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Ms Stephanie Farquharson



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

**NOTICE OF OBJECTION – TRANSFER OF PREMISES LICENCE:
SECTION 42 (6)&(7) – LICENSING ACT 2003:**

AND

**NOTICE OF OBJECTION -
VARY PREMISES LICENCE - DESIGNATED PREMISES SUPERVISOR:
SECTION 37(5) & 37(6) LICENSING ACT 2003**

PREMISES SUPERVISOR: STEPHANIE FARQUHARSON

PREMISES: THE KILN, BRIGNALL GARTH, LEEDS LS9 7HB

I, PC 5783 Dobson, a licensing Officer for West Yorkshire Police, hereby give you notice that I intend to object to your applications for the transfer of the licence at the premises indicated above and to vary the designated premises supervisor. West Yorkshire Police are satisfied that the exceptional circumstances of this case are such that granting this application would undermine the crime prevention objective.

West Yorkshire Police are so satisfied for the following reasons:-

The Kiln Public House closed for several months after the departure of the last DPS. Prior to the closure, The Kiln was linked to drugs, anti-social behaviour and noise nuisance, which was directly attributed to the premises.

Since reopening, this is the forth application of its type to change the premises licence holder (PLH), Designated Premises Supervisor (DPS) or both. All other applications have been refused or withdrawn.

On 15th September 2011 a shooting took place at the premises in which a customer was shot, in the back, and sustained serious injuries.

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On 26 September 2011 an interim steps hearing took place at The Civic Hall following an application for an expedited review of the premises licence. The Licensing Committee suspended the licence at this hearing. A copy of the decision notice is attached to this letter.

You have been the lease holder and at times the licence holder since the premises opened in June this year. You have utilised the 'interim effect' to allow the premises to trade during the objection period, thereby giving the premises approximately three months of trade despite Police opposition. Throughout this time WYP have had concerns in relation to the management of the premises and crime and disorder attributed to the premises.

The full hearing for the expedited review is due to be heard on 19 October 2011.

West Yorkshire Police would ask any presiding Sub-Committee to refuse this application.

Lynn Dobson
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North East Leeds Licensing

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