

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

**LICENSING SUB COMMITTEE – 2<sup>nd</sup> MAY 2023**

**AGENDA ITEM 6 - APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A  
PREMISES LICENCE FOR MAXI FOODS, 22 HAREHILLS ROAD,  
HAREHILLS, LEEDS, LS8 5PB**

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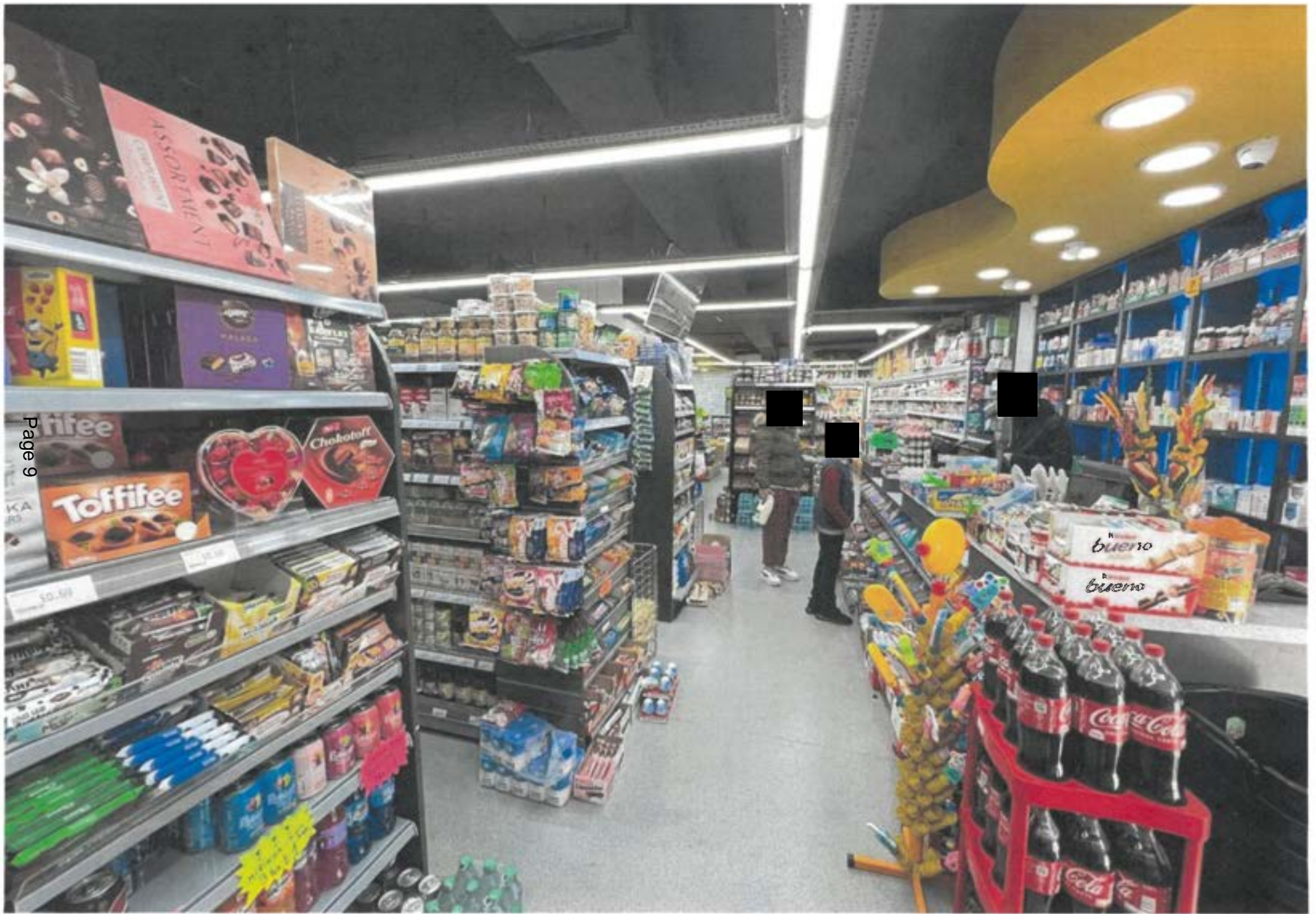












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## Kirstan Woodbridge

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**To:** [REDACTED]  
(External)  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: New Super Market Premises Licence - 22 Harehills Road, Leeds LS8 5PB

Hi Chris

I agree with Sue and her advice. I am very busy next week and don't see a benefit from having a site visit with just me I'm afraid.

Regards

Carmel

Carmel Brennand  
Senior Liaison & Enforcement Officer  
Entertainment Licensing  
Leeds City Council

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**Cc:** Birkbeck, Andrew [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: New Super Market Premises Licence - 22 Harehills Road, Leeds LS8 5PB

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However I am more than happy to run the Matrix for you and provide it to you. We are now using an updated version, and it would be this updated data we would provide in our representation.

May I kindly suggest that your client does not spend a vast amount of money upgrading the premises until the outcome of their licence application is known, unless they are content that running a supermarket without alcohol is viable.

Sue Duckworth  
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Would it please be possible to have a site meeting on Monday 8 August (anytime that works), or in the morning of Thursday 11 August? If you could please let me know.

Can you please confirm that the Cumulative Impact Assessment on the link below on the LCC website is the correct Assessment. <https://www.leeds.gov.uk/docs/Cumulative%20Impact%20Assessment.pdf>

Could you also please confirm if there is a link to the Lower Super Output Areas (LSOA), so that I can obtain the current score and ranking for the above premises.

Many thanks

Chris

Christopher Rees-Gay

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**Cc:** Birkbeck, Andrew  
**Subject:** RE: New Super Market Premises Licence - 22 Harehills Road, Leeds LS8 5PB

Afternoon All,

Many thanks for your emails.

Sue - if you could please run the Matrix on the premises that would be greatly appreciated.  
Could I please also ask that you let me have the names and addresses of the 4 refusals, so that I can consider the strength of the applications made.

Carmel/Andrew - depending on the Matrix score and my research on the other applications, would you please be available to meet on Monday 22 August?

Many thanks

Chris

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Maxi Foods (Leeds) Limited  
268 - 270 Harehills Lane  
Leeds  
LS9 7BD

03 October 2022

Dear Residents

**22 Harehills Road, Leeds, LS8 5PB**

We are writing to you as we are proposing to make a premises licence application for the off sale of alcohol at the new Maxi Foods Supermarket at 22 Harehills Road, Leeds, LS8 5PB.

By way of background, we operate 2 other Maxi Food premises within Harehills and so have real experience of operating within this area. We aim to provide a full service supermarket to the local residents, which will include a small alcohol aisle. We believe that we will promote all licensing objectives to ensure that there are no issues with this.

So that we can meet with local residents and allay any concerns that you may have, we would like to invite you to a meeting at the store (22 Harehills Road, Leeds, LS8 5PB) on Thursday 20 October 2022 at 1800. We look forward to seeing you there.

Kind regards

The Maxi Foods Team



**MEETING IN RELATION TO A NEW  
APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE TO  
SELL ALCOHOL AT**

**Maxi Foods, 22 Harehills Road, Leeds, LS8 5PB.**

Maxi Foods (Leeds) Limited are looking to apply for a premises licence at Maxi Foods, 22 Harehills Road, Leeds, LS8 5PB.

The proposed licensable activities are for the off sale of alcohol from 0800 to 2300 daily.

The opening hours of the premises will be 0800 to 2300 daily.

Maxi Foods are holding a meeting at 1800 on Thursday 20 October 2022 at Maxi Foods, 22 Harehills Road, Leeds, LS8 5PB, in order to discuss the issue of the sale of alcohol within the supermarket premises and to discuss the measures in place to ensure that all licensing objectives are promoted.

We look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

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Lascelles Mount 10  
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Milan Road 10  
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Lambton Street 20  
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Maxi Foods (Leeds) Limited are looking to apply for a premises  
licence at Maxi Foods, 22 Harehills Road, Leeds, LS8 3PB.

The proposed licensee wishes to sell the off sale of alcohol from  
09:00 to 23:00 daily.

The opening hours of the premises will be 09:00 to 23:00 daily.

Maxi Foods are holding a meeting at 14:00 on Thursday 26 October  
2011 at Maxi Foods, 22 Harehills Road, Leeds, LS8 3PB, in order to  
discuss the issue of the sale of alcohol within the neighbourhood  
premises and to discuss the measures in place to ensure that all  
licensing objectives are generated.

We look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

**NOTICE IN RELATION TO A NEW  
APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE TO  
SELL ALCOHOL AT**

**Unit 7 - 22, Harbottle Road, Leeds, LS10 5PB**

We, the Landlord, are looking to apply for a premises  
licence for Unit 7, 22 Harbottle Road, Leeds, LS10 5PB.

The proposed premises activities are for the off sale of alcohol from  
10.00am to 11.00pm daily.

The opening hours of the premises will be 10.00am to 11.00pm daily.

We, the Landlord, are holding a meeting at 10.00am on Thursday 24 October  
2013 at Unit 7, 22 Harbottle Road, Leeds, LS10 5PB, in order to  
discuss the issue of the sale of alcohol within the premises  
premises and to discuss the measures in place to ensure that all  
licensing objectives are protected.

We look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

Ring 0113 276 722  
GFF



**MEETING IN RELATION TO A NEW  
APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE TO  
SELL ALCOHOL AT**

**Maia Foods, 22 Haybale Road, Lough, COB 1P6**

Maia Foods (Maia Foods) are looking to apply for a premises  
licence at Maia Foods, 22 Haybale Road, Lough, COB 1P6.

The proposed premises licence will be for the sale of alcohol from  
10:00 to 23:00 daily.

The opening hours of the premises will be 10:00 to 23:00 daily.

Maia Foods are holding a meeting at 10:00 on Thursday 26 October  
2017 at Maia Foods, 22 Haybale Road, Lough, COB 1P6, to hear  
views on the sale of alcohol within the premises  
premises and to discuss the proposed plans to ensure the  
licensing objectives are met.

We look forward to having you at the meeting.



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Our ref CRG/MRD003-1-9/6245

Your ref

5 October 2022

By email only to: FOI@westyorkshire.police.uk

### Request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Dear Sirs

We write on behalf of our client, Mr [REDACTED]

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act 2000 we write seeking information from you, West Yorkshire Police, as set out below. Please provide all of the requested information to the fullest extent possible.

This request is made on the instruction of Mr [REDACTED], our client. In the circumstances, there is no reason to withhold from our client any requested data on GDPR grounds that the data may identify our client, if any such data exists. We respectfully remind you that any information identifying our client should nonetheless be regarded as confidential and therefore respectfully request that any data contained in your reply to this request that identifies our client should *not* be made available to the public under your routine publication of responses to Freedom of Information requests.

In the event that any of the below cannot be answered for any reason, the remainder of the questions remain valid and requiring your answers.

#### Test Purchases and Enforcement Action

Regarding the following premises:

- A. Maxi Foods and Wine, 309 Harehills Lane, Harehills, Leeds LS9 6AA ("**Premises A**"); and
- B. Harehills Maxi Foods, 268-270 Harehills Lane, Harehills, Leeds, LS9 7BD ("**Premises B**").

1. For each of Premises A and B, has any person failed any form of 'test purchase' relating to underage sales of goods at the premises? If so, please describe the circumstances and state the relevant date.
2. For each of Premises A and B, has any form of enforcement action been taken against any person relating to underage sales of goods at the premises? If so, please describe the circumstances and state the relevant date.
3. For each of Premises A and B, has any form of enforcement action been taken against any person relating to any other licensing issues at the premises, for example, breach of conditions,

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illicit sale of cigarettes, etc? If so, please describe the circumstances and state the relevant date.

Street drinking, anti-social behaviour, and crime and disorder

Regarding the following premises and locations:

- C. 22 Harehills Road, Leeds, LS8 5PB ("**Premises C**");
  - D. LS8 5PB locale generally ("**Location D**");
  - E. 329 Harehills Lane, LS9 6AX ("**Premises E**"); and
  - F. LS9 6AX locale generally ("**Location F**").
- 4. For each of Premises C and E, please provide the number of reported issues, police attendances and arrests associated with street drinking, anti-social behaviour or crime and disorder at the premises for each year since 2012.
  - 5. For each of Locations D and F, please provide the number of reported issues, police attendances and arrests associated with street drinking, anti-social behaviour or crime and disorder at those places for each year since 2012.
  - 6. Please confirm whether the numbers given in response to 5. are included in the numbers given in response to 6.

If you require any further information or clarification from us to assist you in complying with this request, please do not hesitate to contact us directly by email to:

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We look forward to hearing from you within 20 working days of your receipt of this letter.

Yours faithfully

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Our ref CRG/MRD003-1-9/6245

Your ref

5 October 2022

By email to: DPFOI@leeds.gov.uk

### Request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Dear Sirs

We write on behalf of our client, Mr [REDACTED]

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act 2000 we write seeking information from you, and particularly the Licensing department of Leeds City Council, as set out below. Please provide all of the requested information to the fullest extent possible.

This request is made on the instruction of Mr [REDACTED], our client. In the circumstances, there is no reason to withhold from our client any requested data on GDPR grounds that the data may identify our client, if any such data exists. We respectfully remind you that any information identifying our client should nonetheless be regarded as confidential and therefore respectfully request that any data contained in your reply to this request that identifies our client should *not* be made available to the public under your routine publication of responses to Freedom of Information requests.

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West Yorkshire Joint Services  
Nepshaw Lane South  
Morley  
LS27 7JQ

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Your ref

5 October 2022

By post

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Dear Sirs

We write on behalf of our client, Mr [REDACTED]

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act 2000 we write seeking information from you, the Trading Standards department of West Yorkshire Joint Services, as set out below. Please provide all of the requested information to the fullest extent possible.

This request is made on the instruction of Mr [REDACTED] our client. In the circumstances, there is no reason to withhold from our client any requested data on GDPR grounds that the data may identify our client, if any such data exists. We respectfully remind you that any information identifying our client should nonetheless be regarded as confidential and therefore respectfully request that any data contained in your reply to this request that identifies our client should *not* be made available to the public under your routine publication of responses to Freedom of Information requests.

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## Freedom Of Information

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Email: [foi@westyorkshire.police.uk](mailto:foi@westyorkshire.police.uk)  
Website: [www.westyorkshire.police.uk](http://www.westyorkshire.police.uk)

Our ref: FOI 1362765/22

Date: 7 November 2022

Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for your request for information received by West Yorkshire Police on 5 October 2022.

You requested the following information:

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As no time frame was provided we have performed a search back to 2015 (as this how far we could search back for test purchases) which has returned 0 results for both test purchases and enforcement action for either underage sales of alcohol or licencing issues. As such, West Yorkshire Police do not hold any information in relation to this aspect of your request.

- C. 22 Harehills Road, Leeds, LS8 5PB ("Premises C");  
D. LS8 5PB locale generally ("Location D");  
E. 329 Harehills Lane, LS9 6AX ("Premises E"); and  
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Please see the attached document in relation to your request.

## COMPLAINT RIGHTS

If you are not satisfied with how this request has been handled or with the information provided. Please read the advice notice attached to this letter. If you do wish to take up your right of Complaint, please remember to quote the reference number above in any future correspondence.

Yours sincerely,

A black rectangular box redacting the signature of the Data and Information Sharing Officer.

Data and Information Sharing Officer.

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Complaints will only be treated as valid, if they are received by West Yorkshire Police within a 60 day timeframe from the date of the decision letter. They must include the original FOI Reference Number and can only be submitted in writing, by using the following contact details:

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Or

West Yorkshire Police  
FOI Internal Reviews  
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In all possible circumstances, West Yorkshire Police will aim to complete and respond to your internal review within 20 working days. However this date may be extended in exceptional circumstances, by another 20 working days.

### **The Information Commissioner**

If you are still dissatisfied with the internal review decision, made by West Yorkshire Police. You can then make an application to the Information Commissioner, for a decision on whether the request for information has been dealt with in accordance with the requirements of the Act.

For information on how to make application to the Information Commissioner please visit their website at [www.ico.gov.uk](http://www.ico.gov.uk)

Alternatively, you can phone their helpline or write to them at:

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Wilmslow  
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SK9 5AF  
FOI Help Line: 0303 1231113



**Crimes, incidents and arrests relating to L58 5PB and L58 6AX, 01/01/2012 to 30/09/2022**

**Notes**

Crime information represent the number of crimes recorded during the period which:

- were not subsequently cancelled

- had a location postcode of L58 5PB or L58 6AX, specific addresses outlined are shown but the figures are also shown in the postcode totals

Figures are subject to further investigation, recategorisation and correction, and may therefore change over time

Crime classifications based on Home Office Counting Rules for Recorded Crime <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/counting-rules-for-recorded-crime>

Incident information represents the number of incidents recorded during the period which:

- were attended by Police

- had a location postcode of L58 5PB or L58 6AX, specific addresses outlined are shown but the figures are also shown in the postcode totals

Incidents are recorded in accordance with the National Standard for Incident Recording (NSIR) Counting Rules:

[www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-national-standard-for-incident-recording-nsir-counting-rules](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-national-standard-for-incident-recording-nsir-counting-rules)

Arrest information represents the number of arrests made (not individuals) during the period where:

- the detainee was arrested at a location with a postcode of L58 5PB or L58 6AX, specific addresses outlined are shown but the figures are also shown in the postcode totals

Arrest categories refer to the primary reason for arrest, other offences may also be linked to the arrest record

Location	Year	Crimes by offence category										Incidents attended by incident type										Arrests by arrest reason									
		Arson and criminal damage	Burglary	Drug offences	Miscellaneous offences against society	Possession of weapons	Public order offences	Roadworthy	Sexual offences	Theft	Vehicle offences	Violence against the person	38 - Arson/Chm	39 - Transport Related	40 - Crime Related	41 - Public Safety/Well	42 - Anti-Social Behaviour	43 - Firearms	Criminal damage	Drug offences	Fraud and Forgery	Other non-fatal offences	Other violent offences	Other reasons	Roadworthy	Sexual offences	Theft and handling	Violence against person			
22 Harehills Road, Leeds, LS8 5PB	2012	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
	2013	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
	2014	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
	2015	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
	2016	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
	2017	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
	2018	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
	2019	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
	2020	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
	2021	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
	2022	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
LS8 5PB	2012	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	7	7	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
	2013	1	11	0	0	0	0	1	1	5	1	0	1	16	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
	2014	2	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	1	0	1	6	9	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
	2015	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	6	1	7	0	8	8	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
	2016	2	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	2	0	7	1	0	0	3	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
	2017	3	3	1	2	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	4	13	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
	2018	3	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	1	7	4	3	9	8	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
	2019	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	15	6	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
	2020	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	10	3	0	11	6	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
	2021	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
	2022	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	1	11	6	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
329 Harehills Lane, LS8 6AX	2012	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
	2013	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	1	2	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
	2014	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	2	0	5	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
	2015	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	5	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
	2016	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	5	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
	2017	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
	2018	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	10	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
	2019	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
	2020	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	4	0	0	0	0	8	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
	2021	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
	2022	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
LS8 6AX	2012	0	4	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
	2013	6	5	0	2	0	1	1	0	41	0	5	1	18	14	3	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
	2014	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	52	1	3	4	3	8	29	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
	2015	1	3	0	1	0	2	0	0	32	0	12	4	2	13	15	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
	2016	0	0	1	0	0	5	2	0	28	0	5	1	1	13	15	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
	2017	0	0	1	0	1	2	2	0	17	0	5	4	2	1	9	2	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
	2018	1	1	0	0	0	4	2	0	16	0	4	2	2	24	7	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
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	2022	4	1	2	0	0	9	0	0	9	0	9	1	2	11	7	1	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0					

**From:** noreply@leeds.gov.uk  
**Sent:** 13 October 2022 08:02  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Leeds City Council Information Management & Governance

Dear [REDACTED]

Re: Freedom of Information Request.

I refer to your correspondence to the council and your request for the following:

Regarding the following premises:

A. Maxi Foods and Wine, 309 Harehills Lane, LS9 6AA ("Premises A")

B. Harehills Maxi Foods, 268-270 Harehills Lane, LS9 7BD ("Premises B").

1. For each of Premises A and B, has any person failed any form of 'test purchase' relating to underage sales of goods at the premises? (If so, please describe the circumstances and state the relevant date.)

2. For each of Premises A and B, has any form of enforcement action been taken against any person relating to underage sales of goods at the premises?

(If so, please describe the circumstances and state the relevant date.)

3. For each of Premises A and B, has any form of enforcement action been taken against any person relating to any other licensing issues at the premises, for example, breach of conditions,

illicit sale of cigarettes, etc?

(If so, please describe the circumstances and state the relevant

date.)

Leeds City Council do not hold the information you have requested. You may wish to approach Trading Standards [info@wyjs.org.uk](mailto:info@wyjs.org.uk) who may be able to assist you

I trust that this response is satisfactory. If however you are dissatisfied with this response you have a right to appeal to an independent officer within the council. They will re-examine your request and assess whether we have adhered to the requirements of the act. Should you wish to follow this course of action please address your concerns in writing to the above address.

You also have a right under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act to ask the Information Commissioner to decide whether we have met with our obligations under the act. The Commissioner has however made it clear that they expect all applicants to exhaust internal appeals procedures prior to making such an application. Should you wish to contact the Commissioner's office then you can contact the Commissioner via their website at [www.ico.org.uk](http://www.ico.org.uk)

I trust that this is self-explanatory. If you have any queries please contact me on 0113 3784251, or by return email.

Kind Regards

[REDACTED]

Information Governance Officer

Information Management & Governance

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Nepshaw Lane South, Morley, Leeds, LS27 7JQ

t: [REDACTED]

e: [info@wyjs.org.uk](mailto:info@wyjs.org.uk)

[www.wyjs.org.uk](http://www.wyjs.org.uk)



Your Ref: CRG/MRD003-1-9/6245

9 November 2022

Woodswhur  
St James House  
28 Park Place  
Leeds  
LS1 2HP

Dear Sirs

Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Request for Information: 2213

I am writing in respect of your recent enquiry for information held by West Yorkshire Joint Services (WYJS) under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Our business records have been reviewed and I am able to provide you with the answers to your questions as below.

Qu1) Premises A: No  
Premises B: No

Qu2) Premises A: No  
Premises B: No

Qu3) Premises A: No  
Premises B: No

Yours faithfully

David Mullins  
Team Manager Business Growth and Regulation  
(Chartered Trading Standards Practitioner)





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## Kirstan Woodbridge

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**From:** Musson, Martyn [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 9 March 2023 17:04  
**To:** Christopher Rees-Gay  
**Subject:** RE: PREM/05068/001 | Maxi Foods, 22 Harehills Road | Meeting At The Premises | Scheduled By Solicitor.

[REDACTED]

For simplification, I sent it to everyone, relevant authorities, All residents including anonymous ones.

Kind Regards,

Martyn Musson

Licensing Officer  
Entertainment Licensing  
Leeds City Council

t: [REDACTED]  
e: [Entertainment.Licen@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:Entertainment.Licen@leeds.gov.uk)  
w: [Alcohol and entertainment \(leeds.gov.uk\)](https://alcoholandentertainment.leeds.gov.uk)



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**From:** Christopher Rees-Gay [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 09 March 2023 5:02 PM  
**To:** Musson, Martyn [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: PREM/05068/001 | Maxi Foods, 22 Harehills Road | Meeting At The Premises | Scheduled By Solicitor.

Afternoon Martyn,

I hope you are well.

Many thanks for doing this, can you please confirm whether this went to all residents that submitted a representation or whether it was just the anonymous ones.

Many thanks

Chris

Christopher Rees-Gay

Woods Whur 2014 Limited

Tel: [REDACTED]

Mobile: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
Woods Whur 2014 Limited, St James House, 28 Park Place, Leeds, LS1 2SP

**From:** Musson, Martyn [REDACTED]

**Sent:** 9 March 2023 16:56

**Subject:** PREM/05068/001 | Maxi Foods, 22 Harehills Road | Meeting At The Premises | Scheduled By Solicitor.

Good Afternoon All,

If you are receiving this email, then you are an interested party towards the application for PREM/05068/001 | Maxi Foods. I've been asked by the agent acting on behalf of the applicant to forward some details on. They wish to invite all parties to the premises for a meeting to address any concerns you may have with the application.

- The meeting will take place at: **Maxi Foods, 22 Harehills Road, Harehills, Leeds, LS8 5PB. On Monday 27 March 2023 at 18:00 (6pm).**

Please note that this is a request on behalf of the solicitors as they are aware of several representations being anonymous. You may contact the solicitor, Chris if you wish but there is no obligation from us to do so.

Christopher Rees-Gay

Woods Whur 2014 Limited

Tel: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
Woods Whur 2014 Limited, St James House, 28 Park Place, Leeds, LS1 2SP

Kind Regards,

Martyn Musson

Licensing Officer

Entertainment Licensing

Leeds City Council

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w: [Alcohol and entertainment \(leeds.gov.uk\)](https://www.leeds.gov.uk/alcohol-and-entertainment)



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Enter postcode below (no spaces)

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...within MSOA:

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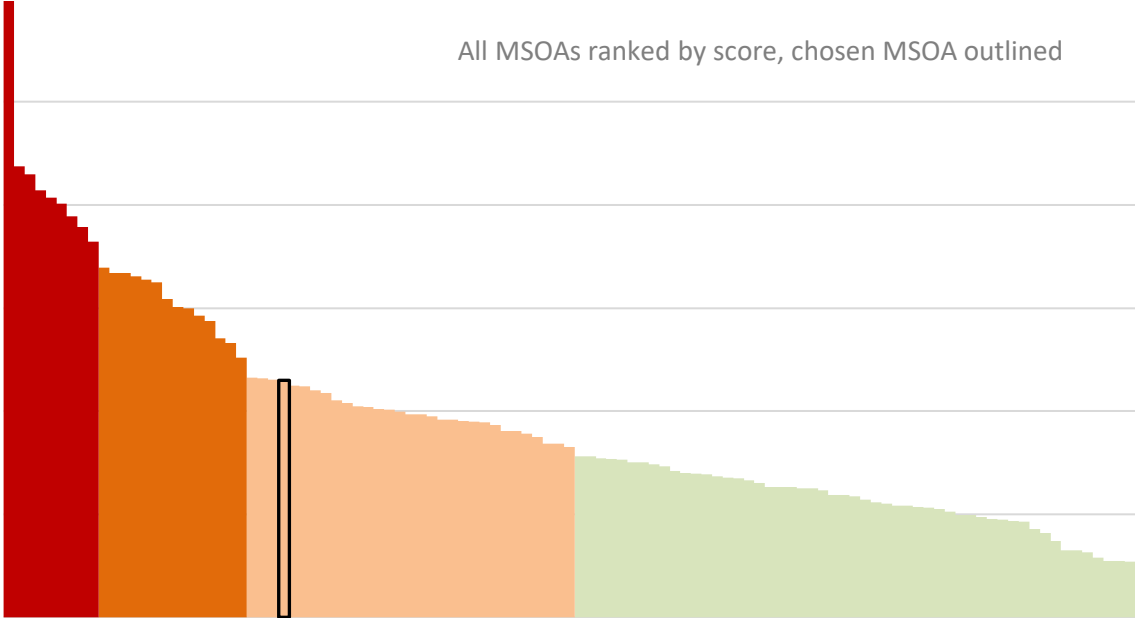
The MSOA ranks 30 out of 107 MSOAs in Leeds

Medium

30th

(where ranking 1 is most harm, and 107 is least)

This MSOA is in (or mainly within) 'Gipton & Harehills' ward.



Indicator	Category	Rank	Weight
Deprivation Score	High	15	low
Population aged 16 and under	Very high	2	mid
Not achieving English & Maths strong pass	High	10	mid
Looked after children	Very high	6	mid
NEET (not in education or training)	Very high	2	low
Alcoholic liver disease mortality rate	Low	90	high
Alcohol specific emergency admission count	Low	62	high
Off Licence premises count	High	21	high
On Licence premises count	Low	87	mid
Alcohol related harm hospital stays (narrow, age std. rate)	Medium	36	mid
Antisocial behaviour - alcohol related, count	High	14	mid
Violent crime where alcohol flagged, count	Medium	35	mid
Drunk and disorderly, count	High	13	mid
Alcohol treatment, all episode counts	Medium	53	high
Licensing risk score	High	22	mid
Ambulance callouts related to alcohol, count	Medium	43	high
AUDIT tests scoring 16 or more (higher risk)	Low	67	high
Stroke emergency hospital admissions ( age std. rate)	Very high	8	high

Ranking 1-9 (the top 9 MSOAs)	Very high
Ranking 10-23	High
Ranking 24-54	Medium
Ranking 55-107 (the bottom 53 MSOAs)	Low

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Maxi Foods, 22 Harehills Road, Leeds, LS8 5PB

I support the application for a new premises licence for Maxi Foods, 22 Harehills Road, Leeds, LS8 5PB to sell alcohol off the premises at this store:

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Maxi Foods, 21 Harehills Road, Leeds, LS8 5PB

I support the application for a new premises licence for **Maxi Foods, 22 Harehills Road, Leeds, LS8 5PB** to sell alcohol off the premises at this store:

[illegible]

**Mini Food:** 22 Harehills Road, Leeds, LS8 5PB

I support the application for a new premises licence for Maxi Foods, 22 Harehills Road, Leeds, LS8 5PB to sell alcohol off the premises at this store:

[illegible]

**Alani Foods, 22 Harehills Road, Leeds, LS8 5PB**

I support the application for a new premises licence for Maxi Foods, 27 Harehills Road, Leeds, LS8 5PB to sell alcohol off the premises at this store:

[illegible]

Maxi Foods, 22 Harehills Road, Leeds, LS8 5PB

I support the application for a new premises licence for Maxi Food, 22 Harehills Road, Leeds, LS8 5PB to sell alcohol off the premises at this store:

[illegible]



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## WITNESS STATEMENT

*(CJ Act 1967, s. 9, MC Act 1980, s.s.5A (3a) and 5B MC Rules 1981, r70)*

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Statement of: [REDACTED]

Age if under 18: Over 18  
(over 18 insert "over 18")

Occupation: Licensing and Security  
Compliance Consultant

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This statement (consisting of 7 page(s) each signed by me) is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

Dated the 6th of March 2023

Signature: [REDACTED]

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This report is made in relation to an application for a new Premises Licence at 22 Harehills Road Leeds LS8 5PB

### Qualifications and Experience

1. I am an independent licensing consultant and a former Police Inspector, having completed 30 years' service with the Greater Manchester Police in a variety of uniform and non-uniformed roles.
2. The longest period of attachment to a department was between 1998 and 2006 when I performed the role of Force Licensing Inspector. This role involved the supervision of 12 divisional licensing officers, tasking and management of a covert licensing unit comprising a sergeant and six constables, developing force policy and enforcement in relation to all licensed units and employment and briefing of a licensing solicitor to act on behalf of the force in more complex licensing hearings.
3. During the period as the Force Licensing Inspector, I was responsible for the good conduct of outlets involved in selling alcohol but also those that provided gambling, betting and bingo facilities. I have represented Greater Manchester Police at Magistrates' Court hearings, Crown Court Appeals, The High Court and Council Licensing Committee hearings to oppose unsuitable applications and to take enforcement action against those premises whose standards had fallen below an acceptable level. I was responsible for the Force's response to support the

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Government led Alcohol Misuse Enforcement Campaigns (AMEC) which was highly acclaimed for reducing alcohol related crime and disorder.

4. Throughout my period in the central licensing role Assistant Chief Constable Robert Taylor, also from the Greater Manchester Police, was the Association of Chief Police Officers (ACPO) lead spokesman on Alcohol and Licensing matters. As a result of this connection, I became secretariat to the ACPO National Licensing officers' group and National Licensing Forum (NLF). The latter group was made up of trade organisations including the British Beer and Pub Association, Retail Trade Consortium, Business in Sport and Leisure, Magistrates Association, Justices Clerks Society, Local Government Association, Home Office, and Department for Culture, Media and Sport. During the period above, these groups scrutinised and made recommendations for amendments to the proposed Green and White papers, which were subsequently presented to the House of Commons as the Licensing Act 2003.
5. In 2006 on leaving the Central Licensing Unit I received a Chief Officer's Commendation, recognising the contribution I had made to licensing enforcement across Greater Manchester, particularly in relation to my leadership and commitment shown in developing force policy and training in response to the Licensing Act 2003.
6. Between 2006 and my retirement from the Greater Manchester Police in December 2010 I took up the role of Neighbourhood Inspector for the town of Heywood on the Rochdale division. I continued to work with the licensed trade in that area to improve safety in and around licensed premises and reduce crime and disorder. I was chairperson of the Heywood Pub Watch and closed a number of premises in the town that failed in their licensing objectives using my powers under the Licensing Act 2003 and subsequent amendments.
7. In recent years I have continued my professional development in regard to licensing knowledge by taking and passing the National Licensees Certificate and National Door Supervisors courses. This enabled me both to successfully apply for a Personal Licence and to become approved by the Security Industry Authority (SIA) as a front line operative. In September 2011 I successfully applied to become a nominated tutor with the British Institute of Inn keeping enabling me to carry out training in the award for responsible alcohol retailing and the award for personal licence holders which are National Vocational Qualifications. Annually and lately in February 2023 I attended a Licensing Seminar to update solicitors and practitioners on licensing changes.
8. Since January 2011 I have worked in a consultancy role with licensed premises in Basingstoke, Bedford, Birmingham, Blackpool, Brighton, Bromsgrove, Canterbury, Cardiff, Chester, Derby, Guildford, Harrogate, Huddersfield, Lancaster, Leeds, Lincoln, London, Manchester, Mildenhall, Newcastle, Nottingham, Preston, Sheffield, Skipton, Stratford, Trafford, Watford, Worcester and York, producing strategies aimed at reducing crime and disorder in and around venues. In addition to conducting investigations on behalf of operators I have also been engaged by Camden LBC and residents in Cardiff, Chester, Newcastle and York to conduct observations and

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reports on licensed venues. I would estimate that since January 2011 I have visited in excess of 1,000 premises licensed under the Licensing Act 2003. In all of these cases I believe that I have been able to make a positive impact on the licensing objectives. Only one venue has subsequently suffered a second review application following my guidance. This venue continues to operate following further interventions being made.

9. I am experienced in the production of independent written reports and giving evidence before Licensing Sub-Committees and Magistrates' Courts. It is important to stress that in carrying out this work, I act independently, record what I see and express my own opinions. Due to concerns expressed by a number of Licensing Committees and Magistrates' Courts that premises modify their behaviour in anticipation of a compliance visit I always endeavour to conduct my observations without the local operators being made aware of my impending visit. I have been informed by those instructing me that this was the case in relation to this investigation.

### **Scope of investigation**

10. I have been requested by Christopher Rees Gay of Woods Whur solicitors to attend the Harehills area of Leeds and conduct an investigation into the operation of Maxi Foods at that location in relation to the new application; to conduct an investigation and report into how the current licensed premises impact on the licensing objectives and the area generally in the Harehills area. In preparation for my visit, and in order to address my investigation to the matters of concern, I have seen and read the application and representations. In order to risk assess my visit I have also conducted enquiries on the police.uk website.
11. I have previously visited and conducted observations in the Harehills area of Leeds. My previous visit to the area was in September 2020 in relation to an application for a new gambling premises in Harehills Lane made by Merkur Slots. Similar representations to those received in the Maxi Foods application were also made to the application by Merkur Slots. That the area suffered high levels of crime and disorder, there were too many gambling premises in the area, young children passing to and from school would be adversely impacted, alcohol drinkers would be drawn to and frequent the venue, and the granting of the licence would exacerbate the current problems in the area.
12. Having conducted a number of investigations on behalf of Merkur over the years, I was aware that many of these stereotypical fears of a negative impact could be minimised by the introduction of a professional company and robust licensing conditions which were reflected in my covering report and recommendations to the gambling committee. The licence was subsequently granted and during my visits to the Harehills area during this current investigation I did not observe any of the fears expressed in the initial application being realised.

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## **Observations**

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2023**

13. My observations in respect of this investigation took place on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2023. I arrived in the Harehills Area at 1130 hours and my observations ceased at 2000 hours that day. My observations were recorded into an audio voice recorder and notes document which I later transferred into this report. The time period was chosen following comments in the West Yorkshire police representations that current issues in the area occurred late morning to early evening. I have produced a map of the location for reference to the locations that are referred to in my report (exhibit reference letter DJB1 refers).
14. At 1130 Maxi Food at 22 Harehills Road was already open. I ascertained that the area was mixed use in terms of planning regulations with shop and businesses on Harehills Road and residential dwellings above and behind these businesses. I noted that the notice of application for a premises licence was prominently displayed at the front entrance. I then looked around the area for residential accommodation that would likely be affected by the granting of the licence. The nearest residents were above the applicant's premises, at Lascelles Terrace and Lascelles Road East on each side of the applicant's premises.
15. I then looked around the area for signs of local authority-controlled CCTV systems which are often located in areas of high crime or disorder. I could find no cameras that had a line of sight to the applicant's premises. Other off licences in the area included Baba Jaga, Krakus, Bucharest, all located near to Stanley Road and KB off licence, Vilnius and Fast Lane near to the junction of Harehills Road and the A58. The nearest alcohol outlet to Maxi foods appeared to be Venus off licence at 18 Harehills Road.
16. At 1307 a male is drinking from a single bottle of Budweiser (4.5%) in Nice Place Harehills. At 1322 a male in a grey puffy jacket is seen apparently dealing drugs to cars pulling up in Ashton Grove near to Harehills Road. At 1326 the male is seen dealing to a second vehicle after which he is seen recovering a polystyrene take away container from under a 12 plate VW Toureg parked in the street and putting something in his pocket.
17. Between 1330 and 1500 hours I conducted observations outside the applicants two other premises on Harehills Lane, Merkur Slots and Compton Road, where historically street drinking had occurred. At 1415 hours a male and female exit Mama Rose off licence on Compton Road carrying three cans of stella (5.2%). The male and female walk to a nearby alley where they join 3 other males and start consuming the cans. Nearby are empty cans and small bottles that had contained spirits. One of the other males is consuming a can of Kronenbourg (5%). At 1430 3 Eastern European sounding males are seen outside an empty shop on Harehills Lane. 1 is drinking a miniature spirit (40%) and one is consuming a can of stella (5.2%).
18. At 1500 hours I returned to Harehills Road as many of the representations referenced a concern of the impact that the application may have on school children. Between 1500 and 1520 87 people passed 22 Harehills Road. 11 of these appeared to be of school age. Between 1520 and 1540 90 people passed the store. 29 of them children. Between 1540 and 1600 50 people passed. 27 of them children. Between 1600 and 1620 51 people passed. 12 of them children.

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19. At 1634 a male is seen drinking a can of Frosty Jack (7.5%) in Ashton Place. I continued to monitor the Harehills area and noted when and where street drinking occurred. At 1728 a male is drinking Pela Lager (7.6%) on Harehills Lane. 1735 two males drink cans of Zywiec (5.6%) on Compton Road. An empty ¼ bottle of Czech vodka is discarded nearby. 1845 Male drinks bottle of Stella 5.2% outside Baba Jaga on Harehills Road. 1855 male drinks a can of Omega white cider (7.5%) outside Krakow off licence on Harehills Road. 1924 male drinks a can of Zywiec (5.6%) outside Krakow off licence on Harehills Road.
20. 1930 Police have stopped two males in a white BMW car on Stanley Road. The police were in the process of searching the males and their vehicle. At 1940 7 people are in the alley way on Crompton Road drinking from unidentifiable cans.
21. Nothing further of note occurred and at 2000 hours I ceased my observations and left the area.

### **Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2023**

22. I returned to the Harehills area of Leeds at 1130 am on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2023 to observe the area and residents during a weekend trading period. Maxi Foods and the other off-licences on Compton Road, Harehills Lane and Harehills Road were all open. At this time there were no street drinkers near to the shops on Compton Road or any of the other locations. The suspected drug dealer was not seen on Ashton Grove and there were no issues observed around the site of Merkur Slots.
23. At 1412 a male is seen drinking from a 70cl bottle of Lambrusco type of sparkling wine outside Mama Mia off licence on Compton Road. At 1425 I saw the suspected drug dealer near Ashton Place but did not see them interact with any passing motor vehicles. At 1458 2 males are on Harehills Lane drinking cans of Omega (7.5%) lager. At 1454 2 males share a miniature bottle of what appeared to be Cockburn's Reserve (20%). At 1500 4 males (1 sitting on a mobility scooter) and a female are on Crompton Road. 2 of the males and the female are drinking cans of Omega (7.5%). At 1525 a male is outside Baba Jaga off licence drinking a bottle of Stella (5.2%). At 1528 a male is seen waiting for a bus on Harehills Road whilst drinking a can of Warka polish lager (6.5%).
24. At 1638 I noted a discarded can of Omega lager (7.5%) at the pedestrian entrance to Morrison's on Harehills Lane. At 1700 2 males are on Compton Road drinking cans of Omega lager (7.5%). At 1753 a male is on Harehills Lane drinking a can of Omega Lager (7.5%). At 1800 hours the group of 4 males and two females are outside the shops on Crompton Road. Some of the group can be seen drinking from cans but due to the poor lighting I was unable to identify the brand of drink or whether it was alcoholic. At 1840 there were 3 males and 3 females drinking from unidentifiable cans on Crompton Road. No issues or street drinkers were noted around the Merkur slots site on Harehills Lane.

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25. No further noteworthy incidents occurred and I ceased my observations in the area at 1900 hours. The group of males and females remained at the side of the shops on Crompton Road but I was unable to see what they were doing due to the poor street lighting.

### **Summary**

26. Having previously visited the Harehills area in September 2020 there was very little change in the environment or issues in the area. On that occasion the representations were made in regards to an application for a gaming licence, and that the new venue would add to the current issues in the area. It would appear from my latest observations that these fears have not been realised. The most common occurrence remains the issue of street drinking, but this was not observed to be connected to any disorderly conduct and was more specific to the Crompton Road/Harehills Lane areas mentioned.
27. At no time during these two visits, or my previous visits to the Harehills Area were children under 18 observed taking part in street drinking. Nor were children observed congregating in the vicinity of the current off licences.
28. I also make the following observations. The most serious crime observed during this latest period of observations was the overt drug dealing taking place in Ashton place during the afternoon of Thursday 2nd March 2023. In relation to Police presence, I noted routine patrolling of the area by West Yorkshire police in mobile patrols, no foot patrolling of any of the areas was seen.
29. The main place that the street drinking occurred was on Crompton Road which was the situation in 2020 on my previous visits. More sporadic street drinking was noted in other areas near to the current off licences. No street drinking was observed near to 22 Harehills Road, or near to Venus off licence at 18 Harehills Road on either visit.
30. I have therefore considered the causal factors in the current situation and what conditions may be proposed to prevent street drinkers migrating to the new premises. In my experience street drinkers purchase high strength lagers, ciders or spirits in small quantities as they do not have the financial means to buy in bulk. I would therefore propose the following conditions should be attached to the licence should it be granted.
- No sales of single cans.
  - No beer, lager or cider by volume sales (ABV) above 5 %
  - No spirit sales less than 70cl
  - All alcohol to be sold with a store identifiable price label.
31. If these recommended conditions for 22 Harehills Road had been applied to all off licences in the area only the incident involving Lambrusco wine on Crompton Road would have been able to take place.

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## Conclusion

32. The applicant is a known operator in this challenging inner-city area, having two current premises in nearby Harehills Lane. He is aware of the historic problems in the area and believes that he can operate a successful licensed business at this location without adding to those issues. It was also notable during these observations that no street drinking or anti-social behaviour was observed outside Venus off licence at 18 Harehills Road, which was granted a licence in 2016.
33. The majority of street drinking I observed was being conducted by males and females aged 30+. None of the street drinking was witnessed being conducted by any person who appeared near to the 18 year of age legal limit for purchasing alcohol. Although the area has a high percentage of under 16's in its population, no one of that age was seen street drinking or engaging in antisocial behaviour.
34. The applicant already runs an unlicensed mini store at this location and seeks to give his current customers a one stop shopping experience including the sale of beers, wines, and spirits. Many of these current customers have expressed a reluctance to visit the other alcohol outlets on Harehills Lane due to the presence of street drinkers outside. By accepting the suggested conditions as outlined above I believe that the applicant will be able to give his customers what they require whilst still supporting the Licensing Objectives.
35. These recommendations are based on my previous experiences as a police licensing Inspector, and my observations in many areas where street drinking has historically been an issue.

  
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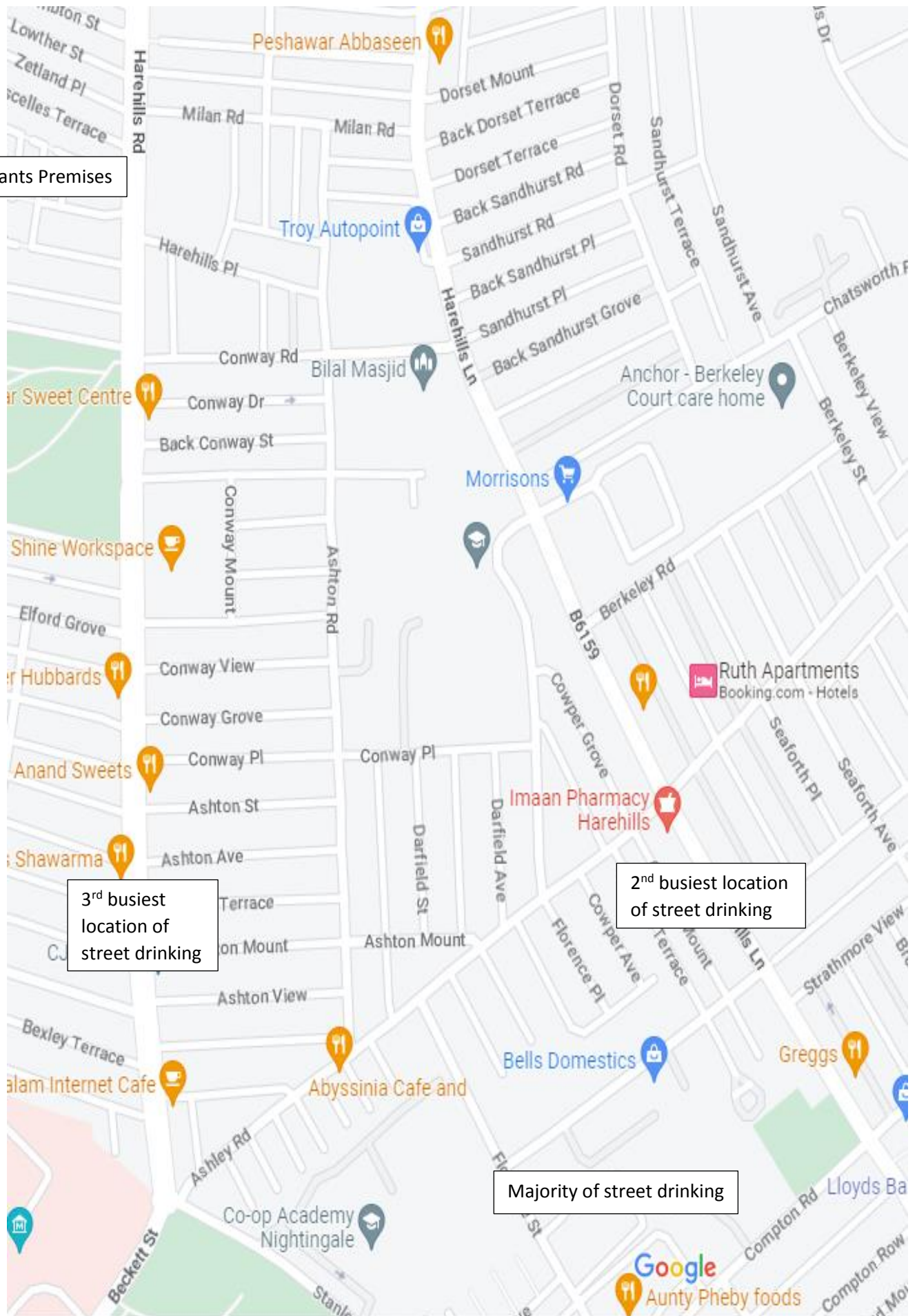
## Appendix

Exhibit reference letter DJB 1 map of area and street drinking locations

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