



# Licensing Act 2003

## 2003 CHAPTER 17

### PART 3

#### PREMISES LICENCES

*[<sup>F1</sup>Summary reviews in serious cases of crime or disorder*

#### **[<sup>F1</sup>53C Review of premises licence following review notice**

- (1) This section applies to a review of a premises licence which a relevant licensing authority has to conduct on an application under section 53A.
- (2) The relevant licensing authority must—
  - (a) hold a hearing to consider the application for the review and any relevant representations; [<sup>F2</sup>and]
  - (b) take such steps mentioned in subsection (3) (if any) as it considers [<sup>F3</sup>appropriate] for the promotion of the licensing objectives; <sup>F4</sup>...
  - <sup>F5</sup>(c) .....
- (3) Those steps are—
  - (a) the modification of the conditions of the premises licence,
  - (b) the exclusion of a licensable activity from the scope of the licence,
  - (c) the removal of the designated premises supervisor from the licence,
  - (d) the suspension of the licence for a period not exceeding three months, or
  - (e) the revocation of the licence.
- (4) For the purposes of subsection (3)(a) the conditions of a premises licence are modified if any of them is altered or omitted or any new condition is added.
- (5) Subsection (2)(b) is subject to sections [<sup>F6</sup>19 to 21](requirement to include certain conditions in premises licences).

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- (6) Where the authority takes a step within subsection (3)(a) or (b), it may provide that the modification or exclusion is to have effect only for a specified period (not exceeding three months).
- (7) In this section “relevant representations” means representations which—
- (a) are relevant to one or more of the licensing objectives, and
  - (b) meet the requirements of subsection (8).
- (8) The requirements are—
- (a) that the representations are made by the holder of the premises licence, a responsible authority or [<sup>F7</sup>any other person] within the period prescribed under subsection 53A(3)(e),
  - (b) that they have not been withdrawn, and
  - (c) if they are made by [<sup>F8</sup>a person who is not a responsible authority], that they are not, in the opinion of the relevant licensing authority, frivolous or vexatious.
- (9) Where the relevant licensing authority determines that any representations are frivolous or vexatious, it must notify the person who made them of the reasons for that determination.
- (10) Where a relevant licensing authority determines a review under this section it must notify the determination and its reasons for making it to—
- (a) the holder of the premises licence,
  - (b) any person who made relevant representations, and
  - (c) the chief officer of police for the police area in which the premises are situated (or for each police area in which they are partly situated).
- (11) A decision under this section does not have effect until—
- (a) the end of the period given for appealing against the decision, or
  - (b) if the decision is appealed against, the time the appeal is disposed of.
- [ Section 53D makes provision about the application and review of any interim steps that <sup>F9</sup>(12) have been taken under section 53B in relation to a premises licence before a decision under this section comes into effect in relation to the licence.]]

#### Textual Amendments

- F1** Ss. 53A-53C and cross-heading inserted (1.10.2007) by [Violent Crime Reduction Act 2006 \(c. 38\)](#), **ss. 21, 66(2)(3)**; S.I. 2007/2180, **art. 3(a)**
- F2** Word in s. 53C(2)(a) inserted (31.1.2017 for specified purposes, 6.4.2017 in so far as not already in force) by [Policing and Crime Act 2017 \(c. 3\)](#), **ss. 137(3)(a)**, 183(1)(5)(e) (with s. 137(8)); S.I. 2017/399, reg. 3(c)
- F3** Word in s. 53C(2)(b) substituted (25.4.2012) by [Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 \(c. 13\)](#), **ss. 109(13)**, 157(1) (with s. 109(15)); S.I. 2012/1129, **art. 2(d)**
- F4** Word in s. 53C(2)(b) omitted (31.1.2017 for specified purposes, 6.4.2017 in so far as not already in force) by virtue of [Policing and Crime Act 2017 \(c. 3\)](#), **ss. 137(3)(b)**, 183(1)(5)(e) (with s. 137(8)); S.I. 2017/399, reg. 3(c)
- F5** S. 53C(2)(c) omitted (31.1.2017 for specified purposes, 6.4.2017 in so far as not already in force) by virtue of [Policing and Crime Act 2017 \(c. 3\)](#), **ss. 137(3)(c)**, 183(1)(5)(e) (with s. 137(8)); S.I. 2017/399, reg. 3(c)
- F6** Words in s. 53C(5) substituted (29.1.2010) by [Policing and Crime Act 2009 \(c. 26\)](#), **ss. 112, 116**, **Sch. 7 Pt. 5 para. 36**; S.I. 2010/125, **art. 2(t)**

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- F7** Words in s. 53C(8)(a) substituted (25.4.2012) by Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 (c. 13), **ss. 106(5)(a)**, 157(1) (with s. 106(7)); S.I. 2012/1129, art. 2(d)
- F8** Words in s. 53C(8)(c) substituted (25.4.2012) by Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 (c. 13), **ss. 106(5)(b)**, 157(1) (with s. 106(7)); S.I. 2012/1129, art. 2(d)
- F9** S. 53C(12) inserted (31.1.2017 for specified purposes, 6.4.2017 in so far as not already in force) by Policing and Crime Act 2017 (c. 3), **ss. 137(4)**, 183(1)(5)(e) (with s. 137(8)); S.I. 2017/399, reg. 3(c)

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Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- Pt. 5A inserted by [2015 c. 20 s. 67\(2\)](#)Sch. 17
- s. 2(1A) inserted by [2015 c. 20 s. 67\(1\)](#)
- s. 10(4)(e) and word inserted by [2011 c. 13 s. 121\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 140(2)(e) inserted by [2015 c. 20 s. 67\(4\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 141(2)(e) inserted by [2015 c. 20 s. 67\(5\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 143(2)(e) inserted by [2015 c. 20 s. 67\(6\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 144(2)(e) inserted by [2015 c. 20 s. 67\(7\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 147A(4)(c) inserted by [2015 c. 20 s. 67\(8\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 153(4)(d) inserted by [2015 c. 20 s. 67\(9\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 197(3)(cza) inserted by [2015 c. 20 s. 67\(12\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 197A197B inserted by [2011 c. 13 s. 121\(2\)](#)