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Dear Ms Dunbar

**Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005 – Application for a Provisional Premises Licence
Simply Malts Ltd, c/o Deemouth Business Centre, South Esplanade East, Aberdeen,
AB11 9PB**

I refer to the above application and in terms of Section 22(1) (a) of the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005; I make the following representation under the licensing objectives:

**Protecting and improving public health
Protecting children from harm**

Simply Malts is a store room within a secured, patrolled business centre where alcohol will be stored as part of an internet delivery business.

Although this is not a new concept and we are aware of a range of companies who accept orders and deliver in a similar manner, this appears to be a new concept for Aberdeen and poses a number of questions.

1. I am particularly interested in the controls in place to restrict inappropriate deliveries of alcohol as I assume a national courier will be engaged to deliver parcels.
2. In Scotland we have robust practice in relation to Challenge 25. What controls will be in place around this. – will this be implemented in other areas?
3. If successful this licence will be granted in Aberdeen. The Aberdeen City Licensing Board will have no means to monitor deliveries out with its licensing area. Where will complaints regarding any inappropriate deliveries be made, how will this be investigated and how will this process be conveyed to the public?

In terms of Section 22(1) (a) of the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005, the Public Health Directorate of NHS Grampian submits this representation to the application requesting that the Licensing Board seek assurance from the applicant on the above three points in order that it may be satisfied that granting the license would not be inconsistent with the licensing objectives of Protecting Children from Harm and Protecting and improving Public Health.

Yours sincerely

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