

Report to:	Licensing Panel
Relevant Officer:	Lisa Ashton, Licensing Officer
Date of Meeting :	Thursday 26 May 2022

TEMPORARY EVENT NOTICE – FLAME INN

1.0 Purpose of the report:

1.1 To consider a Temporary Event Notice (TEN) for Flame Inn, 2-4 Queen Street, Blackpool, FY1 1PD

2.0 Recommendation(s):

2.1 The Panel is requested to consider the objection and determine whether to allow the event to go ahead, add conditions to the TEN or issue a Counter Notice.

3.0 Reasons for recommendation(s):

3.1 An objection has been received therefore there must be a hearing to consider whether to allow the event to go ahead, add conditions to the TEN or issue a Counter Notice.

3.2 Is the recommendation contrary to a plan or strategy adopted or approved by the Council? No

3.3 Is the recommendation in accordance with the Council's approved budget? Yes

4.0 Other alternative options to be considered:

4.1 None, once a TEN is submitted and an objection received it must be considered by the Licensing Panel.

5.0 Council Priority:

5.1 The relevant Council priority is

- "The economy: Maximising growth and opportunity across Blackpool"

6.0 Background Information:

6.1 On 11 May 2022 the Licensing Service was served with a Temporary Event Notice by Miss Lasma Rozite for Flame Inn, 2-4 Queen Street, Blackpool, FY1 1PD. The notice relates to the provision of Late Night Refreshment on the following dates:

27 May 23.00 to 04.00

28 May 23.00 to 04.00

29 May 23.00 to 03.00

6.2 The Police have objected to the event taking place on the grounds that it will undermine the licensing objectives, namely in relation to the prevention of crime and disorder and public safety. In their opinion the area is already saturated with late-night takeaway premises and on-licences and by allowing an additional premises to operate until 04:00 it will exasperate this further and add to the cumulative impact already being experienced within the Town Centre and would lead to further alcohol fuelled crime and disorder and contribute to the stress and further burden on the emergency services.

A hearing is therefore required to determine whether a Counter Notice should be issued to prevent the event from taking place. A copy of the objection is attached at Appendix 4b.

6.3 National policy considerations:

Section 7 – Temporary Event Notices is relevant:

The system of permitted temporary activities is intended to be a light touch process where notice is given by the premises user that they intend to carry out specified activities. The Police and Environmental Health Team have three working days to object to the notice on the basis of any of the four licensing objectives.

6.4 There are no local policy considerations.

6.5 At the hearing the Panel can either let the event go ahead, serve a Counter Notice to prevent the event going ahead or after considering the objections, the Panel may decide that it is appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives to impose one or more conditions onto the TEN.

There is a current Premises Licence in place at Flame Inn which permits Late Night Refreshment from 23:00 - 01.00 Monday to Sunday. The premises previously operated as a restaurant and a Minor Variation application was recently granted (on 19 May 2022) to remove the sale of alcohol and any conditions that refer to alcohol from that licence.

The conditions that are attached to the current licence are as follows:

1. The premises are to be operated in accordance with the principles outlined by the 'Nightsafe' Scheme, as are relevant to those premises, and indicated in the associated leaflet.
2. Risk assessments carried out by or on behalf of the licence holder which relate to a licensing objective will be available for inspection by an officer or a responsible authority.
3. A clear, legible and conspicuous notice requesting patrons to avoid causing noise, nuisance or disturbance to local residents shall be displayed at every exit.
4. The premises are to be equipped with a closed circuit television system, which is appropriate to its purpose and provided and maintained to the satisfaction of the enforcement Authorities. The system should display the correct date and time and record footage that is retained for a minimum of 21 days. A person who is conversant with the operation of the system should be on the premises at all times it is open to the public and be able to show CCTV footage to Police or responsible authorities immediately.

7.0 List of Appendices:

- 7.1 Appendix 4(a) Application for a TEN – Flame Inn
Appendix 4(b) Police objection to TEN – Flame Inn

8.0 Financial considerations:

- 8.1 None.

9.0 Legal Considerations:

- 9.1 Please see local and national policy in the background information.

10.0 Risk Management considerations:

- 10.1 None.

11.0 Equalities considerations:

- 11.1 None.

12.0 Sustainability, climate change and environmental considerations:

- 12.1 None.

13.0 Internal / external consultation undertaken:

13.1 None.

14.0 Background papers:

14.1 None.