



Licensing Committee

Report title: Flower of Kent, 135 Lewisham Way, London SE14 6QP

Date: 23 March 2022

Key decision: No.

Class: Part 1.

Ward(s) affected: Brockley

Contributors: Community Services – Crime, Enforcement & Regulation Service,
Head of Law

Outline and recommendations

Determination of Temporary Event Notice Application - After having regard to all the representations heard, Members must take such steps as they consider appropriate to promote the Licensing Objectives.

Timeline of engagement and decision-making

To consider the application for a Temporary Event Notice. The options open to members of the Committee are set out in paragraph 4 below.

Proposal: Temporary Event Notice (TEN)

Legislation: Licensing Act 2003

Premises: Flower of Kent, 135 Lewisham Way, London SE14 6QP

Applicant: Vernandah Francis.

This matter is required to be heard within a short timescale to meet the statutory requirements. The notice was served in accordance with section 100 of the Licensing Act 2003.

1. Notice Content & Objection

1.1 The Temporary Event Notice is for the following activity to take place

From 19:00 – 03:00hrs 25th - 26th March 2022 and from 19:00 – 03:00hrs on

26th - 27th March 2022

- 1.2 The provision of regulated entertainment from 19:00 until 03:00. The Sales by retail of alcohol ON the premises from 19:00 until 03:00 for 2 birthday parties.
- 1.3 The notice was served on the Metropolitan Police (MPS) and the London Borough of Lewisham Crime, Enforcement and Regulation Service. An objection were received from the Crime Enforcement and Regulation Service within the specified time limit in accordance with section 104 of the Licensing Act 2003 – The objection were received in relation to Prevention of public nuisance.
- 1.4 The premises currently has a licence for:

Recorded Music

23:00 - 23:30 Thursday

23:00 – 02:00 Friday

23:00 – 02:00 Saturday

19:30 – 23:30 Sunday

Alcohol

10.00 - 23.00 Monday

10.00 - 23.00 Tuesday

10.00 - 23.00 Wednesday

10.00 - 23.30 Thursday

10.00 - 02.00 Friday

10.00 - 02.00 Saturday

12.00 - 23.30 Sunday

Seasonal Variation: Any day preceding a Bank Holiday until 02:00

2. Legal and Human Rights Implications

- 2.1 Where an objection notice is received following a Temporary Event Notice a licensing authority is required to hold a hearing. In this case the Licensing Authority is required to consider whether the proposed temporary event will promote the crime prevention and public nuisance licensing objectives.
- 2.2 The licensing authority is a public authority under the Human Rights Act 1998. Therefore the Licensing Authority is under a duty to act compatibly with Convention Rights in the exercise of their function. Article 6 (1) of the Convention provides that everyone is entitled to a fair and public hearing within a reasonable time by an independent and impartial hearing established by law.
- 2.3 The right to give a Temporary Event Notice falls within the scope of civil rights

and obligations in Article 6 (1) as it relates, in this case, to a Premises Licence holder's right to pursue commercial activity. This right is a qualified right therefore it may be interfered with if it is appropriate to protect the general interest of the community.

3. Equalities Implications

3.1 The Equality Act 2010 includes a new public sector equality duty (the equality duty or duties) the duty covers the following nine protected characteristics: age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnerships, pregnancy and maternity, race or religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation.

3.2 In summary the Council must, in the exercise of its functions, have due regard to the need to-

-eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Act

-advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not

-foster good relations between those who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.

3.3 As with the case with the original separate duties, the new duty continues to be a "have regard duty" and the weight to attach to it is a matter for the committee bearing in mind the relevance and proportionality. It is not an absolute requirement to eliminate discrimination, advance equality of opportunity or foster good relations.

4. Determination of objection notice

4.1 After having regard to all the representations heard, Members must take such steps as they consider appropriate to promote the prevention of crime and disorder and public nuisance. Therefore the Licensing Committee may;

1. Decide no action is appropriate to promote the licensing objectives therefore the temporary event may go ahead.
2. Impose one or more conditions on the standard temporary event notice if-
 - a. the authority considers it appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives to do so, AND if
 - b. the conditions are also imposed on a premises licence or club premises certificate that has effect in respect of the same premises, or any part of the same premises, as the standard temporary event notice, and
 - c. the conditions would not be inconsistent with the carrying of licensable activities under the standard temporary event notice
3. Issue a counter notice if it considers it is appropriate to promote the licensing objectives, therefore the temporary event may not go ahead.

4.2 There is a right of appeal to the Magistrates Court against a decision either to give a counter notice or to allow the temporary event to go ahead.

Background Papers

Short Title of

Date

Appendix

Document

Temporary Event Notice

Applications rec'd 10.3.22

Police Objection

Objection rec'd 15.3.22

Should you require any further information on this report please contact Lisa Spall at the Crime, Enforcement & Regulation Service on 020 8314 8390