

## RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY RESPONSE TO LICENSING APPLICATIONS

## RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY - Gwent Police

| Name of Applicant        | Premakanthan Nadarajah   |  |
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| Premises                 | Elliot Store, 54-56 Queens Rd, Elliotstown New Tredegar NP24<br>6DZ  |  |
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| Your Name                | Adrian Jones   |  |
| Job Title                | Police Constable 2066  |  |
| em ail Address           |  |  |
| Contact Telephone Number |  |  |
| Date                     | 26/01/2023   |  |

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

## Please outline the reasons for your Representations

The applicant Premakanthan Nadarajah is seeking a license to allow the sale of alcohol by way of an Off License at 54-56 Queens Rd, Elliotstown New Tredegar. The premises is a 3 storied building which was previously a licensed premises an ex-servicesmens club.

The applicant has submitted plans for the refurbishment of this building into a convenience store and the sale of alcohol. The premises is located in Queens Rd and is the end building of a Terraced Street with residential properties adjoining it and directly in front of the premise. The applicant is also the license holder and Designated Premises Supervisor at another licensed premises directly opposite the premises Elliots Stores which is licensed for Off Sales.

The applicant has stated that the premises will be trading Monday-Sunday 0700-2300 and the sale of alcohol to also be Monday-Sunday 0700-2300.

Gwent Police have carried out checks on their systems which show the area does not suffer from high crime or high levels of Anti-Social Behaviour.

On the 13th of January 2023 the applicant Premakanthan Nadarajah was spoken to during a visit at the premise by Pc2066 Jones & Pc1141 Taylor part of Gwent Police Licensing Team, also present was Kathryn Hopkins and David Jones from Caerphilly Councils Licensing team, David Rees from Caerphilly Council Health and Safety Department.

The applicant has provided several conditions at the application stage that will promote the 4 licensing objectives. Gwent Police would advocate the re-wording of these and a small number of additional conditions that would support the applicant in the promotion of the licensing objectives

Gwent Police have submitted previous representations in relation to the application and have been made aware of several objections raised by residents in the area. Having read the objections raised by the residents which appear to be made based around the high levels of anti-social behaviour in the area.

Pc2066 Jones of Gwent Police` Licensing Team has liaised with the Crime and Disorder Officer (Cadro) for the area a Pc Stuart Hurley, his role is the overseeing of crime and disorder for the area. Through working with Pc Hurley a report has been generated which shows the crime and specific reported Anti-Social Behaviour related calls to Gwent Police over a year, from 1/1/22 to 1/1/23.

The report shows in that period of a year the total number of calls for Queens Rd reported to the police were 46 of which 23 were classified as Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) in their type. However, the report shows that although the reports to police were classified as ASB, these reports are not linked to specific youth disorder or any business premises. The type of report made to police include ongoing issues with neighbours, a dog barking in a back garden.

Gwent Police have attended and spoke with the applicant and have put forward representations that are robust and fair that will if agreed assist the applicant in the promotion of the licensing objectives.

**N.B.** If you make a representation you will be expected to attend the Licensing Sub-Committee and any subsequent appeal proceeding.

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