Public comments

1. As an immediate neighbour to Cheltenham Local,216-218 Hewlett Road, Cheltenham, we strongly disagree to the premises opening to sell alcohol 24 hrs 7days a week. This will impact on us considerably we can not see the need to open 24hrs as it only encourage antisocial behaviour, serving under age people that they have previously been known to do and increased noise levels in which we have to put up with enough now thank you. I have rang about the premises before whilst it was under different management when a sign got erected stated opening 24hrs and it got rejected.

My objection still firmly applies, it's a residential area in which we have to put up with so much and seen a vast increase in disruption over the time we have lived here with deliveries made to adjoining shops. I find it hard to believe that the current 16 hours the shops retailing alcohol is not adequate enough. Noise levels will increase significantly during hrs after dark not only voices but car doors, music, screeching of tyres, sounding of horns, and without a doubt an increase with littering in and around the vicinity. We experience this as i said on a daily basis, it is inevitable this will continue through the night if you grant this permission.

- 2. I am writing today to strongly object to Cheltenham Local Store opening 24hrs, 7 days a week to sell alcohol. As an residential area I live (**redacted**) and should not have to put up with any more noise that I have to now. Please listen to us residents we have more than enough disruption brought on over the years without increasing it any more.
- 3. As a resident off Hewlett Road Cheltenham, I urge you not to grant a 24 hour licence to Gaba Ventures 216 -218 Hewlett Road. We have a enough anti social behaviour to deal with as it is. I find this providing a service to the local community hard to understand. If you like a drink at home like I do if I'm not going out, you have plenty of time to stock up during the day. The only people who will be buying at this time are people who have been out and are topping up on the way home. Plus we have two fast food establishments around here, and whilst they wait for the food lets buy some drink and have a pee up against the wall of the local residents. Ah well! The proof will be in the pudding.
- 4. I am a nearby resident of Hewlett Road, writing to strongly oppose the premises licence application by Cheltenham Local (216–218 Hewlett Road) for 24-hour alcohol sales. I am confident that granting this licence will lead to a significant increase in antisocial behaviour. There are already ongoing problems with groups gathering, noise, and disruptive behaviour on nearby roads, and extending alcohol sales to 24 hours a day will only exacerbate these issues. In addition, I am concerned about:

Public safety: late-night availability of alcohol can lead to disorder and unsafe situations for both residents and passersby.

Prevention of public nuisance: residents have a right to peace and quiet, especially at night, and 24-hour sales will result in noise, disturbance, and littering at all hours. Protection of children from harm: the premises is in a residential area where families live and children walk past daily. Constant alcohol availability increases exposure and potential risk to young people.

This application undermines the core licensing objectives and will negatively affect the wellbeing and safety of the community. I therefore urge the Council to refuse this application in order to protect residents and maintain the safety and character of the local area.

Thank you for your recent correspondence and for setting out the points in support of the application. I have considered these carefully. However, I remain concerned that if the application were to be approved, it would lead to an increase in antisocial behaviour. The location in question is a heavy residential area and, as you will be aware from other complainants, there is already evidence of noise and disturbance in the vicinity. Allowing this application would, in my view, only add to these existing issues. Having a hatch will still bring antisocial people to the area. There are alot of residents nearby, including children. I dont believe signage will be acknowledged that will reduce noise levels. Whilst I appreciate the applicant's position, I must emphasise that my confidence in this outcome is based on the current circumstances in the area and the likelihood of further disruption to residents.

- 5. I have just heard that GABA ventures LTD (The Cheltenham local 216 to 218 Hewlett Roa) are applying for a license for the retail sale of alcohol every day from 00.00 to 23.59 hours. I feel very strongly against this proposal, I live (redacted) and the amount of cars pulling in from the road onto the pavement area over there is ridiculous it's so busy and dangerous, I'm surprised no one has been knocked over. It will be so noisy throughout the night if this happens, plus with the selling of alcohol it'll he even worse, people congregating over night and causing a disturbance. The shop is open long hours already please don't let them have more hours. If people want to buy alcohol they can buy it before 11pm as there is plenty of time before that to do so
- 6. We object to this application as we believe that this will lead to an increase in public disorder and excessive noise from vehicles and people
- 7. We have been made aware that Cheltenham Local, the new premises replacing Bargain Booze at 216-218 Hewlett Road, has made an application to sell alcohol every day 24 hrs a day. This application has caused us concern, as this is a residential area which is sufficiently supported by two local shops open until 11pm. Having two stores open in small location already causes anti-social issues regarding litter, and illegal parking. We already see many drinks bottles and cans deposited on our wall, and in our front garden. At night we already have had people sat with drinks on our wall, which is concerning when entering or leaving the house with our young children. In the past there have been several incidents where we have seen fights, aggression and criminal damage caused by alcohol in the area, and the concern is that by being the only premises within the wider area which is a licensed retailer open late we will inevitably see an increase in these incidents. We as local residents cannot see that there is a need for this service within the area, and are concerned that the provision of alcohol 24/7 would also increase levels of ASB within our area.
- 8. I wish to register my objection to this application. I strongly disagree to the premises opening to sell alcohol 24 hours 7 days a week. As a near neighbour I worry this might cause antisocial behaviour of all kinds!