

The Constabulary wish to object to an application to vary a premises licence 11/00092/PRMTFR which relates to Cotswold Kebab 59 High Street Cheltenham. The applicant Adrian GODSELLA.

The grounds for the objection being Crime and Disorder.

The original licence was granted with the supply of alcohol "only" off sales. Conditions were placed on the licence preventing sale of alcohol over the counter between 2300hours and 0600hours and apart from with deliveries alcohol could only be sold with food. By introducing these conditions alcohol was not readily available during the key night time economy hours as such addressing issues around crime and disorder and to a certain degree public safety.

Late night refreshment premises are regularly associated with conflict and disorder often flash points for problems during the early hours when clientele leave the clubs and pubs. Incidents recorded related to this premises show that the majority of incidents have occurred between 2300hours and 0400hours all disorder. Having alcohol for sale for consumption on or off the premises during these hours would increase the likelihood of disorder both in and around the premises. It would also encourage extended drinking hours for those already intoxicated.

High Street in Cheltenham is identified as high priority for Cheltenham officers because of disorder and a further alcohol outlet will add to their concerns.

In a climate of depleted police resources it is important that applicants recognise that changes in their licences may have an impact on crime and disorder and its associated problems

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