

Report of the Head of Elections, Licensing and Registration

Report to the Licensing Sub Committee

Date: Tuesday 11th July 2017

Subject: Application for the Grant of a Premises Licence for Ask Unit C, 14 - 22 Lands Lane, Leeds, LS1 6LB

Are specific electoral Wards affected?	🛛 Yes	🗌 No
If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s): City & Hunslet		
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	🗌 Yes	🛛 No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	🗌 Yes	🛛 No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	Yes	🛛 No

Summary of Main Issues

This is an application for the grant of a premises licence made by Azzurri Restaurants Limited for Ask, Unit C, 14 - 22 Lands Lane, Leeds, LS1 6LB.

The application is made in respect of a premises wishing to operate as an Italian style restaurant consisting of ground floor and basement level layouts with additional outside seating.

Members should note that these premises reside within the 'Amber Zone' of the Leeds City Centre Cumulative Impact Area. Further information on the policy in place for this area is included within this report.

Responsible authorities and Ward Members have been notified of this application.

The application has attracted a single representation from West Yorkshire Police which suggests additional measures in order to promote the prevention of crime and disorder licensing objective. No agreement has been reached with applicant in relation to such measures.

1 Purpose of this Report

- 1.1 To advise Members of an application made under Section 17 of the Licensing Act 2003 ("the Act") for a new premises licence in respect of the above mentioned premises.
- 1.2 Members are required to consider this application due to the receipt of representations.

2 History of the Premises

2.1 This is the first application for a premises licence for these premises.

3 The Application

- 3.1 The applicant's name is Azzurri Restaurants Limited.
- 3.2 The proposed designated premises supervisor is Adam William Lindop.
- 3.3 In summary the application is for:

Sale by Retail of Alcohol Monday to Saturday Sunday	09:00 until 00:00 hours 10:00 until 22:00 hours
Late Night Refreshment Monday to Saturday	23:00 until 00:30 hours
Recorded Music Monday to Saturday Sunday	09:00 until 00:30 hours 10:00 until 22:30 hours

Non standard timings

From the end of permitted hours on New Year's Eve, to the beginning of permitted hours on New Year's Day.

4 The Operating Schedule

4.1 The applicant proposes to promote the licensing objectives by taking the step identified in Section A of the operating schedule. A copy of which is attached at Appendix A.

5 Location

5.1 A map which identifies the location of these premises is attached at Appendix B.

6 Representations

6.1 Under the Act representations can be received from responsible authorities or other persons. Representations must be relevant and, in the case of another person, must not be frivolous or vexatious.

Representations from Responsible Authorities

- 6.2 This application has attracted a single representation from West Yorkshire Police in their capacity as a responsible authority.
- 6.3 The representation suggests additional measures such as CCTV conditions, an incident report register, maintaining a minimum number of covers and alcohol sale being ancillary to food sales.
- 6.4 Each of these measures can be viewed in a copy of the representation attached at Appendix C of this report.

Other representations

6.5 There are no other representations.

7 Cumulative Impact Policy

- 7.1 The premises are located within the 'Amber Zone' cumulative impact area for Leeds City Centre.
- 7.2 Cumulative impact means the potential impact on the promotion of the licensing objectives due to the significant number of licensed premises concentrated in one area.
- 7.3 An applicant wishing to obtain a new licence for premises falling within any of the cumulative impact areas must identify, through the risk assessment process and/or the operating schedule, the steps they intend to take so that the council and responsible authorities can be satisfied that granting a new licence would not add to the impact already being experienced.
- 7.4 Details of the cumulative impact policy specific to Leeds City Centre and an outline of the evidence behind the reason for setting this policy is attached at Appendix D.
- 7.5 Members are directed to paragraphs 7.51 to 7.54 of the Statement of Licensing Policy which provides examples of how an application may be considered exceptional and the matters that the council would not normally take into consideration.

8 Licensing Hours

- 8.1 Members are directed to paragraphs 6.8 to 6.15 of the Statement of Licensing Policy which states the criteria that will be applied to any decision for new applications or variations which include extending hours.
- 8.2 In brief the Policy states at 6.14 that restrictions may be made to the proposed hours of use where, after receiving relevant representations, the council considers it appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives to do so.
- 8.3 The council will take into account the existing pattern of licensed premises in an area when considering what is appropriate to promote the objectives. Applications

which are significantly out of character for a locality will need to demonstrate that granting the hours sought will not adversely impact on the licensing objectives.

8.4 A list of premises in the local area and their licensed hours and activities is provided at Appendix E.

9 Equality and Diversity Implications

9.1 At the time of writing this report there were no implications for equality and diversity. Any decision taken by the licensing subcommittee will be in accordance with the four licensing objectives as prescribed by the Licensing Act 2003.

10 Options Available to Members

- 10.1 The licensing subcommittee must take such of the following steps as it considers appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives:
 - Grant the application as requested.
 - Grant the application whilst imposing additional conditions and/or altering in any way the proposed operating schedule.
 - Exclude any licensable activities to which the application relates.
 - Refuse to specify the said person as the designated premises supervisor.
 - Reject the whole or part of the application.
- 10.2 Members of the licensing subcommittee are asked to note that they may not reject the whole or part of the application merely because they consider it desirable to do so. It must be appropriate in order to promote the licensing objectives.

11 Background Papers

- Guidance issued under s182 Licensing Act 2003
- Leeds City Council Statement of Licensing Policy