

# Representations on a Current Application for a Grant/Variation/Review of a Premises Licence or Club Premises Certificate under The Licensing Act 2003

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I/We	(Insert name) Local Weights and Measures Autho	rity	
	to make representation about the application for cate (delete as applicable)	variation/grant for a premises licence/club	premises
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PART	2 – DETAILS OF PERSON MAKING REPRES	ENTATION	<b>-</b>
			Please Tick ✓
1)	A responsible authority (please complete (C) b	pelow)	✓
2)	A member of the club to which this representa	tion relates (please complete (A) below)	
3)	Other persons (Please complete (A) or (B) bel	ow)	

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Name and Address	
Tracey Johnson Chief Inspector of Weights & Me. Development, Transport & Public Communities and Environment Civic Centre Regent Street Gateshead NE8 1HH	
Telephone Number (If any)	0191 4333934
E-Mail address (optional)	traceyjohnson@gateshead.gov.uk

This representation relates to the following licensing objective(s)	
	Please Tick ✓
1. The Prevention of Crime and Disorder	✓
2. Public Safety	
3. The Prevention of Public Nuisance	
4. The Protection of Children From Harm	
Please state the ground(s) for representation (please read guidance no	te 1)
I wish to make a representation to the review application submitted to the lic	censing authority by
Northumbria Police in relation to the Blue Bell, Victoria Square, Felling.	
I have concerns that the current management arrangement undermines the	following licensing
objective, the prevention of crime and disorder.	, rolled line g lives not nearly
and disorder.	
	A Comment

#### Please provide as much information as possible to support the representation

(Please read guidance note 2)

Sales of illegal tobacco are a large problem for Gateshead Council as Gateshead has one of the highest rates of smoking prevalence in the country. The availability of cheap, illegal tobacco obviously affects our efforts to reduce harm from smoking. Illegal sales of tobacco have a bearing on the promotion of the licensing objective 'prevention of crime and disorder' and the sale of smuggled tobacco is a criminal activity which the Secretary of State believes should be treated particularly seriously.

Intelligence was received by trading standards that suggested Julie Simpson the DPS of the Blue Bell, was selling cheap cigarettes and tobacco from behind the bar.

At a visit on 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019, the trading standards officer carrying out the visit noticed empty illegal tobacco packaging in the bin behind the bar. They carried out a search of the bar area and found 60 x Superkings Cigarettes, 160 x Richmond Cigarettes and 3 pouches of Turner hand rolling tobacco. All the tobacco was seized by the officer. None of the tobacco carries the correct health warnings and it is not in the correct plain packaging as required by UK law.

There were other goods on the premises, which appeared to be counterfeit but due to the small quantity that were found, were not seized.

Trading Standards and Licensing have been unable to view the CCTV due to the volume of footage requested and not been able to download/view it on a suitable medium. Julie Simpson claimed to have accepted the goods from a man who came into the pub as she was scared to refuse them, but they were for her own personal use. The CCTV would have confirmed this but to this date, no footage has been shared with trading standards.

Julie Simpson has been interviewed under caution and she read out a prepared statement. She refused to comment on all other questions put to her. The investigation continues against Julie Simpson.

Julie Simpson has previously been DPS at another premises in Gateshead where a large quantity of illegal tobacco was seized by HMRC in 2009. Also, during her stint as DPS from the period of 28<sup>th</sup> January 2014 and 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2014 there were 5 complaints received to trading standards during the months of June and July all in relation to illegal tobacco being sold by either the staff or the regulars at the pub. Letters were written to the Brewery at that time informing them of the allegations and requesting them to take the appropriate action in relation to the alleged offences.

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Have you made any representation relating to these premises before?

If Yes, please state the date of that representation

Day	Month	Year

If you have made represe	ntation before relating to the	nis premises please state what	they were and when
you made them.			5

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#### Part 3 – Signatures (Please read guidance note 3)

Signature of representative or representatives solicitor or other duly authorised agent. (See guidance note 4) If signing on behalf of the representative please state in what capacity.

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### **Notes for Guidance**

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I/We (Insert name) Alice Wiseman		
Wish to make representation about the application for certificate (delete as applicable)	variation/grant for a premises licence/club	premises
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Postal Address of Premises or Club Premises, description	or if none, ordnance survey map r	eference or
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Name of premises licence holder or club holding c Admiral Taverns	lub premises certificate (if known)	
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3.	The Prevention of Public Nuisance	П
4.	The Protection of Children From Harm	✓

Please state the ground(s) for representation (please read guidance note 1)

This representation is made in my capacity as Director of Public Health for the Borough of Gateshead.

The Director of Public Health in Gateshead supports the representation from the police that the current arrangements are not in accordance with the promotion of the licensing objectives specifically the prevention of crime and disorder, public safety and the protection of children from harm

Since 2013 Directors of Public Health have been 'responsible authorities' under the Licensing Act 2003. The role of the Director of Public Health is to help promote the health and wellbeing of the local populations they serve. The Public Health approach to reducing harms arising from alcohol misuse is to encourage and promote responsible drinking and protect young people from related harm. This is an expansive remit that influences a wide range of circumstances, including local licensing arrangements. Similarly, the licensing regime is concerned with the promotion of the licensing objectives, which collectively seek to protect the quality of life for those who live, and work in the vicinity of licensed premises, and those who socialise in licensed premises.

I have concerns regarding the current management and operation of the premises and will provide further evidence to support the review of this licence.

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## Additional info to support Public Health Representation for Blue Bell Felling

This report contains local level information showing the alcohol related harm in the locality of the licence review for Blue Bell in Felling at NE10 9LX. In Figure 1 the black circle represents the location of the premises. The green dots are other licenenced premises and the blue dots are the locations of local educational establishments.

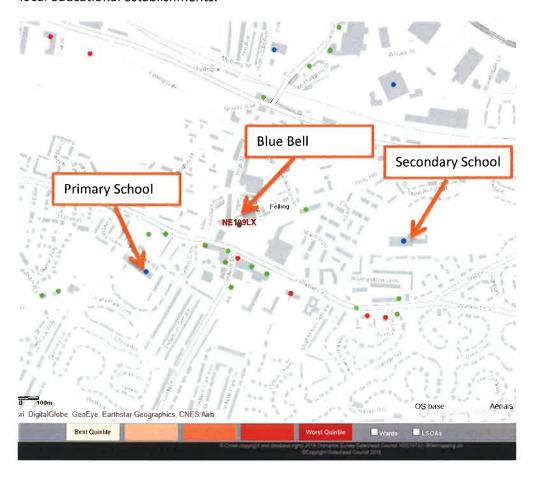


Figure 1.Location of premises and local schools (above)

## **Deprivation Levels**

Rising consumption has been attributed to the increased affordability, availability and promotion of alcohol, along with a greater social acceptance of regular drinking and a tolerance of drunkenness. Increased availability of alcohol has come about through the progressive relaxation of the licensing regime. The contributory role that alcohol plays in a wide range of adverse social consequences is also increasingly recognised with links to crime, social disorder, fire fatalities, violence, domestic violence, child neglect and work-related problems. Poorer populations and communities experience a disproportionately greater level of alcohol-attributable harm which must be taken into account in the promotion of the licensing objectives. The premises is located in the Felling ward, which is a ward with high levels of deprivation with 82.6% of the residents living within the 20% most deprived

areas in England. This compares to a Gateshead average of 24.9% and is the highest out of all of the wards in Gateshead (figure 2 and 3). This is relevant as the evidence shows that deprived populations and communities experience a disproportionately greater level of alcohol-attributable harm (AFS and SHAAP, 2011)



Figure 2. Overall Index of Multiple Deprivation in Felling ward (above)

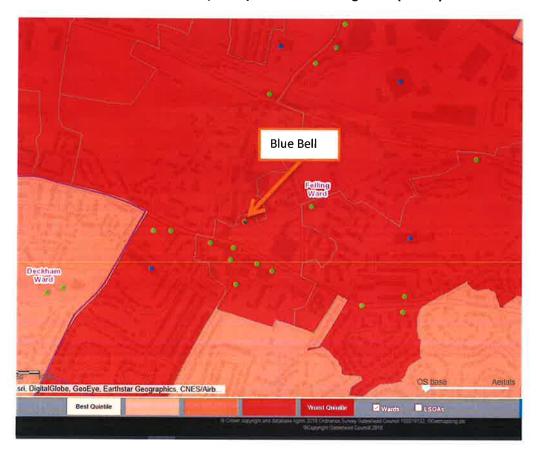


Figure 3. Index of Multiple Deprivation at LSOA level (above)

### **Alcohol Related Harms**

The Felling ward is subject to some of the highest rates of alcohol-related harm in the borough:

- Highest rate of wholly attributable alcohol related hospital admissions (1757 Directly Standardised Rate (DSR) per 100,000 compared with 852 for Gateshead as a whole) (figure
   4)
- 4<sup>th</sup> highest rate of alcohol related ambulance call outs, 7.4 per 1,000 population (6.1 per 1000 for Gateshead) (figure 11)

- 2nd highest rates of alcohol related crime and alcohol related sexual offences, 3<sup>rd</sup> highest rate alcohol related violent crime (figure 7)
- Evidence from local data detailed shows a substantial level of alcohol related harm at LSOA levels in this locality

The Felling ward has significant issues in relation to alcohol related crime and violent crime (figure 7,8 and 9) and the current arrangements in this licenced premises are contributing to this as there is evidence that the licensing objectives are not being promoted. The rates of alcohol related antisocial behaviour (figure 10) in the area around the premises are also some of the worst in the borough as are alcohol related ambulance call outs (figure 11, 12 and 13)

#### **Hospital Admissions**



Figure 4. Hospital admission rates at ward level (above)



Figure 5. Alcohol Related Hospital Admissions at LSOA level (above)

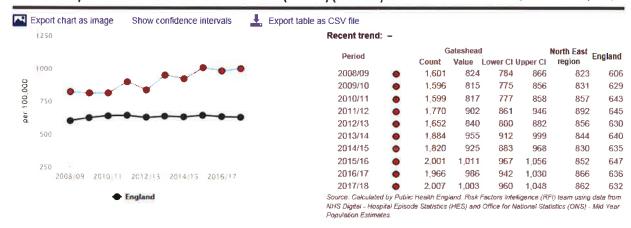


Figure 6. Alcohol-related hospital admissions in Gateshead (narrow)

### **Alcohol Related Crime**

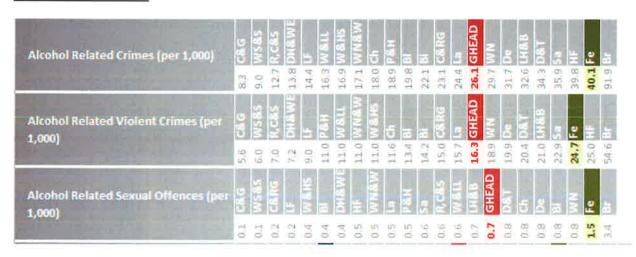


Figure 7. Alcohol related crime at ward level (above)

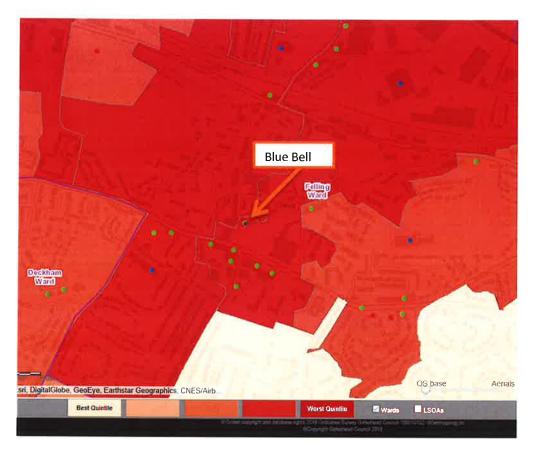


Figure 8. Alcohol related crime (all crime) at LSOA level (above)

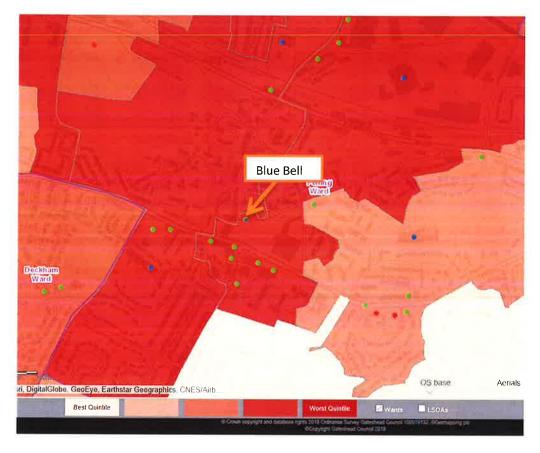


Figure 9. Alcohol related violent crime against a person at LSOA (above)

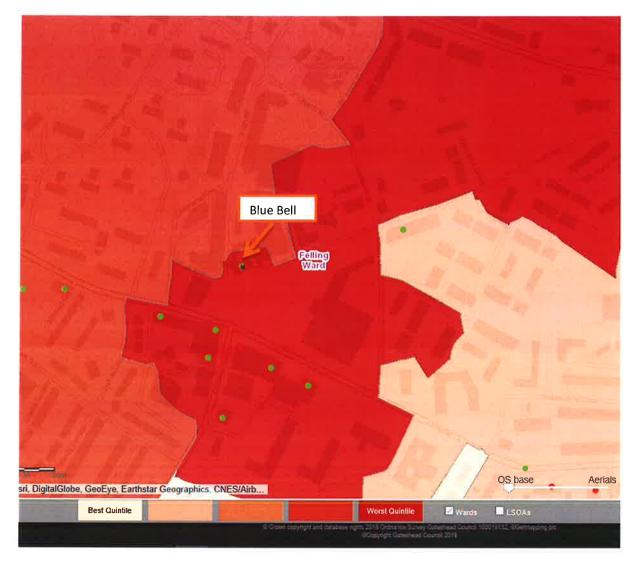


Figure 10. Alcohol related ASB at LSOA (above)

# Alcohol related ambulance call out



Figure 11. Rate of ambulance call outs at ward level (above)

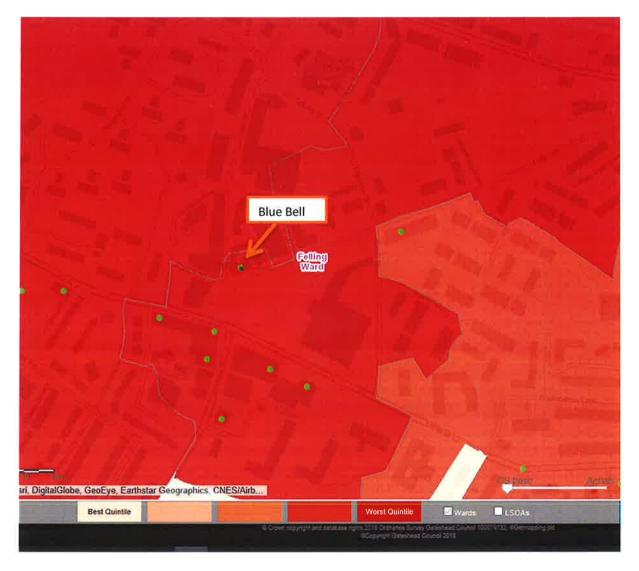


Figure 12. Alcohol related ambulance call outs at LSOA (above)

#### **Alcohol Related Ambulance Call Outs 2018**

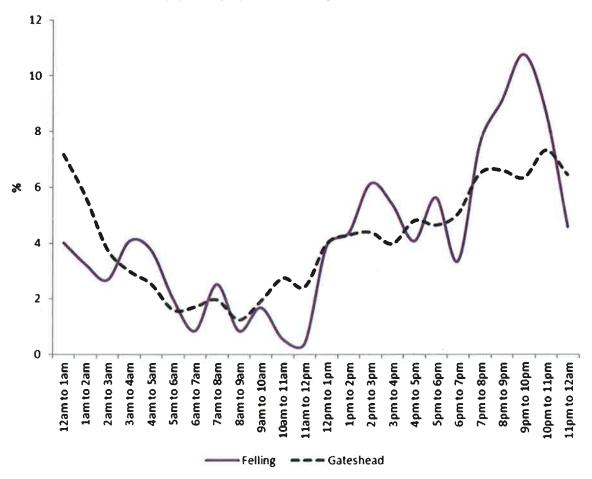


Figure 13. Times for Alcohol Related Ambulance Call Outs in Felling Ward

#### **Cost of Harm**

According to estimates from Balance, alcohol related harm in Gateshead costs around £401 per head (taking into account costs to the NHS, crime and licensing, social services and the workplace). The cost per head across the North East is £386 and across England it is £363 per head. (figure 14)

My objection to the current arrangements in this establishment is supported by the growing knowledge, evidence and understanding of the role of alcohol in negative social impacts and in a wide range of acute and chronic disorders. Licensing is and always has been a whole population intervention which should be employed to protect our population from harm.

Public Health support the police view that the premises licence be reviewed to address the management and operation of the premises as the current arrangement undermines the following licensing objectives:

- The prevention of crime and disorder
- Public safety
- The protection of children from harm

Given the current levels of alcohol related harm in this area, it is imperative that the management and operation of the premises is of a high standard that can support the promotion of the licensing objectives and protect the community who live, work and socialise in the area.

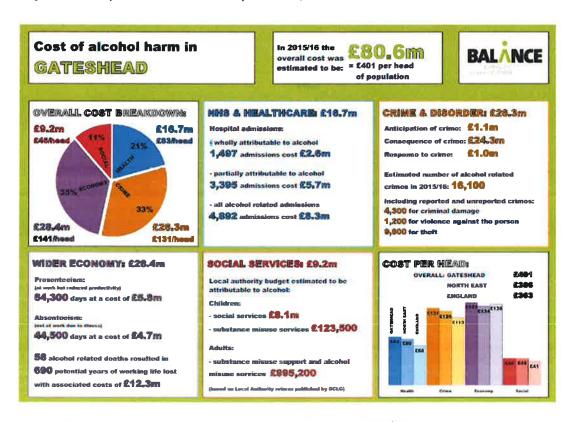


Figure 14. Cost of alcohol harm in Gateshead. (Balance. 2015/16)