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cc. Entertainment Licensing Section. Leeds City Council, Civic Hall, Leeds. LS1 1UR,
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**RE: Big Bite 5 Briggate Leeds
APPLICATION TO VARY PREMISES LICENCE – LICENSING ACT 2003:
POLICE – LETTER OF REPRESENTATION – CUMULATIVE IMPACT ASSESSMENT (CIA):**

Thank you for submitting your application for the above premises.

The application relates to premises which fall within one of the areas of Leeds currently subject to a policy of cumulative impact, as detailed in the present Statement of Licensing Policy 2023-2027, issued by Leeds City Council as the licensing authority.

The area concerned in this case is **Leeds City Centre**.

Therefore, West Yorkshire Police make representations based on the cumulative impact assessment of the area concerned and highlighted above, where the licensing objectives and particularly the prevention of crime and disorder and prevention of public nuisance objectives are being adversely affected.

Leeds City Councils Statement of Licensing Policy 2023-2027 states;

“The council has assessed crime statistics for the area known at the city centre which is located between the A58M motorway and the river Aire and has determined that there is an area that is suffering from the cumulative impact of licensed premises and consequently this is leading to problems which are undermining the licensing objectives.

Specifically and in addition to this, there are two areas of special concern designated as red zones where the impact of the licensed premises is so severe that the council considers that any application for a new licence or the variation of an existing licence should be refused unless the

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applicant can show how their application would not lead to an increase in the impact of licensed premises in this area.”

This application seeks to obtain a licence for late night refreshment within one of the aforementioned ***“red zones”***

This application proposes late night refreshment Friday and Saturday 23:00-05:00, which would put it within the peak times for various crime types within the CIA.

To quote again from the Statement of Licensing Policy 2023-2027;

“It would be inconsistent with the council’s duty to promote the licensing objectives to grant new and variation application for any premises licence (on sales, off sales and late night takeaways) that seek to operate during the peak hours described in the cumulative impact assessment for the city centre”

West Yorkshire Police are in agreement with Leeds City Council that to grant a premises licence for late night refreshment would not be consistent with the licensing objectives and would contribute negatively to this particular area.

Therefore, West Yorkshire Police consider that this application would not be appropriate due to the current policy of cumulative impact for Harehills and make this representation to promote the licensing objectives.

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