

## **DECISION NOTICE - LICENSING ACT 2003 SUB-COMMITTEE**

### **APPLICATION FOR THE PREMISES LICENCE – GENERAL STORE, 48 OUNDLE ROAD**

**26 JUNE 2014**

This Decision Notice refers to the application for the premises licence General Store, 48 Oundle Road, Peterborough.

We have considered the representations made to us today and in writing in objection to the licence application:

- The Ward Councillor,
- 256 concerned residents, and
- Note the absence of any objection from the police, or any other Responsible Authority.

We have disregarded irrelevant factors not evidenced before us today and anticipated problems that may be associated with these premises. The Committee does not believe that the premise can be held responsible for the behaviour of patrons once they leave the shop. The Council's policy also prevents the Council considering the commercial demand for a particular type of premise.

The premises is not located in the Operation Can-do area and is therefore not subject to the Council's special policy on cumulative impact. However, the Committee is aware of paragraph 13.32 of Home Office guidance in which it states that the absence of a special policy does not prevent arguments being put forward in relation to the negative cumulative impact the premise might have. On the evidence that the Committee has heard it is not satisfied that there are grounds to refuse the licence as applied for.

We therefore grant the licence for the premises, known as General Store, 48 Oundle Road, Peterborough.

Given the obvious strength of feeling from the local community, perhaps the way forward is to seek to have the area designated as an area to which a special policy on cumulative effect can apply.

Any party in objection to the decision may appeal to the Peterborough Magistrates Court within 21 days of receiving this formal notice at:

Peterborough Court House, Bridge Street, Peterborough, PE1 1ED. Tel No. 0845 3100575. There is a fee to pay.

Councillor Thacker MBE  
Sub-Committee Chairman