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LICENSING SUB COMMITTEE

Thursday 13 November 2025
10.00 am
Council House

Members:

Councillors Hendy, Lugger and M. Smith

Fourth Member: Councillor Taylor

Please find additional information enclosed.

Tracey Lee

Chief Executive

LICENSING SUB COMMITTEE

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Marie Price

From:
Sent: 04 November 2025 11:41
To: Marie Price
Subject: Re: Licensing Sub Committee Hearing - The Flower Cafe - Premises Licence Application
Attachments: Licensing Sub Committee Hearing Statement The Flower Cafe.pdf

Dear Marie,

Please accept this email as confirmation that I will be attending the hearing on the 13th November. Alongside the original application and its contents, I attach a further statement which I hope can be considered by the committee in support of my application.

Best wishes

The Flower Cafe

Licensing Sub Committee Hearing - The Flower Café, 46 Southside Street,
The Barbican, Plymouth. PL1 2LD

My statement in support of my application for a premises license:

As a personal license holder I take my duties and responsibilities to uphold the licensing objectives very seriously. I have had a positive meeting with the D&C police licensing officer, and am very happy to implement all of their recommendations and requirements to fulfil my obligations and more, should the license be granted.

I run a small café, inside there are 24 covers, with a further 10 outside in the warmer weather. One of my big sellers is an afternoon tea. I often get asked if these can be 'fizzy' and accompanied by prosecco or wine. I feel I am losing a reasonable amount of trade by not being able to currently service this demand. I am not looking to compete with other local bars and restaurants but would like to offer my customers a wider choice.

With regard to any allegation of potential nuisance, I expressly deny that any such nuisance has occurred or can be caused by the sale and consumption of alcohol on the Premises. Alcohol sales would be strictly limited to the hours of 10:00am until 8:00pm Monday to Saturday, which fall well within reasonable operating hours and are also in accordance with the provisions of my Lease. Moreover, the immediate vicinity comprises a number of licensed premises operating with significantly later hours and amplified music, whereas my operations are conducted quietly, responsibly and in full consideration of the neighbouring occupiers. I have not been made aware of any complaints or concerns in regard to noise or nuisance during the very busy summer period, by either the tenants above the café, or the Landlord. Music is always kept to a respectable level, and I have the appropriate licenses in place to play recorded music and radio in my venue.

I currently provide employment for 6 local people, and ideally with some growth in the business this would also grow the team. If restrictions were to be imposed, or the license not granted, I would really find it difficult to look at other ways of increasing turnover, given the size of the premises and other restrictive covenants on the lease (which I fully abide by).

I do hope the committee will look upon the application and this supporting statement favourably and support my application for the premises license.

Many thanks

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