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Licensing Sub Committee Hearing Panel

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Councillors - Grimshaw, Connolly and Andrews

Supplementary Agenda

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Sedgeford Road, Harpurhey, Manchester, M40 8QU
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Manchester City Council Report for Resolution

Report to:	Licensing Subcommittee Hearing Panel – 2 April 2024
Subject:	Queens Hotel, Sedgeford Road, Manchester, M40 8QU - ref: LTN299319
Report of:	Director of Planning, Building Control & Licensing

Summary

Submission of a temporary event notice where an objection notice has been given.

Recommendations

That the Panel consider the objection notice(s) and give a counter notice where it considers it appropriate.

Wards Affected: Harpurhey

Manchester Strategy Outcomes	Summary of the contribution to the strategy
A thriving and sustainable City: supporting a diverse and distinctive economy that creates jobs and opportunities	Licensed premises provide a key role as an employer, in regeneration, and in attracting people to the city. The efficient processing of applications as well as effective decision making in respect of them, plays an essential role in enabling businesses to thrive and maximise contribution to the economy of the region and sub-region.
A highly skilled city: world class and home grown talent sustaining the city's economic success	An effective Licensing regime will enable growth in our City by supporting businesses who promote the Licensing Objectives.
A progressive and equitable city: making a positive contribution by unlocking the potential of our communities	The Licensing process provides for local residents and other interested parties to make representations in relation to licensing applications. Representations have to be directly related to the licensing objectives.
A liveable and low carbon city: a destination of choice to live, visit and work.	An effective licensing system supports and enables growth and employment in our City with neighbourhoods that provide amenities suitable to the surrounding communities.

A connected city: world class infrastructure and connectivity to drive growth

Full details are in the body of the report, along with any implications for:

- Equal Opportunities Policy
- Risk Management
- Legal Considerations

Financial Consequences – Revenue

None

Financial Consequences – Capital

None

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Background documents (available for public inspection):

The following documents disclose important facts on which the report is based and have been relied upon in preparing the report. Copies of the background documents are available up to 4 years after the date of the meeting. If you would like a copy, please contact one of the contact officers above.

- Manchester City Council Statement of Licensing Policy 2016 2021
- Guidance issued under section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003, April 2017
- Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005
- Any further documentary submissions by any party to the hearing

1. Introduction

- 1.1 On 19 March 2024, a temporary event notice (TEN) was given under s100A of the Licensing Act 2003 in respect of Queens Hotel, Sedgeford Road, Manchester, M40 8QU in the Harpurhey ward of Manchester. A location map of the premises is attached at **Appendix 1**.
- 1.2 In accordance with Licensing Act 2003 regulations, Greater Manchester Police (GMP) and Licensing Out of Hours Compliance (LOOH) were notified of the TEN.
- 1.3 Where either GMP or LOOH is satisfied that allowing the premises to be used in accordance with the TEN would undermine a licensing objective, they must give an objection notice to the relevant licensing authority, the premises user, and to every other relevant person.
- 1.4 The objection notice must be given no later than three working days after the day on which the objector is given the TEN.
- 1.5 An objection notice has been received in respect of this TEN and so it must be determined by a Licensing Hearing Panel in accordance with the Council's Constitution.

2. The Notice

- 2.1 A copy of the TEN is attached at **Appendix 2**.
- 2.2 The premises user is Miss Janice Flint.
- 2.3 The description of the event is Funeral.
- 2.3.1 In accordance with the Live Music Act 2012 and Deregulation Act 2015, performances of Live Music and Recorded Music between the hours of 0800 and 2300 hours have been deregulated and so should not be regarded as licensable activities for the purposes of this TEN.
- 2.3.2 Any further details provided relating to any of the individual licensable activities are specified on the TEN at **Appendix 2**.
- 2.3.3 The premises had its licence revoked on 6th April 2023 at a committee hearing, on the grounds of prevention of crime and disorder and public nuisance. It was also decided that the interim step of suspension should remain in force throughout any appeal period. The revocation decision is currently under appeal proceedings; that hearing is listed for 20th December 2024.

2.4 Activities unsuitable for children

2.4.1 The premises user has not highlighted any adult entertainment or services, activities, other entertainment or matters ancillary to the use of the premises that may give rise to concern in respect of children.

3. Objection Notice(s)

- 3.1 An objection notice was received from GMP and from LOOH in respect of the TEN (**Appendix 3**). The personal details of all members of the public have been redacted. Original copies of these objections will be available to the Panel at the hearing.
- 3.2 Summary of the objections:

Party	Grounds of representation	Recommends
GMP	Prevention of Crime and Disorder and the Prevention of Public Nuisance Objectives. Premises had its Premises Licence revoked nearly a year ago- that decision is currently under appeal proceedings. Concerns regarding the operation of the premises remain. TEN should be subjected to the same scrutiny that resulted in Licence being revoked and keep suspended.	Serve a counter notice
Licensing and Out of Hours Compliance	Serious risk to public safety and all four licensing objectives should the premises operate. The licence was to remain suspended throughout any appeal period. The appeal has yet to be decided in court.	Serve a counter notice

4. Key Policies and Considerations

4.1 Legal Considerations

4.1.1 Hearings under the Licensing Act 2003 operate under the Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005.

4.2 **New Information**

4.2.1 In accordance with Regulation 18 of the Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005, the authority may take into account documentary or other information produced by a party in support of their application, representations or notice either before the hearing or, with the consent of all parties, at the hearing.

4.3 Hearsay Evidence

4.3.1 The Panel may accept hearsay evidence and it will be a matter for the Panel to attach what weight to it that they consider appropriate. Hearsay evidence is evidence of something that a witness neither saw nor heard, but has heard or read about.

4.4 The Secretary of State's Guidance to the Licensing Act 2003

- 4.4.1 The Secretary of State's Guidance to the Licensing Act 2003 is provided for all parties involved in licensing. It is a key medium for promoting best practice, ensuring consistent application of licensing powers across England and Wales and for promoting fairness, equal treatment and proportionality.
- 4.4.2 Section 4 of the 2003 Act provides that, in carrying out its functions, a licensing authority must 'have regard to' guidance issued by the Secretary of State under section 182. The Guidance is therefore binding on all licensing authorities to that extent. However, the Guidance cannot anticipate every possible scenario or set of circumstances that may arise and, as long as licensing authorities have properly understood this Guidance, they may depart from it if they have good reason to do so and can provide full reasons.
- 4.4.3 Departure from the Guidance could give rise to an appeal or judicial review, and the reasons given will then be a key consideration for the courts when considering the lawfulness and merits of any decision taken.

4.5 Manchester Statement of Licensing Policy

- 4.5.1 Section 4 of the 2003 Act provides that, in carrying out its functions, a licensing authority must 'have regard to' its statement of licensing policy.
- 4.5.2 The Licensing Policy sets out the vision the licensing authority has for the regulation of licensed premises throughout Manchester and outlines the standards expected in order to ensure the promotion of the licensing objectives in the city. The Panel may depart from the policies should it consider doing so would benefit the promotion of the licensing objectives. Reasons are to be given for any such departure from the Policy.
- 4.5.3 Section 4 of the Policy (Operation of the Policy) sets out how the Licensing Policy is intended to be used in practice for licence applications and licensed premises.
- 4.5.4 Where the authority considers that to impose on the TEN one or more of the conditions from a premises licence or club premises certificate in force at the premises (insofar as such conditions are not inconsistent with the event) is appropriate for the promotion of the licencing objectives, the policy is to give notice to the premises user that includes a statement of the conditions imposed. Copies of this notice will be provided for GMP and LOOH.
- 4.5.5 Where, following any representations at the hearing, the licensing authority is not satisfied the event will ensure the promotion of the licensing objectives, the policy is to issue a counter-notice against the Temporary Event Notice.

5. Conclusion

- 5.1 A licensing authority must carry out its functions under this Act ("licensing functions") with a view to promoting the licensing objectives:
 - the prevention of crime and disorder
 - public safety;
 - the prevention of public nuisance; and

- the protection of children from harm.
- 5.2 In considering the matter, the Panel should take into account any objections that have been received from GMP or LOOH, and representations made by the applicant or premises user as the case may be. In reaching the decision, regard must also be had to relevant provisions of the national guidance and the Council's licensing policy statement.
- 5.3 Having regard to the objection notice(s), the panel must give the premises user a counter notice if it considers it appropriate for the promotion of a licensing objective to do so.
- 5.4 If the panel decides not to give a counter notice the panel may impose one or more conditions on the TEN if
 - the authority considers it appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives to do so,
 - the conditions are also imposed on a premises licence or club premises certificate that has effect in respect of the same premises, or any part of the same premises, as the temporary event notice, and
 - the conditions would not be inconsistent with the carrying out of the licensable activities under the temporary event notice.
- 5.5 All licensing determinations should be considered on the individual merits of the notification.
- 5.6 The Panel's determination should be evidence-based, justified as being appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives and proportionate to what it is intended to achieve. Findings on any issues of fact should be on the balance of probability.
- 5.7 It is important that a licensing authority should give comprehensive reasons for its decisions in anticipation of any appeals. Failure to give adequate reasons could itself give rise to grounds for an appeal.
- 6. The Panel is asked to determine the temporary event notice.

Queens Hotel Sedgeford Road, Manchester, M40 8QU Premises Licensing Manchester City Council

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Appendix 2, Item 1a

By virtue of paragraph(s) 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

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Temporary Event Notice

Payment Transaction number:- SSES00967340 | Form Reference number EF1/1148913

Premises User Information

Title
Miss
If other please state
n/a
Surname
Flint
Forenames
Janice
Previous names (Please enter details of any previous names or maiden names, if applicable)
n/a
Your date of birth
Your place of birth
National Insurance Number
Your current address (We will use this address to correspond with you unless you complete the separate correspondence box)
Telephone

Evening telephone
n/a
Mobile phone
n/a
Fax number
n/a
Email address
Address
n/a
Telephone
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Evening telephone
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Mobile phone
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Email
n/a

Premises information

Please give the name and address of the premises where you intend to carry on the licensable activities or if it has no address give a detailed description (including the Ordnance Survey references)

THE QUEENS HOTEL SEDGEFORD ROAD HARPURHEY MANCHESTER M40 8QU
Premises licence number
051244
Club premises certificate number
n/a
If you intend to use only part of the premises at this address or intend to restrict the area to which this notice applies, please give a description and details.
n/a
Please describe the nature of the premises
PUBLIC HOUSE / PUB
Please describe the nature of the event
Funeral of a previous licensee of 14 years of the queens hotel and the mother/ mother in law of the owners and a resident of the estate for 58 years

Licensable activities

The sale by retail of alcohol

Yes

The supply of alcohol by or on behalf of a club to, or to the order of, a member of the club

No

The provision of regulated entertainment

Yes

The provision of late night refreshment

Yes

Are you giving a late temporary event notice?

No

Please state the dates on which you intend to use these premises for licensable activities.

05/04/2024 and 06/04/2024

Please state the times during the event period that you propose to carry on licensable activities (please give times in 24 hour clock).

12:00 on the 05/04/2024 to 01:30 in the early hours of the 06/04/2024

Please state the maximum number of people at any one time that you intend to allow to be present at the premises during the times when you intend to carry on licensable activities, including any staff, organisers or performers (maximum 499).

150

If the licensable activities will include the supply of alcohol, please state whether the supplies will be for consumption on or off the premises, or both

Both

Please state if the licensable activities will include the provision of relevant entertainment.

No

If yes selected, please state the times during the event period that you propose to provide relevant entertainment.

n/a

Personal Licence Details

Do you currently hold a valid Personal Licence?
Yes
Issuing Authority
Rochdale
Licence Number
PA0136
Date of Issue

Date of Expiry

Permanent

Any further relevant details

n/a

Have you previously given a temporary event notice in respect of any premises for events falling in the same calendar year as the event for which you are now giving this temporary event notice?

No

If answering yes, please state the number of temporary event notices you have given for events in that same calendar year

n/a

a) ends 24 hours or less before; orb) begins 24 hours or less afterthe event period proposed in this notice?

No

Has any associate of yours given a temporary event notice for an event in the same calendar year as the event for which you are now giving a temporary event notice?

No

If answering yes, please state the total number of temporary event notices your associate have given for events in the same calendar year

n/a

a) ends 24 hours or less before; orb) begins 24 hours or less afterthe event period proposed in this notice?

No

Has any person with whom you are in business carrying on licensable activities given a temporary event notice for an event in the same calendar year as the event for which you are now giving a temporary event notice?

No

If answering yes, please state the total number of temporary event notices your business colleague(s) have given for events in the same calendar year.

n/a

a) ends 24 hours or less before; orb) begins 24 hours or less afterthe event period proposed in this notice?

No

Declaration and Payment New

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anice flint	
Capacity in which you are making this application	
Owner and dps	

Additional information

I_understand

Yes

These are the files included with this application :-

Acknowledgement

I acknowledge receipt of this temporary event notice

Signature:

On behalf of the Licensing Authority

Date:

Name of officer signing:

By virtue of paragraph(s) 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

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GREATER MANCHESTER POLICE



To: Manchester City Council Licensing Unit Town Hall Extension То:

22nd March 2024

Please accept this letter as formal notification that Greater Manchester Police wish to object, under Section 104(2) of the Licensing Act 2003, to the **TEMPORARY EVENT NOTICE** detailed below, as we are satisfied that granting the application under these circumstances would undermine the Prevention of Crime and Disorder and the Prevention of Public Nuisance Objectives.

PREMISES NAME:	Queens Hotel
ADDRESS:	Sedgeford Road Manchester M40 8QU
DATE OF EVENT:	05/04/2024 - 06/04/2024
TIME OF EVENT:	1200 – 0130 hours (13 ½ Hours)

GMP object to the issuing of this TEN

This premises had its Premises Licence revoked nearly a year ago, at a committee hearing on 6th April 2023, and this decision is currently under appeal proceedings.

At a shorter hearing, which followed the main hearing, the committee made the decision that the interim steps suspension should remain in force during any appeal period, so the licence is still suspended.

GMP ask that this TEN be subjected to the same scrutiny that resulted in the committee decisions to revoke the premises licence and keep it suspended.

Our concerns regarding the operation of the premises still remain, and until a decision is made regarding the appeal, we believe that to allow the premises to carry out licensable activity would result in the undermining of the licensing objectives.

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GREATER MANCHESTER POLICE

Inspector Pickavance, who is responsible for the police in the Monsall area has stated "It is the concern of the police that should the public house be allowed to reopen would help facilitate further disturbances in the area. Any persons opening this establishment will either be preyed on by the local organised crime groups or assist again with facilitating their criminality."

The date of the appeal hearing against the revocation decision has been listed as 20th December 2024.

Therefore, Greater Manchester Police ask that this TEN is refused and a counter notice is issued.

Signed:.....PC 17659 Isherwood...... (rank/pin/name)

Date/Time 22/03/24.....1350..... hrs



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Flemise Details	
Application Ref No	M299319
Name of Premises	Queens Hotel
Address	Sedgeford Road M40 8QU

Representation

Outline your representation regarding the above application below. This representation should describe the likely effect of the grant of the licence/certificate on the licensing objectives and on the vicinity of the premises.

The Licensing and Out of Hours (LOOH) team have risk assessed the Temporary Event Notice received for licensable activities between 05 April to 06 April 2024 at the above premises.

The premises held a licence which was subject to a summary review for serious crime and disorder in 2023. The licensing committee revoked the premises licence and confirmed the licence was to remain suspended throughout any appeal period. The appeal has yet to be decided in court.

In the decision notice the reasons were stated as follows: 'The Committee considered that there was a risk of retribution attacks which put the lives of staff, customers and the public at risk therefore considered it necessary for the licence to remain suspended.'

Therefore, the submission of TENs are effectively being used by the premises to override the committee's decision ahead of any appeal.

The LOOH team agree with the licensing committee's decision in that there is a serious risk to public safety and all four licensing objectives should the premises operate and ask that the TEN is refused.

Recommendation:

Refuse Notice