Licensing Officer Cambridge City Council 4, Regent Street Cambridge CB2 1BY



03/03/2011

Dear Christine,

## SUBJECT: The Earl Of Grey, 60 King Street, Cambridge

Please find attached Police representation in regard to the application for the grant of a premises licence. These representations are in regard to licensing objectives for Prevention Of Crime and Disorder, Public nuisance and Public Safety under Licensing Act 2003

Yours Sincerely

Pc60 Peter Sinclair Divisional Licensing Officer

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Southern Division
Parkside Police Station.

CC: Mr. Edward Hoskins, (E mail & Home Address)

# 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 Earl Of Grey
Address of the premises you are making a representation about:	60, King Street Cambridge CB1 1 LN

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	N/A

Signed . P. Linkai Date: 03/03/2011

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

The premise is situated in King Street one of the many thoroughfare exiting from the heart of the city. It leads from Hobson Street which also exits from St. Andrews Street which is one of the busiest thoroughfares in the city and one with a high alcohol related incident and crime rate. The premises are also situated within the Market ward cumulative impact area.

The City centre Market Ward area still remains a busy hot spot area in relation to alcohol related crime and disorder, alcohol related public nuisance. Violent crime still also remains a specific issue here. There have been some hard won improvements in the area over several years but this is due to the fact that there has been a high level of police and partner activity and resources having been put into the area such as Operation Sodium patrols, Street pastors and taxi marshalling to name a few. Additionally it is our view that the adoption of an cumulative impact zone and its continued adoption has also contributed to these improvements. The police will endeavour to continue to maintain high visibility policing and enforcement in respect of the night time economy in the area by having a dedicated team of officers carrying out that role. In the current climate of austerity measures we may not be able to maintain the same level of commitment in that way in the future.

The police are concerned over a number of issues in relation to this application

- 1) The applicant has provided in their operating policy which in our view is fairly standard provisions that we would expect for a city centre venue with the noticeable absence of CCTV, membership of Pubwatch and the use of Cambac radio in their policy.
- 2) As stated this is already a busy area, particularly late evenings at week ends. If granted there will be an additional draw of people into the area with patrons attending the area on foot and in vehicles coming to, dropping off, and picking up patrons some 'in drink' or intoxicated etc. This is will increase the likelihood of further problems of noise, nuisance and disorder occurring in the premises and in this area.
- 3) Despite this being in the city centre there are a large number of residential properties in close proximity to the premises meaning residents are likely to be disturbed particularly in the evening and especially those sleeping at the time the premises closes. The net effect of allowing 75 plus customers, (possibly more), exiting from the premises and dispersing onto the street in a relatively condensed area is likely to cause disturbance for residents, this could also lead to further problems occurring in the street and nearby vicinity again adding to a negative impact.
- 4) For the above reasons the Police view is that addition of another venue providing the sale of alcohol in the area would act as an additional draw to the area and create the prospect of issues occurring at the premises and in the vicinity of the premises in terms of noise, nuisance, public safety and disorder.

Given that the onus of demonstrating <u>no</u> negative impact falls on the applicant, it is difficult to see how they could in practice, overcome this particular issue in relation to premises which is in essence a Public House operating in a City centre, environment regardless of the procedures in place which merely go someway in limiting the extent as to which they are LIKELY to add to the existing cumulative impact and therefore believe this application should be refused.

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Furthermore the police believe that we would be failing in our obligation under Section 17 of The Crime and Disorder Act 1998 as amended when exercising 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, first hand knowledge of officers involved in policing the area, statistical analysis of crime, disorder & incidents of anti social behaviour, as well as police records from the Command and control logs, police crime files, statements and/or CCTV footage.

In regard to Cumulative impact areas the guidance further 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 a new premises licence 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.

Signed P. Links Date: 03/03/2011



### 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 Constability. 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. 7/9/10