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KIRKLEES COUNCIL

LICENSING PANEL

Tuesday 25th June 2024

Present: Councillor Amanda Pinnock (Chair)

Councillor Zarina Amin Councillor Jane Rylah

In attendance: Tahir Hanif, Legal advisor to the Panel Jordan Barrett,

Licensing Officer Fiona Goldsmith, Public Protection

Group Leader

1 Site Visit

Site visit undertaken.

2 Declaration of Interests

No interests were declared.

3 Admission of the Public

All agenda items were considered in public.

4 Deputations/Petitions

No deputations or petitions were received.

5 Licensing Act 2003 - Application for the Full Variation of Le Sorelle, 5 Pickford Street, Milnsbridge, Huddersfield, HD3 4LH

The Panel considered a report which outlined an application for the full variation of Le Sorrelle, 5 Pickford Street, Milnsbridge, Huddersfield, HD3 4LH.

The Licensing Officer advised the Panel that on the 30th April 2024, the Licensing Department received an application for the full variation of a premises Licence. The licensable activities applied for were as follows:-

- Sale of alcohol (on premises) Monday – Sunday 10:00am – 10:00pm.

In response to the application a total of 14 representations were received. One representation from Environmental Health and the remaining representations from local residents.

The Panel was informed that the applicant had originally applied for a premises licence in August 2023, and the licensing activities applied for were as follows:-

- Sale of Alcohol, Monday Sunday 10:00am 10:00pm
- Live music 6:30pm 10:30pm on Fridays

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At a hearing on the 11 October 2023, the Panel granted the licence, however only allowing the premises to sell alcohol between the hours of 10:00am – 6:00pm. The Panel also added a condition on the licence that licensable activities should only take place inside the premises, and no alcohol is allowed to be taken or consumed outside the premise. In addition, music should be inaudible to residents.

In April 2024, the applicant applied for a full variation to increase the hours of sale of alcohol to 10:00am – 10:00pm every day and requested that the condition attached at the previous hearing be removed.

The Panel heard from the applicant who explained that by increasing the hours of sale of alcohol and removing the condition, it would give the business more flexibility to cater for events rather than continually applying for Temporary Event Notices (TENs).

Residents who live in close proximity to the venue, raised concerns stating that should the variation be granted, there would be an increase in noise, litter anti-social behaviour and public nuisance and asked that the application be refused.

In considering the application, the Panel determined that given the short period of time between the original application and the application for a full variation being submitted, not enough time had lapsed and there is not enough data to understand the full impact, giving consideration to the licensing objectives in respect of the protection of children from harm and public nuisance.

RESOLVED:

That the application in respect of the full variation of Le Sorelle, 5 Pickford Street, Milnsbridge, Huddersfield HD3 4LH be refused.