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Police representations to the application to vary a premises Licence for 'North London Tavern, 375 Kilburn Road, NW6 7QB'

Police certify that we have considered the application shown above and 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.

Police are of the opinion that the risk to the Council's 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, police would be in a position to withdraw their representations.

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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 Licensing Act 2003.

The application has been made to vary a premises licence under Section 34 of the Licensing act 2003. The Police representations are concerned with all four of the licensing objectives.

- The prevention of crime and disorder;
- Public safety;
- The prevention of public nuisance; and
- The protection of children from harm.

Closed Circuit Television (CCTV)

Good quality CCTV is a basic requirement to help deter and detect criminal activity for all reputable license holders. Therefore a decent quality CCTV system is an essential tool and should be installed and maintained in accordance with Home Office Guidance. The system should be fully operational during the hours of business, with a member of staff present who can operate and if required download footage upon request of the police or other recognised authority from Brent Council.

The Application

The application has been submitted to vary the venues plans by adding the first floor as an additional licensable area. In principle the police have no issues with this application but there have been recent problems of crime and disorder at the venue on match days at the venue. The main points of concern from a policing perspective was the loss of control by the venue with football fans who spilled into the street carrying open drink containers which is prohibited under the Public Space Protection Order.

Another issue are the crime figures connected to the venue. A brief search on the venue shows twenty seven (27) recorded crimes linked to the venue, which is one of the highest figures across the borough for any public house.

Police licensing officers also attended on 05/05/2023 after 19.00 hours to find that there was no PLH working at the venue. No staff at the venue were aware of this condition, which is a matter of concern. Condition seven of the license states the following:-

7 A personal licence holder shall be present on the premises from 19:00 hours until the end of licensable activities.

Adding an extra floor to the venue will obviously increase the capacity, which on some occasions has got out of hand. To accommodate this variation police are of the opinion that an updated version of the existing license is required.

If the conditions below can be agreed, police would be in a position to agree to the variations listed

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

1. 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 authorised Officers from Brent Council upon request. Any such request should be completed within seven (7) days, or for serious offences as soon as possible.
2. CCTV camera shall be installed to cover all the entrances and exits of the premises, as well as the outside seating area, the entrance gates and the interior bars.
3. A member of staff trained in the use of the CCTV system shall be available at the premise at all times that the premises are open for trading.
4. The CCTV system shall display on any recordings the correct date and time of the recording.

5. The CCTV system shall be capable of obtaining clear facial recognition images and a clear head and shoulder image of every person entering or leaving the premises.

6. The Licence holder /DPS/Manager shall inspect and test that the CCTV is operational and working correctly on a weekly basis. A signed and dated record of the CCTV examination and any findings shall be kept on the premises and made available to the police and authorised officers of the Local Authority on request.

7. A suitable intruder alarm complete with panic button shall be fitted and maintained.

8. A 'Challenge 25' policy shall be adopted and adhered to at all times.

9. Photographic proof of age shall be required from anyone appearing to be under the age of 25

10. A sign stating "No proof of age -- No sale" shall be displayed at the point of sale

11. 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) Any complaints received.
- b) Any incidents of disorder.
- c) Any faults in the CCTV system.
- d) Any visit by a relevant authority or emergency service.

12. A refusal book detailing date and time of the refused sale (of alcohol), the name of the person refusing the sale and a description of the person attempting to purchase alcohol, shall be kept and maintained and made available for inspection by authorised officers from Brent Council or the police.

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

14. Any staff directly involved in selling alcohol for retail to consumers and staff who provide training including managers shall undergo regular training of the Licensing Act 2003 legislation (at least every 12 months). The training shall be documented and signed off by the DPS and the member of staff receiving the training. This training log shall be kept centrally and made available for inspection by police and relevant authorities upon request.

15. A capacity specific risk assessment shall be conducted by a professional qualified risk assessor. This risk assessment shall be appraised annually or at the time of any building or layout structural works

16. Off-sales of alcohol in sealed containers only.

17. Customers shall not be permitted to take glassware or any other open drink containers, outside the premises as defined on the plan submitted to and approved by the Licensing Authority or the area directly outside this area which is marked with a barrier / pavement

area (Meaning alcohol can be consumed within the two pavement areas directly outside the venue).

18. When SIA Security are deployed, they shall wear clothing that can be clearly and easily identified on CCTV

19. Door supervisors of a sufficient number and gender mix, shall be employed from 20:00 hours on any day when the premises are open for the sale of alcohol past midnight

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

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

22. Notices asking customers to leave quietly shall be conspicuously displayed at all exits.

23. A personal licence holder shall be present on the premises from 19:00 hours until the end of licensable activities.

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

25. The playing of live or recorded music shall not be permitted in any garden or external area.

26. All external doors and windows must remain closed at all times when amplified live or recorded music, karaoke or disc jockey is provided at the premises

Match Day Restrictions – These conditions apply to only football matches at Wembley Stadium

27. The DPS or deputy shall work in partnership with the Police and if necessary comply with any direction given by a senior Police Officer, or Licensing Authority, on duty at the event. These directions may include:

(a). Ceasing the sale of alcohol for a period of time. This will be monitored and the supply of alcohol reinstated as soon as is possible.

(b). Closing the entire premises for a period of time. This will be monitored and the premises reopened as soon as possible.

28. A personal licence holder shall be present on the premises to supervise the sale of alcohol.

29. Customers shall not be allowed to congregate outside the front of the venue. The only exception to this is to use the two designated areas detailed on the plan submitted to the local authority as a smoking area only. This shall be limited to a maximum of twenty people including staff and patrons. No drinks shall be consumed in this area.

30. No drinks shall be served in glass containers, but decanted into plastic, polycarbonate or toughened plastic drinking vessels.

31. The premises shall only take one set of football supporters on match days. (Details of the team splits will be communicated by the police / council on a game to game basis).

32. No children shall be admitted unless accompanied by a responsible adult.

33. The number and timings of SIA registered door staff required shall be risk assessed, but a minimum of two (2) SIA registered security shall be put in place at least 4 hours before the designated kick-off time. They will remain on site until at least 2 hours after the game has finished.

If the applicant is able to agree to the conditions below, police would be in a position to withdraw representations.

Yours Sincerely,

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