

Hi Darren

Please see my representation in relation to the above premises licence application in my capacity of the Licensing Authority.

On 25th March 2014 Peterborough City Council in their capacity as the Licensing Authority received an application for a new premises licence for Centre Café, 187a Lincoln Road, Peterborough, PE1 2UN. The application was submitted by Mr Langford Smith on behalf of his client, Mr Usman Abu Bakar Iftikar.

Centre Café is located within the CAN-DO Operational area in Peterborough and within the Cumulative Impact Policy (CIP) area. This CIP was adopted by Peterborough City Council on 18th April 2013 and positively identifies that there is a high concentration of licensed premises within the Operation CAN-DO area and there is sufficient evidence to show that there is negative impact on the licensing objectives within the area.

Peterborough City Council's 'Statement of Licensing Policy', 'Special Policy on Cumulative Impact' (Para 11.6) states: "This special policy creates a rebuttable presumption that applications within the Op Can Do for new premises or club premises certificates or variations that are likely to add to the existing cumulative impact will normally be refused, if relevant representations are received about the cumulative impact on the licensing objectives, unless the applicant can demonstrate why the operation of the premises involved will not add to the cumulative impact already being experienced." Paragraph 11.7 further states "Applications will need to address the special policy issues in their operating schedules in order to rebut such a presumption."

The Licensing Authority, having regard to the application form and in particular part P (steps to promote the licensing objectives) do not feel that the applicant has addressed the special policy issues within their operating schedules. There are very few licence conditions offered and these do not sufficiently cover the concerns of preventing the premises from adding to the issues already identified within the Op Can Do area.

The Licensing Authority do not support the application and would ask the Licensing Act 2003 Sub Committee to take in to account the Special Policy on Cumulative Impact and reject the application.

If the Licensing Act 2003 Sub Committee decide that a rejection of this application is not necessary the Licensing Authority would ask that the following conditions are placed on the licence to appease the four licensing conditions :

Prevention of Crime & Disorder

1. A digital CCTV recordable system will be provided within the premises. This system must be capable of providing pictures that are of an evidential quality in all lighting conditions and in particular with regard to facial recognition. Cameras shall encompass all access doors to the premises. A camera will also be positioned on the outside of the premises and be capable of covering the premises frontage.
2. CCTV equipment should be maintained in good working order, regularly serviced and be correctly date and time stamped. All image recordings should be kept for a minimum of 28 days.
3. The premises licence holder should ensure that either the Designated Premises Supervisor (DPS) or another competent person appointed by the holder, is capable of reviewing and downloading CCTV in a recordable format when requested to by the Police (including a PCSO) or Local Authority Officer.
4. An operational daily log report must be maintained and endorsed by signature indicating that the system has been checked and is compliant with the provisions of the Data Protection Act as well as the conditions placed upon the premises licence.
5. Notices advising that CCTV has been installed on the premises shall be posted on every access door and also within the premises. These notices should be clearly visible to the public.
6. Staff training in relation to identifying and preventing sales of alcohol to any person who is or appears to be drunk should be undertaken on a 3 month basis. This training, together with on-

going training to prevent underage sales should be recorded in a written or electronic format and be available to an authorised Officer upon request.

7. The sales refusal log should be maintained and used by staff on a daily basis. This log should record all refused attempted purchases of alcohol by drunks or underage persons.
8. No alcoholic drinks will be purchased by the store owners or staff from sellers calling directly at the premises.
9. All invoices (original or copies) for all alcoholic goods for retail sale on the premises will be kept and made available to Police (inc PCSOs), Local Authority Officers and the HMRC upon request.
10. A strict stock control system will be introduced so that the licensee can quickly identify where and when alcoholic drinks have been purchased.
11. An correctly working ultra violet light will be available and maintained at the store at the premises for the purpose of checking the UK duty stamp on all spirits as soon as practical after the have been purchased. If there is any suspicion that the duty stamps do not fluoresce under the UV light then the licence holder will identify the supplier to Trading Standards and HMRC as soon as possible.

Promote Public Safety

1. The maximum number of persons (including staff) allowed at the premises should not exceed 20.
2. A fire risk assessment (FRA) required under the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005 will completed and be available to view if requested by an authorised Officer. The FRA should be reviewed annually by the premises licence holder or a competent person.
3. An adequate and appropriate supply of first aid equipment should be available for use at the premises.
4. Valid public liability insurance shall be kept in force and a copy of the schedule shall be available for inspection by an authorised officer.
5. No person will be allowed to enter or leave the premises with an open vessel of alcohol and the licence holder will actively discourage and prevent anyone congregating and drinking outside the premises.

Prevention of Public Nuisance

1. Any music played at the premises will be of an incidental nature only.
2. Prominent, clear and legible notices at all exits shall be displayed on the premises requesting patrons to respect the needs of local residents and to leave the premises and the area quietly.

Protection of Children from Harm

1. The 'Challenge 25' initiative to prevent sales of alcohol to persons under 18 years of age will be implemented at the premises
2. Signage will be prominently placed within the premises advertising the fact that the premises operates the 'Challenge 25' initiative.

Regards

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