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Our ref: 01QK/693/23/3122NW

Police representations to the application for a new Premises Licence for 'The Laf, 44-46 High Road, Willesden NW10 2QA'

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.

**Officer: PC Phil Graves
Licensing Constable 3122NW**

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 new premises licence under section 17 of the Licensing act 2003. The Police representations are concerned with all four of the licensing objectives, namely:

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

The Application

The application is for a new café / Bistro on the High Road in Willesden. The only licensable activity is that of alcohol (on the premises), requested from 11.00 hours to 23.00 hours Monday through to Sunday. The opening hours are from 07.00 hours to 23.00 hours again, Monday through to Sunday.

The venue sits in one of Brent's Cumulative Impact Zones (link below). CIZ's were introduced to combat the most problematic areas of the borough caused by alcohol and street drinking. The application / agent has submitted a sensible list of licensing conditions, some of which I have included below, which address the CIZ.

<https://www.brent.gov.uk/business/licences-and-permits/alcohol-club-and-entertainment/licences/premises-licence#ciz>

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.

Notices should also be displayed advertising the presence of the CCTV to help promote a secure and safe working environment

Police Representations

Police require the following points should be added as conditions on the premises licence as below:

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.
2. CCTV camera shall be installed to cover all the entrances and exits of the premises.
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. A suitable intruder alarm complete with panic button shall be fitted and maintained.

7. A 'Challenge 25' policy shall be adopted and adhered to at all times.
8. A sign stating "No proof of age -- No sale" shall be displayed at the point of sale
9. 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.
10. 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.
11. 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.
12. 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.
13. There shall be no vertical drinking within the entire premises, including any external areas.
14. Alcohol shall only be supplied as an accompaniment to a substantial meal, and seated at a table, servery or counter.
15. Customers shall not be permitted to take glassware or any other open drink container save for recognisable soft drink containers, outside the premises as defined on the plan submitted to and approved by the Licensing Authority
16. When SIA Security are deployed, they shall wear clothing that can be clearly and easily identified on CCTV.
17. 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
18. No noise or vibration shall be detectable at any neighbouring noise sensitive premises.
19. Notices asking customers to leave quietly shall be conspicuously displayed at all exits.

On Line / Take away Orders

20. Full name and address details, including postcode, must be given when placing an order.

21. Acceptable proof of age shall include identification bearing the customer's photograph, date of birth and integral holographic mark or security measure. Suitable means of identification would include PASS approved proof of age card, photo-card driving licence and passport. No ID no delivery.

22. Drivers shall not deliver to any person anywhere other than that at the residential / business address given when the order was placed. There shall be **NO** deliveries made to any open/public spaces

23. Delivery drivers should be asked to keep noise to a minimum when collecting takeaways and must not be permitted to loiter unnecessarily

23. No idling of delivery vehicles

If the above conditions were agreed in full, police would be in a position to withdraw representations.

Yours Sincerely,

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