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13/01/2026 Applicant Comments:

I have now seen the comment submitted by Wokingham Without Parish Council. Their concerns relate to the future success of the venture, the potential for activity to increase over time, and any resulting impact on local residents.

To address their points directly, the proposal is intended to remain a small-scale, home-based artisan business, ancillary to the residential use of the property. Production is occasional and carried out in short, infrequent runs rather than as a continuous operation. If the business were ever to grow beyond the low-impact model described in the application, our intention would be to relocate to appropriate commercial premises rather than increase activity at this residential address.

In relation to the specific concerns raised:

Hours of operation

There is no shop use or public access, and all purchases are online. Activity is low intensity and contained within the extension. Production is planned within normal daytime hours (0800-1800).

Number of deliveries and delivery hours

Deliveries will remain low frequency. The main deliveries (NGS and bottles) are expected around once every 2-4 months. Other items such as botanicals, caps and packaging are received by standard courier parcels. Outbound orders are collected by normal courier services and will take place during normal working hours only (0800-1800).

Noise

All activity is carried out indoors with no external plant or machinery. The still and all other equipment are electrical, and no noise or disturbance is expected beyond normal residential levels.