

RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY RESPONSE TO LICENSING APPLICATION

RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY – Gwent Police

Name of Applicant	Thakshya Yalendran	
Premises	44 Attlee Road, Lansbury Park, Caerphilly, CF83 1QU	
Your Name	PC7 Daniel Allen	
Job Title	Police Constable	
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Date	30/06/2022	

Which of the four Licensing Objectives does your representation relate to?	
The Prevention of Crime and Disorder	X
Public Safety	X
The Prevention of Public Nuisance	X
The Protection of Children from Harm	X

Please outline the reasons for your Representations

Gwent Police received an application from Thakshya Yalendran in relation to a premise licence at 44 Attlee Road, Caerphilly. The property is a small convenience store and the applicant would like to offer alcohol to customers between 07:00 - 22:00 hours, 7 days a week.

The applicant has offered up conditions consisting of the below:

- 1. Updating CCTV system to cover the front outside area and retain records for 30 days
- 2. Shutters on windows and doors outside the premises
- 3. Enforce challenge 25
- 4. Appropriate notices and records e.g. CCTV in operation and challenge 25 notice, refusals to serve and incidents log
- 5. Initial and refresher training for all staff on requirements on the appropriate sections of the licensing act
- 6. Spirits to be kept behind the counter

Gwent Police licensing team visited the site on Tuesday 28th June and also spoke to the applicant via telephone. The premise is surrounded by residential properties in the heart of Lansbury Park which is a large local authority housing estate near Caerphilly town centre. The applicant understands that the premise is in an area that causes police high demand due to Anti-Social Behaviour and crime. The applicant explained that they are an experienced Designated Premise Supervisor with over 15 years' experience and stated that they only put the supply of alcohol times from 7am due to it mirroring their opening times. The applicant stated in a telephone conversation on 28th June 2022 that they would supply alcohol from 10:00 hours until 22:00 hours and not 07:00 hours to 22:00 hours which would assist in promoting all four of the licensing objectives. Gwent Police support that amendment.

Gwent Police do not object to the application or the amended supply of alcohol times but have included the below representations that will assist the applicant in promoting the licensing objectives.

What conditions could be added to the licence to remedy your representation that the Licensing Sub-Committee could take into account

Supply of alcohol: Monday 10:00-22:00 Tuesday 10:00-22:00 Wednesday 10:00-22:00 Thursday 10:00-22:00 Friday 10:00-22:00 Saturday 10:00-22:00 Sunday 10:00-22:00

The applicant has stated:

Updating CCTV system to cover the front outside area and retain records for 30 days.

Gwent Police would like it re-worded to read:

1. CCTV is installed and working to the satisfaction of the Police and Licensing Authority. Recordings will be maintained for a minimum of 30 days. Recordings shall be immediately available on request of any authorised officer named under the Licensing Act 2003.

If the CCTV equipment fails, the Police and Licensing Authority will be informed as soon as possible, and immediate steps will be taken to put the equipment back into good working order.

The DPS shall train an appropriate number of staff in the use of the CCTV system to facilitate the efficient operation of it with a view to providing evidence when

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requested by an authorised officer named under the Licensing Act 2003.

The correct time and date will be generated onto both the recording and the real time image screen.

CCTV to cover all of the licensed area of the premises, it will be of evidential quality.

There shall be clear signage indicating that CCTV equipment is in use and recording at the premises.

The applicant has stated:

Enforce challenge 25.

Gwent Police would like this reworded to read:

2. An approved proof of age scheme shall be adopted, implemented and advertised within the premise such as 'Challenge 25' whereby an accepted form of photographic identification shall be requested before any alcohol is sold to any person who appears to be under 25 years of age. Acceptable proof of age shall include identification bearing the customers photograph, date of birth and integral holographic mark or security measure. Suitable means of identification would include PASS approved proof of age card, photo-card driving licence and passport.

The applicant has stated:

Initial and refresher training for all staff on requirements on the appropriate sections of the licensing act

Gwent Police would like this reworded to read:

- 3. All staff are to be trained with respect to underage sales, such training to be updated as necessary when legislation changes and should include training in how to refuse sales to difficult customers.

 Safeguarding training should also be undertaken with all staff. Training should be clearly documented, signed and dated by both the trainer and member of
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staff receiving it. This documentation should be available for inspection on request by an authorised officer of the Licensing Authority or a Constable and should be kept for a period of 12 months.

In addition, Gwent Police would like to add the following:

- 4. All refusals will be kept in a refusals book detailing the time, date, the goods, the staff member and the name of the persons who tried to purchase. If no name is given, then a good description will be recorded. This documentation should be available for inspection on request by an authorised officer of the Licensing Authority or a Constable and retained for a 12 month period.
- 5. An incident report logbook shall be held at the premises at all times and shall be produced to an authorised officer of the Licensing Authority or a constable immediately upon request. It shall contain the details of persons involved, incident description, time and date, actions taken and final outcome of the situation. The logbook will be retained for a 12 month period.
- 6. Rowdy and/or disorderly customers will be asked to leave the premises.
- 7. Throughout the hours that the licence operates the designated premise Supervisor or other responsible person employed at the premise will operate regular patrols in the vicinity of the premises to collect and tidy any litter or refuse which has accumulated from the premise.
- 8. Should customers be outside the premises causing congestion on the pavement, loitering and/or causing Anti-Social Behaviour they will be told move away from the vicinity of the store.
- 9. There shall be no consumption of alcohol beverages purchased from the premises in open containers outside at the front of the premises.

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Are you prepared to discuss these representations with the applicant by way of mediation?	Yes. The representations made are reasonable and appropriate. If the applicant agrees to the conditions as proposed, Gwent Police will withdraw their representations.
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