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# Report of the Chief Officer Elections and Regulatory

## **Report to the Licensing Sub Committee**

Date: 15th August 2023

Subject: Application for the grant of a premises licence for One Stop 64 - 66

Cross Gates Road, Cross Gates, Leeds, LS15 7NN

Are specific electoral Wards affected?		☐ No
If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s): Killingbeck & Seacroft		
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 One Stop Stores Limited, for One Stop 64 - 66 Cross Gates Road, Cross Gates, Leeds, LS15 7NN.

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

The application has attracted representations from West Yorkshire Police, Leeds City Council Environmental Protection Team and from local residents. Measures have been agreed with both West Yorkshire Police and Leeds City Council Environmental Protection Team.

#### 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 One Stop Stores Limited.
- 3.2 The proposed designated premises supervisor is Miss Sabina Yusaf.
- 3.3 In summary the application is for:

Sale by retail of alcohol (for consumption off the premises) Every day 06:00 - 23:00

- 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 section M of the operating schedule of the application

#### 4 Location

4.1 A map which identifies the location of this premises is attached at **Appendix B**.

# 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

- Any representation may be negotiated prior to the hearing. In this instance the operating schedule will be amended to include the measures agreed with:
- 5.3 Leeds City Council Environmental Health, a copy of the agreement may be found at **Appendix C**.
- 5.4 West Yorkshire Police, a copy of the agreement may be found at **Appendix D.**

#### Other representations

- The application has attracted representation from members of the public (described as 'other persons' in the legislation).
- 5.6 The licensing authority is in receipt of seven individual letters of objections all of which are opposed to this application on the grounds of crime & disorder and public nuisance.
- 5.7 One representation has been received from a member of the public who has expressed concern that they may be at risk of retribution should their details be made public. As such their personal details have been redacted and they will remain anonymous. For this reason, despite their strength of feeling they will not be attending the hearing and would like their representations to be considered fully in their absence.

5.8 In order to protect personal data, redacted copies of the representations are attached at **Appendix E**. Original 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.
- 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.
- 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.

## 9 Background papers

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