

GREATER MANCHESTER POLICE - REPRESENTATION

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About the Premises

Application Reference No.	
Name of the Premises	<i>Acre Street Mini Market</i>
Address of the premises including postcode	21 Acre Street Denton M34 2BB

Your Representation

Please outline your representation below and continue overleaf. This should describe the likely effect of the grant of the variation on the licensing objectives on and in the vicinity of the premises in question.

Please accept this as formal notification of the Greater Manchester Police objection to the request for a premises license to be granted in relation to the above premises.

I am Police Constable 14627 Martin Thorley of the Greater Manchester Police stationed at Ashton-under-Lyne Police Station. I am the District Licensing Officer for Tameside area.

I have delegation of authority on behalf of the Chief Officer of Police for all applications made in respect of the Licencing Act 2003.

The grounds for the objection are:-

- **Prevention of Crime and Disorder**
- **Prevention of Public Nuisance**
- **Protection of Children from Harm**

This premise currently trades as a local unlicensed convenience store situated at the end of a row of terraced houses in a residential area. Denton Town Centre is only a stone's throw away where there are numerous Public Houses /wine bars and off licenses within a 5 minute walk.

As with other areas in Tameside, Denton suffers from issues with on street drinking and other alcohol related anti-social behavior. The nearest Licensed Premises is situated 50 yards away from this premises and Jubilee Square, Denton is situated 0.2 miles away.

This area already suffers reports of on street drinking and alcohol related anti-social behavior. It is my belief that another Licensed premise in the vicinity of this area would lead to increases of on street drinking and alcohol related anti-social behavior.

The premises is known to Police as it has the following linked to the address:-

Intelligence dated February 2020

The shop on Acre Street Denton has been selling e-cigarettes to year 7 students.

Intelligence dated April 2021

The shop owner of Acre Street Mini-Market, 21 Acre Street Denton is selling vapes, tobacco, alcohol, cannabis and THC to school children.

The shop owner drives a black BMW.

The shop owner is described as a bald Asian male of slim build.

Incident of crime date June 2021

Witness reports that a male had been assaulted by another male in her shop. The victim received a slight laceration to his nose. Offence occurred at 2150hrs on 4th June 2021

Incident of crime date July 2018

Known offender who is owner of the premises at 21 Acre Street Denton has a store behind his counter containing 600 nitrous oxide canisters along with 21 canister inhalers with the intent to supply these products. The offender was found guilty at Court of Possessing a psychoactive substance with intent to supply.

Having spoken with locally based officers it is apparent that at this time, the shop is still run on a daily basis by the person responsible for the above offence and which the intelligence relates and not the applicant for this Premises Licence.

It is my belief that the operator involved in the running of this premise is not capable of promoting the Licensing Objectives. Offences and intelligence show that he is complicit in unlawful sales which do risk the health and wellbeing of both children and adults alike.

To allow the premises to sell alcohol will result in a risk to children being harmed, lead to an increase in alcohol related incidents in the area and will cause greater disturbance to the residents who live in very close proximity to the premises.

I ask that The Licensing Authority refuse this application.

PC 14627 Martin Thorley

