

# GREATER MANCHESTER POLICE



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

To: Mr Akeim Mundell. BEM



19<sup>th</sup> Aug 2019

Dear Sir

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.

<b>PREMISES NAME:</b>	<b>St Mary's CE Primary School</b>
<b>ADDRESS:</b>	Adscombe Street Moss Side Manchester M16 7EU
<b>DATE OF EVENT:</b>	30/08/20
<b>TIME OF EVENT:</b>	1200 – 2000 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 alcohol sales and regulated entertainment for 8 hours on the Sunday of August Bank Holiday weekend, which is one of the busiest weekends for GMP in the year. In fact Police officers have had their shifts extended over this weekend to deal with an expected demand for service which the force hasn't seen for a long time.

In the application it states that the event is for up to 499 persons but after speaking to the applicant on the telephone it is anticipated that the maximum number is likely to be closer to 200, however the event is being advertised on social media as a free

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event so there is no way of knowing how many people will actually turn up.

There is reference to security being utilised in the Risk Assessment which accompanies the application but it doesn't specify how many there will be or what security company they are from. There is also no mention of how exactly numbers of attendees will be recorded.

The advertisement on social media states that there will be DJ's which suggests loud music will be played, which would contravene the government guidelines around this and therefore increase the likelihood of people having to raise their voices to speak to each other and therefore increase the risk of the spread of Covid-19.

There is mention of liaison with local PCSO's but the Police Inspector who is responsible for this area of Manchester has not been contacted by anyone from the event to discuss it. It also states that GMP will be in attendance but again this has not been agreed with the local Inspector so our attendance is not agreed.

With the large number of people likely to attend GMP would have expected a traffic management and dispersal plan to have been included to show how the local residents will not be unduly affected by parked cars and crowds of people.

GMP are very concerned that the whole event will lead to congestion, raised voices and dancing 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 19th August 2020 0700 hrs

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**MANCHESTER  
CITY COUNCIL**

**Licensing & Out of Hours Compliance Team - Representation**

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**Premise Details**

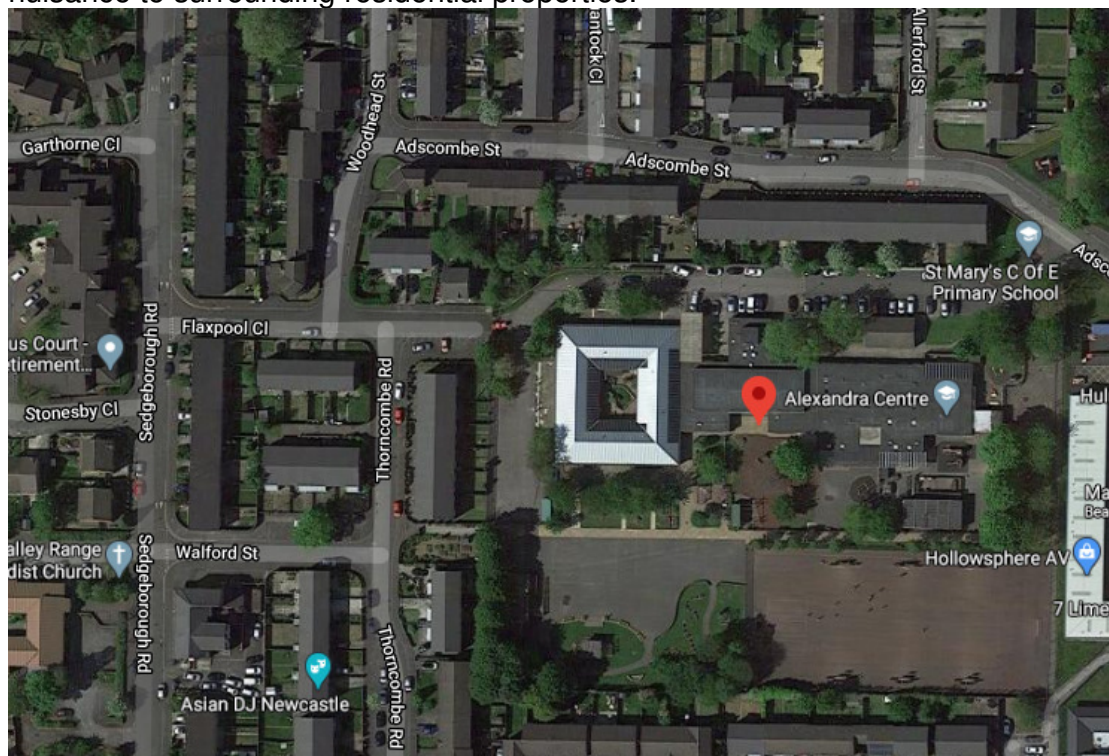
Application Ref No	248619
Name of Premises	St Mary's CE Primary School
Address	Adscombe Street, Manchester, M16 7AQ

**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 likely impact of the grant of this application taking into account a number of factors, including the nature of the area, the current environment, hours applied for and any potential risk that the granting of the licence could lead to issues of crime and disorder, public nuisance and public safety.

The proposed venue is located in a highly concentrated residential area. The applicant has applied for the provision of regulated entertainment which is being supplied by a company and will be broadcasted through amplified speakers. The volume required to support the event would have the potential to cause a noise nuisance to surrounding residential properties.



The applicant has failed mention how vehicles attending the event will be managed and where they will park. The parking of vehicles in such numbers on residential streets have the potential to cause nuisance to local residents from vehicle noise and obstruction from vehicles.

The hours proposed are between 12:00 – 20:00. Between these hours alcohol will be available and allows attendees access to alcohol for 8 hours including vertical drinking. The applicant has failed to mention how the sale of alcohol will be managed, how drunkenness will be handled or the prevention of sale of alcohol to children.

On discussing the event with the applicant I was informed that Greater Manchester Police would be in attendance. Since then I have liaised with Greater Manchester police and in fact no agreement has been made. With recent events and tensions in the area LOOHs feels that there is the potential for crime and disorder and threat to public safety.

Currently the country is undergoing an epidemic from Covid-19 and the Greater Manchester has had further restrictions implemented recently to protect the public and prevent the spread of Covid-19. The applicant has completed a risk assessment and has proposed some measures to protect the public. Unfortunately the measures stated are not sufficient.

The event has been advertised on the social media platform Facebook and leaflets/ invites have been delivered to the local community. Although the applicant has agreed to limit the number of attendees and has stated there will be security onsite LOOHs believes there will be a high number of people trying to gain entry to the event or even congregating in the surrounding area to watch/ listen to the event. The applicant has not mentioned how the security team will manage this and prevent people from gathering in large numbers.

The amplified music will also cause people to communicate by raising their voices therefore projecting respiratory droplets and potentially contributing to the spread of Covid-19.

Due to the current Covid-19 situation similar events have not been granted permission to go-ahead and business that have been allowed to operate have had to implement extensive measures and risk assessments in order to meet government guidelines and legislation.

Overall the Licensing and Out of Hours Team feel that the event is not suitable at this moment in time due to the covid-19 situation and other events that have occurred in the local area.

The proposed event would undermine the 4 Licensing objectives specifically public safety. We therefore recommend that the application is refused.

**Recommendation: Refuse Application**