



Leicestershire Police

Appendix B1

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:	Suga Ltd
Address of premises:	49 – 53 Granby St Leicester LE1 6EH
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 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 a licensing officer for the Leicestershire Police on the authority delegated to me by the Chief Constable.</p> <p>The application is for a Bar Restaurant situated within a busy area of Leicester city centre affected by alcohol and the night time economy. Its position is just outside Belvoir Street one of the busiest streets associated with alcohol related crime and disorder in Leicester.</p> <p>Leicestershire Police are concerned that the present application fails to promote the licensing objectives</p> <p>In September 2016 a representation was submitted by Leicestershire Police in respect of a new licence application for these premises after it was found that</p>

the company that held the licence had been dissolved in July 2016. These representations referred to the suspected criminal activities of those associated with the premises.

Following a hearing that licence application was refused and no appeal against the Licensing Committees decision was received.

In October 2016 a further application for a premises licence was received by Roman Lawson Ltd. The applicant liaised with Leicestershire Police prior to submitting the application and agreed a number of conditions which were both relevant and proportionate to promote the Licensing Objectives.

The applicant for this licence had taken on a lease for the basement, ground and first floor only. It did not include the flats located above these floors which remained in the hands of the previous lease holder.

In November 2016 following a visit to the premises from Leicestershire Fire & Rescue a prohibition was placed on the building. This notice prohibited the use of the building other than for remedial work. The Fire Service found it very difficult at the time to clarify who owned the building.

At 2243hrs on Saturday 10th December 2016 a fire was reported at the premises with 3 fire crews in attendance. A number of occupants were located on the upper floors and it was through them that the fire had been caused whilst cooking. The premises was still subject to the prohibition notice,

On the 24th February 2017 the licence holder submitted a letter to Leicester City Council surrendering the licence stating that he no longer intended to have future business involvements with the premises.

On the 17th May 2017 Leicestershire Police received an application for a new premises licence from the present applicant Suga Ltd. Along with that application was a consent form for Jaqueline BRODIE to be specified as the Designated Premises supervisor. This application was rejected by Leicester City Council licensing department due to omissions and inaccuracies.

Prior to receiving notification of the rejection from the City Council on the 22nd May Leicestershire Police conducted their own enquiries. As a result of those enquiries a letter was sent to both Jatinda BANGA of Suga Ltd and Jaqueline BRODIE dated the 22nd May 2017 requesting contact be made with PC1790 Jonathan WEBB Licensing Officer Leicestershire Police.

The letter for Ms BRODIE was sent to the address supplied by her at [REDACTED]

On the 25th May 2017 the administration officer for Leicestershire Police Alcohol Licensing received a telephone call from the occupant of [REDACTED]. This male stated that he purchased the house in November 2006 as a repossession from the building society and has lived there ever since.

On the 06th June 2017 PC Webb submitted a request to Sheffield Licensing regarding the personal licence number submitted by Ms BRODIE on her consent form and whether it belonged to her and what address they held for her.

On the 07th June 2017 PC Webb received confirmation from Georgina HOLLIS a Licensing Enforcement and Technical Officer for Sheffield Council that the information given on her consent form was incorrect.

It is an offence under Section 127(4) of the Licensing Act 2003 to fail to notify the licensing authority of a change in name or address of a personal licence holder.

PC Webb has received a telephone call from the applicant for Suga Ltd Mr Jatinda BANGA. During the conversation PC Webb invited Mr BANGA to attend Leicester Police station to discuss the application as he was unable to discuss it over the phone due to not knowing who he was speaking to and therefore data protection.

Mr BANGA was evasive and refused to meet with PC Webb even though PC Webb agreed it could be at a time convenient to him and was relevant to the outcome of his application.

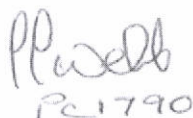
Mr BANGA indicated during the conversation that he was aware of the problems associated with the premises stating that he knew this from the letter sent to him. No such information was disclosed within the letter.

Notwithstanding the above information the applicant has failed to provide substantial steps within the operating schedule to promote the licensing objectives for a City Centre premises operating until 4am. A professional approach would have been to at least submit an application with those conditions attached to the licence granted in October 2016.

There is no mention of which under age policy the premises would follow or whether training will be given regarding under age customers.

Leicestershire Police are concerned that the licensing objectives of Crime & Disorder, Public Safety and Protecting Children from Harm will not be promoted if this licence is granted. It is concerned that the premises licence holder will not have sufficient control over the licence as by his own admission he is too busy to come to Leicester.

Leicestershire Police would also request that Jacqueline BRODIE is not accepted as the Designated Premises Supervisor as she has falsified her consent form and is therefore not a suitable person to hold that position.



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PC1790 Jonathan Webb
Leicestershire Police
12 June 2017