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Please see attached representation from Takeley PC.

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SUGAR CAFE & BAR, UNIT 6 PRIORS GREEN LOCAL CENTRE

In response to the application for a licence for the above premises, Takeley Parish Council (TPC) makes representation as follows:-

Whilst TPC supports the use of the premises as a daytime cafe to provide a facility for local residents, TPC **objects to a licensed 'bar'** and the sale of alcohol and a food takeaway facility should be prohibited for the following reasons:

1. Public safety

The site is adjacent to Takeley Primary School. The school, community hall, and retail units share a communal parking area (68 spaces). Any function that promotes more than very short stay parking will overburden already pressurised parking facilities, which would risk public safety.

During morning and afternoon periods (Mon-Friday term time) primary age children are within the car park area. The school has no on site parent parking or drop off/pick up point. The local centre communal car park is the designated stopping place for parents that drive to school. It is imperative that the safety of children walking in the car park area is paramount.

There are insufficient parking spaces in the communal car park to provide for long stay (1 hour +) parking. The impact of extended stay parking in the car park would lead to additional congestion on the local roads (Bennet Canfield etc) which is already problematic. Bennet Canfield is a main artery through the development which carries much of the local traffic and is also the bus route. It is therefore vital to prevent parked cars on the highway to protect public safety; specifically children travelling/walking to/from school.

2. The prevention of public nuisance

Granting of an alcohol license is not appropriate in this densely populated residential area; which includes the adjacent primary school site. The proposed extended opening hours and resultant late night use of the car park will create a level of noise that is inappropriate for a densely populated residential area.

3. The protection of children from harm

As per item 1.

4. Prevention of crime & disorder

Granting of an alcohol license is not appropriate in this densely populated residential area; which includes the adjacent primary school site.

TPC recommend that UDC officers/ Licensing Committee undertake a site visit to appreciate the close proximity of Takeley Primary School and dwellings.

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