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Craven Park Local 28, Craven Park Road Harlesden NW10 4AB

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Police representations to the application for a new Premises Licence for 'Craven Park Local, 28 Craven Park Road, Harlesden NW10 4AB'

Police certify that we have considered the application shown above and wish to make representations that the likely effect of the grant of the application is detrimental to the Council's Licensing Objectives for the reasons indicated below.

Officer: PC Phil Graves Licensing Constable 3122NW

An officer of the Metropolitan Police, in whose area the premises are situated, who is authorised for the purposes of exercising its statutory function as a 'Responsible Authority' under the Licensing Act 2003.

The application has been made for a new premises licence under section 17 of the Licensing act 2003. The Police representations are concerned with all four of the licensing objectives, namely:

- The prevention of crime and disorder;
 - Public safety;
- The prevention of public nuisance; and
- The protection of children from harm.

The Application

The application is for a new section 17 Premises License for an off license wishing for the sale of alcohol from 07.00 hours to 23.00 hours seven days a week. The venue is Craven Park Road which falls into the Harlesden Cumulative Impact Zones (CIZ). CIZ's where created by Brent council to combat crime, street drinking and ASB in the worst parts of the borough. Below is a link to the council's CIZ.

https://www.brent.gov.uk/business/licences-and-permits/alcohol-club-and-entertainment-licences/premises-licence#ciz

As you can see from the link there is an assumption that any new off license application will be refused unless the applicant can demonstrate that their venue would not have a negative effect on

the licensing objectives. I have read through the application which makes no reference to the CIZ even though an e-mail chain from the council clearly highlights that the venue falls within one.

"Where an application for a new off-licence or for variations to off-licences is received (which would increase the sale of alcohol, including through longer hours), the presumption is that the application will be refused unless the applicant can satisfactorily evidence that their application or variation will not negatively impact on the licensing objectives."

Below is a screen shot form the Met Police website for the NW10 4AB post code. As you can see this area has a total of 216 listed crimes a majority of which are in Craven Park Road.



These crimes are based around violence, sexual offences and public order issues quite often generated by excessive alcohol consumption.

Below is a list of venues in Craven Park Road with off sales as their main licensable activity. As you can see Craven Park Road is already saturated with Off Licenses. The list below does not include restaurants and nights clubs all of which sell alcohol.

Off License **Corner Shop** 98, Craven Park Parade Craven Park Off License Off License 102, Craven Park Road Housewife Cash & Carry Wholesalers 14, Craven Park Road Kotoko Mini Market Convenience Store / Off License 126, Craven Park Road Convenience Store / Off License Metro Supermarket 72, Craven Park Road Save Food and Wine 46, Craven Park Road Convenience Store / Off License Convenience Store / Off License Tamirez Deli 24, Craven Park Road The Liquor Store 43, Craven Park Road Off License Who's Next Food & Wine 6, Library Parade Off License Café / Off License New Atlas Café 69-71 Craven Park Road Surpesave 68, Craven Park road Convenience Store / Off License

Adding another bog standard Off License to this area is not required. Doing this will just add to the ASB, street crime and public nuisance. Police are of the opinion that allowing this application to go ahead will be detrimental to all four of the licensing objectives Prevention of crime and disorder, public nuisance, public safety and the protection of children. Therefore police oppose this application in full.

Yours Sincerely,

PC Phil Graves 3122NW NW BCU - Brent Licensing Philip.Graves@met.police.uk