FOR THE ATTENTION OF THE LICENSING COMMITTEE

Summary of actions to date and initial Response to the Representations made by Mr Ben Lee and his partner.

Dear Sirs.

We felt that it might be helpful for us to submit this brief summary and an initial response to the representations made by Mr Ben Lee and his partner.

Both myself and my business partner Andrew Green were frequent customers of The Flag until it closed and as a result we are aware of all of the issues and problems experienced by the Licensing Team, the other Licensing Authorities and Mr Lee and his partner during the previous tenancy. We have fully engaged with the Licensing Team – Paul Dennis and Andy Cooper and have included their recommendations and conditions within our application, we have also agreed to the Representation by Environmental Health not to have any music or audio visual on the premises.

With regard to Mr Lee and his partner we are very sympathetic in respect of the problems they have previously experienced. Andrew has approached Mr Lee and they have met on two occasions so far. Open and honest discussions have taken place and Mr Lee was invited into the premises to discuss his issues and specifically the noise reduction measures which would help to improve his situation. We have given Mr Lee our reassurances and our commitment to work with him going forward to build a peaceful and harmonious relationship.

Yours Faithfully

Steve Doig