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cc Carole Collingwood, Woods Whur 2014 Limited, Devonshire House, 38 York Place, Leeds, LS1 2ED – acting on behalf of Heron Foods Limited, The Vault, Dakota Drive, Estuary Commerce Park, Speke, Liverpool, L24 8RJ

**RE Heron Foods, 25 Town Street, Armley, Leeds, LS12 1UX
APPLICATION FOR NEW PREMISES LICENCE – LICENSING ACT 2003
POLICE – LETTER OF REPRESENTATION – “FULL” OBJECTION – ARMLEY CIP**

Thank you for submitting your application for a new premises licence at the above address, which we received on 8th January 2019

The application relates to a premise, which falls within one of the areas of Leeds currently subject to a policy of cumulative impact, as detailed in the present Statement of Licensing Policy 2019-2023, issued by Leeds City Council as the licensing authority

West Yorkshire Police make representations to your application for a new premises licence based on the cumulative impact policy (CIP) for Armley

Details of the Armley CIP can be found within the current '2019-2023 Statement of Licensing Policy' of Leeds City Council, from paragraphs 7 24 to 7 26

This application, in terms of the proposed measures and the conducting of licensable activities in order to promote the licensing objectives, is essentially no different when compared to any of the other existing licensed premises upon which the Armley CIP was founded

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The application mirrors in most respects what is already allowed with existing licensed premises in the area concerned and which initially brought about the problems associated with the Armley area which then instigated the necessary process resulting in the implementation of the Armley CIP

In other words, an application

- To supply alcohol for consumption 'off' the premises only
- For the hours applied for – Monday to Saturday 0800 – 1900 hrs and Sunday 1000 – 1600 hrs
- Offering an array of CCTV conditions
- Other recognisable measures offered as conditions of the licence to promote the licensing objectives

In this case, this application provides nothing fundamentally different to what already applies to licensed premises in this area, which are essentially responsible for the problems of disorder and anti-social behaviour associated within the area of the Armley CIP

Further and probably most importantly in a case like this, the applicant has hardly addressed what is required in making an application in an area of this nature as identified in the following paragraphs of the current 'Statement of Licensing Policy' -

- Paragraph 7 25 of the policy specifically in relation to the Armley CIP – refers to drinkers causing problems of anti-social behaviour purchasing alcohol on Town Street and then remaining in the area to drink it
- The plan submitted with this application implies premises within this category but the applicant has failed to address this particular issue in the application
- Paragraph 7 26 of the policy specifically in relation to the Armley CIP – It would be inconsistent with the council's duty to promote the licensing objectives to grant new and variation application for any premises licence which seeks off sales of alcohol at any time
- Paragraph 7 33 and 7 34 of the policy –The applicant has failed to demonstrate how the premises will not add to the cumulative impact of premises in the area and has not identified any steps to combat the issues

There is nothing included in this application to dispel the view that the premises will do nothing but add to the problem that already exist on Armley Town Street, if the application is granted

Therefore, in these circumstances, West Yorkshire Police has no alternative but to ask a presiding sub-committee at a forthcoming hearing concerning this application, to refer to paragraph 7 33 of the same 'Statement of Licensing Policy', and refuse it outright

Sarah Blenkhorn
Leeds District Licensing Officer
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