

Report of the Head of Elections, Licensing and Registration

Report to the Licensing Sub Committee

Date: Tuesday 10th November 2015

Subject: Application for the grant of a premises licence for Bargain Booze 23 Nora Place, Bramley, Leeds, LS13 3JE

Are specific electoral Wards affected?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	Bramley & Stanningley	
Are there implications for equality and diversity and 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 type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number:		
Appendix number:		

Summary of main issues

This is an application for the grant of a premises licence, made by Athin Kumar Pandit, for Bargain Booze 23 Nora Place, Bramley, Leeds, LS13 3JE

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

The application has attracted representations from Members of the Public and West Yorkshire Police.

Concerns have also been received from Ward Councillors for this area and the local Member of Parliament.

1.0 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 premises licence in respect of the above mentioned premises.
- 1.2 Members are required to consider this application due to the receipt of representations.

2.0 History of Premises

- 2.1 This is the first application for this premise which was previously trading as a chemist.

3.0 The Application

- 3.1 The applicant is Athin Kumar Pandit,
- 3.2 The application form may be found at **Appendix A** to this report.
- 3.3 In summary the application is for
- 3.4 Supply of Alcohol for consumption **Off** the Premise

Everyday: 06:00 – 23:00

Non Standard Timings

Christmas Eve: 06:00 – 01:00

Boxing Day: 06:00 – 01:00

From the start of permitted hours on New Years Eve to the end of permitted hours on New Years Day

4.0 Other matters relevant to the application

- 4.1 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 four licensing objectives as prescribed by the Licensing Act 2003.

5.0 Steps to promote the Licensing Objectives

- 5.1 The applicant proposes to take specific steps to promote the licensing objectives identified in section "P" of the application form.

6.0 Proposed Designated Premises Supervisor

6.1 Athin Kumar Pandit intends to be the Designated Premises Supervisor.

7.0 Licensing Hours

7.1 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.

7.2 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.

7.3 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 impact on the licensing objectives, given the potential for neighbouring premises to seek the same additional hours to prevent rivals gaining a commercial advantage.

7.4 A list of premises in the local area and their licensed hours and activities is provided at **Appendix B**

8.0 Location

8.1 A map which identifies the location of this premise is attached at **Appendix C**

9.0 Representations

9.1 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.

9.2 Representations from Responsible Authorities

9.3 Representation has been received from West Yorkshire Police in their capacity as a responsible authority.

9.4 Any representations submitted may be agreed prior to a hearing. In this instance the operating schedule has been amended to include measures agreed with West Yorkshire Police. A copy of the agreement may be found at **Appendix D**

9.5 Other representations

9.6 The application has attracted representations from other persons

9.6.1 The licensing section is in receipt of 28 individual letters of objection from local residents with concerns regarding this application under all the licensing objectives.

9.6.2 The authority has also received representation from the local Member of Parliament and the Ward Councillors for this area who have concerns regarding this application.

9.6.3 A petition has been received containing 217 signatories.

9.6.4 A copy of representations received may be found at **Appendix E**

10.0 Options Available to Members

10.1 The licensing sub-committee 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 sub committee are asked to note that they may not modify the conditions or reject the whole or part of the application merely because it considers it desirable to do so. It must actually be appropriate in order to promote the licensing objectives.

11.0 Background Papers

- Guidance issued under s182 Licensing Act 2003
- Leeds City Council Statement of Licensing Policy
- Representations received from other persons
- Local Licensing Guidance (if relevant)