

Heather Catering Ltd
Heather Park Hotel
Heather Park Drive
Wembley
Middx
HA0 1SN

17 January 2019

Licensing Representation to the Application for a new Premises Licence for Heather Park Hotel, Heather Park Drive, Wembley, Middx, HA0 1SN

I certify that I have considered the application shown above and I wish to make representations.

Officer: Susana Figueiredo – Licensing Inspector

An officer of the Licensing Authority, 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 Licensing Authority may make representations concerning any of the four licensing objectives below;

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

Futher clarity on current businesses required

Currently the application appears to be in the name of Heather Catering Ltd but there also appears to be another business, namely Khalifa Lounge Ltd within the same building.

It is not apparent how these two businesses will function side by side as the application does not make any comment on the second business being a part of the same building. There is neither any reference to what this other business entails

In order to make a decision on this application, I will require further clarification on the businesses located in the premises.

Timings

The area in which this premises is positioned is residential and of a large scale. A neighbouring premises on a much smaller scale that applied for a Premises licence with regulated entertainment until 02.30hrs was curtailed by the Licensing Committee on 25th June 2018. The timings for regulated entertainment and alcohol were reduced to 22.30hrs with a closing time of 23.00hrs. The Licensing Committee determined that this was necessary in order to uphold the Licensing objectives.

It is therefore recommended that the hours be curtailed to the following:-

The applicant has requested:-

Sunday-Thursday 08.00hrs-00.30hrs
Friday & Saturday 08.00hrs-03.00hrs

This should be amended to:-

Monday – Sunday 08.00hrs-22.30hrs

This would apply to all licensable activities below:-

Live Music

Recorded Music

Performance of Dance

Late Night Refreshment

Alcohol

Further there should be a 30 minute break from the point licensable activities terminate and customers leave the premises. Opening and closing times are therefore recommended as:-

Monday – Sunday 08.00hrs-23.00hrs

Plan

Basement – There is nothing labelled to state where the bar is, the plan will need to be amended to reflect what all of the rooms are in the basement area. It is impossible to make a decision on a plan that isn't labelled.

Ground Floor – The secondary business within the building, Khalifa Lounge is not labelled on the plan. The plan will need to be amended to reflect this.

Garden area – The garden should not be used as a result of the close proximity of residential properties. The plan should be amended to rectify this.

Other areas that should not appear licensed such as the 'bin store', 'office', 'kitchen', 'basement store' will need to be amended on the plan.

There is also a red line through the middle of the plan on the ground floor. It is not apparent what this line demonstrates. Further clarification is needed on this.

Exterior

The Licensing Team does not agree that any licensable activities should take place in the garden area due to close proximity of residential properties. This should be amended on the plan to reflect this.

Complaints

My understanding is that there has been a complaint surrounding various days when music was being played as far back as July 2018. These complaints were not verified by the noise team but an email exchange regarding this took place between the owner of Khalifa Lounge Ltd and the noise team.

Further, my colleague Esther Chan visited the premises with PC McDonald on Friday 14th December 2018 after which a further complaint regarding regulated entertainment being provided until the early hours of the morning was noted. This was not verified as the Licensing Team were not aware of the noise until after the fact but a warning letter was sent to the premises regarding this.

In order for the Licensing Team to make an informed decision, it will be necessary for you to clarify and confirm all of the above. Until such a time, the Licensing Team rejects the current application.

Yours sincerely,



Susana Figueiredo
Licensing Inspector
Planning, Transportation, Licensing