



APPENDIX B

Leicestershire Police

Licensing Act 2003 – Representation in respect of New Premises Application

Details of person or body making representation	
Your Name:	Insp Nigel Rixon
Your Address:	Force Licensing Department, Mansfield House, 74 Belgrave Gate, Leicester LE1 3GG

Details of premises representation is about	
Name of Premises:	Domingos Superstore
Address of premises:	67 – 69 CHURCH GATE LEICESTER LE1 3AN
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 type="checkbox"/>

Please summarise your concerns about this application:
<p>I write in my capacity as Inspector for the Leicestershire Police on the authority delegated to me by the Chief Constable.</p> <p>My representation relates to the licensing objectives of Prevention of Crime and Disorder, Prevention of Public Nuisance and Public Safety.</p> <p>Leicester City Council has adopted a Special Policy in relation to applications for New Licences and material variations in this location. The effect of this policy is set out in the Councils current policy.</p> <p>Paragraph 4.13 of that policy states:</p> <p>“The effect of the special policies will be to create a rebuttable presumption that</p>

applications for new premises licences or club premises certificates, or material variations, will normally be refused. It will be for the applicant to demonstrate that the premises will not add to the existing cumulative impact. Applicants will need to address this matter in their operating schedules"

The applicant has re submitted their application for these premises following representations being put forward by Leicestershire Police and subsequent discussions following that submission. A number of suggestions were made for conditions to promote the licensing objectives which have been accepted however there is nothing new from the applicant following those discussions just an acceptance.

The nature of the economy in Church Gate changes in the early evening when it becomes the central thoroughfare serving the clubs situated in the Gravel St/Sandacre St area. The police are concerned that the availability of alcohol from an off licence at this location will undermine the licensing objectives in this cumulative impact area. It will allow for those making the way to the clubs to 'top up' their alcohol with greater quantities increasing intoxication which may not be immediately apparent to door staff. It will also increase discarded empty bottles on the streets which may provide a source of weapons or cause injury due to broken glass on the floor.

Leicester City centre suffers from 'street drinkers' who purchase cheap high strength alcohol before congregating and consuming it. This leads to anti-social behaviour due to intoxication and the area of St Margaret's bus station, just a short distance from these premises, attracts both groups and individuals known to be street drinkers.

The purpose of this application therefore is to engage the discretion of the licensing authority in considering the Councils own policy in relation to this application.

Nigel Rixon
Inspector 915
Force Licensing Officer

4th December 2014