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Police representation to the variation of the Premises Licence application for 'Jishal Goan Restaurant', 535 High Road, Wembley, HA0 2DJ.

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 Council's Licensing Objectives for the reasons indicated below.

**Officer: Nicola McDonald
Licensing Constable PC 2157NW**

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 to vary the premises licence under section 34 of the act.

The Police representations are concerned with all four of the licensing objectives.

I conducted a visit to the premises during the consultation period. There are toilets to the rear of the basement area for the use of customers. The toilets are situated in a small enclosed yard shown as 'Lobby' on the plans. A lobby is a place where someone would enter the restaurant. This is not a suitable place for an entrance, there are gates further along the rear access road, installed recently to prevent rough sleepers and street drinkers from congregating behind the commercial properties from Ranelagh Road. An entrance at this location would cause un-necessary disruption for local residents living above and behind the building.

There are gates on this yard (lobby) and an open space to the top of the gates. This area shown on the plans is external to the main part of the building and has no means of preventing noise whether verbal or music escaping.

I suspect the applicant may be considering using this rear yard (lobby) as a designated smoking area, however it is more than 50% enclosed and would breach the Health Act legislation. Police suggest that smokers use the front of the restaurant in the High Road, the number is kept to a maximum of five at any one time and they are supervised after 2200hour and when the basement is being used for licensable activities.

Currently the premises licence permits sales of alcohol and recorded music until midnight seven nights a week, and late night refreshment until 0200hours seven days a week. The premises close to the public at 0200hours seven days a week.

This variation application is for live music, recorded music, late night refreshments and sales of alcohol seven days a week finishing at 0300hours. The premises will close to the public at 0300hours.

Firstly these hours are far too excessive, this venue has been operating as a restaurant however the proposal is for substantial entertainment and a larger capacity. The premise is not in a location or equipped for such late night activities. The operating schedule has no mention of security and there has been no provision for a drinking up time.

Police object to any entertainment in the basement after 2300hours, it is not a suitable structure, and request a condition attached to Annex 2 stating this.

Police object to the extension of hours the premises are open to the public, and the extension of licensable hours both in the basement and in the existing restaurant area.

In addition:

Police request all the conditions currently attached to annex 2 of the premises licence number 223364505 remain with the exception of condition 18 that should be removed.

Police request condition 15 be altered to cater for the new licensable area in the basement.

Police request condition 2 be altered to read 'CCTV cameras shall be installed to cover the entrance of the premises and the rear basement area near the toilets'.

Police request the following conditions be attached to Annex 2 of premises licence 223364505:

Any staff directly involved in selling alcohol for retail to consumers, staff who provide training and all managers will undergo regular training of Licensing Act 2003 legislation. This will be documented and signed for by the DPS and the member of staff receiving the training. This training log shall be kept on the premises and made available for inspection by police and relevant authorities upon request.

Yours Sincerely

Nicola McDonald PC 157QK
Licensing Constable Brent Police