

Report of the Interim Assistant Director Waste, Fleet & Transport Services to the meeting of the Bradford District Licensing Panel to be held on 26 August 2021.

Subject:

Application for a Premises Licence for Smashd, 364 Great Horton Road, Bradford, BD7 1QJ

Summary statement:

Application for a new premises licence for the provision of late night refreshment to take place indoors.

EQUALITY & DIVERSITY

The Council has to comply with the public sector equality duty in S.149 Equality Act 2010.

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Portfolio:

Neighbourhoods & Community Safety

Overview & Scrutiny Area:

Corporate

1. SUMMARY

The application is for the grant of a Premises Licence for the provision of late night refreshment to take place indoors.

2. BACKGROUND

2.1 The applicant

Smashd Ltd. A copy of the application is included at Appendix 1.

2.2 The Premises

Smashd, 364 Great Horton Road, Bradford, BD7 1QJ.

2.3 Designated Premises Supervisor

Not required.

2.4 Application

The application is for the grant of a Premises Licence. The operating schedule describes the following as the relevant licensable activities applied for:-

- Provision of late night refreshment to take place indoors

Hours of licensable activities:

Monday to Thursday:	23.00 to 02.30
Friday to Sunday:	23.00 to 03.30

2.5 Steps proposed by the applicant to address the Licensing Objectives

- a) Prevention of crime and disorder will be achieved by;

Adequate lighting.
Roller shutters.
Visible CCTV cameras.

- b) Public safety will be achieved by;

Fire exit situated at the back of the premises.
Exit situated on the ground floor (not used by the public in general but access from the main).
First aid kit. Fire extinguisher. Limited seating.



Limited indoor capacity 15.

c) Prevention of public nuisance will be achieved by;

The property has been sound & fire proof.

Double glazed windows.

Background music played at a reasonable level.

Staff clear litter inside & outside of premises.

Loading & unloading done with no limits to the main road as the back off road area is available.

Silencer on canopy to limit noise.

d) Protection of children from harm will be achieved by;

No adult entertainment.

No gaming machines.

Requirement for children to be accompanied by an adult (children under 12).

e) General – all four licensing objectives

Staff trained on licensing issues.

CCTV that capture activities on the premises and situated outside the premises.

2.6 Relevant Representations Received

Individual, Body or Business

Representations have been received from Ward Councillors, four local residents and the Bradford West Ward Officer. A Ward Councillor notes that allowing the application will contradict the planning decision. The representations raise concerns of increased noise and disturbance in a mainly residential area from customers chatting and cars being driven into the area late at night. Concerns are also raised regarding anti-social behaviour, litter problems and rodent infestations.

The representations are attached at Appendix 2.

3. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

Legal Appraisal

3.1 The Licensing Act 2003 requires the Council to carry out its various licensing functions so as to promote the following four licensing objectives:

- a) the prevention of crime and disorder
- b) public safety
- c) the prevention of public nuisance
- d) the protection of children from harm

3.2 The Council must also have regard to the guidance issued by the Home Office



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under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003. Regard must also be taken of the Council's statement of Licensing Policy for the District.

- 3.3** Where it is decided it is necessary to depart from the statutory guidance or the Licensing Policy on the merits of a particular case; then special reasons justifying this must be given that can be sustained.
- 3.4** Only "relevant representations" can be taken into account. In order to be "relevant" a representation must fairly relate to achieving a licensing objective. If it does not, it must be discounted.
- 3.5** Any licensing conditions that Members may propose attaching must also relate to achieving one of the licensing objectives; be tailored to the actual premises and style of licensable activity; must be reasonably achievable by the applicant and in his/her control.

Statement of Policy Issues

- 3.6** The following parts of the Licensing Policy are of particular importance; Part 4 (prevention of crime & disorder) and Part 6 (prevention of public nuisance).
- 3.7** The Annexes to the Policy sets out various types of model condition that could be considered.

4. FINANCIAL & RESOURCE APPRAISAL

There are no apparent finance or resource implications.

5. RISK MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES

There are no apparent risk management and governance implications.

6. LEGAL APPRAISAL

Referred to in part 3 of this report.

7. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

7.1 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

There are no apparent sustainability implications.

7.2 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS IMPACTS

There are no apparent implications.

7.3 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

When determining the application, the Licensing Authority is required to pay due



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regard to the licensing objectives referred to in 3.1 of this report.

7.4 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

The following rights are applicable:

Article 1 First Protocol to the Convention – Right to peaceful enjoyment of possessions subject to the state's right to control the use of property in accordance with the general interest. The Council's powers set out in the recommendations fall within the states right. A fair balance must be struck between public safety and the applicant's rights.

Article 6 – A procedural right to a fair hearing. As refusal of the application is an option, adherence to the Panels' usual procedure of affording a hearing to the applicant is very important. The applicant should also be able to examine the requirements of the fire authority. If the decision is to refuse then reasons should be given.

7.5 TRADE UNION

Not applicable.

7.6 WARD IMPLICATIONS

Ward Councillors have been notified of receipt of the application.

7.7 IMPLICATIONS FOR CORPORATE PARENTING

There are no apparent implications.

7.8 ISSUES ARISING FROM PRIVACY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

There are no apparent data protection or information security implications.

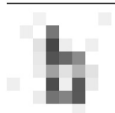
8. NOT FOR PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS

None.

9. OPTIONS

9.1 Members may:

- (a) Grant a premises licence as applied for subject to any mandatory conditions and the precautions specified in the operating schedule submitted.
- (b) Grant a premises licence subject to such additional conditions relating to achievement of the licensing objectives as members think fit; or



(c) Refuse the application for a premises licence.

- 9.2** Should the applicant or any other party to the hearing feel aggrieved at any decision with regard to the licence or to any conditions or restrictions attached by Members they may appeal to the Magistrates Court.

10. RECOMMENDATIONS

Members are invited to consider the information and documents referred to in this report and, after hearing individuals, bodies or businesses, determine the related application(s).

11. APPENDICES

1. Application form received 22 June 2021. In the interests of economy this document has been sent to Members of the Panel only. A public inspection copy is available in Committee Secretariat, Room 112, City Hall, Bradford or on www.bradford.gov.uk.
2. Representations from other persons (Individual, Body or Business).

12. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Application form, plan etc.

