April/August/September.

4. a) Overnight parking on The Green, as I've previously stated, is nothing to do with MGCC. Furthermore it has nothing to do with our licence application. b) we already have safe disposal of waste arranged.

I don't mean to be negative but our application was totally clear and I really don't know what you think the club intends to do over and above what our lease allows. Any extra activity has to be approved by MPC and it should be for them to decide whether activity in the pavilion, over and above cricket activity, is appropriate or not. If that activity were to include non-members then the sale of alcohol would not be permitted anyway.

Regards

Martin Figg  
Hon. Secretary



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On 23 May 2021, at 18:13, Matt Saxon [REDACTED] wrote:

Martin,

Understood on the no hidden agenda, you've been very upfront in our discussions and the application, which I've now had opportunity to review in full.

Let me assure you that we are supportive of the outline you gave me verbally. Please note that anyone that we have spoken to, we have explained your position as we now understand it.

It's disappointing that the communication that EFDC have circulated does not represent a reflection of your application, as I believe that it is likely that if it had that you would face less objections than may be the case.

Having looked at how license applications are typically granted, we feel that whilst

the applications you've submitted has lots of the details covered, that we would like to ensure that any license granted is not as open ended as the communication that EFDC's mails suggests.

To this end we plan to raise a representation to EFDC around concerns based on the loose definition that the EFDC communications captures.

I hope that you don't consider this to be a complaint as I see that it is in support of what your applications states and you have verbally confirmed.

However we do wish to see that this intent is captured in the license. Please don't consider this a personal affront to you as the licensee as the license would likely be granted to the organisation (as per section 1 of your application request). Furthermore this could potentially be used beyond what you yourself had intended if it were to be used in future by another to the fullest it allowed.

In the interests of discussing the conditions of the license, I thought I would share some of the considerations we have. If these were addressed it would enable us, and we believe a fair proportion of those that we have spoken to, to support the license.

1. The application is for a perpetual license. It is our view that having a fixed period for the first application would likely bring lots of people on board and we could then see if any of the other concerns came to light during this period. Whilst we have not yet spoken to others about this, we feel that a 18 month initial period would provide a good balance of limiting administration overhead whilst allowing the residents to see how this played out. This would give you the remainder of this season and a further full season until reapplication would be necessary.
2. I note that you've expressed the limited use you intent to make at the bottom of section 12. Therefore we feel that if a condition were applied that limited it to "up to 3 times a week for 51 weeks of the year". The use of 51 weeks here allows for Cricket week to remain unencumbered by this stipulation. Furthermore we'd like the April-September limitation to be captured as a specific condition.
3. With regard to public safety (section 15c), we note that there is no outside lighting on the pavilion, nor do we wish there to be any in the interests of the local wildlife. In alignment with the position of the "blue notice" that alcohol sales will be during cricket activity, we feel it should be acceptable to limit sales to "during daylight hours".
4. With regard to public nuisance (section 15d), we would like to suggest some additional provisions to be in place;
  - a. restrictions on overnight parking to be referenced as a condition
  - b. provision for safe disposal of waste. This may contain glass and other items with potential for being spread by vandals or wild-life if it is not taken off-site or stored securely.

I hope you will agree that the items we've mentioned above represent a formalisation of your application and the "blue notice". However, I'd certainly be happy to discuss further as we think it is best for all concerned that as many of the community as possible (encompassing cricket club and residents) share a united view which can be shared at the license meeting.

Thanks for taking the time to consider this and we hope we can be enjoying a drink with you in the pavilion in the near future,  
Matt & Alex

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**From:** MatchingGreenCC [<mailto:martin@matchinggreenc.com>]

**Sent:** 22 May 2021 16:37

**To:** Matt Saxon [REDACTED]

**Subject:** Re: Application

Yes. I can see the meaningful detail is not there and why that may have caused concern.

Rest assured, there is no hidden agenda!

M

Sent from my iPhone

On 22 May 2021, at 16:18, Matt Saxon [REDACTED] wrote:

Martin,

Many thanks for sharing this and I will of course honour your request to not distribute it any further.

I have attached scans of what has been sent to the local residents so you can see the discrepancy between the "blue note" and what has been directly communicated to them.

We'll take a look through the application in detail and get back to you with our thoughts.

Best wishes,  
Matt.

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**From:** Martin Figg [<mailto:martin@matchinggreenc.com>]

**Sent:** 22 May 2021 15:29

**To:** Matt Saxon [REDACTED]

**Subject:** Application

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Hi Matt

This is the application.

If it's not freely available on the website I'm only sending this to you to get a proper grasp on what we asked for. I'd prefer you not to publish this beyond us two.

Ta

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Martin Figg  
Hon. Secretary

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**Debbie Houghton**

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**From:** clare Law <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** 24 May 2021 20:35  
**To:** Licensing  
**Cc:** parishclerk@matchingcouncil.org.uk  
**Subject:** Matching Cricket club Licence application.

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**To whom it may concern.**

24th May 2021

Licence application for Matching Cricket club.

Our concerns fit into the heading of "The prevention of public nuisance"

We have concerns about the amount of noise these opening hours may generate. People standing outside the Pavilion drinking, talking, shouting, laughing plus banging car doors and revving engines will create late night noise for residents around the Green. This will be in addition to the noise that comes from "The Chequers" pub opposite.

We also envisage parking problems as many cars using "The Chequers" pub have to park on the road across The Green. Cricket club bar users would add to that parking problem. Alternatively they would park on the grass path leading to the Pavilion.

A recent change of use has been granted to the Cricket club Pavilion. This could mean any party or event could take place by giving guests temporary membership to the Club. We have concerns about the amount of noise generated by any future events held in the Pavilion and using the Bar.

Roger Hammond and Clare Law.

[REDACTED]  
High Laver road

Matching Green

Essex  
[REDACTED]

## Debbie Houghton

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**From:** David Coote [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 25 May 2021 13:55  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Licensing application for new Club Premises Certificate - Matching Green Cricket Club, The Cricket Pavilion, Matching Green

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Dear Sirs

My wife and I are the owners of [REDACTED] Matching Green, and have received your Notification of Consultation dated 10 May 2021 in respect of the application by Matching Green Cricket Club for a new Club Premises Certificate at the above address.

We wish to object to this application on the grounds of prevention of potential public nuisance, which we believe would, if successful, adversely affect the residents surrounding The Green, and the [wellbeing] of The Green itself.

The activities for which the application is made are *"The supply of alcohol by or on behalf of a club, or to the order of a member of the club (on-sales only)"*, and the proposed hours when the premises will be *"open to the public"* correspond closely to the evening opening hours of a public house.

The cricket ground and pavilion are in a rural location and in a central position on The Green (a registered village green), which is surrounded on all sides by residential properties, with the sole exception of The Chequers public house which by itself more than adequately supplies any need for on-sales of alcohol in the village of Matching Green.

Whilst we have no problem with the current arrangements for the sale of alcohol to, and presumably also to the order of, a member of the Club during and following cricket matches played at the ground, we are concerned that, if successful, the result of the current application will be completely disproportionate in its scope and effect. First, the Club will have the extended right to sell alcohol seven evenings each week throughout the year, and second it is proposed that the pavilion will be *"Open to the Public"* throughout this time. There is therefore little doubt that non-playing members of the public will apply for, and be granted, membership of the Cricket Club for the purpose of drinking at the pavilion. All of this will inevitably change the character of the premises from a cricket pavilion used for the benefit of its playing members and guests to a pub open to members of the public on a daily basis, and we have no doubt that this change will cause noise and disturbance to the severe detriment of residents of Matching Green.

Another potentially serious issue is the matter of car parking. As you may be aware, the driving on and parking of vehicles on a registered village green is unlawful under section 12 of the Inclosure Act 1857. Notwithstanding this, members of the Cricket Club and visiting teams have for many years driven onto The Green and parked their cars near to the pavilion, presumably with the acquiescence of Matching Parish Council, which is currently the owner of The Green. This already causes damage to The Green, as will be apparent from an inspection of The Green at the present time; but the damage is manageable because the level of traffic is minimal, and occurs mostly during the dry summer months. We are very concerned that if the license is granted the level of traffic will greatly increase and will extend throughout the year, inevitably causing considerable damage to The Green.

For the reasons stated above we wish to object to the application on the grounds of the prevention of potential public nuisance which we believe would, if successful, not only adversely affect the residents surrounding The Green, but also the wellbeing and protection of The Green itself.

Yours faithfully

David and Helen Coote

## Debbie Houghton

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**From:** claire holding [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 26 May 2021 20:15  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Application no: wk/202117326 Applicant name: Martin Figg (Hon Sec Matching Green Cricket Club)

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To whom it may concern,

I would like to voice my concerns and ultimately my objections to the above application.

Firstly, in my opinion there has not been a fair and open consultation about this application. The only residents notified live within a 150mtr radius of the pavilion. Matching parish council were also unaware of the application as I understand it. The nature of the geography of Matching Green is such that there are very few residences within the 150mtr boundary of the pavilion to which this application applies (less than 10), however almost all residents would be affected either directly or indirectly if this application gets approval, and therefore a more widespread consultation of residents is necessary to get a clear idea of support/objection.

In short :

More potential traffic to an area which has mainly single vehicle roads, and no pavements, thus creating a danger to any adults or children trying to walk around the Green and surrounding areas.

Potential damage by extra vehicles parking on or around the Green to visit the pavilion. The Green is an area of natural beauty and is important for local wildlife as well as being a tranquil place to walk. It would easily be churned up or otherwise spoiled by more motorised traffic/parking on the Green.

In my opinion having an alcohol license in the pavilion would lead to more antisocial behaviour, increased noise from vehicles/people, people coming to the cricket club solely to drink alcohol and having no consideration for the peace or wellbeing and safety of locals.

The cricket club already have an 'honesty bar' in operation and there is a local pub within 200mtrs of the pavilion, so an alcohol license is totally unnecessary. Also, it is relatively simple to obtain an alcohol license for specific events, such as cricket week, or the annual cricket club dinner.

Thankyou for your consideration of these concerns.

Claire Holding

Resident of Matching Green for over 45yrs

**Debbie Houghton**

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**From:** ROB JENNINGS [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 26 May 2021 11:52  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Epping Forest District Council Licence application Applicant: Martin Figg, Hon Secretary, Matching Green Cricket Club, The Cricket Pavilion, The Green, Matching Green, CM17 0PZ Date application received: 8 May 2021

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**Epping Forest District Council Licence application**

**Applicant: Martin Figg, Hon Secretary, Matching Green Cricket Club, The Cricket Pavilion, The Green, Matching Green, CM17 0PZ**

**Date application received: 8 May 2021**

**\*\*\*Note to Senior Licensing Officer - please do not disclose our details to the applicant as we are fearful of repercussions from associates who use the honesty bar such as damage to our cars and property which immediately adjoins the village green**

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Please confirm receipt of this email.

If you have any questions concerning the above please email us at

Regards

Andrew Brown & Robert Jennings

Matching Green, Essex,

31st May 2021

The Licensing Team  
Epping Forest District Council  
Civic Offices  
High Street  
Epping  
Essex  
CM16 4BZ

**RE: Licence Application; Martin Figg, Matching Green Cricket Club, The Cricket Pavilion, The Green, Matching Green, Essex, CM17 0PZ.**

To whom it may concern,

We are writing to make our representation against the above licence, that being the application of a new Club Premises Certificate to allow the supply of alcohol by or on behalf of a club (to or to the order of a member of the club) and to members of the public.

We detail the grounds upon which we would like to make representations against the application as follows (in the order as set out in the 'Guide to making representations under the Licensing Act 2003'):

The prevention of crime and disorder:

1. Granting this license will make it more widely known that alcohol and potentially monies may be stored in an unattended premises. This could attract criminal attention.
2. Alcohol consumption in public spaces, particularly past daylight, increases the likelihood of disorderly behaviour and affray as per the incident on Hatfield Heath, June 20th 2020.

Public Safety:

1. The pavilion is in close proximity to 2 ponds that are not fenced. Alcohol consumption, particularly after dark, increases the risk of an accident involving the water.
2. Matching Green is not serviced regularly by public transport nor walking distance to other villages or towns. There are no pavements and no street lighting. The majority of members and their guest will be travelling by car to the venue. The parking solution in place for the cricket club involves cars being parked on the village green. An increased volume of cars after dark moving on, off and around the village green will create a hazard to pedestrians using the green and public highway to move around the village.
3. Since the cricket pavilion has no external lighting, usage of the green after daylight hours involving alcohol consumption is unsafe. It is inappropriate to install lighting as it could pose a hazard to drivers approaching the green and would impact local wildlife particularly breeding birds on the ponds.
4. The cricket pavilion is not serviced by the local council refuse collection. Currently members and volunteers take rubbish home with them and dispose of it via their local collections. This duty is sometimes not performed resulting in rubbish left unattended overnight and sometimes being redistributed by the local wildlife. It is unsafe for rubbish, especially glass waste from beverages to be managed in this way.

The prevention of public nuisance:

1. Due to the limited space inside the pavilion, most people frequenting the current honesty bar utilise the village green. As this is an open space, the impact of this noise pollution on families in local houses can be high. It is unacceptable to encourage this level of noise pollution till late 7 days a week.
2. The condition of the village green is already significantly degraded near the entrance used by the cricket club for parking. Extended use of the facilities will increase this traffic, damaging it further.
3. The present usage pattern results in litter on the village green, this could increase with extended usage and alcohol consumption.
4. Groups of people drinking alcohol on the public village green may be intimidating for other users and could impact the usage of the space especially for families.
5. Members and guests attending for cricket activities that stay late drinking may be more likely to leave their cars on the village green overnight. In the last 18 months, an increase in cars being collected the following morning and associated noise disturbance, has been noted by residents. If a late license were to be granted 7 days a week, this disturbance could increase.
6. Member and guest activity on the green will greatly increase over and above that relevant to cricket playing with the introduction of cheap alcohol, impacting the condition of the village green alongside increased noise and disturbance for the surrounding community.
7. The village green is suited for daytime recreational activities as is demonstrated by lack of parking, absence of lighting and refuse collection. It is inappropriate as a late license venue.

The protection of children from harm:

1. Village residents' children walk and ride on and around the green on bikes and scooters. The village infrastructure and lack of pavements does not support an increased volume of traffic on and around the village green that will occur in the granting of a 7 day a week license.
2. Village residents' young children play on and around the village green directly outside the cricket pavilion. A late night alcohol license will increase the risk of glass breakages and other associated litter becoming a hazard. Without lighting and relying on volunteers and members to manage such incidents this could become a dangerous area.
3. The village green is the only local amenity for young children and families to play outdoors within walking distance of residences in the village. Turning the village green into a 7 day licensed venue will reduce accessibility to outside space for local children and adults alike. It should be noted that access to outside spaces is an important factor for mental and physical wellbeing.

As members of the local community and supporters of Matching Green Cricket Club we would like to propose some suggestions that, if became conditions of the licence, we would support the application. We feel these conditions would mitigate the concerns and ensure continued balance of usage of the local village green amenity for the whole community, residents and cricket club alike.

1. Licence set for an initial trial period to end of Sept 2022.
2. Restricted to no more than 3 days in a 7 day period for 51 weeks a year (thus enabling full usage during the annual Cricket Week).
3. Licence to be restricted to April – September.
4. No waste to be left outside when pavilion is unattended and fines to be set for littering of the green.
5. No alcohol to be served outside of daylight hours
6. No member or guest vehicles to be left on green overnight

Yours faithfully,

**Nina and Adam Barnett**



**Matching Green**

**Essex**



[REDACTED]  
Matching Green  
Essex  
[REDACTED]

1st June 2021

Dear Sirs,

**RE: Martin Figg - Licence Application for Matching Green Cricket Club**

We are aware (belatedly) of the above application.

We have had sight of the correspondence sent to you from the occupiers of [REDACTED], Matching Green and concur with the sentiments and the concerns raised therein. We trust there is no requirement to reiterate them in full and refer you to their letter.

We would mention that we are disappointed that this application has been made. When we were asked to support the considerable refurbishment and extension of the old cricket pavilion (which we did) we were assured on numerous occasions that a licence would never be sought for the premises.

Yours faithfully,

David and Janet Clarke

31<sup>st</sup> May 2021

Epping Forest District Council  
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Essex CM16 4BZ

[REDACTED]  
Matching Green  
Nr Harlow  
Essex [REDACTED]

Dear Sir/Madam

**Re: Application for Licence at Matching Green Cricket Club**

We are writing to you to register our objections to the above application.

The large village green is frequented by children playing, dog walkers and walkers, during the day and evening, who currently enjoy a peaceful and safe green space.

The village green is controlled by the Parish Council and cricket has been played on the green for well over 60 years, with the pitch and pavilion at its centre. The Chequers pub is situated just yards away from the pitch, to serve any players and spectators with alcoholic and non-alcoholic refreshments, as well as snacks and meals.

With this facility so close, we do not see the necessity to open another licensed premises just yards away.

If permission is granted for this licence, the local residents will no longer enjoy a tranquil village green each evening, and, afternoons at the weekend; bu, instead will have to contend with vehicles driving on and off the green and an array of parked cars.

This raises a massive issue – not only in respect of vehicular access and parking (the village green is not a car park), but also of safety for children, dogs and the general public using the green.

Another big issue is the associated noise and disturbance for local residents, particularly late at night, with vehicles and people leaving the ‘premises’ after 10 and 11pm seven nights a week.

In addition, there is also the potential for incidences of public nuisance, noise pollution, and, with alcohol stored in the pavilion, it could be an easy target for break-ins, as the premises would be unoccupied overnight

We really feel this is a step too far and would be absolutely unfair to the residents of the village, and is likely to compromise the enjoyment of this centuries old green space. .

Yours faithfully

Mr & Mrs D Johnston

**Debbie Houghton**

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**From:** Suzanne Eckton [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 03 June 2021 15:44  
**To:** Licensing  
**Cc:** parishclerk@matchingcouncil.org.uk  
**Subject:** Licence Application; Martin Figg, Matching Green Cricket Club.

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Dear Sir/Madam

I would like to send an email registering my concerns regarding the licence application for Matching Green Cricket Club.

One of my concerns is regarding the prevention of crime and disorder.

How secure is an unattended cricket pavilion in a rural location that houses alcohol, if it is going to be stored inside the building. Will this attract criminal activity due to its vulnerable location? Also consumption of the alcohol in a rural location will increase the cars left of an evening on the village green. This again may increase the crime level as we must take into account the vehicles left overnight and unattended.

I would hope that the level of alcohol consumption will not increase the disorderly behaviour that may occur. We are fully aware of the affray that took place on Hatfield Heath in June 2020 and would not want a repeat in our village.

Regarding the public health and safety aspect:

I would ask that the members of the cricket club guarantee that all refuse, food waste and bottles, be removed from the location and not left overnight.

My main concern is that of noise levels for the residents within a close proximity to the location. This will have a very negative impact on their quality of life and one that I'm sure they do not want the possibility of suffering frequently during the week.

As a resident of Matching Green I would like to make these representations and propose that conditions are placed on this licence to address the points of concern. It is a beautiful village and one which all residents are proud to live in. It would be a real shame for the village and residents to suffer an increase in crime and disorder.

I appreciate your attention in this matter.

Mrs Suzanne Eckton  
[REDACTED] Chalk Pitts Cottages

## Debbie Houghton

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**From:** Michael Edwards [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 03 June 2021 17:41  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Matching Green Licensing Application

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The Register of License Application received from Martin Figg, Hon.Secretary, Matching Green Cricket Club.

### 1 The Prevention of Crime and Disorder.

The responsibility of managing an establishment to sell alcohol to the general public is not in the capability of Matching Green Cricket Club. It is necessary to establish age of persons purchasing alcohol and designated areas where it can be consumed. The Cricket Pavilion does not have such capacity and a Village Green is not an appropriate area.

### 2. Public Safety.

During summer months there is always more parking around the green. Unfortunately, non-consideration by some motorists results in deep concern for public safety. On many occasions we find it very difficult to leave our property due to parking on a traffic island and the narrow lanes around the Green, as do our neighbours. We cannot see traffic approaching across the Green as our property, Albion House is directly opposite the Traffic Island.

### 3. The Prevention of Public Nuisance.

During summer of 2020 the debris that was left on and around the Green resulted in residents litter picking, bottles, cans, picnic paraphernalia plus soiled nappies etc., visitors urinating behind a bush around the Cricket Pavillion. Rubbish thrown into the pond endangering the fish, Swans and wildlife. The Cricket Pavilion does not have the necessary facilities required for public use. The Chequers public house, a stone's throw from the Pavilion, adheres to all licensing requirements and has traditionally served the needs of cricketers and their supporters and the general public.

### 4. The Protection of children from harm.

The protection of children is paramount in all licensed premises. We cannot see how M.G.C.C. can fulfil this requirement however good their intentions.

The granting of a license to sell alcohol is totally inappropriate and unnecessary and will cause disorder, lack of public safety, a nuisance and non-protection of children.

WE ONLY RECEIVED NOTICE OF THIS APPLICATION ON THURSDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> ,MAY WHEN A PHOTO-COPY WAS PUSHED THROUGH OUR LETTER BOX. NOT ALL RESIDENTS HAVE RECEIVED NOTIFICATION. THEREFORE, IT IS HARDLY A CONSULTATION. THE APPLICATION WAS MADE ON THE 8<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2021.

Please confirm safe receipt of this e-mail 03/06/2021

Yours sincerely  
Michael and Wendy Edwards.

## Debbie Houghton

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**From:** Amanda Cutlan-Smyth [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 03 June 2021 19:34  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Matching Green Cricket Club (the "Club") - application for Club Premises Licence

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We write further to receiving notice of the above application and object to that application.

We live at the [REDACTED] in Matching Green, about 100 metres from the cricket pavilion, the relevant premises relating to the application.

The pavilion is the base of the Club, who have played cricket on the green since the 19th century. The pitch is not owned by the Club, but is common land and we understand the Club use the pitch with the permission of Matching Parish Council.

Our son is a member of the Club and we are Vice Presidents. Unfortunately the Club did not contact us before it lodged the above application.

The village of Matching Green is a small village with a small population and has no amenities. It already has one licensed premises, The Chequers.

That premises has grown exponentially in the past few years causing congestion due to the mismatch between the size of the establishment and the parking facilities. The Club has no car park. Players and visitors park on the village green.

The pub is further from us than the pavilion, but music from the pub can be heard by us, particularly when the pub hosts "musical acts" that finish well after usual opening hours.

Matching Green does not need two licensed premises, particularly not within 100 metres of each other. It is not clear why the Club needs the licence that it has applied for and we have not been provided with any explanation by the Club.

We are aware that the Club already has an "honesty bar" so that the players can have alcoholic and other drinks during and after games on Saturdays and Sundays in the Summer, to which we have no objection. They also have use of the pub within less than a minute's walking distance.

We are aware that the Club applied to the Parish Council in December 2019 to change its planning permission and in January 2020 to let others use the pavilion.

We are obviously concerned that the reason for this application is not to enable players to enjoy alcoholic drinks during and after games, which they can, and already, do, but rather to allow third parties, who may or may not be connected with the Club, and will have no connection to the village, to use the pavilion as a premises licensed to sell alcohol.

In addition, the licence is for evenings during the week up until 10pm and all afternoon through to 11pm on weekends, throughout the year, not just during the cricket season.

This would mean that the village would be subject to the operation of two licensed premises throughout the year with insufficient parking and no idea who might be using the pavilion and taking advantage of the licence applied for.

When the Club last hosted an event a couple of years ago, putting a maquee on the pitch for an evening "ball", music was played on a Friday night to the early hours preventing our children from getting to sleep when they had school the next day, which was a disappointing way for the Club to treat its local community.

We therefore object to the Club's application as we are concerned that the granting of the licence would lead to unknown third parties taking advantage of the licence at the pavillon without any regard for the local community, which could lead to crime and disorder and public nuisance.

Whilst rejection of the licence would avoid these risks for the local community, it would not prevent players at the Club enjoying alcoholic drinks during and after games, which they already do.

Neil & Amanda Cutlan-Smyth

**Debbie Houghton**

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**From:** Kelv Taaffe [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 03 June 2021 21:09  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Epping Forest District Council Licence application Applicant: Martin Figg, Hon Secretary, Matching Green Cricket Club, The Cricket Pavilion, The Green, Matching Green, CM17 0PZ Date application received: 8 May 2021

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Please confirm receipt of this email.

Regards

Kelvin & Jodie Taaffe-



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**Debbie Houghton**

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**From:** Matt Cutlan [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 03 June 2021 23:02  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Matching Green Cricket Club - application for Club Premises Licence (the "Application")

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Dear Licensing Team

We are writing regarding the Application. In short, we object to the Application on the basis that a new licence would likely result in public nuisance, increased risk of crime and disorder and, generally, adversely impact the local community.

We set out the detail of our objection below but would note that, absent a consultation, we have assumed that the premises will be open to the general public during licenced hours (rather than cricket club members before/after cricket matches).

- We live in [REDACTED]. This property overlooks the cricket pitch and is circa 150m from the premises the subject of the Application (i.e. the pavillion).
- The village green has no parking facilities and customers will need to park in the narrow roads (causing congestion), on verges (causing damage) or on the village green itself (disrupting use of common land by the local community).
- The village green lacks general amenities (e.g. toilets, rubbish bins etc) and this may lead to nuisance and public disorder (e.g. littering and public urination).
- The village green is a large open space and there is no visual or sound shielding. Sound from customers/entertainment will inevitably carry and this is likely to be disruptive to family life (i.e. children's sleeping patterns).
- The village green is an area in which local children (including our children) play, fish and ride bikes etc. This would no longer be possible if the area around the pavillion became a public drinking area.

Yours faithfully

Matthew and Hannah Cutlan

**Debbie Houghton**

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**From:** Giovanna [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 03 June 2021 23:41  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Matching Green Cricket club licence application

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3rd June 2021

The Licensing Team  
Epping Forest District Council,  
Civic Offices,  
High Street,  
Epping,  
Essex, CM16 4BZ

Dear Sir/Madam

**RE; Application for premises licence at Matching Green Cricket Club, The Pavilion, The Green, Matching Green, Essex CM17 0PZ**

I am writing to register my objection for a premises licence by Mr M. Figg for Matching Green Cricket Club, The Pavilion, The Green, Matching Green, Essex CM17 0PZ.  
The grounds for this opposition is the prevention of public nuisance.

The basis for this opposition is that granting a licence for these premises will not promote the licensing objectives, particularly the prevention of crime, disorder and antisocial behaviour.

I am a resident, I live less than 500 meters from the location. Matching Green is a quiet residential village, which already has a very well run Pub right on The Green. The addition of another licensed premises would bring further noise, nuisance and extra traffic to the residence in this area.

In the view of the above, I would urge the Licensing Authority to refuse the application.

Yours Faithfully

M G Zeolla

[REDACTED]  
Matching Green  
Essex

[REDACTED]  
email [REDACTED]

3rd June 2021

The Licensing Team  
Epping Forest District Council,  
Civic Offices,  
High Street,  
Epping,  
Essex, CM16 4BZ

Dear Sir/Madam

I wish to object to the alcohol licence application by premise's **Matching Green Cricket Club, The Pavilion, The Green, Matching Green, Essex CM17 0PZ**

I have an interest in this application that is greater than the general public because I live less than 500 metres from the location and I own and run The Chequers Pub which is a licensed premises situated less than 500 metres from the proposed premises.

I object to the application on the following grounds:

Objection 1:

**The prevention of crime and disorder:**

I am concerned that the proposed license and its lengthy hours may lead to acts of criminality and disorder both within the Pavilion and in the public areas of the Green.

As a licensee myself, I recognise that the consumption of alcohol can lead to disorderly and unwanted activity. However, while my establishment employs staff which are trained to deal with and prevent such activity, I am concerned that the same will not be the case for the Pavilion. Moreover, the proposed membership structure is difficult to enforce and reflects a potentially weak level of accountability of members to unwanted or disorderly activity.

This objection is only strengthened by the fact that there already exists a safe, experienced, supervised environment for the consumption of alcohol on the Green which does not impinge on the public areas of the Green as the Pavilion might.

Objection 2:

**The prevention of public nuisance  
Reasons for objections:**

I am concerned that the proposed licensing of a centrally located premises on the village green of a rural village will cause unnecessary and unreasonable visual and sonic nuisance to the surrounding properties and public spaces. The Pavilion is in direct view of all houses around the green, and the open space means that sound travels very easily.

Moreover, The proposed licensing hours mean surrounding residents are likely to be inconvenienced for extended periods of time, into the night, both visually and sonically.

This will represent a marked and unwarranted change to the visual and sonic character of Matching Green. Whereas, the Chequers has been integrated into the Village's visual and sonic landscape for over 200 years as a licensed premises, the addition of a further licensed premises in the centre of the Village's *green public space* will change the landscape, unnecessarily, for the worse.

My contact details are:

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Yours sincerely

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4<sup>th</sup> June 2021

Dear Sir/Madam,

Licence application – Matching Green Cricket Club

We are writing to formally object to the proposed new Club Premises Certificate for the Matching Green Cricket Club on a number of grounds. We have detailed our general concerns below but a fundamental principle is that this licence is attached to the premises for the sale or serving of alcohol but the consuming of the alcohol is not in the premises but on the Green itself which is by its nature for the free and unfettered enjoyment for all residents. We believe this would represent a fundamental shift in usage which would be a prima facie nuisance by its very nature.

Our home is probably the closest to the club and their vehicular entrance is directly opposite us so are likely to be most affected by any proposed changes. We have lived here for 12 years and until recently in harmony with the club. We supported the application for the new pavilion as a pleasant addition to the village and the community.

Even though we continue to support the Cricket Club, this proposal will have an adverse and severe impact on our quality of life and amenity and therefore we are objecting under the grounds of the prevention of public nuisance, under the provisions of the Licensing Act 2003. We also have additional concerns for public safety.

In addition to our close proximity to the Cricket Club we are also situated 4 homes away from the Chequers public house. Again, we have lived in harmony with the pub which is very well run and works hard to manage its local environs and relationships with local residents.

Approximately 18 months to 2 years ago, we noticed a shift in activity at the Cricket Club which coincided with their introduction of an 'honesty bar'. We have been advised by Club members that this application is to regularise this arrangement. The introduction of alcohol 'sales' by the Cricket Club has already seen a significant rise in patronage with the resultant increased noise and disturbance in this part of the village, particularly during the weekends and some evenings.

The Club has stated that historically they have used The Chequers for after match entertaining and for parents whilst watching their children on Friday evenings but in recent years members have found the pub less accommodating both in terms of offering what their members want (mainly bar food and drinks) and that they find the cost prohibitive to go in there on a regular basis. The Club, therefore, started keeping small stocks of wine and beer and correctly now want to make this legal. The Chequers does, of course, continue to serve drinks and bar food and whilst I fully appreciate that this proves expensive it is unreasonable to then seek to add a second licenced premises to a tiny village with the environmental impact picked up by the village community living close to the Club.

Since the introduction of this additional alcohol sales point, albeit unregularized, this has provided an alternative unlicensed premise to the Chequers and its increased use, and long hours, has had a major increase in public nuisance for us and other residents. This has been particularly noticeable on Friday evenings when the youth training evenings take place and greater numbers of parents congregate outside the pavilion and stay late into the evening.

By the nature of the small village population many of the members travel by car and the vehicular movements across the narrowest section of the green where the entrance is sited causes a considerable safety concern. To add potential additional capacity to an unsafe junction is unreasonable.

Whilst we can genuinely appreciate the Club wishing to provide alcohol to members and guests after matches, this proposal is entirely excessive in its scope and range. On social media open invitations to the Club are focussed on 'come and have a drink with us' or 'the Friday night vibe' (see parish newsletter) rather than as an ancillary activity to the cricket operations and indeed some activity seems to indicate the cricket being ancillary to a cheap bar which is entirely inconsistent with reasonable village life.

We are very concerned that if the 'honesty bar' is regularised, the recent concerns detailed below will be increased further and to introduce a second alcohol sales licence within a tiny village is excessive and unnecessarily hard on local residence ability for quiet enjoyment. Whilst appreciating this is for the summer months this clearly coincides with the times the public wish to enjoy the Green for activities other than cricket.

Some specific issues and concerns are;

- The proposed arrangements must be viewed in the context of the accommodation available. Given the size and facilities available in the pavilion this licence is not for drinking alcohol within a building it is for drinking on the village green which is a public space to be enjoyed by everyone not just the cricket club. We understand that they have a lease with the Parish Council for use of the Green for cricket activities but his application would fundamentally change the nature of their use of the Green. Residents should have a right free access to the quiet enjoyment of the village green.
- Whilst we are unfamiliar with the laws and regulations for the granting of licences we do not believe it is lawful to grant an 'open' licence arrangement which would allow the permanent use of a public open space for licenced activities. This licence would effectively turn our village green into a pub garden.
- Attracting additional guest members to the club which would effectively turn the cricket club into a second public house in a tiny village by stealth. This is already being advertised in this manner and as there is an open invitation to become a 'social member' this is will effectively be a public house. The club openly advertises on social media to celebrate/party on the green with access to the pavilion, via members. If this licence is granted there will be no means by which this activity can be properly monitored or enforced. Last summer this included cars parked, with their windows open or rooftops down, playing music loudly late into the evening and people drinking, shouting, and beeping their horns until midnight as they depart the Green.
- As already stated, the Friday evenings have become more a regular social event rather than just the Youth training itself. Indeed, the most recent Cricket Club newsletter delivered to residents advertised the honesty bar and encouraged people to come to the Green whilst the current Parish Newsletter mentions the great vibe on the Green on Friday nights. This has in effect transferred the outside drinking activities and noise from a managed location, at the Chequers, which has minimal impact, to directly in the middle of the village Green. If this licence is approved there will be no ability to prevent this from becoming the case 7 days per week.
- The proposed operation of the licence, as per the notice delivered to our property, is for seven days per week, even when cricket matches and training activities are not being undertaken. Whilst this undoubtedly is for administrative convenience, this coupled with the recent granting of a change of use from D2 to D2 with additional D1 activities does mean that the Club could in effect be in full use, 7 days per week

- which would entirely change the nature of the Village as a whole. This is entirely excessive and an inappropriate and disproportionate change.
- We do not understand why the Cricket Club feel that this facility is required past 8pm in the evening which would serve their objectives of offering a post-match facility whilst retaining a reasonable balance of these with local residents. We do not understand the need for later hours in particular, as these times are well past when most matches have finished and the last of the players etc have departed. This lends weight to our concerns of a fundamental shift in focus.
  - Clearly there would be times, as currently where this could be extended e.g. Annual dinner etc but this could be easily achieved by 'one off' additions rather than this blanket approach
  - We are very concerned that if this licence is granted it would be impossible to enforce the arrangements or have any oversight of the 'knock on' effects like cars leaving the green later again and the noise and nuisance this would incur. This open and wide ranging licence would be difficult for a small Club to manage and there are no clear arrangements for how concerns would be addressed or problems resolved.
  - It is not clear if the proposed licence covers any functions or external hire to the public, such as birthdays, weddings etc or its hire to Club members or local groups for similar functions. We would strongly object to any such hire for private events if this is the case.

We believe this proposal, with blanket coverage in terms of hours, looks to provide the Pavilion as an alternative drinking establishment to the Chequers, with cheaper alcohol but little regard to the increased noise and public nuisance to residents. This is already the case currently and we fear the granting of this licence will regularise not only the sale of alcohol but the ongoing public nuisance associated with the drinking of alcohol in a public space which we would like to enjoy in peace.

We are disappointed that the Club did not seek to consult with any local residents (including club members) on this licence application but this adds to our concerns that if this application is granted we would have little voice in arrangements central (quite literally) to our existence around the village green. We do not believe this appropriate or proportionate and indeed do not believe this is lawful as it currently stands.

Yours faithfully,

Mr and Mrs McCourt

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Essex [REDACTED]

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24th May 2021.

Dear Sir,

Re: Application No WK/202117326.

I am writing on behalf of my husband and myself in regard to the above application for a Licensed Bar at the Cricket Pavilion on Matching Green. We strongly oppose this application on the grounds that there is already a licensed facility in the village where alcohol can be purchased. We would also point out that the land the Pavilion is sited on does not belong to the Cricket Club. The local Parish Council has spent a considerable amount of money kerbing the perimeter of the Green to prevent further erosion from vehicles parking. Having a Bar in the Cricket Pavilion open 7 days a week would increase the amount of traffic parking on the Green.

Yours faithfully  
Pauline & Trevor Jones.

[REDACTED], Down Hall Rd, Matching Green, Essex [REDACTED]

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24<sup>th</sup> May 2021

Dear Sirs

Licensing application WK/202117326 Matching Green Cricket Club

I am writing to object to the above licensing application.

The cricket club pavilion is in the middle of the village green. There is no parking for the pavilion. At present, on match days and on practice days, those attending park on the grass. This is already causing problems, even before the premises become licensed. Parking vehicles on the grass damages the grass and the wild flowers, and other than when it has been very dry, creates tyre ruts. There is no designated area for the vehicles to park, so they tend to spread out, especially when it's wet, which creates yet greater areas of damage.

If the club is licensed, this will only tend to increase the number of vehicles. Furthermore, the licensing hours extend to after dark, so drivers will be driving back across the green in the dark which again is likely to result in increased damage.

One local paper report of this application seemed to indicate that this licence application was only for days when "cricket events" were taking place "during the summer". The application visible on your website has neither of these restrictions. Without these restrictions it is tantamount to creating a pub in the middle of the village green, which is surely not acceptable without planning permission?

I have no objection to the principle of club members buying drinks, but I am very concerned about the nature of the village green, which is becoming very de-graded. There is no parking on the green and very little on-street parking either, because the roads are narrow. There are no bollards to prevent people parking on the grass. There is already significant damage being caused to the green by people parking on the grass near to the Chequers pub, by building contractors' vans parking on the green when working on houses, and by general visitors to the green. Once a year there is the Boxing Day Meet when hundreds of cars park, but the green seems to recover much better from a one-day invasion than from the continual parking of smaller numbers in the same places.

Yours faithfully

[REDACTED]  
Mrs K Vowles

**Debbie Houghton**

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**From:** parishclerk@matchingcouncil.org.uk  
**Sent:** 03 June 2021 14:48  
**To:** Debbie Houghton; 'dbastick@eppingforestdc.gov.uk'  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]

**Subject:** New Application for a Club Premises Certificate in relation to Matching Green Cricket Club, Matching Green, Essex, CM17 0PZ

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Dear Ms Houghton

Re; New Application for a Club Premises Certificate in relation to Matching Green Cricket Club, Matching Green, Essex, CM17 0PZ

Matching Parish Council wish to make the following comments regarding the above application  
The Parish Council recognises the good work that the Cricket Club do for the Parish and support their application for a licence to supply alcohol, however as owners of Matching Village Green, where the pavilion is situated, we feel that the licence should be restricted to no later than 9 pm on days during the Cricket season when matches or training are being carried out.

The reasons for this are that the village green is in a conservation area and is surrounded by residential properties for whom unregulated license would prove to be a significant intrusion on their enjoyment of the village green

Regards

Ernie Fenwick

Clerk to Matching Parish Council



**Ronan McManus 42080692**

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**From:** Martin Figg <martin@matchinggreenc.com>  
**Sent:** 18 May 2021 12:49  
**To:** Ronan McManus 42080692  
**Cc:** Stephanie Galley  
**Subject:** EXTERNAL - Re: Club Premises application.

Dear Ronan

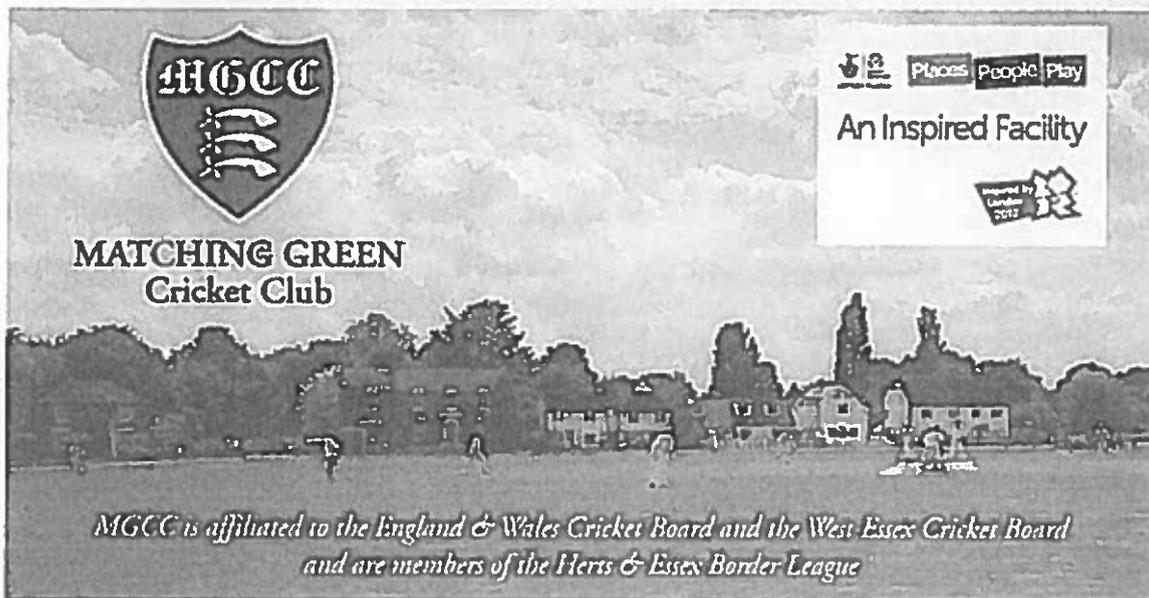
Thank you for the chat this morning.

I will bring all these conditions up at our next committee meeting but in the meantime am happy to accept them on behalf of the club.

I intend asking our CWO to lead on the required training and, if it is available online, I see no reason why the whole of the committee can't take part.

Kind regards

Martin Figg  
Hon. Secretary



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On 18 May 2021, at 12:40, Ronan McManus 42080692 <[Ronan.McManus@essex.police.uk](mailto:Ronan.McManus@essex.police.uk)> wrote:

Good afternoon Mr Figg

Thank you for your time to discuss this application . As discussed please consider adding the following conditions to the application:

- Safe guarding training for bar staff & details recorded.
- No under 18's serving alcohol
- Club to engage in the Challenge 25 scheme
- Challenge 25 scheme displayed
- Only acceptable forms of ID being Driving Licence , passport or Military ID
- Signage displayed requesting members & guests to leave the club house in an orderly manner.
- Club representatives to monitor members & guests so as not to cause annoyance of neighbours

Can I ask that if you agree with these conditions that you reply back to that affect .

Thank you

 **Ronan McManus (80692)**  
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