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## Appendix B1

# Leicestershire Police

## Licensing Act 2003 – Representation in respect of New Premises Application

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

Details of premises representation is about	
Name of Premises:	Gourmet Coffee Bar & Kitchen
Address of premises:	Leicester Railway Station London Road Leicester LE2 0QB
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:
I write in my capacity as a licensing officer for the Leicestershire Police on the authority delegated to me by the Chief Constable.  Leicester City Council has adopted a Special Policy in relation to applications for <b>new licences</b> and material variations in the Cumulative Impact Area. The effect of this Policy is set out in the Council's current policy.

Paragraph 4.13 of that policy states:

"The effect of the special policies will be to create a rebuttable presumption that 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 made no mention in their application of the Cumulative Impact Zone and it must be assumed that the licensing policy has not been fully consulted prior to submission. It would also appear that the applicant has failed to take into account the local problems and concerns.

During the football season Leicester Station is the gateway to many travelling football supporters attending matches at Leicester City Football Club. Leicester Police provide a policing operation on these days to ensure the safety of those attending the matches and those visiting the City for business and leisure purposes. Much of the operation is conducted to meet travelling fans in the area outside the station buildings and therefore monitor and restrict access to alcohol.

The train station and area surrounding suffers from a higher than proportionate number of reports regarding street drinkers. This is due to its close proximity to the Dawn Centre on Conduit Street which provides accommodation and support for those with alcohol dependency problems.

We would ask that the Committee consider the licence in line with the policy and the purpose of this representation is to engage the discretion of the licensing authority in considering the Council's own policy in relation to this application.

Should the committee decide to grant this licence, whilst not wishing to restrict the discretion of the Committee, the police ask that the following steps be considered.

- (a) There will be no alcohol 'off' sales on those days Leicester City Football Club are playing football matches at their home ground.
- (b) The licence holder will ensure there is no customer access to alcohol until payment has been taken.
- (c) The licensee will ensure that CCTV is installed following advice from the Leicestershire Police and maintained in accordance with the Information Commissioners Code of Practice. Images will be recorded at all times during licensable hours.
- (d) All CCTV recordings are kept for a minimum of 31 days and made available on request to police and authorised officers of the licensing authority within 48 hours of a request being submitted.