

GREATER MANCHESTER POLICE - REPRESENTATION

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About the Premises

Application Reference No.	LPA 291251
Name of the Premises	Zula
Address of the premises including postcode	312 Platt Lane, Manchester M14 7BZ

Your Representation

Please outline your representation below and continue overleaf. This should describe the likely effect of the grant of the licence 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 premises licence in relation to the above premises on the grounds of Prevention of Crime and Disorder and the Prevention of Public Nuisance, Public Safety and the Protection of Children from Harm.

The application seeks to allow the premises, which is a restaurant, to carry out licensable activities on a Friday and Saturday until 0200 hours with a closing time of 0230 hours.

The hours applied for are excessive for a premises which is in very close proximity to residential dwellings and are more in keeping with a city centre premises. If this application was granted there would almost certainly be a noise disturbance to the local residents, from customers leaving the premises on foot and in vehicles and also from customers smoking outside.

This could then lead to confrontation between the residents and the operators of the premises which could in turn lead to calls to GMP.

We therefore ask that this application is refused.



Licensing & Out of Hours Compliance Team - Representation

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Premise Details	
Application Ref No	M291251
Name of Premises	Zula
Address	312 Platt Lane, Manchester, M14 7BZ

Representation
<p>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.</p> <p>Licensing and out of hours team have assessed the likely impact of the granting of this licence 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 risk that the granting of this licence could lead to issues of public nuisance.</p> <p>The applicant has applied for alcohol on sales and late night refreshments on a Friday and Saturday until 0200 hours with a closing time of 0230 hours.</p> <p>The statement of licensing policy (SoLP) states; <i>7.29 The authority considers that later hours will typically be more sensitive and higher risk in causing problems.</i> <i>and</i> <i>7.33 Later hours will generally be more appropriate within the city centre than other areas due to the developed infrastructure in respect of managing a later night-time economy, such as the comprehensive integrated CCTV network, increased access to public transport, cleansing services, and a more visible enforcement presence.</i></p> <p>The hours applied for are excessively late for a restaurant which is in very close proximity to residential properties. The premises has residents above and opposite is a community of apartments and a Primary School. There are no other premises with alcohol on sales within this locality. If the application was granted it is almost certain to cause a public nuisance with noise from customers smoking outside, dispersing from the premises on foot and in vehicles and there is potential for this to lead to conflict with residents.</p> <p><i>7.31 of the SoLP states It is recognised that in spite of the quality of the operation of the business, where patrons are out of the control of the licensee, the lateness of the terminal hour for the premises will often be a contributory factor in the potential for disturbance</i></p> <p>From experience with dealing with similar premises elsewhere in Manchester we have concerns once customers are beyond the control of the premises customers may urinate</p>

and vomit in the surrounding streets then primary school children having to witness the aftermath of this on their way to school.

We therefore ask that this application is refused.

Recommendation:

Refuse Application

Reference: 291591/BJ1 - New Premise @ 312 Platt Lane, Manchester

Premises Licensing
To: Bryan Johnson
Tue 01/08/2023 08:38

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 31 July 2023 16:30
To: Premises Licensing <Premises.Licensing@manchester.gov.uk>
Subject: Reference: 291591/BJ1 - New Premise @ 312 Platt Lane, Manchester

Hi,

I've been made aware that a new premise is coming to 312 Platt Lane and they have submitted a licence application, asking them to be open and selling alcohol until 12am Monday-Thursday & Sunday, and 2am Friday and Saturday.

The new premise will be in a residential area, right opposite a community of apartments and a Primary School. In this community of apartments, there are adults of all ages, all working different jobs with different working hours. There are also children here too of different ages - newborn to older. If this license is accepted, not only would it be disruptive to our residential and personal lives, but a license until 12am on what is deemed a 'school night' for parents and children will become disruptive to their wellbeing and education.

The area itself is very quiet and I feel as though this is why a lot of the residents chose to move here, especially with their children. Having an establishment that is requesting a late license and to be selling alcohol would take that aspect away.

There is nothing else like this in the area - I do urge you to reconsider granting this license.

Kind regards,

[REDACTED]

Manchester
21/8/23

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To Whom it May Concern,

**Application for a Premises Licence under the Licensing Act 2003
for Zula,
312 Platt Lane, M14 7BZ**

As local residents and taxpayers we object to the granting of this proposed Premises Licence on the following grounds:

1) The area around 312 Platt Lane is a **residential area**, where families live across from and adjacent to the premises at 312, with a primary school across the road and a library at the end of the block. The facility at 312 is between a dentist and a chemist. It is not an area where late-night entertainments are provided; other eating places provide mainly take-away meals. Several local people do shift work and leave from or come home during night hours. There are many elderly and vulnerable people in the area. Pedestrians include a number of mobility scooter users; at school times there are many parents with buggies/pushchairs.

We object to the granting of this licence for late-night entertainments and alcohol consumption on grounds that it represents a significant change in use for this area, introducing an increased risk of nuisance, risk to public safety and safety of children. Is such a **change of use** part of the Council's development plan? As residents we are not aware that this was planned. We are also not aware that there exists a **need for such a change** in this area, as meals and late-night socialising with alcohol is well provided for 20 minutes' walk away in at least three known areas **with established safeguards**: the Curry Mile (with policing, pedestrianised weekend provision); on Princess Road opposite Alexandra Park; and around the area where Wilbraham and Wilmslow Roads cross.

Should the licence be granted despite our objections, **will the Council provide additional funding for:**

- a) **expanding policing services** to include this new area;
- b) **monitoring and enforcement** to ensure that the licences activities happen at all times only inside the licensed premises and not out of doors, **on the pavement in front of or in the alleys surrounding 312, or in the Aldi carpark?**

Further, should the application be granted despite our objections, we urgently request that local residents be considered by limiting **the closing time to 23:00 on Sundays to Thursdays and 00:00 on Fridays and Saturdays.**

2) 312 is across the road from Wilbraham Primary School and along the pedestrian route from the school to the **library** at the end of the block, and **x** from the school to the **chemist** and to **Aldi supermarket** where many parents shop after school. The library is open till **19:00** some evenings and community groups meet there also later, including a community choir and foodbank ... Parents pick up children from Wilbraham School from **14:30 till 17:00**, including after-school activities and childcare for parents picking up children after work.

We object to the starting time of 16:00 for the proposed licenced activities, which is during child-pickup-and-shopping-or-using-the-library hours, in light of fact that children can legally be allowed to accompany an adult into licenced premises. This increases risk to already at-risk children.

Should the application be granted despite our objections, **we urgently request that the starting time be set at 18:00 or later, to make a clear separation from school-pickup and shopping/library hours.**

We also object to the fact that the application is being actioned while teachers, parents and children are on holiday. Please confirm that the school has been notified.

And, we URGENTLY request that **the application be kept open for comment from locals until at least the end of September, instead of the current closing date of 28 August.**

3) **Finally, we object to the proposed licence on grounds that it will increase nuisance parking and congestion:**

a) **congestion**, especially when this part of Platt lane is used by local buses that are diverted because of closure of the Curry Mile over weekends

b) **nuisance parking** on pavements, illegally in private driveways.

If Aldi parking lot is to be used, **has Aldi/the Council given express permission for such use?** Who will be responsible for safety of customers/Aldi workers?

We thank you for your consideration and we trust you will conclude that it is not wise at this time to grant this application.

Best wishes,

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