

Representations On A Current Application For A Grant/Variation Of A Premises Licence Or Club Premises Certificate Under The Licensing Act 2003

Section 1 – Licence Application Details

Applicant Name (If Known)	Peter Williams
Premises Name and Address	29A Prince regent Street Stockton On Tees TS18 1DF

Section 2 - Responsible Authority

- Trading Standards
- Cleveland Police
- Environmental Health
- Cleveland Fire Service
- Planning
- Protection of Children From Harm

Section 3 – Representation Grounds

<p>The representation is relevant to one or more of the following licensing objectives:</p> <p>Please tick relevant box(es)</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prevention of Crime and Disorder</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prevention of Public Nuisance</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Protection of Children from Harm</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Public Safety</p>
<p>Please Select:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I object to the application being granted at all</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I object to the application being granted in its current form*</p> <p>*If you choose this option remember to tell us what changes you would prefer to see.</p>	

<p>The grounds of the representation is based on the following: (Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)</p>

This is a new application for a premises licence to allow the delivery of alcohol from the Licensed Premise

The times for the sale of alcohol are 18:00 – 06:00hrs every day

Cleveland Police are of the opinion that by granting this application the crime and disorder, public nuisance and protection of children from harm objectives would be undermined.

Prince Regent Street, Stockton is in very busy area of the town which is impacted by the Night Time Economy and suffers from anti-social behaviour and alcohol fuelled incidents. The store is situated in the Stockton Town Centre Ward and is the most deprived Ward out of the 26 Council Wards within the Borough of Stockton on Tees.

Late night alcohol delivery is, fundamentally, a high risk business undertaking in terms of upholding the Licensing Objectives. The business model requires people to require alcohol at a time when traditional Off Sale shops are closed which usually results in people, who have already been consuming alcohol from either pubs or at home, ordering more alcohol because they have run out. Operators can adopt stringent checks and conditions on the premises licence to mitigate their risks.

This application has been carefully put together and contains a number of conditions which would be appropriate to such a business. In spite of those conditions, Cleveland Police still have concerns about this operation based upon 2 factors.

- Any licence condition is only effective if the staff running the business comply with the conditions. Staff working for such a business need good training and supervision. The operating times and delivery style of this business model mean the staff will not get that supervision.
- The Track record of the operators at other premises they have been involved with. The application is made by a Peter Williams but Cleveland Police are aware that other people are involved in this application. Mr Williams is also the operator of a restaurant and shisha cafe in Middlesbrough. This premises was prosecuted by Middlesbrough Trading Standards in 2017 for allowing smoking to take place on the premises in breach of smoking legislation. Although Mr Williams was involved in the running of that premises other people were also involved in the running of it and one of them was fined £2500 at Magistrates court. The shisha café is still within that restaurant and is on the top floor and can only be accessed through the restaurant. Although Mr Williams controls the restaurant another person controls the shisha café. It is a concern of the Police that Mr Williams will again not fully control this alcohol delivery service.

This application will allow the sale and delivery of alcohol to any premises across Cleveland and is only limited by the distance the operator is willing to travel. The risks inherent are that alcohol could be delivered to late night house parties - causing nuisance, intoxicated persons – causing crime or under 18s- causing harm, all of which would undermine the relevant Licensing Objectives. Cleveland Police are of the view that the applicant has not sufficiently demonstrated that those objectives will be undermined.

Signed: Andrew Thorpe	Position: Licensing officer to the Chief Constable of Cleveland Police	Dated: 28/04/2020
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