



Appendix B

## Leicestershire Police

### Licensing Act 2003 – Representation in respect of New Premises Licence application.

Details of person or body making representation	
Your Name:	PC Jefferson Pritchard
Your Address:	Force Licensing Department, Mansfield House, 74 Belgrave Gate, LEICESTER LE1 3GG

Details of premises representation is about	
Name of Premises:	Halo & Harley
Address of premises:	4 King Street Leicester LE1 6RJ
Application No. (if known)	

Please tick one or more of the licensing objectives that your representation relates to:	
Prevention of crime and disorder	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Public Safety	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Prevention of public nuisance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Protection of children from harm	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Please summarise your concerns about this application:
<p>I write in my capacity as Leicester City Centre’s alcohol licensing officer for Leicestershire Police on the authority delegated to me by the Chief Constable.</p> <p>This is an application for a new premises licence at 4 King Street, Leicester. LE1 6RJ.</p> <p>The premises is a former licensed premises known as Pizza Express.</p> <p>The applicant has applied for the following licensable activities:</p> <p><u>Provision of Live Music</u> Daily from 11am until 11pm (indoors only)</p>

Provision of Recorded Music

Daily from 8am until midnight (indoors only)

Supply of Alcohol

Daily from 9am until midnight (on the premises only)

Hours Premises are open to the public

Daily from 9am until midnight.

Licensable activities will be extended until on New Year's Eve (31<sup>st</sup> December) until 1am on New Year's Day (1<sup>st</sup> January)

The two story premises is situated within the heart of the city centre and on a busy thoroughfare during the day, evening and night time economy. Other licensed premises are located nearby. The area is busy during the evening and night time economy as revellers often under the influence of alcohol move between licensed premises.

The premises is also located within the "Belvoir Street Area" cumulative impact area as referred in Leicester City Council's statement of Licensing Policy, as it includes King Street between Belvoir Street and New Walk.

Paragraph 4:13 of the policy states, *"There will be a presumption that applications for new premises licences or extensions to the hours of licensing of existing premises in a cumulative impact zone will be refused. If the applicant can demonstrate that the premises will not add to the existing problems in a cumulative impact zone, the application could be approved. Applicants will need to address this issue in their operating schedules"*.

The application makes no reference to the significance of the area and the threat posed by an additional licensed premises contributing to the existing issues.

The granting of a further alcohol licence in this area has the potential to impact upon the already identified saturation zone and provide a further outlet for customers to consume alcohol. If the premises is not managed correctly, could result in a rise a crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour and therefore have a negative impact upon the area.

The submitted operating schedule describes the premises **as restaurant providing alcoholic drinks provided by table service.**

Within section 10 of the application it states, **live music will not be a key aspect of the business, however we'd like to be on the safe side if and when we decide to bring in anyone for life performances. This would most likely be amplified, however guest numbers would never surpass 500.**

The above statement potentially contradicts the operating schedule about the premises being a restaurant and suggest the premises will rather be used as bar and music venue on occasions. This significantly changes the applications risk assessment.

The applicant also refers to live performances not surpassing 500 persons. Despite the premises spanning two floors, the proposed capacity seems excessive and would suggest that vertical drinking would be present during live performances. Again this changes the nature of the application and the risk associated to it.

The application lacks details within Section 18 (licensing objectives) and does not elaborate or

explain how each of the licensing objectives will be promoted.

The applicant makes multiple references to a security provision within section 18 (licensing objectives) of the application, however again does not elaborate. The continued reference to a security provision would suggest the premises primary function is not as a restaurant but rather a bar.

The application makes no reference to a CCTV provision, Challenge 21/ 25 or any other public safety schemes such as “Ask Angela”. The application makes no reference to a refusals register or protecting children from harm.

Leicestershire Police contacted the applicant on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2021 in order to arrange a meeting to discuss the application in further details but to also visit the premises itself. The applicant stated he was not available until after Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> August and therefore provisional arrangements made for Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> August 2021. A further email was sent to the applicant on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> July to confirm their attendance on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> August, to which there has been no response to date.

Therefore, Leicestershire Police are unable to fully access the application based upon the information provided and believe that if the licence was granted in its current form would add to the existing crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour in the area.

Leicestershire Police believes that the application fails to promote all four of the licensing objectives. The application fails to address how the premises will reduce its footprint and not contribute to the existing crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour in the “Belvoir Street Area” cumulative impact zone.

Leicestershire Police respectfully requests that the application is refused.

PC2093 Jefferson Pritchard  
Alcohol Licensing Officer for Leicestershire Police  
Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> August 2021