

The Licensing Officer
Health Safety and Licensing
London Borough of Brent
Brent Civic Centre
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Ref - 223717045

Police Objection to the Temporary Event Notice for Sal's Bar 249 Neasden Lane, NW10 1QG

I certify that I have considered the notice shown above and I wish to make representations that the use of the premises for the temporary event would undermine the crime prevention initiative, for the reasons indicated below.

Officer: Michelle Heath

Licensing Constable 928QK

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.

A Temporary Event Notice has been given under section 100 Licensing Act 2003 by Mr. Tim Sheahan

For extension of Business hours on the 18/03/2017 - 19/03/2017 between 02.00 hours and 04.00 hours at Sal's bar 249 Neasden Lane NW10 1QG for St Patrick's Day Celebrations.

Police are formally making representations to the notice under section 104 Licensing Act 2003. The Police objection is primarily concerned with the crime and disorder and prevention of public nuisance objectives.

Mr Sheahan has made an application to extend his trading hours at Sal's Bar Neasden, the bar currently has a licence which allows it to open until 02.30am on Friday and Saturday nights, and the application is to extend this until 04.00am.

Mr Sheahan has had his previous 2 TENS rejected by the Alcohol & Licensing Sub committee (17th & 18th December 2016 and 31st December - 1st January 2017). Refused on 1st December 2016 on the grounds of Crime and Disorder.

He is currently on an Action Plan due to drunkenness at the venue resulting in a male being ejected from the premises and then being stabbed by another customer resulting in the victim having 3 layers worth of stitches to his face. This violence happened owing to drunkenness at the pub at barely 2pm in the afternoon. Mr Sheahan wants until 0400 hours the following day. This would be over 16 hours of drinking which would increase the risk of violence and ASB vastly due to the length of time people had been drinking. This action plan is in place until 25th May 2017

The pub is located in Neasden shopping center which is one of Brent's most challenging locations for Anti-Social Behaviour. Mr Sheahan is fully aware of the local issues in the location and seems to be dismissive of these and is putting profit before upholding the licence objectives. He has consistently shown a lack of concern for the licensing objectives and in his words has tried to take short cuts and stay under the radar, which clearly is not acceptable.

The current licence allows Sal's bar to open daily from 11.00am this could see people going into the premises at this time and not coming out until the next morning a 04.00am, the pub is a small venue, and is situated below residential flats, allowing the premise to stay open until 04.00 with regulated entertainment would make it more of a night club than a pub.

This premise is situated in what is classed as a town centre but is only a few meters away from residential housing, the area has been the subject of numerous police operation over the last year to reduce street drinking and ASB.

Police object to this Notice as I feel the applicant has proved himself unreliable in the past, and has not considered the possible impact on the local community. Closing at 04:00am is not a manageable closing time and causes more disruption, disorder and increased policing at the public's expense.

Yours sincerely

PC Michelle Heath

Licensing Constable

Brent Police Licensing Team

