



**CAMBRIDGE
CITY COUNCIL**

RECORD OF DECISION

To be completed and signed before Members return to open session to announce their decision.

RECORD OF DECISION: APPLICATION UNDER LICENSING ACT 2003

Licensing Sub-Committee
Date: 13th December 2021

Members:

1. Cllr Alex Collis
2. Cllr Naomi Bennett
3. Cllr Russ McPherson (Chair of the Committee).

To consider the application of Dilip Bathula in regard to the premises Best One Express, 4 Fitzroy Street, Cambridge, CB1 1EW to grant a premises licence.

We heard representations from the following persons:
Luke Catchpole: Senior Technical Officer, Cambridge City Council
Stewart Gibson: Agent, SG Licensing Ltd.
Dilip Bathula: Applicant, Best One Express
Tim Bick: Councillor, Market Ward.

The reason you appeared before the Sub-Committee:

To consider a premises licence to supply alcohol off the premises between 11:00am and 8:00pm Monday to Sunday.

In making our decision we considered the following:

List:

Statutory provisions (Licensing Act 2003)

Statutory Guidance

Cambridge City Council's Statement of Licensing Policy

Cumulative Impact Assessment (2021 – 2024)

Reports

Advice from Legal Officer

Representations from the following:

Luke Catchpole: Senior Technical Officer, Cambridge City Council

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*Stewart Gibson: Agent, SG Licensing Ltd.
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We found the following facts:

1. The applicant had spoken with the Police and agreed certain conditions.
2. An additional five conditions were proffered by the applicant in the meeting.
3. The Cumulative Impact Assessment applies to these premises.
4. The premises are small and provide limited scope to ensure a safe layout for staff and public.

We did not consider the following matters to be relevant:

1. The economic background of the applicant's business.
2. The cost of the security guard on the premises.

Our reasons for this are:

1. Neither of the above are relevant to the four licensing objectives.

Our decision is as follows:

To refuse the application on the ground there was not sufficient reason to make an exception from the Licensing Policy and Cumulative Impact Assessment.

Our reasons for reaching the decision are as follows:

1. The conditions agreed with the Police and those proffered at the meeting were not sufficient to address the Cumulative Impact Assessment.
2. Not enough provision has been made to address the four licencing objectives.
3. Insufficient assessment by the applicant to provide for the safety of the staff and customers considering the size of the premises.

Signed



13/12/21Dated

The applicant or those who made a relevant representation has the right of appeal to a Magistrates Court within 21 days from the date of this decision notice by contacting:

Cambridgeshire Magistrates Court, The Court House, Bridge Street, Peterborough, PE1 1ED.

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