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Dear [REDACTED]

Please accept my apologies in our delay in responding to your representation regarding the application for a Club Premises Certificate by Wharf Chambers Co-operative Club, for whom I act as club secretary. We have had some difficulty in formulating a response due to the serious nature of the allegations that relate primarily to previous uses and states of the building.

We understand and empathise with your worries regarding the upkeep of the premises and safety and comfort of your staff and hope that your concerns have been or will be addressed in the various measures we are taking to ensure that our organisation is run in a professional, safe and responsible manner.

We would like to recommend that you download and read the ‘further information’ PDF from <http://democracy.leeds.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CIId=430&MIId=5482> that contains our response to a similar representation from [REDACTED] and where we restate and offer further clarity on the manner in which we will guarantee the safe, clean, professional upkeep of the premises and offer evidence against the claim that our organisation will repeat or continue issues with hygiene and safety that may have arisen previously. Also, we might clarify that it is not our intention to hold licensable events during normal working hours regularly.

As stated in that correspondence, our aim is to make a positive contribution to the area, and Leeds as a whole, through the provision of a cultural venue for the creative community that we hope will be of great benefit to your business and enjoyed by your staff (if they wished to become members or attend non-licensable events).

To take a positive perspective on things, the dialogue instigated by our license application offers us opportunity to begin an open, trusting and co-operative relationship with our neighbours which we hope you will take advantage of by considering your representations against our application as now addressed.

If you have any further questions or concerns then please feel free to contact me either by email or phone before Monday.

Kind regards

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