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Our reference: N/A

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Metropolitan Police Service

Haringey London
Licensing Authority, River Park House,
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Edmonton Police Station
462 Fore Street
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Dear Licensing,

Re: License Vary application.

Game Nation 450-454 High Road, Tottenham, London N17 9JD.

With reference to the above licensed premises, the Police Licensing Team (Haringey) is responding with a representation against the application.

Reasons for the objection are as follows –

TOTTENHAM HIGH ROAD N17 junction with HOLCOMBE MARKET N17, attracts a wide range of Anti-Social behaviour ranging from loitering, unauthorised drinking of alcohol (street drinkers), use of/smoking drugs and distribution of drugs.

There are a variety of public order offences continuously being committed; namely, Robberies and Theft's from local shops and recently, a male was GBH'd (stabbed) in McDonalds High Road N17 alongside one of the other local betting shops (within the vicinity) that have reported customers causing criminal damage to the property. Given these incidents, when the current up and running betting shops close at night, it offers the area a chance to slow down, giving local residents, (for example the residents of RIGBY HOUSE N17 which is right above GAME NATION, N17) opportunity to have a peaceful evening.

Police licensing have liased with the local neighbourhood policing team to get an all round idea as to what the implications of this variation could mean (not just from a licensing perspective), and the response in which we have received is that, By the Game Nation store operating for 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, this would mean a greater negative impact in the community and will put strain on what is already a stretched police service.

A representation has been made as the 3 objectives of the gambling Act 2005 are at risk of not being upheld if granted:

- preventing gambling from being a source of crime or disorder, being associated with crime or disorder, or being used to support crime.
- ensuring that gambling is conducted in a fair and open way.
- protecting children and other vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling.

If you require further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours Sincerely,

Chloe Hutchinson-Brown

Police Licensing
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