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Dear Mr Whur

Space to Eat, 7 Hirsts Yard, Duncan Street, Leeds LS1 6DL Application for a grant of a premises licence Licensing Act 2003 Licensing Authority Letter of Representation

Thank you for submitting your application for the above premises.

The area in which the subject premises is located in within a cumulative impact area. It is the council's policy, on receipt of relevant representations, to refuse new and variation applications in this area for alcohol led premises such as bars, pubs and nightclubs and for premises seeking late night refreshment such as takeaways and late opening restaurants, unless the applicant can demonstrate that their application would not impact on the cumulative effect of such licensed premises in the area.

Specifically your application falls within the red area of the City Centre CIP. As stated at 7.20 of the Statement of Licensing Policy 2014 to 2018 the council will seek to refuse all applications in these red areas on the basis that the impact on the licensing objectives are at such a level that the area cannot support any more premises opening or extending their operation no matter how impressive the concept or application is.

I refer you to 7.51 to 7.53 of the Policy which describes how, when considering the presumption against grant in a CIP area, the council will need to be satisfied that the grant of this licence will not impact on the cumulative impact of existing licensed premises in the area. The council will only grant applications in the red zone in exceptional cases. It will be for you to advise the council how your application would be an exceptional case.

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Paddy Whur Woods Whur 2014 Limited Devonshire House 38 York Place Leeds LS1 2ED I note that the application is for late night refreshment to 5am, 7 days a week.

You state within Section M of the application that you will operate a CCTV system, use an incident report register, accident register, electrical inspections and restrict access to food preparation areas. You intend to monitor the external areas from 23.00 and remove litter. I note that you have amended your application so that it is a time limited licence for 6 months.

Late night refreshment applications are considered within scope of the CIP as they add to the cumulative impact of licensed premises in the area. Instead of dispersing away from the area, late night takeaways hold people in areas where there is already an accumulation of people. As you will be aware Hirsts Yard already suffers from an accumulation of people into the night due to the proximity of Space, Mook and Hirsts Yard. Providing a takeaway in this location would not reduce the cumulative impact of licensed premises in the area but increase it.

Bearing in mind the severity of the problems being experienced in the area with this area suffering from the highest levels of violent crime and disorder incidences in the city centre, the Licensing Authority is of the opinion that your application contains insufficient information about how your application would not add to the impact already being experienced in the area.

Therefore the licensing authority submits a formal representation against your application on the grounds of:

1. Prevention of crime and disorder

Should you have any questions, please contact us.

Yours faithfully



Susan Holden Principal Project Officer Entertainment Licensing