

COMMITTEE:	CENTRAL LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE
DATE:	25 SEPTEMBER 2014
TITLE:	APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE – FRESHWAY EXPRESS, 319 HIGH STREET, BANGOR, LL57 1YA
PURPOSE:	FOR DECISION
AUTHOR:	HEAD OF REGULATORY DEPARTMENT

APPLICATION

An application for a premises licence at 319 High Street, Bangor was received on 5 August 2014 from Mr Christopher O’Neal, acting as agent on behalf of the applicant, Mr Ahmad Koujan. A copy of the application is available in Appendix 1.

The applicant describes the premises as a ‘Fast Food Takeaway’. The application is made to carry on the provision of late night refreshments, both indoors and outdoors at the following times:-

Monday	23:00-02:30
Tuesday	23:00-02:30
Wednesday	23:00-02:30
Thursday	23:00-03:00
Friday	23:00-03:30
Saturday	23:00-03:30
Sunday	23:00-02:30

The hours the premises will to be open to the public are:-

Monday	09:00-02:30
Tuesday	09:00-02:30
Wednesday	09:00-02:30
Thursday	09:00-03:00
Friday	09:00-03:30
Saturday	09:00-03:30
Sunday	09:00-02:30

The steps the applicant intends to take to promote the four licensing objectives are listed in section M of the application. They include installing CCTV cameras inside the premises; employing door supervisors on Fridays, Saturdays and Bank Holidays from midnight to closing time; cleaning any rubbish outside the premises and restricting access to children under the age of 16 from 11:30p.m. onwards unless they are accompanied by an adult.

REPRESENTATIONS

North Wales Fire & Rescue Service did not wish to make any comments regarding the application. North Wales Police and the Environmental Health service did not make representations. The Planning service did not object to the application. They provided confirmation that planning consent has been permitted for the premises to operate as a ‘hot food takeaway premises’ and confirmed the hours the premises is permitted to be open to customers.

An objection to the application was received from Bangor City Council. See Appendix 2. Their concerns relate to the increase in noise and disturbance, the increase in litter disposal and the level of Crime and Disorder and anti-social behaviour an additional late night refreshment premises will have on the area. Bangor City Council are of the opinion that a saturation point has been reached in this area of Bangor, and as per Gwynedd Council’s Licensing Policy Document, a “Saturation Policy” should be adopted for this part of Bangor.

RECOMMENDATION

The sub-committee is requested to consider the application for a premises licence in accordance with the objectives of the Licensing Act 2003.