Appendix 9



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Dear Taran,

## Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982

## Application for Street Trading Consent – Gloucester City Centre.

Further to our recent telephone conversation regarding the re-consultation on your application.

As we discussed the Council has received comments from Gloucestershire Highways and The Principal Conservation Officer indicating the unsuitability of the location for the operation of a mobile catering unit.

Having carefully considered these representations I hereby advise that the decision of the Council is to **REFUSE TO GRANT** a street trading consent.

The reasons for refusal are set out below:

Gloucestershire Highways state

"As highway authority we cannot approve the location in The Oxebode for this trader for the following reasons:

- The area forms part of the public highway and is for pedestrian use.
- . The footpath is constructed of York stone and is not suitable for vehicles to drive or park on. This area would quickly become damaged if this were to be approved.
- . There is no dropped kerb access for vehicles or trailers to access the footway, meaning kerbs would be damaged in the process of accessing the footway.

With the above in mind I would ask that this application is refused and an alternative location is found".

The Principal Conservation Officer states

"The application is within the City Centre conservation area and within the prominent historic gate street of The Oxbode. The area of the historic cross and historic gate streets are highly significant and has numerous designated heritage assets which are in the immediate area of where this catering unit is proposed. The Oxbode is also an area where significant change is about to occur through the transformation of Kings Square and the Kings Quarter redevelopment which is introducing high quality public realm and mixed use scheme. This is setting the agenda for changing the City Centre providing high quality development and commercial opportunities.

Due to the above I object to the granting of a street trading license as it is considered that a mobile trading unit would not be compatible with the character of the area in which it is proposed to be sited and that it would not be complementary to the ambience of the locality. A further stall would add clutter and would conflict with a number of national and City Council policies regarding the historic environment".

As we discussed, the Highway Authority and Principal Conversation Officer have left no room for mediation so I will put the matter before the Licensing Sub-Committee as soon as the current situation returns to something like normality.

Kind regards

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Chris Butler City Centre Improvement Officer - Licensing