

GREATER MANCHESTER POLICE - REPRESENTATION

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About the Premises

Application Reference No.	239855
Name of the Applicant	Hafizur Rahman
Address of the Applicant including postcode	[REDACTED]

Your Representation

Please outline your representation below and continue overleaf. This should describe the likely effect of the grant of the transfer on the licensing objectives on and in the vicinity of the premises in question.

The applicant Hafizur Rahman has applied to become the premises licence holder for premises licence number 196544 which relates to Baytree Restaurant, at 1140 Rochdale Road, Blackley, Manchester. This follows the conviction and subsequent 4 ½ year prison sentence handed to his brother who was the Premises Licence Holder at the time of this application being made.

The grounds for the objection are the undermining of the prevention of Crime and Disorder objective.

Hafizur Rahman [REDACTED]

GMP have serious concerns as to his suitability to be the holder of a Premises Licence [REDACTED]

The premises licence is also currently subject to Review proceedings and GMP believes that this transfer is simply a means to try and bring a halt to the Review.

GMP are extremely concerned that [REDACTED]

With a situation such as this one it is important to give cognizance to the fact that the licensing regime and the Criminal Courts are not the same. The standard of proof is different. As the Statutory Guidance makes clear, Licensing Authorities do not have the power to judge the criminality or otherwise of any issue, which is a matter for the Courts. The Licensing Authority's role...is not therefore to establish the guilt or innocence of any individual but to ensure the promotion of the crime prevention objective.

Therefore GMP asks that this application is refused.

