

**ANNEX 1**

**Application for variation of a Premises Licence to specify a new Designated Premises Supervisor – Dukes Head, Greatbridge Road, Romsey SO51 0HB**

Hampshire Constabulary have an **OBJECTION** to the application to vary the Designated Premises Supervisor (DPS) at Dukes Head, Romsey to Mr Andrew John COTTINGHAM.

On the 23rd March 2006, COTTINGHAM appeared at New Forest Magistrates and was convicted of driving a motor vehicle whilst under the influence of alcohol.

The outcome of the court appearance was that COTTINGHAM was disqualified from driving for a total of 16 months, reduced by 4 months if he completed a drink/driving course, his licence was endorsed.

COTTINGHAM at the time of his court appearance was applying for his personal licence (as the above conviction did not show on his personal [criminal records] disclosure), which was then granted by New Forest District Council on 21 April 2006.

COTTINGHAM did not comply with section 123 of the Licensing Act 2003 - 'Duty to notify licensing authority of convictions during application period'.

If COTTINGHAM had complied with the above section, then Hampshire Constabulary would have made representation against him due to the conviction being a “relevant offence” under the Licensing Act 2003.

The fact that COTTINGHAM failed to inform the relevant authority of his conviction, in the Constabulary’s view undermines the present application under the Licensing Act 2003 objective - Prevention of Crime and Disorder.