

Licensing Service Regulatory Services Community Safety, Security and Resilience 222 Upper Street London N1 1XR

Report of: Director of Community Safety, Resilience and Community Meeting of: Licensing Sub-Committee

Date: 29/09/2023

Ward(s): Caledonian

Subject:

PREMISES LICENCE NEW APPLICATION

Re: Crystals Pizza and Fried Chicken, 4 York Way, London N1 9AA

1. Synopsis

- 1.1. This is an application for a variation of a premises licence under the Licensing Act 2003.
- 1.2. The variation application is to allow:
 - The provision of Late Night Refreshment from 23:00 until 03:30 Monday to Sunday
 - Opening hours of the premises from 10:00 until 03:30 Monday to Sunday

- 1.3. The existing premises licence allows:
 - The provision of Late Night Refreshment from 23:00 until 00:00 Sunday to Thursday and From 23:00 until 01:00 Friday and Saturday.
 - Opening hours from 10:00 until 00:00 Sunday to Thursday and From 10:00 until 01:00 Friday and Saturday.
- 1.4 Relevant Representations:

Licensing Authority	Yes
Metropolitan Police	Yes
Noise	No - Conditions Agreed
Health and Safety	No
Trading Standards	No
Public Health	No
Safeguarding Children	No
London Fire Brigade	No
Local residents	No
Other bodies	No

2. Recommendations

- To determine the application for a variation of the premises licence under Section 34 of the Licensing Act 2003;
- 2.2. This premises is located in the Kings Cross Cumulative Impact Area therefore the Licensing Sub-Committee will need to consider Licensing Policy 3, which states that there is a presumption of refusal unless the Sub-Committee is satisfied that there will be no adverse cumulative impact on the licensing objectives.
- 2.3. The applicant has accepted conditions suggested by Islington Council's Noise Service.
- 2.4. If the Licensing Sub-Committee grants the application it should be subject to:

- i. Conditions prepared by the Licensing Officer which are consistent with the Operating Schedule (see appendix 4); and
- ii. Any conditions deemed appropriate by the Licensing Sub-Committee to promote the four licensing objectives.

3. Background

- 3.1 The property has held a premises licence for late night refreshment for the hours listed in 1.3 of the report since 28 January 2021.
- 3.2 The application for a new premises licence had been refused by Members of the Licensing Sub Committee on 20 July 2021.
- 3.3 The decision was appealed by the applicant on the grounds of
 - a) The respondent's decision was against the weight of evidence before it.
 - b) The respondent did not give sufficient weight to the Home Office Section 182 Guidance when arriving at its decision.
 - c) That the refusal of Premises Licence application was neither proportionate nor appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives.
- 3.4 On 28 January 2021 a Consent Order was agreed between the applicants Legal Representative and Islington Council. A premises licence was subsequently issued to the premises, to the agreed terms.
- 3.5 This is an application to vary that premises licence to extent the terminal hour for the provision of late night refreshment until 03:30 daily.
- 3.6 The application received two letters of representation, these were from the Licensing Authority and Islington's Police Licensing Team.
- 3.7 The applicant has accepted conditions requested by Islington's Noise Service.

4. Implications

4.1. Financial Implications

4.1.1. The Head of Finance reports that the applicant has paid the application fee of £190.00. Should the application be refused, the fee is not refundable.

4.2. Legal Implications

4.2.1. The legal implications are set out in Paragraph 2.

4.2.2. Legal advice will be provided at the meeting of the Licensing Sub-Committee as necessary.

4.3. Environmental Implications and contribution to achieving a net zero carbon Islington by 2030

4.3.1. The Licensing Sub-Committee need to consider the impacts that the proposals will have on the environment. An impact is defined as any change to the environment, whether positive or negative, wholly or partially resulting from Council activities. Almost all human activity has some impact on the environment, and it is very unlikely that any activity will not have any implications.

4.4. Equalities Impact Assessment

- 4.4.1. The council must, in the exercise of its functions, have due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation, and to advance equality of opportunity, and foster good relations, between those who share a relevant protected characteristic and those who do not share it (section 149 Equality Act 2010). The council has a duty to have due regard to the need to remove or minimise disadvantages, take steps to meet needs, in particular steps to take account of disabled persons' disabilities, and encourage people to participate in public life. The council must have due regard to the need to tackle prejudice and promote understanding.
- 4.4.2. An Equalities Impact Assessment is not required in relation to this report, because this is a decision relating to a Premises Licence application under the Licensing Act 2003.

4.5. Planning implications

4.5.1 The Planning & Development section have the following comments to make in relation to the above application:

The property is located within the Barnsbury Conservation Area but it is not listed.

The property has an established use within Class E of the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) Order 1987 (as amended).

There are no planning conditions restricting opening hours.

There are no planning enforcement cases relating to the use of the property.

As such, there is no objection.

5. Conclusion and reasons for recommendations

5.1. That the Licensing Sub-Committee determines this application.

Appendices:

Appendix 1:	The application form;
Appendix 2:	The existing premises licence;
Appendix 3:	The representations;
Appendix 4:	Suggested conditions and map of premises location.

Background papers:

• None.

Final report clearance:

Signed by:

Janice Gibbons

Head of Regulatory Service

Date: 18 September 2023

Report author: Licensing Service Tel: 020 75027 3031 E-mail: licensing@islington.gov.uk

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Islington Application to vary a premises licence Licensing Act 2003

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You can save the form at any time and resume it later. You do not need to be logged in when you resume.		
System reference	Not Currently In Use	This is the unique reference for this application generated by the system.
Your reference	Crystals Pizza-Fried Chicken	You can put what you want here to help you track applications if you make lots of them. It is passed to the authority.
Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant? Put "no" if you are applying on your own behalf or on behalf of a business you own work for. • Yes No		
Applicant Details		_
* First name	Ahmet	
* Family name	Toprak]
* E-mail]
Main telephone number		Include country code.
Other telephone number]
Indicate here if the applicant would prefer not to be contacted by telephone		
Is the applicant:		
 Applying as a business or organisation, including as a sole trader A sole trader is a business owned by one person without any special legal structure. 		
 Applying as an individu 	al	Applying as an individual means the applicant is applying so the applicant can be employed, or for some other personal reason, such as following a hobby.

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Address		
* Building number or name	4	
* Street	York Way	
District		
* City or town	London	
County or administrative area		
* Postcode	N1 9AA	
* Country	United Kingdom	
Agent Details		
* First name	Mahir	
* Family name	Kilic	
* E-mail		
number		Include country code.
Other telephone number		
Indicate here if you wou	ld prefer not to be contacted by telephone	
Are you:		
		A sole trader is a business owned by one
 A private individual acting as an agent 		
Agent Business Is your business registered in the UK with Companies House?	● Yes ○ No	Note: completing the Applicant Business section is optional in this form.
Registration number		
Business name	Narts Consultancy Ltd	If your business is registered, use its registered name.
VAT number -	none	Put "none" if you are not registered for VAT.
Legal status	Private Limited Company	
Your position in the business	Licensing Consultant	
Home country	United Kingdom	The country where the headquarters of your business is located.

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Agent Registered Address		Address registered with Companies House.	
Building number or name	68		
Street	Stoke Newington High Street		
District			
City or town	London		
County or administrative area			
Postcode	N16 7PA		
Country	United Kingdom		
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APPLICATION DETAILS			
This application cannot be used to vary the licence so as to extend the period for which the licence has effect or to vary substantially the premises to which it relates. If you wish to make that type of change to the premises licence, you should make a new premises licence application under section 17 of the Licensing Act 2003.			
	ing the premises licence holder, apply to vary a nises described in section 2 below.	premises licence under section 34 of the	
* Premises Licence Number	Not Known yet		
Are you able to provide a posta	al address, OS map reference or description of t	he premises?	
Address	o reference O Description		
Postal Address Of Premises			
Building number or name	4		
Street	York Way		
District			
City or town	London		
County or administrative area			
Postcode	N1 9AA		
Country	United Kingdom		
Premises Contact Details			
Telephone number			
Non-domestic rateable value of premises (£)			
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VARIATION			

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	Do you want the proposed variation to have effect as soon as possible?	
Yes		
Do you want the proposed variation to have effect in relation to the introduction of the late night levy?		
○ Yes ● No	You do not have to pay a fee if the only purpose of the variation for which you are applying is to avoid becoming liable to the late night levy.	
If your proposed variation would mean that 5,000 or more people are expected to attend the premises at any one time, state the number expected to attend		
Describe Briefly The Nature Of The Proposed Variation		
Describe the premises. For example the type of premises, its general situation and layout and any other information which could be relevant to the licensing objectives. Where your application includes off-supplies of alcohol and you intend to provide a place for consumption of these off-supplies, you must include a description of where the place will be and its proximity to the premises.		
Layout of premises is attached. Eat In and Takeaway food service offered	I	
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PROVISION OF PLAYS		
See guidance on regulated entertainment		
Will the schedule to provide plays be subject to change if this application vary is successful?	n to	
○ Yes ● No		
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PROVISION OF FILMS		
See guidance on regulated entertainment		
Will the schedule to provide films be subject to change if this application vary is successful?	to	
○ Yes		
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PROVISION OF INDOOR SPORTING EVENTS		
See guidance on regulated entertainment		

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Will the schedule to provide indoor sporting events be subject to change if this application to vary is successful?
○ Yes
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PROVISION OF BOXING OR WRESTLING ENTERTAINMENTS
See guidance on regulated entertainment
Will the schedule to provide boxing or wrestling entertainments be subject to change if this application to vary is successful?
○ Yes ● No
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PROVISION OF LIVE MUSIC
See guidance on regulated entertainment
Will the schedule to provide live music be subject to change if this application to vary is successful?
○ Yes ● No
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PROVISION OF RECORDED MUSIC
See guidance on regulated entertainment
Will the schedule to provide recorded music be subject to change if this application to vary is successful?
○ Yes ● No
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PROVISION OF PERFORMANCES OF DANCE
See guidance on regulated entertainment
Will the schedule to provide performances of dance be subject to change if this application to vary is successful?
○ Yes ● No
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PROVISION OF ANYTHING OF A SIMILAR DESCRIPTION TO LIVE MUSIC, RECORDED MUSIC OR PERFORMANCES OF DANCE
See guidance on regulated entertainment
Will the schedule to provide anything similar to live music, recorded music or performances of dance be subject to change if this application to vary is successful?
○ Yes
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PROVISION OF LATE NIGHT REFRESHMENT

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Will the schedule to provide late night refreshment be subject to change if this application to vary is successful?

Yes

O No

Standard Days And Timings

MONDAY			Provide timings in 24 hour clock
	Start 23:00	End 03:30	(e.g., 16:00) and only give details for the days of the week when you intend the premises
	Start	End	to be used for the activity.
TUESDAY			
	Start 23:00	End 03:30	
	Start	End	
WEDNESDAY			
	Start 23:00	End 03:30	
	Start	End	
THURSDAY			
	Start 23:00	End 03:30	
	Start	End	
FRIDAY			
	Start 23:00	End 03:30	
	Start	End	
SATURDAY			
	Start 23:00	End 03:30	
	Start	End	
SUNDAY			
	Start 23:00	End 03:30	
	Start	End	
Will the provision of lat both?	e night refreshment take place	indoors or outdoors or	
Indoors	O Outdoors	O Both	Where taking place in a building or other structure select as appropriate. Indoors may include a tent.
	be authorised, if not already st not music will be amplified or		urther details, for example (but not
N/A			

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State any seasonal variations.

For example (but not exclusively) where the activity will occur on additional days during the summer months.

N/A

Non standard timings. Where the premises will be used for the provision of late night refreshment at different times from those listed above, list below.

For example (but not exclusively), where you wish the activity to go on longer on a particular day e.g. Christmas Eve.

N/A

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SUPPLY OF ALCOHOL

Will the schedule to supply alcohol be subject to change if this application to vary is successful?

O Yes

No

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ADULT ENTERTAINMENT

Highlight any adult entertainment or services, activities, or other entertainment or matters ancillary to the use of the premises that may give rise to concern in respect of children.

Provide information about anything intended to occur at the premises or ancillary to the use of the premises which may give rise to concern in respect of children, regardless of whether you intend children to have access to the premises, for example (but not exclusively) nudity or semi-nudity, films for restricted age groups etc gambling machines etc.

N/A

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HOURS PREMISES ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Standard Days And Timings

MOND	DAY	Provide timings in 24 hour clock
	Start 10:00	End 03:30 (e.g., 16:00) and only give details for the day
	Start	End to be used for the activity.
TUESD	AY	
	Start 10:00	End 03:30
	Start	End

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WEDNESDAY		
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SATURDAY		
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SUNDAY		
Sta	art 10:00	End 03:30
Sta	art	End
State any seasonal variation	IS.	
-		ur on additional days during the summer months.
N/A		
		s to be open to the members and guests at different times from
those listed above, list below	w.	
For example (but not exclus	sively), where you wish the activit	ty to go on longer on a particular day e.g. Christmas Eve.
N/A		
proposed variation you are		which you believe could be removed as a consequence of the
N/A		
☐ I have enclosed the pr	emises licence	

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□ I have enclosed the relevant part of the premises licence

Reasons why I have failed to enclose the premises licence or relevant part of premises licence.

Premises Licence is not issued yet. I've spoke to Carol Jones over the phone today (2nd Aug 2023) She asked me to make a note on the app to bring to her attention as she is dealing with the issue of the Premises Licence.

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LICENSING OBJECTIVES

Describe the steps you intend to take to promote the four licensing objectives:

a) General – all four licensing objectives (b,c,d,e) List here steps you will take to promote all four licensing objectives together.

Please see appendix 1 enclosed for the existing conditions agreed with Licensing Authority's legal rep.

b) The prevention of crime and disorder

Please see appendix 1. No further condition proposed. Applicant is happy to consider any conditions relevant authorities may suggest for the extension of hours.

c) Public safety

Please see appendix 1. No further condition proposed. Applicant is happy to consider any conditions relevant authorities may suggest for the extension of hours.

d) The prevention of public nuisance

Please see appendix 1. No further condition proposed. Applicant is happy to consider any conditions relevant authorities may suggest for the extension of hours.

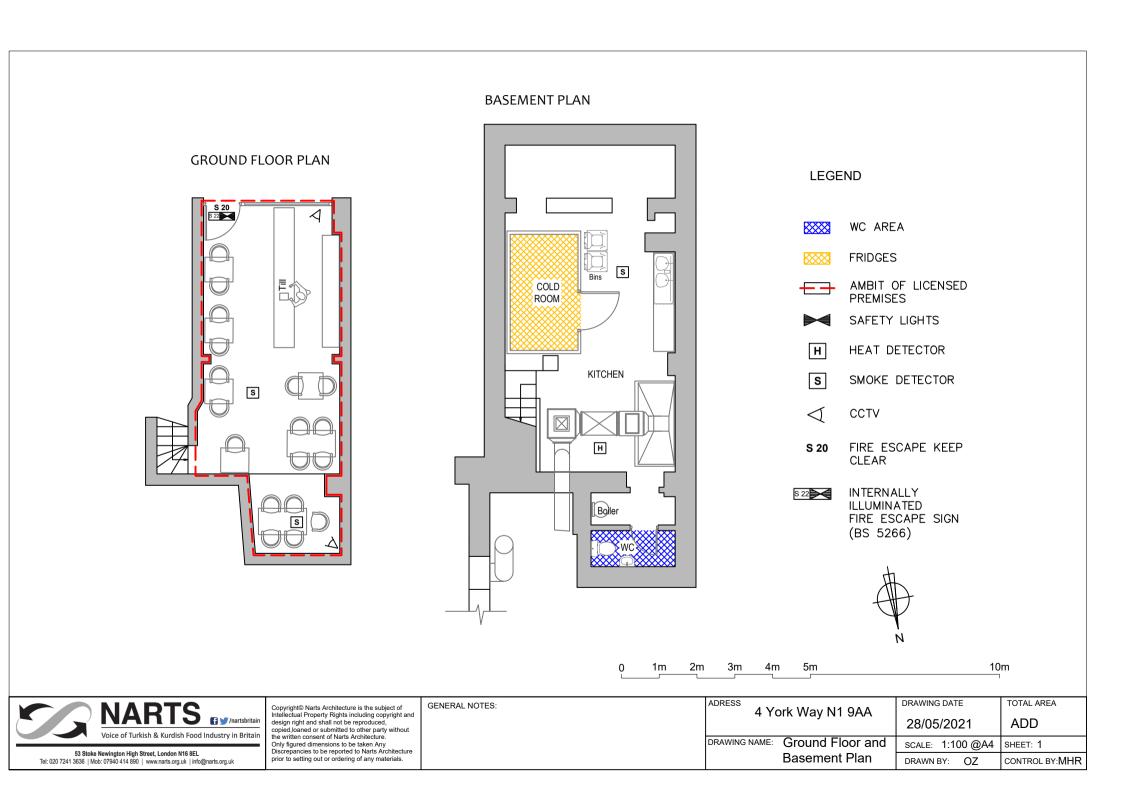
e) The protection of children from harm

Please see appendix 1. No further condition proposed. Applicant is happy to consider any conditions relevant authorities may suggest for the extension of hours.

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NOTES ON REGULATED ENTERTAINMENT

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	eted by the applicant, unless you answered "Yes" to the question "Are you an agent acting on
* Full name	Mr Mahir Kilic
* Capacity	Licensing Consultant
* Date	02 / 08 / 2023 dd mm yyyy
	Add another signatory
with your application.	-
	ECTION 158 OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003, TO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT IN OR IN PLICATION. THOSE WHO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT MAY BE LIABLE ON SUMMARY ANY AMOUNT.
OFFICE USE ONLY	
Applicant reference number	Crystals Pizza-Fried Chicken
Fee paid	
Payment provider reference	
ELMS Payment Reference	
Payment status	
Payment authorisation code	
Payment authorisation date	
Date and time submitted	
Approval deadline	
Error message	
Is Digitally signed	
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Appendix 2

PREMISES LICENCE LICENSING ACT 2003

28 January 2023

*An annual fee associated with this licence is to be paid on the anniversary of the original grant date.

Postal address of premises, or if none, ordnance survey map reference or description							
CRYSTALS PIZZA – FRIED CHICKEN 4 YORK WAY							
Post town	Lond	on	Post code	N1 9AA			
Telephone num	ber						

Where the licence is time limited the dates

Not Applicable

Licensable activities authorised by the licence

For the Ground Floor

• The provision of late night refreshment

The times the licent	The times the licence authorises the carrying out of licensable activities							
The provision of t	The provision of late night refreshment:							
Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday	23:00 tr 23:00 tr 23:00 tr 23:00 tr	o 00:00 o 00:00	the following day the following day					

The opening hours of the premises:

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Monday	10:00	to	00:00	
Tuesday	10:00	to	00:00	
Wednesday	10:00	to	00:00	
Thursday	10:00	to	00:00	
Friday	10:00	to	01:00	the following day
Saturday	10:00	to	01:00	the following day
Sunday	10:00	to	00:00	

Where the licence authorises supplies of alcohol whether these are on and/or off supplies

Not applicable

Name, (registered) address, telephone number and e-mail (where relevant) of holder of premises licence

Ahmet Toprak



Registered number of holder, for example company number, charity number (where applicable)

Not Applicable

Name, address and telephone number of designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises the supply of alcohol

Not Applicable

Personal licence number and issuing authority of personal licence held by designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises the supply of alcohol

Not Applicable

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Service Manager Commercial & Residential

Date of Issue

Annex 1 - Mandatory conditions

- 1. No supply of alcohol may be made under the premises licence:
 - a) at a time when there is no designated premises supervisor in respect of the premises licence, or
 - b) at a time when the designated premises supervisor does not hold a personal licence or his personal licence is suspended.
- 2. Every supply of alcohol under the premises licence must be made or authorised by a person who holds a personal licence.
- 3. All door supervisors shall be licensed by the Security Industry Authority.
- 4. The admission of children to the exhibition of a film shall be restricted in accordance with the recommendation of a film classification body as defined in the Video Recordings Act 1984 or Islington Council acting as the licensing authority where it has given notice in section 20(3) of the Licensing Act 2003.

There are further 'Mandatory conditions' applicable to licences authorising the supply of alcohol. A full list of the current mandatory conditions is available from the licensing pages on Islington's web site, <u>www.islington.gov.uk</u>. This list is subject to change by order of the Secretary of State and licensees and other responsible persons are advised to ensure they are aware of the latest conditions.

Annex 2 - Conditions consistent with the Operating Schedule

None

Annex 3 - Conditions attached after a hearing by the licensing authority

1. a) A CCTV system covering the interior & exterior of the premises will be installed to current metropolitan police / Home office standards and shall be kept operational at all times the premises are open to the public.

b) It shall be capable of taking a head & shoulders shot of persons entering the premises, of recording images to an evidential standard in any light and be capable of storing images for a minimum of 31 days.

c) All staff who may work front of house shall be trained to operate the CCTV system and download images.

d) At least one member of staff trained to operate the CCTV system & download images shall be on duty at all times the premises are open to the public. Footage shall be shown to the police and screenshots provided to them on request. Copies of downloaded images shall be provided to the police on a USB stick, CD or other acceptable means as soon as possible and in any case within 24 hours of the request.

- 2. An incident book shall be kept at the premises, and made available to the police or authorised council officers, which will record the following:
 - a) All crimes reported,
 - b) Lost property,
 - c) All ejections of customers,
 - d) Any complaints received,
 - e) Any incidents of disorder,
 - f) Any seizure of drugs or offensive weapons,
 - g) Any faults in the CCTV,
 - h) Any visit by a relevant authority or emergency service
- 3. Notices will be prominently displayed by the entry/ exit door and point of sale (as appropriate) advising customers:
 - a) That CCTV in operation;

b) Of the permitted hours for licensable activities & the opening times of the premises;

c) To respect residents, leave quietly, not to loiter outside the premises or in the vicinity and to dispose of litter legally.

- 4. A fire risk assessment and emergency plan will be prepared and regularly reviewed. All staff will receive appropriate fire safety training and refresher training.
- 5. The front of the premises shall be kept tidy at all times and be swept at close.
- 6. Relevant notices will be prominently displayed by the entry/ exit door and point of sale (as appropriate)
- 7. No deliveries will be received or rubbish removed from the premises between 22.00 and 07.00.
- 8. Any music played will only be played at background level.
- 9. An incident book shall be kept at the premises and made available to the police or authorized council officers –see box b condition 2 for full details of the information to be recorded.
- 10. A phone number for the premises shall be made available if required upon request to the police, any other responsible authority or any local resident to express any concerns caused by the operation of the premises. Any complaints and the outcome will be recorded in the incident book.

Annex 4 – Plans

Reference Number: OZ MHR Dated: 28 May 2021

Premises Licence Summary

Licensing Act 2003

Premises licence number	WK200072261		Date of original grant*	28 January 2023				
*An annual fee associated with this licence is to be naid on the anniversary of the								

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Saturday	23:00	to	01:00	the following day	
Sunday	23:00	to	00:00		

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Sunday	10:00	to	00:00	

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Not applicable

Name, (registered) address, telephone number and e-mail (where relevant) of holder of premises licence

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Registered number of holder, for example company number, charity number (where applicable)

Not Applicable

State whether access to the premises by children is restricted or prohibited

No restrictions

Islington Council Public Protection Division 222 Upper Street London N1 1XR Tel: 020 7527 3031

Licensing Act 2003

Application for a variation to a premises licence in respect of:

Crystal Pizza and Chicken, 4 York Way N1 9AA

Licensable activities and timings applied for are to extend the hours for late night refreshments from 1am on Fridays and Saturdays and to midnight Sunday to Thursday, to 3.30am each day.

The grounds for the representation are:

Public nuisance

Prevention of crime and disorder

Licensing Policy Considerations

Licensing Policy 6 - Licensing Hours

Licensing Policy 22 and 23 Public Nuisance and Noise associated with licensable activities.

Licensing Policy 25 – Noise relating to deliveries from the premises.

Issues of Concern

The applicant has not put forward any mitigation or information in the operating schedule to demonstrate that these premises would not have a negative impact in an area saturated with outlets for take away and delivery of food. In fact, the applicant already has a late-night refreshment premises next door at 2b York Way which is open until 5am each day.

Licensing Policy 6 - Licensing Hours- The hours applied for are outside of the recommended policy hours for premises selling hot food and drink supplied by takeaway and fast-food premises, which is Sundays to Thursday 11pm to midnight and on Fridays and Saturdays 11pm to 1am.

Licensing Policy 22 & 23- The Licensing Authority is committed to protecting the amenity of residents and businesses in the vicinity of licensed premises, particularly when late hours have been sought. Where relevant representations are received, the Licensing Authority will impose appropriate restrictions and controls on the premises licence to prevent public nuisance and undue disturbance to residents from licensed premises.

Licensing Police 25 - Delivery drivers from this and the other food outlets very close by will congregate outside while waiting to pick up orders. Islington now has several areas where delivery drivers are congregating and causing noise and anti-social behaviour, leading to complaints from residents and businesses.

Recommendations

The Licensing Authority suggests that should the Committee consider granting an extension of hours, the effect of delivery drivers in the local area be taken into account and ask that all deliveries be by non-motorised vehicles, there should be a plan of where riders would wait and pick up deliveries and, that the management of the premises monitor the behaviour of the drivers and operate a procedure for taking action on any drivers causing anti-social behaviour.

The Licensing Sub Committee should consider the application and the lack of information in the operating schedule, bearing in mind that the premises could attract customers from the many late night drinking premises in the area, who may loiter rather than leave the area and consider any resident's representations, any conditions suggested by the Council's Pollution Team and the Police and Islington Council's Licensing Policy.

Terrie Lane Licensing Manager Public Protection Division 0207 527 3031 <u>licensing@islington.gov.uk</u>

24/08/2023



METROPOLITAN POLICE

Licensing Team Manager, Public Protection Division, Environment & Regeneration, Islington Council, 222 Upper Street, London N1 1XR

Islington Police Licensing Team, Islington Police Station, 2 Tolpuddle Street, Islington, London N1 0YY

Your ref: WK/230018568 Our ref: NIH231760

28th August 2023

LNR Premises Licence application – Crystal Pizza & Fried Chicken, 4 York Way, London, N1 9AA

Proposed variation to the premises licence:

Late Night Refreshments:

Monday - Sunday - 23:00 - 03:30

Opening Hours:

Monday - Sunday - 10:00 - 03:30

Reference: WK/230023687

Date for last representations on notification - 30/08/2023

Dear Licensing Authority,

With reference to the above application the Metropolitan Police, as a Responsible Authority, object to the Premises Licence Application for the extension of late night refreshment hours.

We believe if this application was granted it would undermine the Licensing Objectives as the application currently requests operating times out of framework hours for trading and does not provide any clear case for exceptional cultural or other reasons or additional safeguarding measures as to why there would be no adverse impact in regards to the potential for crime and disorder or anti-social behaviour resulting.

The applicant for this premises is also the Licensee for Crystal Kebab 2B YORK WAY N1 which is located next door.

The above premises Crystal Kebab initially came to Police attention in June 2023 following a number of incidents, I have provided a brief timeline of events.

On Thursday 01st June 2023 around 2005 hours, Police officers attended the venue following reports two customers had made threats towards a members of staff. The pair verbally racially abused them and referred to their ethnicity before throwing food (sauces) at them. One of the member stated to officers the suspects may have been armed as one was seen putting his hands in their pockets. The suspect left prior to police arrival. The investigation was closed as the victims did not wish to pursue the matter.

In the same month on Wednesday 15th June 2023 at 0140 hours police were called to the premises following a report of three suspects threatening staff members with violence. Further information was relayed that one of the suspects was armed with a knife. Police officers attended the venue and were informed by staff members that CCTV was not working and had not recorded the incident. The report was closed.

On Friday 16th June 2023 at 2235 hours the premises was visited by the Islington Licensing team. Pc Darren Emmanuel spoke to the PLH Mr Ahmet Terpak who stated the fault with the CCTV had been reported and an engineer was due to attend the following week to remedy the issues.

On Wednesday 12th July 2023 at 0119 hours police were called to reports of a fight. It transpired that an altercation had taken place between a male and staff from the venue after the male had asked to use the toilets. It transpired that a staff member has armed himself with a metal bar and hit the male in the shoulder as he believed he may have been in possession of a weapon due to his body language.

Staff informed officers that there was a fault with the CCTV system and it would not have recorded the incident.

Mr Toprak was invited in for a panel to discuss the incident and subsequent concerns.

When discussing the matter concerning the CCTV system Mr Toprak had contacted an engineer following the visit by Pc Emanuel in June 23.

Mr Toprak stated that he did not check the CCTV system as there was never any trouble at the venue and assumed the system was recording. He could not produce any documents to support that any CCTV system checks were being conducted. Mr Toprak did not produce any documents to support that incidents were being recorded/documented. It was pointed out to Mr Toprak that he was not adhering to the conditions Annex 2 1, 2 and 3 under the premises licence.

It was agreed the licence required updating to include further conditions to assist Mr Toprak to promote the licensing objectives and demonstrate that he is a responsible operator.

The premises is located in the Kings Cross area and is considered to be one of the busiest and challenging areas in Islington. It is therefore paramount that any premises seeking to operate in this area with extended hours does so to a high standard.

I respectfully ask the committee to take into account the serious concerns raised in this representation and not grant the extension of the hours.

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Appendix 4

Conditions Consistent with the Operating Schedule

None

Existing Premises Licence Conditions

1) a) A CCTV system covering the interior & exterior of the premises will be installed to current metropolitan police / Home office standards and shall be kept operational at all times the premises are open to the public.

b) It shall be capable of taking a head & shoulders shot of persons entering the premises, of recording images to an evidential standard in any light and be capable of storing images for a minimum of 31 days.

c) All staff who may work front of house shall be trained to operate the cctv system and download images.

d) At least one member of staff trained to operate the cctv system & download images shall be on duty at all times the premises are open to the public. Footage shall be shown to the police and screenshots provided to them on request. Copies of downloaded images shall be provided to the police on a usb stick, cd or other acceptable means as soon as possible and in any case within 24 hours of the request.

- 2) An incident book shall be kept at the premises, and made available to the police or a uthorised council officers, which will record the following:
 - A) All crimes reported,
 - B) Lost property,
 - C) All ejections of customers,
 - D) Any complaints received,
 - E) Any incidents of disorder,
 - F) Any seizure of drugs or offensive weapons,
 - G) Any faults in the CCTV,
 - H) Any visit by a relevant authority or emergency service
- 3) Notices will be prominently displayed by the entry/ exit door and point of sale (as appropriate) advising customers:

A) That CCTV in operation;

B) Of the permitted hours for licensable activities & the opening times of the premises;

D) To respect residents, leave quietly, not to loiter outside the premises or in the vicinity and to dispose of litter legally.

- 4) A fire risk assessment and emergency plan will be prepared and regularly reviewed. All staff will receive appropriate fire safety training and refresher training.
- 5) The front of the premises shall be kept tidy at all times and be swept at close
- 6) Relevant notices will be prominently displayed by the entry/ exit door and point of sale (as appropriate)
- 7) No deliveries will be received or rubbish removed from the premises between 22.00 and 07.00.

- 8) Any music played will only be played at background level.
- 9) An incident book shall be kept at the premises and made available to the police or authorized council officers –see box b condition 2 for full details of the information to be recorded.
- 10) A phone number for the premises shall be made available if required upon request to the police, any other responsible authority or any local resident to express any concerns caused by the operation of the premises. Any complaints and the outcome will be recorded in the incident book.

Conditions proposed by Islington's Noise Service – Agreed

- 1) Noise, vibration, or odours shall not emanate from the premises to cause a nuisance to nearby properties.
- 2) In the event of a noise/odour nuisance complaint substantiated by an authorised officer, the licensee shall take appropriate measures within a time frame set by and agreed with the Council Officers to prevent any further recurrence of that nuisance.

