

In addition to the original review application for 'Boozed Up', Lancaster Crescent, Skelmersdale the Police wish to submit the additional information.

On 26th April 2018, PC Stewart attempted to speak with the applicant Suzanne Moore. A male, believed at the time, to be the husband answered her phone stating that Suzanne was at work. He stated that he would be involved in the delivery business but would be using the back room at Suzannes' home address to store the alcohol. He stated that all documentation including vehicle insurance and risk assessments had been left with WLBC. It later transpired that it was David Webster also known as David Taggart, the applicants nephew on the phone.

On 30th April when Police hadn't received a return call from Suzanne, PC Stewart again called and once again David answered the phone. Suzanne called a short time later and PC Stewart attempted to get further details from her about the intended business. Suzanne was unable to give any details and clearly knew very little about the application other than agreeing for her conservatory to be used as storage and her name as DPS. PC Stewart was left with concerns and advised that there were insufficient measures to promote the crime and disorder licensing objectives.

Further email contact was had on 1st May to try to establish what part both were playing in the premise licence application. David sent a reply and also gave some additional measures but still no operating plan regarding how sales would be made, how he would access the property and risk assessments for drivers. An email was sent asking Suzanne to attend Preston Police station on 8th May.

A Police objection to the application was submitted to WLBC on 1st May.

On 8th May both Suzanne and David attended the police station and conditions were looked at. Suzanne stated that she worked full time as a nurse and that David would be running the business. She told Officers that she might get involved if the business took off and created a full time role for her. Officers were unconvinced that she would be involved at all.

Police Sleuth checks revealed that there were numerous reports of neighbour nuisance at the proposed address but on closer scrutiny Police felt that Suzanne was the victim.

Insurance checks were made and the vehicle proposed to be used as a delivery vehicle for the business was in the name of John Taggart and David as a named driver. There was no insurance for the applicant Suzanne Moore. The vehicle had recently been purchased by John Taggart, who is believed to be the father of David as Police believe David was unable to get a loan due to being blacklisted for non payments on previous loans.

On 9th May, Police became aware that David was already offering an alcohol delivery service on Facebook. A call was made to David who stated that the service was in operation.

Later in the day Police spoke with a male that was a former employer of David who also runs and alcohol delivery service in the Skelmersdale area. He stated that he had sacked David due to him believing that he was selling to underage and had an expired driving licence. He had observed David selling alcohol from a vehicle the weekend before.

Police enquiries revealed that in September 2013 Webster was charged with drink driving and having no vehicle insurance and was banned from driving for 17 months.

Police spoke with Suzanne who confirmed that David had been delivering alcohol since the date of the application as she believed that WLBC said that he could. She was advised that this was not the case and that she should consider withdrawing her application as it was clear that she was being used by David. She was advised to get David to call the office regarding him making an application in his own name and getting a personal licence.

A second Police objection was submitted on 11th June after the blue notice had not been displayed correctly.

On the same day, David sent an email to the Licensing Department again outlining measures and Police responded stating they were unhappy to accept these measures from himself as he was not the applicant.

In summary, the application has been made by Suzanne Moore who has no intention of being involved in the business other than for storage of alcohol at her home address. The application is for a 24 hour delivery service which means that David would need to access Suzannes home address at any time during this period to collect alcohol and Police believe that this will not happen and that alcohol will be stored in the vehicle ready for when orders are received. The applicant has offered very little information on how orders will be made and recorded, how staff training will be conducted and recorded, how payments will be made and therefore Police believe that crime and disorder will potentially occur. The number currently being used on Facebook to make deliveries belongs to David not the applicant and the onus for any potential future breaches would be on Suzanne who has no involvement in the sale of alcohol.