APPENDIX B



Broughton Post Office & Convenience Store

15 Broughton Hall Road

Broughton

Flintshire

CH4 0QR

Monday 23rd April 2018

Chief Officer – Planning & Environment Cheshire Retail Ltd, 7 Broughton Hall Road, Broughton, Chester, CH4 OQR

I am writing to register my objection to the application for a premises licence by Cheshire Retail Ltd for 7 Broughton Hall Road, Broughton, Chester, CH4 OQR. The basis for this opposition is that granting a license to this premise will have detrimental effect on the community, economically, socially and in particular the prevention of crime, disorder and antisocial behaviour.

In the last few years we have had some major issues in relation to under ages acquiring alcohol from outside of the parade, gathering outside of these businesses and causing a nuisance to the local community. All the businesses on the parade have worked closely with North Wales Police and the community council to combat this issue. We no longer have any issues around the parade with teenagers and underage drinking. I feel that by granting this licence could jeopardise all the hard work that has been done, by attracting these teenagers back to the parade. Granting a licence would provide a further source of alcohol within an area already saturated with licence premises, increasing the risk of crime, disorder and public nuisance returning. Having been born and raised in Broughton I am proud to say I know all my customers by name, who the parents are of children and further more their age. Bringing in owners from outside of the community will give a blank slate to some troubled individuals.

The Post Office is the hub of the Broughton community, with Post Office closures taking place our service has now spread to near by villages of Saltney Ferry and Kinnerton. We provide local support to the elderly & Broughton school, key banking services to businesses within the area, and financial help at our local community centre. I feel by granting the application it would have a direct impact on the retail arm of the business. The Post Office relies heavily on being subsidised by the retail income. If the retail side goes into decline the Post Office would struggle to survive even potentially be forced to close. This would have a direct detrimental impact on the local community. All employees working within the Post Office are residents of Broughton, having spoken to the proprietor of the premise 7 Broughton Hall Road, I was informed Chester Retail Ltd would be bringing their staff from outside the area, if we were to close this would further affecting our community economically.

Over the past couple of weeks I have had this letter on display in my branch for my customers to read. Attached within this parcel is a petition of everybody within the local community that agrees with my points made above.

In the view of the above I would urge the Licensing Authority to refuse the application.

Yours Faithfully

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