

Taste of Ceylon  
32 Ealing Road  
Wembley  
HA0 4TL

16 September 2019

**Licensing Representation to the Application for a new Premises Licence for Taste of Ceylon, 32 Ealing Road, Wembley, HA0 4TL**

I certify that I have considered the application shown above and I wish to make a representation.

**An officer of the Licensing Authority, in whose area the premises are situated, who is authorised for the purposes of exercising its statutory function as a 'Responsible Authority' under the Licensing Act 2003.**

**The application has been made for a variation to an existing premises licence under section 34 of the Act.**

The Licensing Authority representations are primarily concerned with the four licensing objectives;

- the prevention of crime and disorder;
- public safety;
- the prevention of public nuisance; and
- the protection of children from harm.

**Plan**

Unfortunately the plan does not reflect what I visibly saw when I visited the premises. The section on the plan labelled 'icecream', also consisted of a full hob which indicates that the front is also used as a kitchen. This will need to be labelled on the plan if this is the case.

**Business Ownership**

During my inspection I spoke with a male, who stated he is the owner of the business at the front of the premises. He was quite clear that his business is completely separate to the bar area located in the middle section of the plan layout. The patrons for this application would therefore be walking through another business in order to get to the bar area. Can you clarify.

**Further Information**

- The application suggests that the applicant is applying for supply of alcohol until 02.00hrs but this permission already exists on the premises licence. Please clarify.
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- There is currently no difference in time between the end of licensable activities and the closing of the premises. The Licensing Authority would require a 30 minute period between both.
- The application requests: - 'Removal of condition 9 to allow the rear of the premises to be used for the consumption of alcohol without the purchase of food if customers require (no vertical drinking)'. Condition 9 currently states 'The supply of alcohol for consumption on the premises shall only be to a person seated taking a table meal there and for the consumption by such a person as ancillary to their meal'. Are you stating the premises will mainly be used as a bar now and not a restaurant? When you state 'no vertical drinking', are you stating that there will be no vertical drinking or you are asking for the premises to have vertical drinking?
- Condition 8 of the premises states 'Substantial food and non-intoxicating beverages shall be available during the whole of licensed hours in all parts of the premises where intoxicants are provided'. Who will provide food for the business? What substantial food will be provided? Will this food be provided throughout all of the licensable hours?
- By removing condition 9 in relation to vertical drinking there is no indication in the application as to what the business is being changed to. Section M of the application simply asks that the current conditions on the premises licence be applied. Please clarify. The plan however does not reflect that the business is separate as it includes the area at the front and the kitchen at the rear of the premises where licensable activities will take place.
- Condition 12 states 'An acoustic lobby shall be installed to the front door to facilitate the ingress and egress of patrons when regulated entertainment is in operation'. I also note that during the initial application for a premises licence, you wrote to the noise team to state that Mr Marshall will not be carrying out any regulated entertainment, but should he, a lobbied entrance would be installed. Is this still the case? Should it still be the case and Mr Marshall then decides to have regulated entertainment, he would need to add the lobbied entrance and make a minor variation application to update the plan.

### **Summary**

At this point I am unable to make an informed decision on this application and will therefore have to refuse it on this basis. I will need further information from the applicant in order to consider this application any further.

Yours sincerely



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