

## Report of the Chief Officer Elections and Regulatory

### Report to the Licensing Sub Committee

Date: 12th November 2019

**Subject:** Application for the grant of a premises licence for Nawaz Restaurant  
51 - 53 Austhorpe Road, Cross Gates, Leeds, LS15 8BA

Are specific electoral Wards affected?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	Crossgates & Whinmoor	
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 Mr Nasir Nawaz, for Nawaz Restaurant 51 - 53 Austhorpe Road, Cross Gates, Leeds, LS15 8BA.

This premises is currently trading as a restaurant. The applicant has applied for sale by retail of alcohol Everyday 12:00 – 00:00. The alcohol sales are for both consumption on and off the premises. The consumption off the premises applies to customers buying an alcoholic beverage with their meal (eg. A bottle of wine to take the remainder home).

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

The application has attracted representations from other persons and responsible authorities.

## **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 Mr Nasir Nawaz.

- 3.2 The proposed designated premises supervisor is Mr Sajid Ali.

- 3.3 In summary the application is for:

*Sale by retail of alcohol - Everyday 12:00 - 00:00.*

- 3.4 A redacted version of the application has been attached at Appendix A.

- 3.5 The applicant proposes to promote the licensing objectives by taking the steps identified in the proforma risk assessment which is attached at Appendix B. There are certain conditions within the proforma the applicant has suggested that are still awaiting slight amendments to the wording.

## **4 Location**

- 4.1 A map which identifies the location of this premises is attached at Appendix C.

## **5 Representations**

- 5.1 Under the Act representations can be received from anyone but they must be relevant and, in the case of a member of the public, must not be frivolous or vexatious.

### Representations from Responsible Authorities

- 5.2 Representations have been received from West Yorkshire Police in their capacity as a responsible authority. As agreements have yet to be reached then a copy of their representation can be found at Appendix D and still remains a matter for members consideration.

## Other representations

- 5.3 The application has attracted representation from members of the public (described as 'other persons' in the legislation).
- 5.4 The licensing authority is in receipt of one letter of objection, opposing to the application on the grounds of public nuisance.
- 5.5 In order to protect personal data, redacted copies of the representations are attached at Appendix E. Unredacted copies will be available at the hearing for Members consideration.

## **6 Licensing hours**

- 6.1 Members are directed to paragraphs 6.6 to 6.13 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.
- 6.2 In brief the Policy states at 6.12 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.
- 6.3 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.
- 6.4 A list of premises in the local area and their licensed hours and activities is provided at Appendix F.

## **7 Equality and diversity implications**

- 7.1 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.

## **8 Options available to Members**

- 8.1 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.
- 8.2 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.

**Background papers**

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