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Subject: Fwd: Enquiry regarding Golden Slots Decision and Precedents for AGC Licensing

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From:

Date: Wed, 22 Apr 2026 at 15:46

Subject: Re: Enquiry regarding Golden Slots Decision and Precedents for AGC Licensing

To:

Dear , that's really helpful thank you.

On Wed, 22 Apr 2026 at 15:45, wrote:

Dear

Thank you for your email. No appeal was submitted in respect of this decision. Sorry I am unable to help you with your other queries. You may wish to seek independent legal advice.

Regards

Legal Services Manager and Deputy Monitoring Officer

Spelthorne Borough Council

From: Legal

Sent: 20 April 2026 11:01

To:

Subject: FW: Enquiry regarding Golden Slots Decision and Precedents for AGC Licensing

Hi

Below email from (Green Party Candidate for Kilburn). Licencing have responded to say Legal can answer the below questions.

Kind Regards

From:

Sent: 20 April 2026 10:20

To:

Cc:

Subject: RE: Enquiry regarding Golden Slots Decision and Precedents for AGC Licensing

Hello

Thanks for your email.

I see you have sent this to our legal team, so I will leave them to reply to you as I cannot answer most of these questions.

Thanks

Principal Licensing Officer

Environmental Health and Licensing

From:

Sent: 19 April 2026 09:08

To: Licensing

Cc:

Subject: Enquiry regarding Golden Slots Decision and Precedents for AGC Licensing

Dear Spelthorne Licensing and Legal Teams,

I am writing to you as the Green Party candidate for the Kilburn ward in Brent. Having studied your recent refusal of the licensing application for Golden Slots, I would like to commend your committee on their robust approach to protecting community welfare.

We are currently challenging an application for an Adult Gaming Centre (AGC) at [1 Walm Lane](#) in Willesden Green in Brent.

Direct Link to Golden Slots

Our research indicates that the individual behind the [1 Walm Lane](#) application (Arcadia Casino Limited) is Harpreet Chatha, who is the same Director and person with significant control behind Golden Slots Southern Limited. Given this direct connection,

your decision and any subsequent legal proceedings are highly relevant to our local efforts.

As you may be aware, Golden Slots already have a premises in Cricklewood. It feels as though they are targeting our community. They describe Willesden Green as gentrified in their application but this is far from the reality experienced by our residents. Rents have risen in branch by 27% in the past three years, food banks are opening on every street corner and HMOs are on the rise. Our children and vulnerable members of our community are suffering following 20 years of our starchy cuts.

I am reaching out to your legal team specifically regarding the financial and procedural aspects of defending such a refusal, should it be challenged at the Magistrates' Court:

1. Appeals Status: Has the refusal decision been appealed to the Magistrates' Court, and if so, what is the current status of that appeal?
2. Wider Challenges: Are you aware of any other local authorities using your decision as a basis for their own AGC refusals?
3. Cost Recovery: If a refusal decision is appealed to the Magistrates' Court and the Council defends it, is it your experience that the legal costs are recoverable from the licensee/applicant?
4. Cost Estimates: Do you have any internal reports or estimates on the typical costs associated with defending an AGC refusal at the Magistrates' Court? This will help us manage expectations with our own local authority.
5. District Judge Precedents: Are you aware of any other recent cases where a District Judge has explicitly endorsed a Council's right to refuse an AGC based on the vulnerability of the local population?

Thank you for your time and expertise. Your guidance will be instrumental in helping us protect the residents of Brent from predatory developments.

Yours sincerely,

Green Party Candidate for Kilburn