

Our Ref: PC60 Licensing/ West Cornwell Pasty Company

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16/03/2012

Dear Robin,

SUBJECT: The West Cornwell Pasty Company 15, Market Hill , Cambridge CB2 3NP

Please find attached Police representation in regard to the application for the grant of a premises licence for the retail sale of alcohol & late night refreshment. These representations are in regard to licensing objectives for Prevention Of Crime and Disorder, Public nuisance, Public Safety & Protection Of children from Harm under Licensing Act 2003

Yours Sincerely



Pc60 Peter Sinclair  
Divisional Licensing Officer  
Southern Division  
Parkside Police Station.

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**THE LICENSING ACT 2003  
REPRESENTATION FORM FOR “RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY”**

Please delete as applicable: **POLICE**

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Name of Premises you are making a representation about:	The West Cornwell Pasty Company,
Address of the premises you are making a representation about:	15 Market Hill, Cambridge CB2 3NP

This section is about your representation/s. They must relate to one or more of the Licensing Objectives. Please detail the evidence supporting your representation, (under the relevant headings) and the reason for your representation/s. *It is important that you detail all matters that you wish to be considered. (Use additional sheets if necessary). Regulations provide that in considering representations the authority may take into account documentary or other information produced by the party either before the hearing or, with the consent of all parties, at the hearing.*

Which licensing objective(s) does your representation relate to?	Please see below
The prevention of crime and disorder	Public safety
See Below	See Below
The prevention of public nuisance	Protection Of Children from Harm
See Below	See below

## Prevention Of Crime & Disorder /Public Nuisance/ Public Safety

Market Hill forms part of the city centres cumulative impact area under the Licensing Act 2003.

This remains a hot spot area for alcohol crime and disorder and anti social behaviour. Should the applicant require details of the evidence presented in relation to those areas this can be viewed on pages 16 onwards by clicking on the following link or by copying and pasting the link into web address bar.

<http://www.cambridge.gov.uk/public/docs/statement-of-licensing-policy.pdf>

The Police oppose any application for late night refreshment to be provided from the premises for the following reasons.

At the times proposed the core of the potential customers are likely to be intoxicated and already worse the wear for drink, if not drunk. Those individuals are likely to be the main target audience for sales into the early hours of the morning.

Experience shows us that when food takeaways outlets are operating when pubs and clubs are dispersing a significant amount patrons wish to avail themselves of food, which is clearly the applicant's intention. This however invariably leads to confrontations, assaults fights, general disorder and nuisance taking place in and around the premises. It also can be very intimidating for staff working in the premises. The police actively encourage to patrons from licensed venues to disperse away from the city to reduce the potential for disorder rather than hang around and congregate.

By their very nature takeaway outlets encourage people to congregate and remain in the area, rather than dispersing and leaving the area via local transport (taxis) or on foot etc.

It is obvious to the police based on our knowledge and experience of the area that allowing the premises to trade where its main core of customers will be either "in drink ", intoxicated or drunk is going to lead in an increase in crime and disorder taking place, even with preventative measure in place such as door staff , CCTV etc.

Because of the above reasons the police believe that the granting of a late night refreshment licence at the location would have a negative impact on the licensing objectives, in particular, crime & disorder, public nuisance and public safety

In regard to Cumulative impact areas the guidance states

### **Effect of special policies**

13.29 The effect of adopting a special policy of this kind is to create a rebuttable presumption that applications for new premises licences or club premises certificates or variations that are likely to add to the existing cumulative impact will normally be refused, following relevant representations, unless the applicant can demonstrate in their operating schedule that there will be no negative cumulative impact on one or more of the licensing objectives.

However in relation to the day /evening restaurant operation or in the event that the applicant seek to remove the requirement for late night refreshment the Police believe that the following conditions are reasonable and proportionate in regard to the day time /late evening operation proposed and would help address our concerns in regard to the operation adding to the cumulative impact. It will also allow the applicant to trade as a restaurant and still allow the business flexibility they require.

These conditions are in addition to any condition that may be transferred into understandable conditions from the operating schedule submitted:

- 1) The operating hours for licensable activities at the premises will cease at 22:30 hrs.
- 2) The sale or supply of alcohol shall be as an accompaniment to substantial food
- 3) Substantial food and non-alcoholic beverages including drinking water shall be available at all times the premises are open to the public
- 4) No draft beer will be sold or supplied.
- 5) Floor staff will actively seek to remove empty bottles and empty drinking vessels from customer tables including the external seating area during trading hours
- 6) The licensee shall ensure that all staff will undertake in-house training in their responsibilities in relation to the sale of alcohol. Particularly with regard to drunkenness and underage persons. New staff will be trained before commencing their duties
- 7) When the DPS is not available a trained responsible members of staff will be on site during peak periods and in particular Friday and Saturday nights
- 8) There shall be no Off sales save for alcohol supplied to customers in the external seating area
- 9) The Supply of alcohol to the external seating areas shall be by waiter /waitress service who will adequately supervise that area whilst it is in use
- 10) Alcohol served in the external seating area shall only be supplied to person seated at tables
- 11) The licensee shall take all reasonable practicable steps to ensure that drinking vessels are not taken away from the premises by patrons
- 12) The use of the external seating area will cease at 18:00 hrs. all chairs and tables being cleared away by 18.30 hrs
- 13) The DPS or relevant person will actively operate "Challenge 21 or Challenge 25 Policy" This will include a voluntary agreement to only accept identity cards with the "Pass" accreditation; passports; photo ID driving licences; any National identity card as ruled by any British Court as a bona-fide recognised form of identification; or any future identification card as approved by central government; as bona-fide recognised forms of identification.

Furthermore, the Police believe that we would be failing in our obligations under Section 17 of the Crime Disorder Act 1998 as amended when exercising the functions to give due regard to the likely effect of the exercise of those functions on, and the need to do all that they reasonably can to prevent, crime, disorder, anti-social and other behaviour adversely affecting the local environment, including the misuse of drugs, alcohol and other substances in its area.

Evidence adduced in support of such representations may comprise of, although not exclusively, firsthand knowledge of Officers involved in policing the area, statistical analyses of crime, disorders and incidents of anti-social behaviour, as well as Police records from the Commanding and Control Logs, Police Crime files, statements and/or CCTV footage.

Signed . *P. Lincain*

Date ...16/03/2012



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Licensing Act 2003

### Delegation of responsibilities by the Chief Officer of Police

In accordance with the provisions of the Licensing Act 2003 I hereby delegate authority to Divisional Commanders and to Divisional Superintendents to develop policies and procedures and to exercise all powers vested in the Chief Constable of Cambridgeshire Constabulary. Such delegation to include the power to delegate specific tasks to licensing constables and support staff.

This delegation shall remain in force unless otherwise notified.

Signed

Simon Parr  
Chief Constable  
Cambridgeshire Constabulary

Dated

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