

23 October 2020

Licensing Office

Flint Street

Fartown

HD1 6LG

Comments on Licensing Application

For the sale of alcohol on and off the premises and regulated entertainment between 08.00 and 23.00 Monday to Sunday Northern Sole Cafe Ltd, 39 Bridge Street, Slaithwaite, Huddersfield, HD7 5JN



Dear Licensing

Traffic and parking issues: A change of use to a cafe bar with a licence enabling the selling of alcohol from 08.00 until 23.00pm, would bring more traffic to Bridge Street at more times during the week and at weekends. Currently, Bridge Street is difficult to drive along

because of parked vehicles near Lock 22/proposed Northern Sole cafe and the Watershed. HGVs going to and from the local wood businesses further down Bridge Street are frequently unable to move because of poor/illegal parking. Pedestrian access along the street is also a daily problem with vehicles frequently parked on the pavement. The impending opening of the large Globe Mill development is likely to bring more traffic and parking issues to Bridge Street and Slaithwaite in general. Slaithwaite residents, shoppers, visitors and business owners frequently complain about current traffic and parking levels.

Noise and neighbourhood atmosphere: Change of use to a bar selling alcohol all day long will adversely affect the atmosphere in Bridge Street throughout the week. An additional bar in a small area that already has a pub - The Commercial, plus its new partner bar, Hideaway Craft House - a cafe bar, The Little Bridge and the Monsoon licensed restaurant, will alter the atmosphere on Bridge Street and will bring more noise, shouting, vehicle-related noise and behaviour that could be unpleasant, intimidating and unsafe for the Watershed users and for the Bridge Street residents. There will be an increase in evening and late night noise and anti-social behaviour which will adversely impact residents.

