PLYMOUTH CITY COUNCIL

Subject:	Co-operative Food, 122 Alexandra Road, Plymouth, PL4 7EQ		
	Variation of Premises Licence		
Committee:	Licensing Sub Committee (Miscellaneous)		
Date:	24 July 2012		
Cabinet Member:	Councillor Brian Vincent		
CMT Member:	Director of Place		
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Ref:	ERS/LIC/PREM		
Key Decision:	No		
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Executive Summary:

An application has been received from Co-operative Group Food Ltd in respect of premises known as Co-operative Food, 122 Alexandra Road, Plymouth for the variation of the premises licence under Section 34 of the Licensing Act 2003.

Corporate Plan 2012 - 2015:

This report links to the delivery of the City and Council priorities. In Particular: I. Delivering Growth

Implications for Medium Term Financial Plan and Resource Implications: Including finance, human, IT and land

Not applicable.

Other Implications: e.g. Community Safety, Health and Safety, Risk Management and Equality, Diversity and Community Cohesion:

Members should be aware that Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 puts a statutory duty on every Local Authority to exercise its various functions with due regard to the need to do all that it reasonably can do to prevent crime and disorder in its area.

Recommendations & Reasons for recommended action:

That Members consider this report.

Alternative options considered and reasons for recommended action:

Background papers:

Application. Licensing Act 2003. Guidance issued under Section 182 Licensing Act 2003. Council's Licensing Policy.

Sign off:

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I.0 Introduction

1.1 On the 8 June 2012 the licensing department received an application from Cooperative Group Food Ltd in respect of premises known as Co-operative Food, 122 Alexandra Road Plymouth for the variation of an existing licence under Section 34 of the Licensing Act 2003.

Current Licensable Activities	Variation Application			
(m) Supply of Alcohol for consumption OFF the premises.				
Hours – Monday to Sunday 8am to 11pm	Hours – Monday to Sunday 7am to 11pm			
Non Standard Timings.				
(o) Hours premises are open to the public				
Hours – Monday to Sunday 8am to 11pm	Hours – Monday to Sunday 7am to 11pm			
Non Standard Timings.				

I.2 Details of variation

1.3 Variation application.

The nature of the proposed variation is to extend the opening hours and the sale of alcohol (off the premises) by one hour in the morning.

1.4 Representations have been received in respect of this application.

1.5 Cumulative Impact Policy

This application does not fall within an area to which the Cumulative Impact Policy applies.

2.0 **RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITIES**

- 2.1 Environmental Health no representations
- 2.2 Devon & Cornwall Police no representations.
- 2.3 Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Service no representations.
- 2.4 Trading Standards no representations
- 2.5 Planning Officer no representations.

- 2.6 *Child Protection* no representations
- 2.7 Health & Safety Executive no representations.
- 2.8 *Health Authority* no representations.
- 2.9 Licensing Authority no representations

3.0 INTERESTED PARTIES

2 letters of representation has been received from residents living within the vicinity of the premises. (Appendix I & 2)

4.0 CONSIDERATIONS

- 4.1 The Committee is obliged to determine this application with a view to promoting the licensing objectives which are:
 - the prevention of crime and disorder;
 - public safety;
 - the prevention of public nuisance;
 - the protection of children from harm.

In making its decision the Committee is also obliged to have regard to the guidance issued under section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 and the Council's own Licensing Policy and the representations (including supporting information) presented by all the parties.

The Committee must take such of the following steps as it considers appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives:

I. Modify the conditions of the licence

2. Reject the whole or part of the application;

and for this purpose the conditions of the licence are modified if any of them is altered or omitted or any new condition is added.

The 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.

R. Carton Manager of Public Protection Service

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We are writing to say that we formally oppose the application to extend the opening & licensing hours of the Co-op on Alexandra Road, Mutley, Plymouth.

The reason for our opposition to the extended opening & licensing hours is due to the extremely well documented increase in anti-social behaviour in the area including many incidents directly related to the store, as it has been held up at knife point, the glass doors and windows being smashed, begging outside the store from addicts, meeting place for street drunks who also use the steps on our path as a place to sit and drink and also an incident of a ram-raid.

We have a large student population in the area many of whom we've witnessed buying their drink from the Co-op they then drink outside in the back yards or in the student accommodation and noise levels of partying into the night have become intolerable.

We feel that any increase in licensing hours would lead to further misery to us and further anti-social behaviour. I would urge you to speak to the local community police who are all too aware of the rise in anti-social behaviour including damage to vehicles and property in the years since the Co-op opened its store in Alexandra Road Mutley.

We have also made our representation via email as an email address was provided but we were unable to send the form via email as it wouldn't let us edit it. Also we cannot send in a hard copy of the form as when I go to print the online copy it displays on screen as blank and prints it blank. Please let us know if this letter of objection is adequate enough for your records, if not please send us a hard copy of the form.

Regards

