

Representation made by the Local Authority on 27.7.16

I am an officer authorised under the Licensing Act 2003.

I refer to the application made for a variation to the premises licence in respect of the 'Munchies, 59 Commercial Road, Hereford, HR1 2BP.

The premises licence holder requests to extend the existing hours until 3.30 am on all days of the week from the current time of 1.30 am with the request for additional hours on bank holidays until 4.30 am..

The premises are within the area of the Herefordshire Council Special Policy (the Cumulative Impact Area) and the consequence of this application falls with the terms of paragraph A1 which states 'The Council recognises that the cumulative effect of licensed premises may result in adverse effects on the licensing objectives and amenity and this in turn may have a number of undesirable consequences, for example:

- An increase in crime against both property and persons;
- An increase in noise and disturbance to residents;
- Littering and fouling.

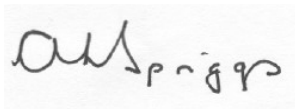
The authority has already consented to one premises close by having its hours extended until 3am.

Whilst the premises could be considered to be the centre of the night time economy nevertheless there are a large number of residential properties over the top of a lot of these night time commercial premises. No consideration has been given to these people.

The likely consequences of granting this application is that it will effect the dispersal of people from the other premises and result in the hours of the night time economy being further extended.

The primary purpose of the act is to promote all of the licensing objectives. Consequently this authority must object to this application on the grounds that the Special Policy has been evoked and that the outcome of granting the application would be:

- An increase in crime against both property and persons;
- An increase in noise and disturbance to residents;
- Littering and fouling an increase in noise and disturbance to residents.



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