



Licensing & Out of Hours Compliance Team - Representation

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Premise Details

Application Ref No	REF 289004
Name of Premises	Empire House
Address	2 Empire Street, Manchester, M20 2LA

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 granting of this application taking into account a number of factors, including the nature of the area in which the premises is located, the hours applied for and any potential risks that the granting application could undermine the licensing objectives.

The Temporary Event Notice (TEN) event is described by the applicant as a Birthday celebration. The applicant has applied for the sale of alcohol, late night refreshment and regulated entertainment from 22:00 until 04:00 for up to 400 people.

On the 19/20 May 2023, an unlicensed event took place at Empire House. The applicant for this proposed event is the same as the unlicensed event and had been advised that the event should not take place, however officers found the premises to be open and operating anyway. The manager on site produced a doctored TEN with a false date added.

Section 136 (1) of the Licensing Act 2003 states it is an offence to carry on or attempt to carry on a licensable activity on or from any premises other than under and in accordance with an authorisation. A person guilty of this offence is liable to be imprisoned for up to 6 months and/or an unlimited fine.

There have previously been issues outside at dispersal following approved TEN's at the premises.

The LOOH team are concerned with the number of potential customers and timings requested. There is an increased likelihood of issues in the early hours and undermining the licensing objectives, namely public nuisance, public safety and crime and disorder.

As there have recently been unlicensed activities carried out despite correspondence with the applicant, they have not offered any conditions or

shown any evidence of how they will manage the event and uphold the licensing objectives, the recommendation of LOOH is to refuse the Temporary Event Notice.

Recommendation: Refusal