

GREATER MANCHESTER POLICE - REPRESENTATION

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About the Premises

Application Reference No.	LPA 256989
Name of the Premises	Moldova Magazin
Address of the premises including postcode	795 Rochdale Road, Manchester M9 5XD

Your Representation

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

Please accept this as formal notification of the Greater Manchester Police objection to the application for a new premises licence in relation to the above premises. On the grounds of Prevention of Crime and Disorder, Prevention of Public Nuisance and the Protection of Children from Harm.

The application is seeking to licence the premises to sell alcohol from 8am to 8pm Monday to Sunday, which would mean yet another premises selling alcohol in the area.

The application offers a set of robust conditions and the hours applied for are not excessive but unfortunately this area in general is historically a difficult area to police, with high levels of unemployment, crime, and anti social behaviour and the premises is opposite residential properties. There is also an ongoing issue with street drinking in the surrounding streets, which the local Policing Team is working hard to put an end to.

The local Policing Team have been consulted with regard to this application and they have made it clear that to allow another alcohol outlet in the area is likely to exacerbate the issues that they are already dealing with and may undermine the work that they are doing to drive down alcohol related problems.

With the premises being situated in a residential area, the Manchester Licensing Policy states with regard to the location of the premises

The Licensing Authority considers the following as key issues in relation to the location of licensed premises:

The proximity of the premises to local residents

The general character of the surrounding area including crime and anti-social behaviour (ASB) levels.

Also of further concern to GMP is the fact that, at the time of making this application, the proposed Designated Premises Supervisor is not yet a personal licence holder, so he won't have

been a DPS at any other licensed premises prior to this application. To become a first time DPS in an area as challenging as this one is risky and GMP believe is likely to see the Licensing Objectives undermined.

Therefore GMP that this application is refused.