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Police Representations to the Application for a premises licence under the Gambling Act 2005 for an Adult Gaming Centre.

**LITTLE VEGAS, GROUND FLOOR, 574 HIGH ROAD,
WEMBLEY, LONDON HA0 2AA**

I certify that I have considered the application shown above and I wish to make representations to prevent undermining the crime and disorder and public nuisance licensing concerns as well as protection of children from harm, for the reasons indicated below.

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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 Gambling Act 2005.

The application for an Adult Gaming Centre on High Road Wembley does cause Police some concerns over the saturation of gambling venues in the area. More applications are being made for 24/7 gambling establishments in an area that suffers a great deal of issues relating to crime and disorder, public nuisance which resulted in the area being deemed a CIZ (which obviously relates to alcohol supply).

The socio-economic issues of round the clock gambling in areas that suffer from widespread poverty, coupled with issues around addiction to alcohol, drugs and gambling means very sturdy conditions need to be in place to ensure adherence to licensing objectives.

I gave consideration to requesting reduced hours and/or having SIA security to ensure the premises are a safe environment and to help prevent addiction. However, I realise that any applicant would argue what evidence there is to request such steps as the premises isn't yet open and should issues arise, action could be taken.

What Police licensing would like added to the licence conditions are reasonable expectations, some aren't mentioned in the risk assessment control measures. Given Police concerns for the

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area blighted by crime and ASB, the need for stringent but fair licensing conditions are a necessity. Some of the conditions are mentioned in the control measures but worded with some ambiguity in terms of expectations, such as CCTV. For this reason, I requested specifically worded conditions to remove the ambiguity.

If the following conditions were included on the Gambling Licence, I would withdraw police representations:

- 1) The venue shall install and maintain a comprehensive CCTV system at the premises as per the minimum requirements of the Metropolitan Police Licensing Team. This system should cover:
 - a) All entry and exit points to and from the premises enabling frontal identification of every person entering under any light conditions.
 - b) The areas of the premises to which the public have access (excluding toilets)
 - c) Gaming machines and the counter area
- 2) The CCTV system shall continually record whilst the venue is open for licensable activities and during all times when customers remain on the premises. All recordings shall be stored for a minimum period of thirty one days with date and time visible. Recordings shall be immediately arranged by a member of staff for handover to Police or authorised officer following their request.
- 3) Notices indicating that CCTV is in use at the premises shall be placed at or near the entrance to the premises and within the premises.
- 4) A "Challenge 25" proof of age scheme shall be operated at the premises where the only acceptable forms of identification are recognised photographic identification cards, such as a driving licence, passport or proof of age card with the PASS Hologram.
- 5) No alcohol shall be permitted to be consumed on the premises at any time during which facilities for gambling are being provided on the premises.
- 6) The summary of the terms and conditions of the premises licence issued under section 164(1)(c) of the 2005 Act shall be displayed in a prominent place within the premises.
- 7) There will be a minimum of two members of staff after 10pm.
- 8) An incident log shall be kept for the premises and made available on request to an authorised officer of the City Council or the Police which will record the following;
 - a) All crimes reported to the venue;
 - b) Any complaints received regarding crime and disorder;
 - c) Any incidents of disorder;
 - d) Any faults in the CCTV system; and
 - e) Any visit by a relevant authority or emergency service.
- 10) The Licensee shall take all reasonable steps to prevent street drinking of alcohol directly outside the premises and to ban from the premises those who do so.
- 11) The Licensee shall place a notice visible from the exterior of the premises stating that customers drinking alcohol outside the premises is not permitted and those who do so will be banned from the premises.
- 12) The Licensee shall implement a policy of banning any customers who engage in crime or disorder within or outside the premises.



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- 13) The licensee will refuse entry to customers who appear to be under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

Yours Sincerely,

Gary Norton 2965NW
MPS Brent Licensing Team