



Licensing & Out of Hours Compliance Team - Representation

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Premise Details

Application Ref No	REF: 674450
Name of Premises	New Union
Address	111 Princess Street, Manchester

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 Team (LOOH) have assessed the application submitted for the provision for a temporary event at The New Union. LOOH have consulted the Council's Licensing Policy and assessed any potential risk that the granting of this could lead to issues of public nuisance.

The applicant has applied to erect a stage on Canal Street providing entertainment and an outside bar on the August bank holiday 28-31 August.

As a result of this assessment we have concerns regarding the application.

The premises is situated in the Gay Village. The application is for the weekend which is traditionally Pride weekend. Due to the current Covid crisis Pride was cancelled. The VLBA submitted a proposal to MCC to continue with planned events for people who had already booked and planned to attend Pride. This proposal was not supported by MCC or GMP.

LOOH believe that positioning a stage with entertainment and outdoor bar would, in effect, be a like Pride event.

The flow of people coming through a main arterial route through to Canal Street will likely become very congested, similar to previous years. This congestion will be further exasperated by the addition of an external bar and the likely queues that are associated with an external bar.

There will also be associated litter from people disposing of single-use plastic cups on the highway.

The application does not satisfy steps that will be taken to prevent proxy sales, which will be difficult to consistently manage in an open, busy, noisy space.

The Temporary Event Notice states that there will be 125 people attending

including staff. It is unclear how people will be moved on if the area becomes overcrowded or where the premises will include as their designated responsibility or how the queuing system will work. There is no reference as to how security will operate within this area.

There is no reference to how current Covid Local restrictions will be considered or how to mitigate the risk of infections. It is unlikely that people attending this type of entertainment will be within the limits set under current legislation.

We therefore recommend that given the concerns the temporary event notice is not granted.

Recommendation:

Refuse

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To: Manchester City Council
Licensing Unit
Manchester Town Hall Extension
Lloyd Street
Manchester

To: [REDACTED]
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18th Aug 2019

Dear Madam

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 Licensing Objectives.

PREMISES NAME:	Outside Area
ADDRESS:	New Union Hotel Princess Street Manchester M1 6JB
DATE OF EVENT:	28/08/20 – 31/08/20
TIME OF EVENT:	1400 – 2300 hrs

GMP objects to the grant of this Temporary Event Notice on the grounds of the Prevention of Crime and Disorder, Public Safety and the Prevention of Public Nuisance.

The premises have applied for an outside bar and stage during August Bank Holiday weekend which has always been the Manchester Pride weekend. Due to the Corona virus pandemic this year's Pride festival has been cancelled but large number of visitors are still expected to visit the Village over this weekend and it is anticipated that although the numbers of people will be lower than during Pride they will still be significantly higher than a usual weekend.

We are concerned that the presence of an external bar and stage will make the location extremely congested - additional queueing for a bar will cause further

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congestion and this will make social distancing very difficult to manage and maintain and in the current climate this is a risk that is simply not worth taking as the spread of this deadly virus is still very much a serious threat to everyone's safety.

As such we ask that this TEN application is refused.

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

Date/Time 18th August 2020 0710 hrs

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