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Police Representation to the application for a Premises Licence for 'Northwest 10' first and second floors, 71-73 High Street, NW10 4NS.

I certify that I have considered the application shown above and **I wish to make representations** that the likely effect of the grant of the application is detrimental to the Licensing Objectives for the reasons indicated below.

I am of the opinion that the risk to the objectives can be mitigated by removing the requested variations or attaching conditions to the Licence as shown below.

If these conditions were accepted in full **I would** withdraw my representation.

Officer: Nicola McDonald
PC 157QK Licensing Constable

An officer of the Metropolitan Police, in whose area the premises are situated, who is authorised for the purposes of exercising its statutory function as a 'Responsible Authority' under the Licensing Act 2003.

The application has been made for a premises licence under section 17 of the act.
The Police representations are primarily concerned with crime and disorder.

Police require the following points should be included in the operating schedule or added as conditions on the premises licence.

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Smoking area

There needs to be contained smoking area next to the entrance of the premises. This should not impede the public highway or cause obstruction to neighbouring premises.

Personal Licence Holder

The sale of alcohol to drunken people and children is a major cause of concern to police and highlighted in the Governments Alcohol Harm Reduction Strategy. Off Licences are

particularly open to these sales receiving little supervision or visits from the responsible authorities. Those who sell alcohol should be fully aware of the legislation and issues around alcohol and should be fully trained to a national standard.

Members of staff who have formally been given authority should be fluent in English in order to properly conduct the sale of alcohol and more importantly to refuse the sale if so required.

Door Supervisors

At least 1 supervisor to every 50 customers.

They will ensure compliance with licensing and security guidance.

A register /log containing the names, badge number, dates & times of duty of security staff and any incidents that occur shall be kept and made available to the Police and Licensing authority on request.

Door Supervisors shall wear clothing that can be clearly and easily identified on CCTV.

Ensure that there are a sufficient number and gender mix of door supervisors to monitor and control the numbers and behaviour of persons present.

The premises will be operated in accordance with advice from the Metropolitan Police Service, which will include search procedures, the confiscation, storage and ultimate disposal of suspected illegal drugs and weapons.

Open Containers & Areas for Consumption of Alcohol

Customers will not be permitted to take open containers outside the premises, as defined in the plan submitted with the operating schedule and approved by Responsible Authorities.

The consumption of alcohol will be restricted to those parts of the premises identified on the plan submitted with the operating schedule and approved by the licensing authority.

Closed Circuit Television (CCTV)

Good quality CCTV is essential as a deterrent for the prevention of crime and the detection of offenders. It allows for both covert and overt monitoring of the premises. With proper signage, this reassures both staff and clientele, that this is a safe environment where illegal activities are not tolerated.

All cameras and recording equipment will be installed and maintained in accordance with Home Office Guidance and the manufacturers instructions and will be fully operational when the premises are open to the public.

Notices shall be displayed at the entrance to the premises, and in prominent positions throughout the premises, advising that CCTV is in operation.

Capacity Limit for Premises

Proper control of the numbers of people in the premises is essential to prevent overcrowding and the risk of disorder. It is impossible to conduct any meaningful risk assessment, without knowing the maximum number of people that may be safely accommodated at any one time.

There must also be adequate facilities to monitor and control the number of people present

The capacity limit will be set by Officers from the Local Authority.

Operating Hours to be displayed on Premises

A notice displaying the opening hours, the type of licensing activity and licence conditions should be clearly displayed and visible to anyone outside the premises. This may be incorporated in the summary of the licence, which must be displayed, or take the form of a separate item.

Likewise the name of the Designated Premises Supervisor (D.P.S.) if required should be similarly displayed.

This will allow the Police and other responsible authorities to readily identify the licence details. Clearly displayed opening hours will also reduce any confusion for customers prior to entering the premises and possible conflict when the premises close/stop selling alcohol.

A Summary of the Premises Licence will be displayed at each public entrance to the premises.

Drunkenness

Substantial food and non-intoxicating beverages (including free drinking water) shall be available during the whole of licensed hours in all parts of the premises where intoxicants are provided

The premises to adopt and advertise a scheme requiring all patrons under 21 years of age to produce identification with the accepted forms of identification namely a passport or photo driving licence.

No Entry or Re-Entry

This will help to reduce disorder and nuisance from people migrating to the premises from establishments that have already closed or are about to.

Drugs

The DPS should ensure a written drugs and weapons policy for the premises has been completed and is adhered to. Please see the Metropolitan Police *Safe and Sound* booklet for further advise (available on the Web).

The conditions that Police require to be added to the Premises Licence are listed below:

CCTV

CCTV shall be installed to Home Office Guidance standards and maintained in a good working condition and recordings shall be kept for 31 days and shall be made available to police and licensing officers if requested.

A CCTV camera shall be installed to cover the entrance of the premises, top of the stairs on to the first floor, search area, night club dance floor and points of supply of alcohol.

Door Supervisors

Mandatory Condition

Door supervisors shall wear clothing that can be clearly and easily identified on CCTV.

Door supervisors of a sufficient number and gender mix, shall be employed from one hour prior to the commencement on any day when the premises are open past midnight for licensable activity.

A register/log containing the names, badge number, dates & times of duty of security staff and any incidents that occur shall be kept and made available to the Police and Licensing Authority.

Bottles and Glasses

Customers shall not be permitted to take open vessels outside the premises as defined on the plan submitted to and approved by the Licensing Authority.

The consumption of alcohol will be restricted to those parts of the premises identified on the plan submitted with the operating schedule and approved by the licensing authority.

Capacity Limits

The total number of people permitted on the premises including staff and performers shall not exceed (to be set by public safety team)

Proof of Age

A sign stating “No proof of age – No sale” shall be displayed at the point of sale.

A “Challenge 21” policy shall be adopted and adhered to, photographic proof of age required.

No person under the age of 18 years shall be permitted on the premises after 2200 hours unless it is for an event specifically arranged for young people and prior notice has been given to Police and Licensing Authority.

Drugs and Weapons

A comprehensive record of all seized drugs and weapons shall be kept and made available to police and licensing officers for 12 months from the date of seizure.

Notices clearly explaining the licensee’s drugs and weapons policy shall be displayed at the entrance and at suitable places throughout the premises.

Toilets shall be checked at regular intervals for the use of drugs and other illegal activities.

Notices explaining the licensee’s policy on admission and searching shall be placed at each entrance.

General

An incident log shall be kept at the premises, and made available for inspection on request to an authorised officer of Brent Council or the Police, which will record the following:

- (a) all crimes reported to the venue
- (b) all ejections of patrons
- (c) any complaints received
- (d) any incidents of disorder
- (e) all seizures of drugs or offensive weapons
- (f) any faults in the CCTV system or searching equipment or scanning equipment
- (g) any refusal of the sale of alcohol
- (h) any visit by a relevant authority or emergency service.

No alcohol shall be available for any customer when the premises are open for primarily for use by persons under the age of 18.

A copy of the premises licence summary including the hours which licensable activities are permitted shall be visible from the outside of each entrance to the premises.

No entry or re-entry shall be permitted after 0200 hours.

All persons entering or re-entering, including staff and performers, shall be required to pass through a search arch and wand search on days when there is a public or private event.

Where Police or licensing Officers require admittance to the premises in an emergency or part of an impromptu visit they shall not be impeded by requiring to sign in or be searched.

After 2300 hours smoking areas shall be limited to 20 persons and each area shall be suitably supervised.

The Licensee shall undertake a risk assessment agreed by the Police and Licensing Authority of any significant promotion or event, using the Metropolitan Police Service Promotion/Event Risk Assessment Form (Form 696) or an equivalent and provide a copy to the Metropolitan Police and Brent Council's Licensing Unit not less than 14 days before the event is due to take place.

Where an event has taken place the licensee shall complete a Debrief Risk Assessment Form (Form 696A) and submit this to the Metropolitan Police and Brent Council's Licensing Unit within 3 days of the conclusion of the event.

No noise or vibration shall be detectable at any neighbouring noise sensitive premises.

The level of music shall be arranged so as not to cause a nuisance to local residents.

All speakers shall be mounted on anti-vibration mountings to prevent transmission of sound energy to adjoining properties.

All doors and windows shall remain closed during any licensable activity and where a door is used for patrons to enter or leave the premises the door shall be lobbied and fitted with a self-closing device.

Notices requesting customers to leave quietly shall be displayed at each exit.

Nudity, striptease and other entertainment of an adult nature shall not be permitted on the premises.

Yours Sincerely

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