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**Mr D Gotts**  
**The White Swan**  
**15 Crosshills**  
**Kippax**  
**Leeds LS25 7JP**



cc. Leeds City Council, Entertainment Licensing Section, Civic Hall, Leeds. LS1 1UR

Dear Mr Gotts

**RE: THE WHITE SWAN, 15 CROSSHILLS, KIPPAX, LEEDS LS25 7JP**  
**APPLICATION T VARY EXISTING PREMISES LICENCE – LICENSING ACT 2003**  
**POLICE – LETTER OF REPRESENTATION – FULL OBJECTION**

Thankyou for your application which is dated 21 July 2011 which was received at Millgarth Police Station on 12 August 2011. This application was subsequently amended with the most up to date plans and correspondence being received on 19 August 2011.

This application seeks to vary the existing premises licence to allow the following activities in both the inside and outside space.

Films  
 Indoor Sporting Events  
 Live Music  
 Recorded Music  
 Anything of a Similar Description

**Every day 1000hrs x 0000hrs**

Sale of Alcohol

**Sunday to Thursday 1000hrs x 0000hrs**  
**Friday and Saturday 1000hrs x 01000hrs**

These hours are already in place for the internal aspects of the premises and are covered by the current premises licence. This application seeks to extend the sale of alcohol and provision of regulated entertainment into the external area, with the installation of a 'bottle bar' in a garage to the rear of the premises.

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It is the opinion of West Yorkshire Police, that your application contains insufficient information on how you will achieve the licensing objectives. In particular, we cannot be satisfied at this stage that, if granted the premises would not adversely affect crime and disorder and/or public nuisance in the locality.

The Kippax area has been designated a designated public place (DPPO) for approximately two years. The area suffers periodically from problems associated with anti-social behaviour and priority crime with Kippax being a hot spot in the wards of Garforth, Swillington, Kippax and Methley (Garforth NPT area).

Whilst recorded data shows both increases and decreases month on month around ASB, particularly rowdy and inconsiderate behaviour, the area still remains very busy when you consider the main shopping area and the area where many of the pubs and off licence premises are situated, is on two main streets. The White Swan is on the cross roads of these two main streets.

Kippax suffers from problems with youths congregating at various hot spots and also visiting licensed premises to try and obtain alcohol underage. This is something that the Neighbourhood Policing Team for the Garforth, Kippax, Swillington and Methley NPT has been addressing and continue to address. Whilst very little is recorded which is location specific, because of a period of closure, the problems in the area continue

The application, at Part P, refers to there being security staff being employed at 'busy times'. There is no indication of when these times will be or what firm arrangements are in place to employ door staff should the application be granted. In this section it also refers to the security staff being employed 'to make sure customers can purchase drinks and keep the area tidy'. I would suggest that the door staff are not employed for this reason and that they are present to assist in upholding the licensing objectives, there is no mention of this.

Whilst in Part P of the application you have stated that under 18s will only be allowed on the premises until 2030hrs, you have not referred to any other measure you intend to put in place to try and uphold the licensing objectives. I note the premises do not have a condition around CCTV which would be a consideration when such a significant change is applied for. You do however have condition around a refusals policy and a pub watch condition.

**FOR THE REASONS SET OUT ABOVE WEST YORKSHIRE POLICE ARE OF THE OPINION THAT THIS APPLICATION SHOULD BE REFUSED IN FULL.**

**Lynn Dobson  
PC 5783  
Leeds District Licensing  
West Yorkshire Police.**

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