



RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY RESPONSE TO LICENSING APPLICATIONS

RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY – Gwent Police

Name of Applicant	Pizza Bites
Premises	2B Penallta Road , Ystrad Mynach Hengoed CF82 7AP

Your Name	Jon Taylor
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Contact Telephone Number	07788328928
Date	27/6/2023

Which of the four Licensing Objectives does your representation relate to?	
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
<p>The applicant Awat Khazri is applying for a late-night refreshment license to trade as Pizza Bites at the above address.</p> <p>The applicant is requesting a late-night refreshment license to trade Monday to Sunday.</p> <p>Proposed opening hours are Sunday to Thursday 16.00 hrs to 00.00 hrs Friday and Saturday 16.00 hrs to 01.00 hrs</p> <p>On Tues 13th June 2023 Pc 1141 Taylor from Gwent police licensing met with the applicant at the address. Also in attendance was Annette Dicks from Caerphilly council licensing.</p> <p>The application was discussed with the applicant Awat Khazri and some issues were raised around CCTV at the premises. Pc Taylor identified a need for CCTV to cover all areas inside the premises and front entrance.</p> <p>The applicant agreed to increase CCTV coverage as requested by 2 x cameras. Inside the premises was noted a large settee. It was highlighted to the applicant by both Pc Taylor and Annette Dicks that removing it would discourage any persons to loiter in the shop during opening hours. It was recommended to the applicant that it be removed to prevent antisocial behaviour.</p>

The applicant operates a take a way service from the establishment and stated delivery drivers park around the corner as parking outside can be problematic. Pc Taylor and Annette Dicks advised the applicant that drivers are reminded not to slam doors, have loud music playing in their vehicles and not to honk their horns outside the premises. It was discussed that this could have a negative impact on the residents living in the area.

The applicant agreed in the meeting to address the issues highlighted to help promote the licensing objectives

On Tues 20th June Pc Taylor had a conversation with the applicant regarding hours requested for Friday and Saturday. The applicant is requesting late night refreshment on both nights to 01.00 hrs . Pc Taylor asked the applicant if a more realistic time of Midnight (00.00) hrs would be acceptable in line with other late night refreshment establishments in Ystrad Mynach town centre .

This was explained to the applicant by telephone, he was insistent he would remain unchanged from his application with regards to Fridays and Saturdays being 01.00 hrs close.

Having conducted a site visit on 13/6/23 and looked at other late-night refreshment establishments in the town, Gwent Police object to the 01.00 hours closing time Friday and Saturday. The additional opening hours would encourage often intoxicated customers to stay in the area for longer which is likely to have an impact on neighbouring residents, a rise in calls made to the police, a rise in crime and Anti-Social Behaviour. A search of police systems specific for Penallta Road has 40 reported incidents between June 2022 and June 2023. This equates to 11 crimes and 29 reports of antisocial behaviour. Anti-social behaviour contributes to 73% of the calls reported to Gwent police.

Gwent Police do not object to the whole application and propose that the premise closes at midnight Monday to Sunday in line with the other late night refreshment establishments in Ystrad Mynach.

This will assist the applicant in promoting the licensing objectives, namely

The prevention of crime and disorder

The prevention of public nuisance.

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. These have been discussed with the applicant during the multi-agency site visit

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

The applicant has proposed ‘ Below is a list of measures will be taken to promote the four licensing objectives ‘

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	<p>The prevention of crime and Disorder</p> <p>The premises license holder, or other competent person will refuse entry to the premises , to any person who appears to be intoxicated and or acting in an aggressive or offensive manner . Notices to this effect will be displayed at the premises.</p> <p>Public Safety</p> <p>The cctv will be maintained in good working order and continually record when licensable activity takes place and for a period of two hours afterwards. The system shall also record clear images permitting the identification of individuals.</p> <p>The prevention of public nuisance</p> <p>A clear notice shall be displayed at any exit to the premises to instruct customers to respect the needs of local residents and leave the premises and area quietly.</p> <p>The protection of children from harm.</p> <p>Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult after 22.00 hrs . Staff doors will also be locked so children can not enter the kitchen .</p> <p>The applicant has proposed:</p> <p>The cctv will be maintained in good working order and continue to record when licensable activity takes place and for a period of two hours afterwards. The system shall also record clear images permitting the identification of individuals.</p> <p>Gwent Police would like this reworded to</p>
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	<p>(i) Where a CCTV system is to be installed, extended or replaced, it shall be to an appropriate standard as agreed with the Licensing Authority in consultation with the Police. Where a CCTV system is to be installed, it shall be fully operational by the day the licence is granted.</p> <p>(ii) The CCTV equipment shall be maintained in good working order and continually record when licensable activity takes place and for a period of two hours afterwards;</p> <p>(iii) The premises licence holder shall ensure images from the CCTV are retained for a period of 31 days. This image retention period may be reviewed as appropriate by the Licensing Authority;</p> <p>(iv) The correct time and date will be generated onto both the recording and the real time image screen;</p> <p>(v) If the CCTV equipment (including any mobile units in use at the premises) breaks down the Premises Licence Holder shall ensure the designated premises supervisor, or in his/her absence other responsible person, verbally informs the Licensing Authority and the Police as soon as is reasonably practicable. This information shall be contemporaneously recorded in the incident report register and shall include the time, date and means this was done and to whom the information was reported. Equipment failures shall be repaired or replaced as soon as is reasonably practicable and without undue delay. The Licensing Authority and the Police shall be informed when faults are rectified;</p> <p>(vi) The premise licence holder shall ensure that there are trained members of staff available during licensable hours to be able to reproduce and download CCTV images into a removable format at the request of any authorised officer of the Licensing Authority or a constable;</p> <p>(vii) The system shall also record clear images permitting the identification of individuals.</p> <p>(viii) There shall be clear signage indicating that CCTV equipment is in use and recording at the premises during operating hours.</p>
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	<p>In addition, Gwent Police would like to add the below conditions which would assist the applicant in promoting the licensing objectives</p> <p>Throughout the hours that the licence operates staff members 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.</p> <p>The premises license holder or other responsible person, to keep an 'incident logbook in a bound book in which full details of all incidents are recorded. This shall give details of the persons involved, incident description, time and date, actions taken and final outcome of the situation. This shall be completed as soon as possible and, in any case, no later than the close of business on the day of the incident. The time and date when the report was completed, and by whom, is to form part of the entry. The logbook is to be kept on the premises at all times and shall be produced to an authorised officer of the Licensing Authority or a constable when required. All records shall be kept for a period of 12 months</p> <p>Should customers be outside the premises causing congestion, loitering and/or causing Anti-Social Behaviour they will be told move away from the vicinity.</p>
<p>Are you prepared to discuss these representations with the applicant by way of mediation?</p>	<p>Yes. The representations made are reasonable and appropriate. If the applicant agrees to the conditions as proposed, Gwent Police will withdraw their representations</p>

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