

## APPENDIX B

### **Luke Catchpole**

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**From:** Anthony Martinelli  
**Sent:** 06 January 2019 15:09  
**To:** Alexander Finlayson  
**Subject:** Tesco Stores Ltd, 5 Christs Lane

Dear Alexander,

As a councillor for the ward I would like to object to this application for the sale of alcohol.

My main concern is that the hours of proposed sale are significantly longer than nearby equivalent stores (e.g. Sainsbury's, 52-54 St Andrews St) with fewer proposed safeguards.

The city centre already has significant problems with alcohol abuse. Selling alcohol early in the morning would worsen the situation with regards to street-life related issues (such as rough sleeping with alcohol addiction and antisocial behaviour). Furthermore, I would expect the additional sale of alcohol here late at night to drive increasing alcohol-related crime and alcohol-related injury at those times. This is not mentioned or addressed within the application and no plans are suggested that would in any way mitigate this.

Additionally, this store is situated within the cumulative impact zone and it seems clear that this proposal would add further impact - there is no demonstration that this would not be the case.

Yours sincerely,

Anthony Martinelli  
City Councillor for Market Ward (Liberal Democrat)

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 04 January 2019 15:35  
**To:** Alexander Finlayson  
**Subject:** Tesco Premises Licence Application - 5 Christs Lane

Dear Alexander,

As a ward councillor, I wish to object to the above application for the sale of alcohol.

I am concerned about compliance with licensing objective one - the prevention of crime and disorder; objective two - public safety; and objective three - prevention of public nuisance.

The premises are located in the city centre cumulative impact area and it is incumbent on the applicant to demonstrate why the operation of the premises involved will not add to the cumulative impact already being experienced and I do not believe he has done so. This particular street experiences considerable begging and anti-social behaviour and has done for several years. Local services evidence that many of those engaged in this activities are suffering from addictions and substance misuse. In other parts of the city the intensity of such activity is strongly correlated with off-sales of alcohol. This issue is not addressed in the application. The applicant's response to the third licensing objective - prevention of public nuisance - is particularly insubstantial.

Christs Lane is a mixed residential and commercial pedestrian street which experiences a high footfall, linking the city centre's twin focal points: its historic centre and the Grafton area. Any intensification of begging and anti-social behaviour in this area is to be avoided in the interests of all users.

Furthermore the conditions offered are significantly below, and the hours of sale proposed are significantly excess of the standards imposed on a similar operation at Sainsburys, 52-54 St Andrews Street, noting particularly:

- sales being permitted from 7am to 10pm, instead of the much more limited 11am to 8pm
- no necessary presence of the designated premises supervisor for all alcohol sales, to make and authorise the sales
- absence of permitted price controls
- no requirement for incident book, refusals register or DPS to attend meetings with the Police upon invitation
- explicit specification of necessary training

In a number of respects, too much in this application is assumed to be regulated internally by the applicant's wider company, leaving insufficient points of specific public accountability to the licensing authority for this particular application.

In summary, I believe the applicant misunderstands the factors lying behind the cumulative impact area within the council's policy and the sensitivities inherent in this vicinity within it.

Cllr Tim Bick