

Hi Rhys

These are my concerns after the revised hours etc from Chef Ceylon

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From: Furmage, Rhys

Sent: Monday, July 26, 2021 12:53:23 PM

To: WWW: Licensing

Subject: Chef Ceylon - New Premises Licence application - representations

Good afternoon,

I acknowledge receipt of your email received in respect of the above premises which has been accepted as a relevant representation. The Licensing Act requires that your comments are forwarded to the applicant or their representative in advance of any hearing so as to assist with resolution of any problems prior to a hearing before a licensing sub-committee. Where issues can be resolved via mediation, relevant parties may consider that a hearing before a licensing sub-committee is no longer necessary thereby reducing inconvenience.

The council is aware of its obligations under the Data Protection Act and is concerned regarding the publication of personal data. Your representations with your personal details redacted will be published on the Council's website should a hearing be required.

Please find the revised operating schedule for Chef Ceylon attached. You will note the applicant, having considered comments made from residents and Heddlu Gwent Police, has now revised their hours for the sale of alcohol and opening hours. In addition, the applicant has commented on parking, the nature of the premises, customers leaving in a mindful manner, notices, CCTV and monitoring. Further to the applicant's comments, I would add that this application restricts the use of the outdoor area to 2100 hours. Once you have had chance to read the amendments and comments, please can you comment whether your concerns have been addressed, and whether you wish to withdraw your objections or whether your objections still remain.

Applicant's response to residents:

'Thank you for the email including objections to the sale of alcohol licence. We recognise the concerns and hope to work with the local residents.

We are first and foremostly a good quality restaurant serving authentic Sri Lankan food as you know already. We hope to aim for the type of clientele who want good food and good service in a tasteful environment There are five en-suite bedrooms upstairs which we plan to upgrade to provide rooms for B&B so we need to provide a calm environment. We do not wish to attract large groups whose main aim is to drink. We are an eating establishment. In order for that we will amend the hours we have applied for ... (previous hours agreed have been removed as the applicant has submitted further alterations to their hours. Please see attached).

Only those that have ordered food towards the end of the night and before the kitchen closes will be served alcohol until the licensed time. The mentioned times are for sale of Alcohol and times will differ from opening hours.

We are fortunate to have a decent sized car park for our customers and those being dropped off by taxi. We will ensure that customers leaving the restaurant do so in a mindful manner with notices put up . We are in the process of installing CCTV inside and outside the property and those wishing to dine outside will be monitored by the designated supervisor or waiting staff at regular intervals and any concerns reported to a senior staff member to deal with.

We hope that the neighbouring residents are reassured with the above.'

As mentioned above, Heddlu Gwent Police have submitted their own representations against Chef Ceylon's new premises licence application.

The applicant has responded (see attached), and revised their operating schedule, further reducing some of their alcohol sales and opening hours, as well as agreeing to the Police suggestions to promote the licensing objectives. In particular the applicant has agreed to these relevant conditions:

'The premises shall be cleared of customers within 30 minutes of the last supply of alcohol on any day.

The use of the outside licensed area of the premises is not permitted after 21:00 hours. Other than access solely for the use of the smoking area'

Once you have had chance to read the amendments to hours and further relevant conditions, please can you comment whether your concerns have been addressed, and whether you wish to withdraw your objections or whether your objections still remain

If you wish to discuss this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me on 01443 866750 or via email at licensing@caerphilly.gov.uk.

Kind regards,

Rhys Furmage

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Cllr Andrew Farina-Childs

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