Blackpool Council Licensing Service

Objection made by Lancashire Constabulary to a Temporary Event Notice

APPENDIX 4B

Responsible Authority	Lanc	ashire C	onstabu	lary			
Name of Officer (please print)	Sgt 3390 Nat Cox						
Signature of Officer	lla 3390						
Contact telephone number	01253	604074					
Date representation made	17	02	2023				
Do you consider mediation to be appropriate				NO			

Premises Details			
Premises Name	Kanee Convenience Store		
Address	58 Dickson Road		
	Blackpool		
Post Code	FY1 2AJ		

Reasons for objecting

I am in receipt of a Temporary Event Notice at the above premises for off sales of alcohol between the hours of 2300 and 0000 each night.

On behalf of the Police, I wish to object against this TEN, as I believe if granted it will undermine the licensing objectives.

The premises sits within one of the highest areas of crime and disorder and ASB within Blackpool. Street drinking in the area is also a massive issue, with a Public Space Protection Order, numerous Community Protection Warnings and arrests all failing to deter those who regularly drink and cause ASB on the surrounding streets.

Between 1st November 2021 and 31st October 2022, there were 3573 alcohol related crimes recorded in Blackpool. Of these, 68% were violence against the person offences. The peak ward for all alcohol related crimes in Blackpool is Claremont ward, with 852 offences recorded during the same period. This equates to just under a quarter of all recorded incidents.

The peak time for alcohol related crimes within the Claremont ward is weekends, between midnight and 0400.

During the period 1st February 2022 to 31st January 2023, there were 377 offences recorded on Dickson Road and off these 118 were alcohol related.

While there is nothing specific to suggest that these offences are the fault of the licence holder, it is an unfortunate fact that his premises is situated in one of the worst areas in Blackpool for crime, disorder, ASB. Street drinking and violence.

There is an increased risk that those who are refused entry or ejected from any of the nearby onlicences may seek to buy alcohol from this premises and may therefore contribute to the already considerable issues in the area.

As mentioned above, with the peak times for alcohol related crime being from midnight onwards, allowing the premises an extra hour of trading would see them still serving alcohol right up to the start of the worst period for offences. It is fair to assume then that this extra availability of alcohol at this time would increase the risk of crime and disorder and therefore fail to promote the licensing objectives.

Therefore, due to the increased risk of crime and disorder Lancashire Constabulary wishes to object to the Temporary Event Notice.

The Police recommend to the Panel that a Counter Notice be served by the Licensing Authority unless the following restrictions or requirements can be imposed by condition.