

Report of the Chief Officer Elections and Regulatory

Report to the Licensing Sub Committee

Date: Tuesday 22nd August 2023

Subject: Application for the Grant of a Personal Licence for Jamie Bloomfield

Are specific electoral wards affected?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are there implications for equality and diversity or cohesion and integration?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Is the decision eligible for call-in?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
If 'yes', access to information procedure rule number: 10.4(1), 10.4(2) and 10.4(7) of the Access to Information Procedure Rules. Appendices A and B		

Summary of main issues

This is an application for the grant of a personal licence for Jamie Bloomfield. The application was adjourned at hearing on the 4th July 2023. This was to allow the applicant to attend. The new date was agreed on the day and parties have been duly notified.

A personal licence allows the holder to authorise the sale or supply of alcohol in all venues with a premises licence in England and Wales and lasts indefinitely. A personal licence holder can also act as the Designated Premises Supervisor on a relevant alcohol licensed premises and request up to 50 Temporary Event Notices per year as the premises user.

West Yorkshire Police have served an objection notice on the Licensing Authority as they consider it appropriate for the promotion of the crime prevention objective.

The Licensing Sub Committee are required to consider the application and the objection notice.

1 Purpose of this report

- 1.1 To advise Members of an application made under section 117(1)(a) of the Licensing Act 2003 ("the Act") for a Personal Licence in respect of Jamie Bloomfield.
- 1.2 Members are required to consider this application due to the receipt of an objection notice served by West Yorkshire Police.

2 The application

- 2.1 The application for a Personal Licence is for Jamie Bloomfield.
- 2.2 The application was validated on the 25th May 2023 and West Yorkshire Police were notified of the application on the 25th May 2023.
- 2.2 A copy of the application can be found at Appendix A.

3 Relevant Representations

- 3.1 On 7th June 2023 West Yorkshire Police served an objection notice to the personal licence application for Jamie Bloomfield on the grounds of preventing crime and disorder. A copy of the objection notice and information supplied by West Yorkshire Police in support of their objection can be found at Appendix B.

4 Access to Information

- 4.1 Appendices A and B contain confidential information and are exempt from publication under the Licensing Act 2003 and the council's Access to Information Procedure Rules 10.4(1), as they contain information relating to any individual; 10.4(2), information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual; and 10.4(7), information relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime. In all the circumstances of the matter the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.
- 4.2 Members may consider it appropriate for the public to be excluded from part of the meeting to allow attendees to provide Members with confidential information associated with the above Access to Information Procedure Rules.

5 Equality and diversity implications

- 5.1 At the time of writing this report there were no implications for equality and diversity. Any decision taken by the Licensing Sub-Committee will be in accordance with the crime and disorder licensing objective as prescribed by the Licensing Act 2003.

6 Options available to members

- 6.1 The Licensing Sub Committee must take either of the following steps as it considers appropriate for the prevention of crime and disorder:
 - Grant as requested; or
 - Reject the application.

6.2 Members of the Licensing Sub Committee are asked to note that they may not reject this application merely because it considers it desirable to do so. It must be appropriate and proportionate for the prevention of crime and disorder.

7 Background Papers

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