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Sent: 20 October 2017 11:58
To: Licensing
Subject: Premises Licence Variation App Reference WK/201706366

Dear Sir or Madam

We write to object to the proposed variation of the licence to Pizza Express, 104 The Broadway, contained in the above-referenced application. We are residents of the area near the applicant's premises.

We understand that the main variation requested is to allow sale of alcohol off the premises. We believe the Town Centre area is already saturated with off licence premises. Indeed the area is already designated as a high impact area by the Council. Adding yet another premises with an off licence will only serve to worsen the disorder and nuisance that arises on many evenings in the area, disturbing residents and consuming scarce police resources.

We are also concerned that the obvious intent of this licence variation is to allow alcohol to be sent through delivery services. There is a claim that delivery personnel will be trained to prevent underage purchasers from buying alcohol through this channel, but we do not believe this is credible. Personnel of most of these services are treated as independent contractors and are unlikely to be adequately supervised or incentivised to act according to the licence terms. Certainly such personnel are very much at arm's length from the applicant. Thus the applicant is asking to be able to outsource its licence responsibilities to an unaccountable third party delivery service. We believe this does not adequately protect underage people from harm.

For the reasons above we urge you to reject this application.

Yours faithfully

Kristian Wiggert

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