

Thank you for your comments,

I would like to take this opportunity to respond to the objections raised by yourselves.

Firstly, I would like to state that this is simply an application to amend the current licence that we hold and have had held for around 2 years.

Having been able to sell alcohol from Wednesday to Saturday till 10pm, consequently only adding three extra days to our current allowance.

Our vision is not to change from a cafe to a 'Bar' it is simply to expand our offerings to our existing customer base. Our current atmosphere amends itself to the 'quiet, chilled vibe. This will not change with the additional 3 days of alcohol sales.

An example of what we would like to offer follows as:

Pottery painting nights, with wine and nibbles

Acoustic night, with local residents involved in the music.

Day time food and fizz

Movie nights with wine / boozy hot drinks.

(ALL FINISHING AT 10PM LATEST)

These events are far from 'extremely loud bassy' or resulting in 'noise nuisance and subsequent disorder'. Our customer base is not football goers, therefore this is not the desirable result of obtaining a licence, regardless of this we have already upheld a licence during match times, and purposely avoided these fans.

To highlight the statement 'witness many events take place there with very loud music during unsociable hours'

We have held a handful of events that have gone through the TENS route and have been put on with the correct permissions. The event that was 'filmed' was in the outbuilding towards the back of the property this is not under our lease and this was proven to the licensing team at the time and therefore nothing to do with us.

Please note that we want to continue to be an asset to the St James community, we are a cafe a social space. The additional 3 days of Monday, Tuesday and Sunday are simply there to allow flexibility to our customer base and private hire options. All events will remain inside and be capped at a sensible number of attendees. With additional space created at the rear of the property the 'spill out' towards the front will not happen.

Regards

The Sunset Society.