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Cc: Richard Baker
Subject: RE: [External]: Premises Licence Variation Application - Nisa Local

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Further to the variation application for the Nisa Local 152 Beacon Road, Great Barr B43 7BN West Midlands Police wish to make representations as we believe the application undermines the following licensing objectives:

Crime and Disorder
Public Safety
Public Nuisance

The location is known to police as an area of concern therefore any increase in hours and the addition of late night refreshment would undermine the above mentioned licensing objectives.

Nisa Local is situated virtually in the middle of a housing estate with a major road going directly through this residential area. Barr Beacon School is also within walking distance with teachers on patrol near the frontage of the shops which the Nisa is situated on due to on-going problems with crime and disorder and anti-social behaviour. West Midlands Police (WMP) understand any issues from the school would occur during school hours and on school finishing times not during the hours requested in the variation however, this area is a known meeting place with youths during the day and evening hence our representations.

West Midlands Police have worked with a neighbouring licensed premise due to levels of crime and disorder on their car park when the premise was open but also when it was closed of an evening. This area is a magnet for local youths from the area and beyond to congregate and cause noise nuisance together with harassing members of the local community. Any additional hours at this premise will on the balance of probabilities undo all the hard work which has been put in place to reduce crime in the area and reduce the feeling of public safety in this location. Barriers have now been positioned across the car park and the outside area has now enclosed at a substantial cost to the owners. However, despite this partnership working crime and disorder has not been eliminated from the area. Should this application proceed to a full hearing a breakdown of the crimes in this location will be provided, this data will be for crimes during the increase in hours requested as well as an overview during the day.

Further issues are predicted to arise should this application be granted as the nearby Barr Beacon nature reserve is short drive/walk up the road from this premise. This location is a hot spot location for vehicles to frequent with the occupants engaging in drinking alcohol and consuming illegal drugs of an evening. This area has also seen various assaults and vehicles either being attacked or stolen. Having this additional premise open late of an evening will have a negative impact on this activity of criminality.

Having the addition of late night refreshment will impact on the three licensing objections mentioned above. As stated this is already an area of concern for WMP. By providing hot food and drink will encourage people to loiter longer in this residential area which will undermine the crime and disorder, public nuisance and public safety. Due to the anti-social behaviour evidenced in the area, the provision of hot drinks, hot food and the ability to purchase alcohol will be again be a negative impact for the community. It will also be an attraction/ stopping point for persons visiting the nature reserve late of an evening. This is something which WMP would highlight as a major concern for everyone considered.

Prior to submitting this application the agent asked for the police's thoughts on such an application. Mr Baker was told that after consultation, West Midlands Police would not be in a position to support any variation in hours at this premise. Unfortunately given the concerns at the moment in this area, it would not be an optimum time for such an application. We also advised that if an application was submitted, WMP would make representations resulting in a Licensing Sub-Committee hearing.

Prior to the hearing the following will be made available:
Local Area Impact Statement
Licensing Officers Statement
Officer statements were relevant
Photographs of the location of this premise in relation to residential housing
Relevant crime data for the area

Given the concerns mentioned above at this location, West Midlands Police make formal representations against this application.

Licensing Authority: Can you please confirm receipt of our representations

Kind regards

Jennifer

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Good Morning,

Please see attached premises licence variation application received yesterday for Nisa Local, 152 Beacon Road, Great Barr B43 7BN.

Last date for representations is **01 February 2023**.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Regards

Rebecca Dangor
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