

Licensing & Out of Hours Compliance Team - Representation

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Premise Details	
Application Ref No	234722
Name of Premises	Black Sheep Coffee
Address	2-4 St Ann Street, Manchester, M2 2LF

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 business, the location of the premise, the Council's Statement of Licensing Policy 2016-2021 and any potential risk that the granting of this application will undermine the Council Licensing Policy including the four licensing objectives of public nuisance, crime and disorder, protection of children from harm and public safety.

The premises has previously operated as a Bakery/Coffee Shop, and is on the corner of St Ann Street and Deansgate, near a busy junction, with residential premises in close proximity. The premises is located on the ground floor, with a kitchen in the basement. There are offices above the premises. The applicant has requested that they open Monday – Saturday 06.30 – 00.00, and Sunday 08.00 – 20.00. They have requested supply of alcohol from 08.00 – 00.00 Monday – Saturday and 08.00 – 19.00 on Sunday.

The operating schedule offered by the applicant does not document how it proposes to address potential issues of noise disturbance by patrons in the queuing, smoking areas and at dispersal, which could potentially impact on residents and other commercial properties in the vicinity of the premises, due to noise from patrons leaving at the terminal hour. No reference or conditions offered are offered in the application to timings of both deliveries or commercial waste disposal and collections and again how any arrangements will not impact on nearby residents at the proposed time of 00:00 hours. There is no mention on how the applicant is to uphold the prevention of public nuisance licensing objective.

There are no proposed conditions SIA door staff, and how records will be kept in relation to their details and times they are on duty. In the event of an incident, you would be expected to provide details of staff that were employed

at your premises. There is no reference made about how and when alcohol will be sold for off sales and to alcohol being sold from 08.00 each day and whether this will be ancillary to food. There is no mention on how the applicant would uphold the public safety and public nuisance licensing objectives. There is currently a wider issue within the City Centre relating to people drinking alcohol on the street and excessive drinking in the early hours. The applicant has not proposed conditions in the operating schedule relating to the off sales and early morning sales of alcohol which could potentially exacerbate an already identified problem.

There is a lack of detail within the application about the Challenge 25 scheme or training of staff to prevent underage sales, proxy sales, selling to drunken people, and how records will be kept for this training, or details how the applicant will uphold the protection of children from harm licensing objective as alcohol could be sold to children if staff are not provided with adequate training.

Therefore, given the above concerns the LOOH Team recommend that this application in its current form is refused due to insufficient conditions offered.

Recommendation:

Refuse Application