Environment & Neighbourhoods



Your Ref: Our Ref:

Date: 07th October 2021

Mr Gizwah

REPRESENTATION LETTER

Dear Sir/Madam,

LICENSING ACT 2003 – Application for a Premises LicenceChannel Lounge, 775 High Road, Tottenham, London, N17 8AH.

The application and plan submitted fail to give a full picture of the activities seeking to be offered on the premises.

The premises was visited on 25th September 2021 at 21:45 at the time there was a large display of alcohol and customers consuming alcohol in the front of the premises. The staff onsite were made to remove the alcohol and stop selling it as there was no authorisation in place to allow this.

Officers had cause to visit the premises again on the same night as they observed a door which was being accessed via a keypad entry code and access being provided to the public. Officers entered the café and asked for the door to be opened so that they could see what was taking place behind the door. Mr Gizwah reluctantly provided access and officers entered to find 12 people seated in an additional space smoking shisha. There was alcohol in front of each customer on the tables. The premises was entirely enclosed and there was no clear means of escape for customers from this space. The area was set in blue lighting with music being played. Mr Gizwah was warned to stop offering shisha on the premises as it was unsafe and he had not taken the necessary steps to ensure public safety had been considered.

The Licensing Authority cannot support the application for the following reasons:

- The plan submitted are not adequate and does not show the correct layout of the area being licensed.
- The area being used for shisha is not shown on the plan. There is no Planning permission in place for this type of use at the premises either.
- The hours being applied for are excessive and should be reduced.

The management of the premises have shown that they have not researched or considered their responsibilities under the law for the type of activities they wish to offer. Licensing Authority RA has no confidence in the application submitted by Mr Gizwah and feel that in order to ensure that the objective of the prevention of crime and disorder is upheld and promoted we are opposing the application for the ability to sell and supply alcohol from the premises or to provide any licensable activity at the premises.

The applicant is able to operate a café until 2300 each day without the need for a Premises Licence and no ability to sell alcohol.

We are concerned that the irresponsible and clear mismanagement already displayed by the business management will lead to the licensing objective of the prevention of crime and disorder being further undermined. We recommend that the ability to supply alcohol is refused and only the Late Night Refreshment (the provision of hot food and drink) aspect of the application be permitted.

Late Night Refreshment

Sunday to Thursday N/A

Friday to Saturday 2300 to 0000 hours

If the Licensing Sub Committee however feel that the ability to sell alcohol should be permitted, we would ask that the LSC consider that the venue is within the footprint of Tottenham Stadium and require the following conditions to be imposed on any consideration of a licence:

The hours for alcohol sales to be reduced as follows:

Regulated Entertainment: Recorded Music, Anything of a similar Description

Sunday to Thursday 1000 to 2300 hours

Friday to Saturday 1000 to 0000

Late Night Refreshment

Sunday to Thursday N/A

Friday to Saturday 2300 to 0000 hours

Supply of Alcohol

Sunday to Thursday 1000 to 2300 hours Friday to Saturday 1000 to 2330 hours

Supply of alcohol **ON** the premises.

Hours open to Public

Sunday to Thursday 1000 to 2330 hours Friday to Saturday 1000 to 0000 hours

THE PREVENTION OF CRIME AND DISORDER

A digital CCTV system to be installed in the premises.

- b) Cameras must be sited to observe the entrance doors from inside.
- c) Cameras on the entrances must capture full frame shots of the heads and shoulders of all

people entering the premises i.e. capable of identification.

- d) Provide a linked record of the date, time, and place of any image.
- e) Provide good quality images colour during opening times.
- f) Have a monitor to review images and recorded quality.
- g) Be regularly maintained to ensure continuous quality of image capture and retention.
- h) Staff will be trained in operating CCTV.
- i) Digital images must be kept for 31 days. The equipment must have a suitable export method, e.g.CD/DVD writer so that Police can make an evidential copy of the data they require. Copies must be available within a reasonable time to Police and Authorised Council Officer on request.

An incident log shall be kept at the premises, it will be in a hardback durable format handwritten at the time of the incident or as near to as is reasonable and made available on request to the Police, which will

record the following:

- (a) all crimes reported to the venue
- (b) all ejections of patrons
- (c) any complaints received
- (d) any incidents of disorder

- (e) seizures of drugs or offensive weapons
- (f) any faults in the CCTV system
- (g) any refusal of the sale of alcohol
- (h) any visit by a relevant authority or emergency service.

Match day conditions;

The Licensing Authority expects all applicants to support the council in promoting public safety and minimising alcohol related crime and disorder on large scale event and match days by including the following large event and match day arrangements below:

- Refrain from selling alcohol until 11 am on Monday to Saturday and midday on Sunday, unless otherwise agreed with the police.
- Deter patrons from drinking outside the premises unless this done in a designated area only using registered door supervisors. (this application has no such area defined)
- For 4 hours before advertised start of the match or event and until 1 hour after the match or event finishes to only sell alcohol in plastic containers.
- To not support the consumption of alcohol in glass containers on the public highway including from any dedicated authorised tables and chairs licence.

The premises licence holder shall ensure that all staff receive training on checking customer identification, and in not serving those under the influence of alcohol and drugs. Records of such training shall be maintained at the premises and made available to a Police officer or an authorised officer of the licensing authority upon request.

Licensing Enforcement Officer