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**Subject:** RE: [External]: Ace Cocktail Bar, 9-11 Leicester Street, Walsall, WS1 1PT

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Further to receipt of the attached new Premise Licence West Midlands Police wish to make representations to this application on the following grounds:

Crime and Disorder

Public Nuisance

Public Safety

Representations are also made on the current Cumulative Impact Assessment and Walsall Council Licensing Statement

Leicester Street sits within the Cumulative Impact Area (CIA) which has been scrutinised and accepted by Walsall Council in September 2021 which West Midlands Police supported, we therefore believe the CIA to be proportionate, timely and evidenced based. Under the Home Office Guidance, issued under section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003, the definition of Cumulative Impact is:

Cumulative impact is the potential impact on the promotion of the licensing objectives of a number of licensed premises concentrated in one area.

Therefore by allowing an additional licenced premise in an already concentrated area of such premises does have the potential to impact on crime and disorder.

Under Crime and Disorder, Walsall town centre is unfortunately experiencing an increase in violence, this violence is impacting greatly on the police. The police are in consultation to change our officers shift patterns to accommodate this violence, placing front line officers on the street until the early hours of a morning as the town needs to be a safe place for residents and visitors to frequent during the night time economy. Please refer to the below recent press activity on the concerns both the police and the council have:

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This change in shift patterns will impact of the levels of policing during the whole day and although police demands are not a factor in the four licensing objectives, the impact of this within a saturated area of licensed premises, on the balance of probabilities would undermine the crime and disorder, public safety and public nuisance licensing objective.

Leicester Street is in a hot spot area for violence, having an additional licensed in this area will impact on the Crime and Disorder, Public Nuisance and Public Safety licensing objective. This area is currently under the multi-agency Operation Argonite aimed to improve the safety of customers coming into the town during the night time economy. Full details will be provided at a hearing of these incidents.

West Midlands Police believe this application should be placed before the sub-licensing committee for their determination. Crime figures and related incidents together with officer statements will be provided prior to any hearing.

Can you please acknowledge receipt.

Kind Regards

Jennifer

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Good afternoon all

Please find attached an application for a premises licence in respect of the above, should you have any concerns, please ensure they are received by this office no later than the closing date of **23 May 2022**.

**Please note; this premises falls within the CIP area of Walsall**

Regards

Karen Price  
Licensing Officer

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