

Leicestershire Police

APPENDIX B2

Licensing Act 2003 Representation in respect of a new premises licence application

Details of person or body making representation		
Your Name:	Police Constable Jefferson Pritchard	
Your Address:	Mansfield House, 74 Belgrave Gate, Leicester LE1 3GG	

Details of premises representation is about		
Name of	Big Difference Productions	
Premises:		
Address of	68 High Street	
premises:	Leicester	
	LE1 5YP	
Application No.		
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(if known)		

Please tick one or more of the licensing objectives that your representation relates to:			
Prevention of crime and disorder	X		
Public Safety	X		
Prevention of public nuisance	X		
Protection of children from harm	X		

Please summarise your concerns about this application:

I write in my capacity as Leicester City Centre's alcohol licensing officer for Leicestershire Police, with delegated authority given by the Chief Constable.

The current application if granted would undermine all four of the licensing objectives.

My representation to this new premises licence application is based upon the licensing objectives as per the Licensing Act 2003.

This is a new premises licence for a former licensed premises known as "The Cookie".

The new applicant has applied to operate the business in a similar manner as before

with the premises providing live music and entertainment, including comedy nights. The premises will provide alcohol across three floors, consisting of a basement, ground floor and first floor. The nature of the business means the premises is most likely to be a "destination venue" rather than attracting passing trade.

The premises does have a first floor, rear balcony area and a small pavement area directly outside the front of the premises. The pavement area is not currently licenced.

Given the nature of the business, the premises is likely to attract a broad customer age range but with a greater emphasis on a younger clientele.

High Street is a busy pedestrian city centre thoroughfare in the day, evening and night time economy as revellers often under the influence of alcohol move around the city. This does on occasions result in crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour in the immediate area between different individuals / groups of revellers.

Street life style individuals are also known to target customers outside other licensed premises, sometimes resulting in the customers being a victim of crime.

Given the proposed operating hours, combined with the supply of alcohol does increase the risk of crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour at the premises regardless of the best intentions of the applicant.

Therefore, Leicestershire Police believe that the inclusion of additional measures would mitigate the above mentioned risk and promote the licensing objectives.

Therefore, four additional conditions are proposed:

- (1) A high definition coloured CCTV system must be installed, maintained and records clear images permitting the identification of individuals whilst the premises is open to the public. CCTV cameras to cover all public areas of the premises including the main entrance and pavement area directly outside the main entrance.
 - The CCTV system and recordings must have a constant and accurate date and time stamp. The CCTV system must be fitted with security functions to prevent recordings being tampered with or deleted. CCTV images shall be retained for at least 31 days and those images shall be made available to an officer from a responsible authority in accordance with data protection law, within a reasonable time period.
- (2) The licence holder will ensure that the use of door supervisors / security will be risk accessed on an ongoing basis and if deemed necessary all door supervisors / security will be Security Industry Authority (SIA) registered.
- (3) The licence holder will operate a Challenge 21 policy with the only acceptable proof of age identification consisting of a current passport, photo card driving licence or identification carrying a PASS logo. A training record must be kept on the premises, retained for twelve months and produced to an officer from a responsible authority upon request.
- (4) The licence holder will promote and ensure that all front of house staff are trained in public safety campaigns such as the "Ask Angela" or other similar schemes. A record of training must be retained for at least twelve months, the record kept on the

premises and made available to the responsible authorities on request.

The applicant has agreed to the additional conditions and is confirmed in a signed written agreement dated 3rd August 2021.

In light of the above agreement, Leicestershire Police no longer believe that a licensing hearing is required.

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