

# IMPORTANT ADVICE PLEASE READ

## PLANNING PERMISSION

It is not a legal requirement under the Licensing Act 2003 that applicants have Planning Permission. **HOWEVER**, Enfield's Licensing Enforcement Team recommends that if businesses do not already have the necessary planning permission they check with the Planning Team to see whether it is actually possible for them to get planning permission before they submit and pay for their licence application.

Insufficient planning permission cannot prevent a licence from being granted, however, if businesses trade without planning permission they will be guilty of an offence under planning law and may be prosecuted by the Planning Enforcement Team.

Likewise if a business has planning permission but trades without the necessary licence they will be guilty of an offence under licensing law and may be prosecuted by the Licensing Enforcement Team.

Therefore businesses must have the relevant planning permission **AND** licence in order to trade legally. If the times and activities on both are not the same businesses must stick to the lesser times / activities as failure to do so will be a breach of either planning or licensing legislation.

Further advice on planning permission can be received by contacting:

### **Planning and Building Control Service**

PO Box 53, Civic Centre  
Silver Street, Enfield, EN1 3XE

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A duty Officer is also available on the first floor of the Civic Centre between the hours of 10:00 – 16:00 Monday - Friday