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Police representation to the application to vary the Premises Licence for 'Honeypot Public House' Honeypot Lane, HA7 1EF

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.

I am 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 **I would** withdraw my representation.

Officer: Nicola McDonald

PC 157QK Licensing Constable

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 primarily concerned with crime and disorder.

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

Drinking Up Time

The application does not allow for a drinking up time, customers can be supplied alcohol at 0155 hours and required to leave the premises as they close to the public five minutes later. This would be irresponsible and unworkable.

Police suggest supply of alcohol cease at 0030 hours and close to the public at 0100 hours Sunday to Thursday and supply of alcohol cease at 0130 hours and premises close to the public at 0200 hours on Friday and Saturdays.

Personal Licence Holder

The sale of alcohol to drunken people and children is a major cause of concern to police and highlighted in the Governments Alcohol Harm Reduction Strategy. Those who sell alcohol should be fully aware of the legislation and issues around alcohol and should be fully trained to a national standard.

Open Containers & Areas for Consumption of Alcohol

Customers will not be permitted to take open containers outside the premises, as defined in the plan submitted with the operating schedule and approved by Responsible Authorities. The consumption of alcohol will be restricted to those parts of the premises identified on the plan submitted with the operating schedule and approved by the licensing authority.

Closed Circuit Television (CCTV)

Good quality CCTV is essential as a deterrent for the prevention of crime and the detection of offenders. It allows for both covert and overt monitoring of the premises. With proper signage, this reassures both staff and clientele, that this is a safe environment where illegal activities are not tolerated.

Closed circuit television cameras and recorders of an agreed image standard will be installed at locations on the premises and in accordance with advice from the Police.

All cameras and recording equipment will be installed and maintained in accordance with Home Office Guidance and the manufacturers instructions and will be fully operational when the premises are open to the public.

Notices shall be displayed at the entrance to the premises, and in prominent positions throughout the premises, advising that CCTV is in operation.

Capacity Limit for Premises

Proper control of the numbers of people in the premises is essential to prevent overcrowding and the risk of disorder. It is impossible to conduct any meaningful risk assessment, without knowing the maximum number of people that may be safely accommodated at any one time. There must also be adequate facilities to monitor and control the number of people present The capacity limit will be set by Officers from the Local Authority.

Operating Hours to be displayed on Premises

A notice displaying the opening hours, the type of licensing activity and licence conditions should be clearly displayed and visible to anyone <u>outside</u> the premises. This may be incorporated in the summary of the licence, which must be displayed, or take the form of a separate item.

Likewise the name of the Designated Premises Supervisor (D.P.S.) if required should be similarly displayed.

This will allow the Police and other responsible authorities to readily identify the licence details. Clearly displayed opening hours will also reduce any confusion for customers prior to entering the premises and possible conflict when the premises close/stop selling alcohol. A Summary of the Premises Licence will be displayed at the public entrance to the premises.

The Conditions Police require to be removed from the current premises licence are Numbers 9, 3, 6 and 7.

The conditions that Police require to be added to the Premises Licence are listed below:

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.

CCTV cameras shall be installed to cover the public entrances of the premises and external areas.

Door supervisors shall wear clothing that can be clearly and easily identified on CCTV.

Customers will not take open drink containers outside the premises as defined on the plan submitted to and approved by the Licensing Authority.

Customers carrying open or sealed bottles or glasses shall not be admitted to the premises.

A "Challenge 21" policy shall be adopted and adhered to.

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

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) all crimes reported to the venue
- (b) all ejections of patrons
- (c) any complaints received
- (d) any incidents of disorder
- (e) all seizures of drugs or offensive weapons
- (f) any faults in the CCTV system or searching equipment or scanning equipment
- (g) any refusal of the sale of alcohol
- (h) any visit by a relevant authority or emergency service.

No alcohol shall be available for any customer when the premises are open primarily for use by persons under the age of 18.

The outside drinking areas shall cease at 2300 hours.

No children shall be permitted on the premises after 2100 hours

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

Yours Sincerely

Nicola McDonald PC157QK Licensing Constable Brent Police