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To: Development Control

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Subject: PLANNING APP 4/25/2265/0F1 - 69 LOWTHER STREET, WHITEHAVEN

Change of use of ground floor of former HSBC bank to speakeasy café bar with outdoor seating areas to rear and front including the installation of railings along the road frontage, the formation of new door opening with external steps in side (south east) elevation and alteration of window to door in rear (north east) elevation.

Thank you for the above planning consultation.

In terms of the relevant remit, Environmental Health have considered the following matters. It is noted that there are no kitchen extract / ventilation details provided with the application, which would allow a limited food menu though the applicant should still register the premises as a food provider via the details below.

The proposed hours of opening are seen as reasonable.

The premises will require a Premises Licence under the Licensing Act 2003 and further consultation with the Councils Licensing team, Cumbria Police and Environmental Health will be necessary in order that the licensing objectives are met by the proposed premises' activities. This would include the use of the outdoor seating areas.

If the application were to be approved, it is requested that any construction-related works should take place during standard working hours to limit noise intrusion on neighbours.

In summary, therefore, Environmental Health would not object to this application and suggest that the following conditions are applied to any approval:

Noise from Construction Works

Following approval of the development, construction activities that are audible at the site boundary shall be carried out only between the following hours. Monday to Friday 08.00 – 18.00 and Saturday 08.00 – 13.00 and at no time on Sunday or Bank Holiday.

Deliveries to and removal of plant, equipment, machinery and waste from the site must only take place within the permitted hours detailed above unless otherwise agreed with the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: In the interests of the amenities of surrounding occupiers during the construction of the development.

Informatives:

- The development will require a Premises Licence under the Licensing Act 2003. Further information can be sought from the Licensing team at Cumberland Council.
- The premises will need to register as a food business operator. This can be done from the following link - https://register.food.gov.uk/new
- Advice on food hygiene and kitchen design can be sought from the Environmental Health team at Cumberland Council.

Regards

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