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Dear Sir/Madam

Application for a premises licence to be granted under the Licensing Act 2003: 11A Church Street, Tamworth Staffordshire B79 7DH

I am in receipt of an application for a premise licence at Ephesus Takeaway, 11A Church Street, Tamworth. Staffordshire Police wish to make representations in relation of this application on the grounds of Prevention of Crime and Disorder and Public Safety.

For reference until recently Mr Darioglu was the interim premise licence holder at this premise (PREM/05/0129) when it had the benefit of a premise licence. In 2013 and 2014 he submitted a number of applications to transfer the premise licence into his name therefore making him the interim premise licence holder. Staffordshire Police objected to each and every application and at the licensing subcommittee hearings our concerns where confirmed with all the applications being rejected. Copies of the Notice of Determination for each hearing will be provided. Furthermore during the time when Mr Darioglu was in charge at Ephesus a number of licensing checks were carried out by Staffordshire Police. The checks on 28th September, 9th and 24th November 2013 and 11th and 26th January 2014 evidenced breaches to the licence.

Since the premise licence was revoked in May of this year we believe the applicants, without any authority, have continued to provide late night refreshment after the hour of 23:00. They have knowingly allowed a licensable activity namely the provision of late night refreshment to be carried on from the premise, this is contrary to section 136 of the Licensing Act 2003. I have obtained CCTV footage of this premise being open and trading after the hour of 23:00 hours with what appears to be customers leaving the venue with hot food and will include a statement from PC Evans who has viewed this footage should this application progress to a hearing. I have further footage from the Tamworth Town Safe CCTV evidencing customers leaving the venue after 23:00 hours with what appears to be pizza boxes on Saturday 9th August 2014.

This activity shows a total disregard of the law and the Licensing Act 2003, Staffordshire Police believe the applicants are not fit and proper to hold this position.



Should this application progress to a licensing hearing, Staffordshire police will provide full details prior to the date in accordance with policy.

Should you require any further information relating to this objection, please do not hesitate to contact me on the number below.

Yours sincerely

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