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Dear responsible authorities,

Thank you for all of your correspondence, there is a great deal of information and I am currently in the process of finalising legal representation for the hearing.

For the avoidance of doubt, we have always been committed to implementing new measures and improving procedures at the premises. To this end, we offered to submit a minor variation application in September 2016. This offer was not accepted, and this correspondence seems to be missing from both Police and Council officer evidence. I have reviewed all of our procedures and have decided to appoint my manger Stephan O'Neil as the designated premises supervisor; this application will be submitted within the next few days.

I will send a copy of the proposed additional conditions that I am happy to accept and which will be/ have already been fully implemented by the end of tomorrow. We have always been very clear that any further restriction of the licensing hours would result in the business closing for good, as you can see from the goodwill and support that the premises has received, this would be a deeply unpopular outcome. We also feel that with the new security, additional external cameras and training, that any amendment to the entry condition is an unnecessary burden on the business that would also result in our closure.

To be clear all staff at the Good Ship take the licensing objectives very seriously and we agree that we had to up our performance after a testing year. I have acknowledged that improvements needed to be made and I have implemented them. I have always been very open and honest with officers and voluntarily provided a restriction of my terminal hours at weekends. It is acknowledged by officers that the closing down of other local venues has pushed issues we had previously not experienced towards our premises. This has created a learning experience which I believe we are now fully dealing with.

In respect of the review, I am in receipt of your documents, but it would be good to know when the final one is sent so that we don't have to keep adjusting our response. I will be submitting a full statement including, new CCTV and a full copy of the new procedures for both door and bar staff, including training with my final submission.

John 07949 008253 all aboard...

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