

COMMITTEE:	CENTRAL LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE
DATE:	8 NOVEMBER 2013
TITLE:	APPLICATION TO VARY A PREMISES LICENCE – LATE SHOP, 13 HOLYHEAD ROAD, BANGOR
PURPOSE:	FOR A DECISION
AUTHOR:	HEAD OF REGULATORY DEPARTMENT

APPLICATION

Attached is an application to vary the premises licence of Late Shop, 13 Holyhead Road, Upper Bangor, LL57 2EG from the licence holder, Melanie C Jones.

The application is submitted for an extension of the hours of standard licensable activities of providing late night refreshments and selling alcohol to be consumed off the premises.

See details in the application form regarding the steps the applicant intends to take to ensure compliance with the licensing objectives.

Hours of licensed activities are recommended as follows –

	CURRENT LICENCE	PROPOSED LICENCE
Days	Hours of late night refreshments provision	Hours of late night refreshments provision
Sun - Tues	23:00 – 02:00	23:00 – 02:30
Wed - Thurs	23:00 - 02:00	23:00 – 03:00
Fri - Sat	23:00 - 02:00	23:00 - 03:30
	Hours of selling alcohol to be consumed off the premises	Hours of selling alcohol to be consumed off the premises
Sun - Tues	08:00 – 02:00	08:00 – 02:30
Wed - Thurs	08:00 - 02:00	08:00 – 03:00
Fri - Sat	08:00 - 02:00	08:00 - 03:30

Note that the current and proposed opening hours for the premises are 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

CONSULTATIONS

The application was consulted upon and the following responses were received –

RESPONSES	OBSERVATIONS
Local members	2 e-mails – objection
Individual members and Bangor City Council	4 e-mails – objection
Neighbouring resident	A letter – objection
North Wales Police	2 e-mails – conditions, no objection
Fire and Rescue Service	A letter – no objection

SUMMARY OF OBSERVATIONS RECEIVED

Local Members – Gwynedd Council

An e-mail was received from two local members objecting to the application, mainly on the grounds of the licensing objective of preventing public nuisance because of the possibility of an increase in litter and noise. It is noted that the premises is located within a residential area. Concerns were also expressed that an extension to the hours would lead to an increase in crime and disorder.

Bangor City Council

Three e-mails were received from individual councillors and one from the Council's Clerk objecting to the application on the grounds of the licensing objectives of preventing crime and disorder and public nuisance. It was noted that the proposed hours would lead to an increase in crime and disorder, as well as an increase in nuisance, noise and litter on the street.

Neighbouring resident

The resident lives close to the premises and is concerned that the extension of hours will undermine the licensing objective of preventing public nuisance, particularly in respect of disturbance caused by noise.

North Wales Police

The Police do not object to the application for an extension of hours. The viewpoint of the Police is that it is appropriate for the licences of all premises selling late night refreshments in Bangor to be equal in terms of the hours of licensable activities, in order to promote the licensing objectives. It is noted that the Police request that conditions be imposed on the licence with regard to CCTV and Door Supervisors. It is also noted that the Police acknowledge that Upper Bangor is a residential area; and that the applicant has consequently agreed to only extend the hours on the weekend.

See full details of the objections attached to the report.

RECOMMENDATION

The Sub-committee is requested to consider the application in accordance with the Licensing Act 2003.