

Representation

Section 1 – Licence application details

Please indicate as appropriate :

☒ I wish to object to the following application: PREM/05068/001

☐ I wish to support the following application:

Applicant premises name and address:

Maxi Foods, Harehills Road, Harehills, Leeds 8

Section 2 – Your personal details

Title	Mr <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mrs <input type="checkbox"/> Miss <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
Surname	Bird
First name(s)	Patrick

Address (incl postcode):

LASBT, Deacon House, Seacroft Avenue, Leeds, LS14 6JD

Please note that a full copy of your representation (including your name and address) will be sent to the applicant and will be a public document at the hearing. If this is a concern please contact Entertainment Licensing and we will go through your options.

On what basis are you making this representation:

- ☐ Resident
☐ Business
☒ Someone representing a resident or business: Leeds Anti-Social Behaviour Team

Section 3 – Representation grounds

The representation is relevant to one or more of the following licensing objectives: Please tick relevant box(es)	Prevention of crime and disorder	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Prevention of public nuisance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Protection of children from harm	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Public safety	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please select :

- ☒ I object to the application being granted at all
☐ I object to the application being granted in its current form

The grounds of the representation is based on the following:

I work for the Leeds Anti-Social Behaviour Team as the ASB Team Supervisor with responsibility for Harehills.

Street drinking is the number one issue raised when I meet with local residents and ward members. The problematic drinkers are attracted to the Harehills area by the ready availability of alcohol. They gather in groups, shout and argue amongst themselves, litter alcoholic drinks cans, urinate and defecate in public, and cause occasional violence. Members of the public report being intimidated and dissuaded from using local businesses as a result.

A number of efforts have been made by Leeds City Council, West Yorkshire Police and other partners to reduce the levels of street drinking and the associated nuisance and disorder in Harehills, including:

- A Public Spaces Protection Order
- A Premises Closure Order limiting the public consumption of alcohol
- Anti-Social Behaviour Injunctions for individuals
- Outreach projects to address underlying alcohol addiction issues
- Work to educate off-licences and distribute literature encouraging responsible sales of alcohol
- Multi-agency operations targeting the untaxed sale of alcohol in the area

These measures require significant public resource, and while they have had a positive impact, the problem of street drinking persists.

It is my opinion that this application, if granted, would undermine these efforts by increasing the availability of alcohol in the local area, leading to an increase in public disorder, crime and nuisance.

Signed:



Date: 02/02/2023