

**REDDITCH BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE**

**9<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2025**

**LICENSING ACT 2003**

**APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A PREMISES LICENCE**

**CARIBBEAN FLAVOUR RESTAURANT AND BAR LIMITED, 76 IPSLEY STREET  
REDDITCH B98 7AE**

<b>PUBLIC HEARING</b>	
<b>Director:</b>	<b>Head of Worcestershire Regulatory Services</b>
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<b>Ward(s) affected:</b>	<b>Central</b>
<b>Appendices:</b>	<b>Appendix 1 – Application form and plan of premises Appendix 2 – conditions agreed with West Mercia Police Appendix 3 – Representation from West Mercia Police</b>

**1. PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.1. To consider and determine an application for grant of a premises licence in respect of

**Caribbean Flavour Restaurant And Bar Limited  
76 Ipsley Street  
Redditch  
Worcestershire  
B98 7AE**

- 1.2. A copy of the application and plan of the premises is attached at **Appendix 1**.

**2. BACKGROUND**

- 2.1. On 25 July 2025 an application was received from Caribbean Flavour Restaurant and Bar Ltd, for grant of a premises licence in respect of Caribbean Flavour Restaurant and Bar Limited, 76 Ipsley Street, Redditch, Worcestershire, B98 7AE.

- 2.2. The application contained all the requisite documentation including the fee and a plan of the premises.
- 2.3. It can be confirmed that the application has been advertised in accordance with the requirements of the Licensing Act 2003 and associated regulations and that the application has also been served on all responsible authorities.
- 2.4. The applicant is applying for the following licensable activities:

Activity	Days	From	To	Indoors/Outdoors
Playing of Recorded Music	Sunday - Wednesday	10:00	- 01:00	Indoors
Playing of Recorded Music	Thursday - Saturday	10:00	- 02:00	Indoors
Sale of Alcohol	Sunday - Wednesday	10:00	- 01:00	
Sale of Alcohol	Thursday - Saturday	10:00	- 02:00	

- 2.5. The applicant has described the premises as a: Restaurant and bar, No consumption of alcohol off the premises and single story premises.
- 2.6. Members should note that this application does not seek to permit the licensable activity of "late night refreshment", therefore should a premises licence be granted, there can be no sales of either hot food or hot drink on the premises beyond 11:00pm.
- 2.7. The designated premises supervisor identified in the application is Shannon Elizabeth Keevil.
- 2.8. The applicant has agreed additional conditions with the Police which are attached at **Appendix 2**. These conditions would form part of the operating schedule should a licence be granted.

### 3. REPRESENTATIONS

#### RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITIES

- 3.1. In response to the consultation and following further scrutiny of the premises licence application, West Mercia Police have submitted a formal representation objecting to the grant of a premises licence.
- 3.2. The police representation raises concerns regarding the applicant's suitability and ability to uphold the licensing objective of preventing crime and disorder. These concerns stem from the applicant's known association and links with a convicted criminal.
- 3.3. West Mercia Police state that the applicant is a known associate of the former owner and licence holder of the Warwick Nightclub, which operated in the same building, immediately adjacent to the proposed premises.
- 3.4. The premises licence for the Warwick Nightclub was subject to a closure order following a long history of criminal activity at the venue, culminating in a serious firearms incident. The premises licence was subsequently revoked by the Council's

Licensing Sub-Committee following a licence review hearing in February 2023. Full details of the representation from West Mercia Police are attached at **Appendix 3**.

- 3.5. There are no further representations from any of the other Responsible Authorities.

#### **OTHER PERSONS**

- 3.6. No representations have been received from any other persons.

#### **4. LOCAL POLICY CONSIDERATIONS**

- 4.1. The Sub-Committee should have regard to the Council's Statement of Licensing Policy under the Licensing Act 2003.
- 4.2. The Council's Statement of Licensing Policy is available to download from the Council's website or to request a hard copy, contact Worcestershire Regulatory Services on 01905 822799 or email [enquiries@worcsregservices.gov.uk](mailto:enquiries@worcsregservices.gov.uk)

#### **5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1. The Sub-Committee is obliged to determine this application with a view to the promotion of the licensing objectives which are:
- **the prevention of crime and disorder;**
  - public safety;
  - the prevention of public nuisance;
  - the protection of children from harm.
- 5.2. In making its decision, the Sub-Committee is also obliged to have regard to the guidance issued by the Secretary of State under section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 and the Council's own Statement of Licensing Policy.
- 5.3. The Sub-Committee must also have regard to the representations made and the evidence it hears.
- 5.4. The Sub-Committee must take such of the following steps as it considers appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives:
- (a) Grant the application as requested
  - (b) Modify the conditions of the licence, by altering or omitting or adding to them.
  - (c) Reject the application in whole or in part.
- 5.5. The Sub-Committee is asked to note that it may not modify the conditions or reject the whole or part of the application merely because it considers it desirable to do so. It must actually be appropriate in order to promote the licensing objectives.
- 5.6. All parties to the hearing will be notified of the Sub-Committee's decision in writing within five working days of the conclusion of the hearing.

5.7. Any party aggrieved by a decision taken by the Sub-Committee may appeal against the decision to a Magistrates' Court within 21 days of being notified of the decision in writing.

5.8. The hearing should be conducted in accordance with the agreed procedure.

## **6. FOR DECISION**

6.1. The Sub-Committee must consider and determine the application.