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**Police representations to Vary a Premises Licence application for 'Spice Klub' Basement 93-95 Ealing Road, Wembley, HA0 4BN.**

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

Officer: **Gary Norton**  
**Licensing Constable PC 2965NW**

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 premises licence under section 17 of the act.

The Police representations are concerned with all four of the licensing objectives.

A new premises licence was agreed in April 2019, following agreement with police over certain conditions being put in place to ensure adherence to upholding the licensing objectives. The area in which the premises operates is subject to a lot of anti-social behaviour and crime, which is often exacerbated by late night establishments offering alcohol. Extending licensable hours in the sale by retail of alcohol and regulated entertainment can often lead to increases in crime, anti-social behaviour, drunkenness and noise pollution. These problems aren't mutually exclusive to within the confines of such a venue, but also in the surrounding area as patrons leave the venue. Therefore, any efforts that have been made to limit noise emanating from the premises, whilst welcome, are not the only consideration.

The area is commonly busier during daylight hours, but becomes a lot quieter into the late evening after shops have shut, unlike Wembley High Road, which has a larger volume of traffic and footfall due to being on a main road thoroughfare (A404). Ealing Road has a high density of residential properties surrounding the premises concerned. This includes residents living directly above the entrance to the separate Spice Club premises which operate under separate premises licences for the ground and basement floors. There are concerns over the possibility of extending the licence as requested on the variation application.

The venue states it is a restaurant with banqueting facilities. Despite the use of the term "banqueting", it is the experience of the police licensing team that a lot of late night alcohol licensed premises attract one off, pop-up night club style events, that bring their own public safety issues that even diligent management would struggle to assess on face value alone

Therefore, Police would not support such a late night change of licensable hours. I have suggested a slight increase to the original hours of the existing licence.  
Brent Police Licensing suggest the following:

**Police request the previously agreed conditions attached to annex 2 of the premises licence (application reference: 15181) agreed on 14/04/2019 are included and adhered to on the new licence.**

**Police would request the licensable hours and closing times be amended, as set out below. This incorporates a cessation of licensable activities half an hour prior to closing time to assist with the dispersal of late night customers.**

**Live Music**

Sunday – Thursday 10.00hrs-00.00hrs

Friday – Saturday 10.00hrs-00.30hrs

**Recorded Music**

Sunday – Thursday 10.00hrs-00.00hrs

Friday – Saturday 10.00hrs-00.30hrs

**Performance of Dance**

Sunday – Thursday 10.00hrs-00.00hrs

Friday – Saturday 10.00hrs-00.30hrs

**Late Night Refreshment**

Sunday – Thursday 10.00hrs-00.00hrs

Friday – Saturday 10.00hrs-00.30hrs

**Supply of Alcohol**

Sunday – Thursday 10.00hrs-00.00hrs

Friday – Saturday 10.00hrs-00.30hrs

**Hours Premises are Open to the Public**

Sunday – Thursday 10.00hrs-00.30hrs

Friday – Saturday 10.00hrs-01.00hrs

If these police conditions and proposal were accepted in full, then I would withdraw representations.

Yours Sincerely,

**Gary Norton PC 2157NW**  
**Licensing Constable Brent Police**