

PAPA JOHN'S, 106 HIGH STREET, BRENTWOOD CM14 4AP

APPENDIX 2

Representations

Responsible Authorities

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24 November 2014

Dear Gary,

LICENSING ACT 2003 – PREMISE LICENCE VARIATION S.34

PREMISE: Papa John's (GB) Limited, 106 High Street, Brentwood

APPLICANT: Mars Global Limited

Further to the Variation received on 31/10, I write to inform you that Essex Police will be making representations to this variation for the following reasons:

The applicant makes it clear that the motivation behind this application is to seek parity with a neighbouring fast food outlet, Subway. Yet, whilst seeking to extend the hours he opens to the public, he has not offered ANY additional steps to promote the four licensing objectives (Part M).

Subway had to satisfy a number of public safety and nuisance issues before the responsible authorities could even consider supporting such a business plan. A fully operational CCTV system is installed and door supervisors are in place to address potential crime and disorder concerns. The premises have a sufficiently sizable waiting/serving area able to cater for public queuing inside and offer public toilet facilities for customers. The food provided is 'fast' for the purposes of dispensing. This is not the case with Papa John's and the extended waiting times to cook meals together with the limited waiting area increases the potential for impatience & unrest, and thus creating public nuisance, anti-social behaviour, and crime and disorder.

The applicant has made NO effort to address these issues and cannot physically offer many of the facilities currently provided by Subway. The current premises licence had conditions attached for sound reasons. Nothing appears to have changed relating to the current operating schedule and no additional measures have been offered or assured. As alcohol is not provided, there is no requirement to have a qualified manager supervising sales. What level of training do staff have to deal with customers who, at the time of morning they will be operating to, are more than likely to have consumed varying levels of alcohol? Will there be any door supervision to manage the customers? Is there any medical equipment on the premises and are any of the staff trained in first aid? What steps will be taken to manage noise nuisance, queuing, and litter control? Will there be a dispersal policy or polite advisory notices to be displayed to customers?

Despite wishing to open up the vicinity to increased activity, the applicant has offered NO additional steps to promote the four licensing objectives (Part M). This does not inspire Police to support the application with any confidence. It is the police contention that the applicant needs to offer a practical & robust operating policy that, at the very least, addresses the above issues.

Perhaps, the only way to satisfy these concerns would be before a Licensing Sub-Committee, and the insertion of proportionate and appropriate conditions.

Please advise me of when the Licensing Panel will be meeting to hear this so I can be in attendance.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peter Jones', written in a cursive style.

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