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Notice of Hearing

Licensing Sub Committee (North)

Date: THURSDAY, 15 MARCH
2012

Time: 2.00 PM

Venue: COMMITTEE ROOM 4A -
CIVIC CENTRE, HIGH
STREET, UXBRIDGE UB8
1UW

**Meeting
Details:** Members of the Public and
Press are welcome to attend
this meeting

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Councillors on the Sub-Committee:

Andrew Retter (Chairman)
Lynne Allen
Bruce Baker
Judy Kelly
Carol Melvin

Important Information

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Tuesday 13 March 2012

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- 1) Whether you intend to attend or to be represented by someone at the hearing;
- 2) If you consider a hearing to be unnecessary and;
- 3) Whether to request that another person attends (other than your representative) as a witness

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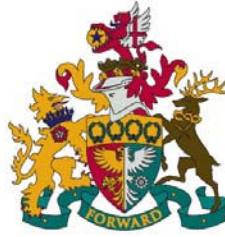
- 1 Apologies for Absence
- 2 Declarations of interest in matters coming before this meeting
- 3 To confirm that the items of business marked Part 1 will be considered in Public and items marked Part 2 will be considered in Private
- 4 Matters that have been notified in advance or urgent

PART 1 - Members, Public and Press

Application for a Sex Establishment Licence - Sexual Entertainment Venue

	Title of Report / Address of application	Ward	Page
5	The Olde Northwood Public House 142 Pinner Road Northwood Middlesex HA6 1BP	Northwood Hills	1 - 87

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Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982

Licensing Sub-Committee Hearing Protocol for determining New Sex Establishment licences

It is important that you carefully read these procedures before you attend a Licensing sub-committee hearing

1. On receiving the Notice of Hearing

What is the Notice of Hearing?

The Licensing Sub-committee hearing will normally be held within the period of 20 working days from when the consultation period ends. The Hillingdon Licensing Service will give appropriate notice of the hearing, which depends upon the type of application to be considered. Exact timings are attached in the Appendix (parts 2&3).

A Notice of the Hearing will be sent to all parties accompanied by:

- Date, time and location of the actual hearing and a procedural briefing to be held beforehand;
- This procedure, the report from the Council's Licensing Officer with relevant objections attached;
- Confirmation that a party may be assisted / represented by a person who does not have to be legally qualified;
- Confirmation that a party to the hearing may address the authority, give further information on a point on which the authority requires clarification and, if considered by the authority to be required, question another party to the hearing;
- The consequences of not attending or being represented at a hearing (which normally will be that the hearing will proceed in the party's absence); and
- A note of any particular points on which the Hillingdon Licensing Service wants clarification.

Contact Information:

To give notice or any queries relating to the hearing please contact:

Clerk to the Committee

Tel: 01895 277655

Email: democratic@hillingdon.gov.uk

Write to: Clerk to the Committee, Cabinet Office, 3E/05, Civic Centre, Uxbridge, UB8 1UW

What do I do when I receive the Notice of Hearing?

On receipt of the Notice of Hearing, all parties must inform the Clerk to the Committee – **normally no later than 2 working days before the hearing*** – whether they:

- Intend to attend or to be represented at the hearing;
- Consider a hearing to be unnecessary; and
- Wish to request that another person appear at the hearing (other than their representative) as a witness. If such a request is made, it should be accompanied by details of the name of that person and a full description of the points about which that person may be able to assist the hearing.

*In the Appendix (part 4), full details are given of the deadline by which you should give your notice. All objectors and applicants are also reminded of their right to have a legal representative at the hearing.

If a party does not notify the above to the Clerk to the Committee before the relevant deadline they will not be entitled to speaking rights at the hearing.

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU REPLY TO THE NOTICE

If I want to withdraw my objection - how do I do this?

Any party may withdraw their representations by contacting the Clerk to the Committee by phone, letter or email, providing they give notice no later than 24 hours before the hearing. If, during hearing, any party wishes to withdraw their objection they may do so orally by informing the Chairman.

What happens if I cannot attend the sub-committee hearing?

If you have made a representation and are unable to attend the sub-committee hearing, the sub-committee will only hear and consider any evidence and arguments put forward by or on behalf of the applicant and other parties present in relation to the written objections received. The sub-committee will take into account, in considering the importance to be attached to the objection that the objector was not available to be questioned about their statements.

Can you accommodate any special needs I may have?

Yes, if any person, who intends to be present at the hearing, has any special needs, (for example in connection with access, hearing, language or vision) this should be brought to the attention of the Clerk to the Committee prior to the hearing in order that appropriate provision may be made.

Can the date of the hearing be changed?

The hearing may be adjourned subject to agreement by all parties and subject to date availability.

2. Before the Hearing

You will have been notified of the date and time of the Licensing Sub-committee hearing. The hearings will normally take place at the Civic Centre, High Street, Uxbridge in one of the Committee Rooms.

How do I get to the Civic Centre?

Parking may be available via the entrance to the Civic Centre in the High Street by contacting the Clerk to the Committee in advance. Parking is also available in the nearby Chimes Shopping Centre Car Park. Bus routes 207, U1, U3, U4 and U7 all stop at the Civic Centre. Uxbridge underground station, with the Piccadilly and Metropolitan lines, is a short walk away.

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Will the hearing be in public?

There may be other members of the public and press that attend the hearing to observe the proceedings, but they will not be allowed to speak. At any hearing, the applicant may attend in person or, if the application or objection is made by an organisation or corporate body, a duly authorised representative may be present, who is able to speak on their behalf can do so.

The hearing will take place in public. However, in exceptional circumstances, when the sub-committee considers that it is in the public interest, it may exclude the public from all or any part of a hearing. Hearings will normally take place during the day.

I have some new evidence - may I present it?

The sub-committee **will not** normally allow the production of new written evidence not previously submitted as relevant objections by any party. In the case where the sub-committee does allow new evidence, all other parties must give their consent before it is heard.

If new material is permitted, the hearing may need to be adjourned to allow time to consider it and for other parties to respond to it. Accordingly, any application to have new material considered should demonstrate exceptional reasons for its admission. It is, therefore important for parties to ensure that all evidence is submitted in writing as soon as possible and in accordance with the relevant timescales.

Will I be briefed on procedure before the hearing?

Yes, in the notice of hearing, you will have been asked to attend a procedural briefing before the hearing starts. All parties will be asked to attend this briefing so that the Council's Licensing Officer or Legal Advisor can outline the procedures to be followed at the hearing.

What if there are a number of objectors present?

At the briefing, in the event of a large number of representations, the Licensing Officer or Legal Advisor will ask that a spokesman is agreed amongst those present who have similar representations.

Who are the people on the Licensing sub-committee?

Five elected councillors of the London Borough of Hillingdon sit on a Licensing sub-committee and it is only they who can determine the application. Its minimum membership is two. Councillors who sit on the sub-committees have been trained in the new Licensing regulations and have experience of determining applications of various kinds.

One of the Councillors will be the Chairman of the hearing and it will be he/she who will call interested parties and responsible authorities to speak and ensure time limits are adhered to as set out in the procedures.

Other people who will be present along with the Councillors include:

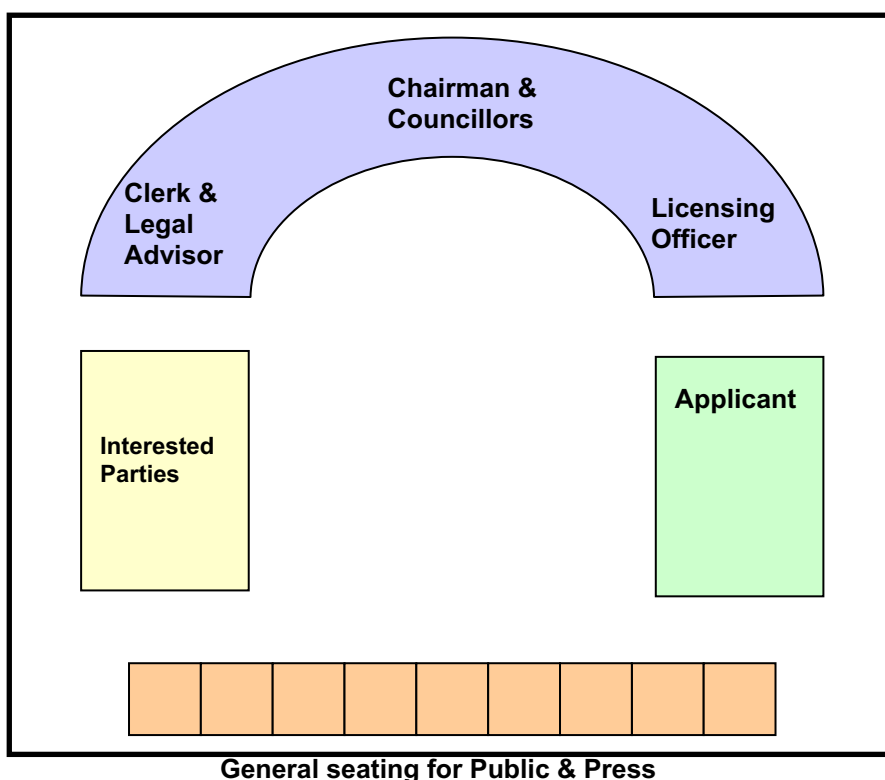
- The **Council's Licensing Officer** who will introduce the Officer report and outline his/her role.
- A **Legal Adviser** whose role is to assist the Committee with legal advice and to ensure that a fair and balanced hearing takes place.
- A **Clerk to the Committee** whose role is to summarise and record decisions on individual matters and to provide help and assistance to members of the public attending such meetings.

3. During the Hearing

The procedure at the sub-committee hearing will, in general, be based upon those used in a court of law. Although the strict rules of evidence will not apply, they will be observed to a great extent, because this is the best way of hearing the evidence from all parties. The hearing will take the form of a discussion led by the sub-committee councillors. The sub-committee will seek clarification on the issues from the parties as it considers appropriate.

Where shall I sit at the hearing?

Once you have attended the procedural briefing, you will be directed into the relevant Committee Room. The set up of the room for those involved will generally be as shown below:



In general, how will the hearing be conducted?

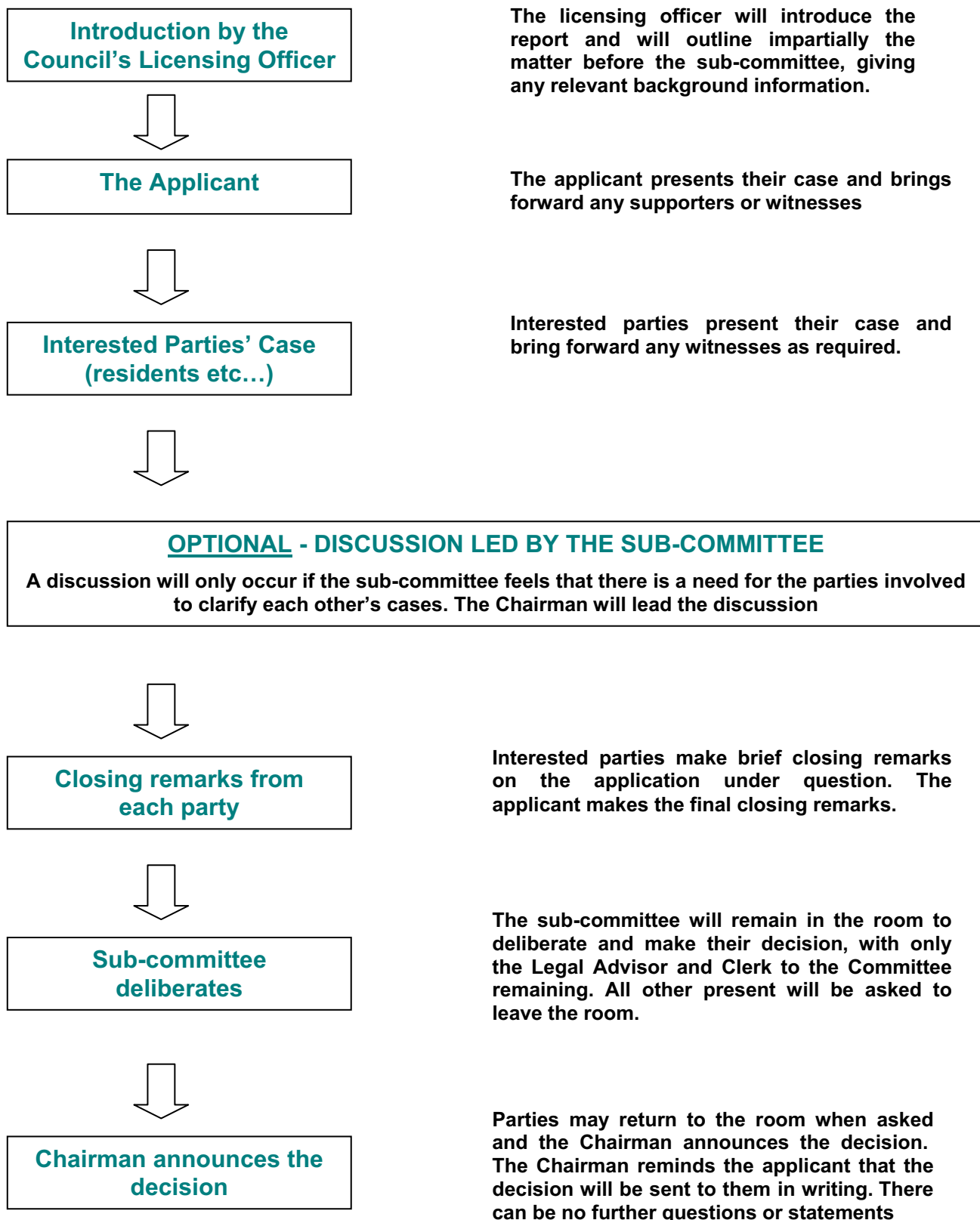
The procedure to be followed at the hearing will normally be as shown in the flow chart below, although all procedural matters will be subject to the discretion of the Chairman. All persons present will be requested to identify themselves and to give the reason for their presence. The sub-committee may consider any request from a party for another person to appear at the hearing as their representative.

It is important to note that cross-examination will not normally be permitted. Evidence, discussion and address must be relevant to the provisions and policies relating to Sex Establishment Licensing. Repetition should also be avoided. The sub-committee will seek to prevent irrelevant and repetitive matters.

If, during its deliberations, the sub-committee considers that it is necessary for any person present at the hearing to provide further information or clarification on a particular point the hearing may be reconvened to deal with that issue. The sub-committee can also ask for procedural, technical or legal matter from officers present at any time during the proceedings.

What is the order of proceedings?

The Chairman of the sub-committee will open the hearing by introducing the Councillors explaining the purpose of the proceedings and the general procedure. The Chairman will then check that there are no additions or alterations to the list of those appearing at the hearing, which will have been prepared in advance by the Clerk to the Committee and will then outline the procedure that will be followed for the remainder of the hearing. The procedure is as follows:



Can a Councillor sit on a sub-committee if the application is in their ward?

Councillors who sit on a sub-committee are advised to take steps to minimise their involvement in any application prior to its consideration by the sub-committee so that decisions are seen to be reached at the hearing impartially and with an open mind. Councillors should not appear to be acting both as an advocate on behalf of their residents and as an adjudicator on an application.

If a Councillor on the sub-committee has already taken a view on an application in advance of the hearing, they should not be present for the hearing of the application and should leave the meeting room for that item. They should also not visit any premises under consideration prior to the hearing. In any cases of doubt, the Councillor should not sit on the sub-committee for a particular application. In this instance, a substitute Councillor may need to be found from the main Licensing committee of the Council or the hearing may continue as long as two of the five Councillors are still present.

The agenda papers will show which ward each Councillor sits for and the reports from the Council's Licensing Officer will detail which ward the application is in.

Can an Elected Member make an objection and/or speak at a hearing?

If an Elected Member, who does not sit on the sub-committee, wishes to make a formal objection to an application they may only do so if they make a written objection within the consultation period. This is the same as would apply to an Interested Party and in the same way as any other member of the public using the procedures outlined in the Council's Sex Establishment Licensing Policy. If the Elected Member believes they have a personal or prejudicial interest in the application, they may still submit an objection.

Elected Members, who do not sit on the sub-committee, may also speak at a sub-committee hearing in support or against an application, for example on behalf of their constituents. They may also speak as an advocate or witness on behalf of the applicant or an Interested Party, even if they believe they have a personal or prejudicial interest. However, for the purposes of transparency, at the hearing, the Elected Member should disclose what their personal or prejudicial interest is and whether they have been in contact with the applicant, agent or Interested Party beforehand or have visited the premises concerned.

Elected Members making either a written relevant representation or wish to speak at a hearing should not communicate about the application before the hearing with any Councillors who sit on the sub-committee. This is so the sub-committee makes their decision with an open mind.

What power does the Chairman have to control the meeting?

The Chairman may require any person attending the hearing who is behaving in a disruptive manner to leave the hearing and may refuse to permit that person to return or may permit the person to return only on such conditions as he or she may specify.

How will the sub-committee make its final decision?

Once the sub-committee has heard from officers and the parties to the hearing and has had answers to its questions, the sub-committee will usually withdraw to make its decision on the application. The sub-committee must disregard any information given or evidence produced by a party or witness, which is not relevant to the application.

Members of the sub-committee have a duty to behave impartially, not to predetermine the issue and not to discuss matters with press or residents. In making its decision the sub-committee must state in respect of sex establishment licences why refusal or attachment of conditions is necessary, and in respect of all other applications the reasons why applications are refused or revoked, taking into account the evidence presented by all parties during the hearing.

4. After the Hearing

When will we get formal notice of the decision?

The Chairman will normally announce the Sub-committee's decision in public at the end of the hearing and the reasons for the sub-committee's decision. This decision will then be communicated in writing to the parties within 5 working days after the hearing.

The Council's Legal Advisor will send applicants a decision letter shortly after the meeting outlining the decision and any conditions that are attached to the application. In addition, a letter will be sent to all those who made relevant written representations in connection with the application. This will confirm the decision made; any conditions attached to an approval or the reasons for refusal. Details of the respective appeal rights will also be sent with this notice.

The minutes of the meeting will be made available on the Council's website at: www.hillingdon.gov.uk

Can we appeal against the decision?

An applicant for the grant of a licence whose application is refused the mandatory grounds, has the right of appeal to the Magistrates' Court within 21 days of receipt of a written notice of decision. However, if refusal was on the discretionary grounds of locality and use (please see discretionary grounds 3 and 5 below) then no right of appeal is available under this legislation.

A person whose application is refused due to the discretionary grounds may attempt to invoke a judicial review of the Council's use of its discretion in coming to a decision, if they believe they can show that the Council has, for example, acted improperly, unreasonably or irrationally, has not examined both sides of a case or has shown predetermination or bias.

Those making representations, objecting to or supporting an application, have no right of appeal under this piece of legislation.

How can I find out about other applications in my area?

Applicants for new premises licences and club premises certificates; applications for provisional statements and applications for variations of existing premises licences or club premises certificates must display a notice on the premises and advertise the application in a local newspaper.

All applications once they are lodged will be available for viewing on Hillingdon Council's website at www.hillingdon.gov.uk and in the Civic Centre Offices by appointment with the Licensing Service during working hours.

Grounds for refusing Sex Establishment Licences

The council after due consideration may decide to:

- a) Grant the Licence; or
- b) Refuse the Licence

Under the provisions in Schedule 3 of the Act, the licensing authority, may grant a licence on such terms and conditions and subject to such restrictions as it may specify.

The Council will also consider relevant representations from responsible authorities and/or interested parties.

The Council will consider each application on its merits in relation to the discretionary grounds for refusal. The Council wish to ensure that only applicants who are suitable will be granted licences and only in relation to suitable premises.

Mandatory grounds for refusal

Mandatory Refusal under the provisions in Schedule 3 of the Act, the Council must refuse a licence for the following reasons

- The applicant is under 18 years of age
- The applicant is for the time being disqualified due to the person having had a previous licence revoked in the area of London Borough of Hillingdon Council within the previous 12 months; or
- The applicant, other than a body corporate, who is not resident in an EEA state or was not so resident throughout the period of six months immediately preceding the date when the application was made; or
- The applicant is a body corporate which is not incorporated in an EEA state; or
- The applicant has, within a period of 12 months immediately preceding the date when the application was made, been refused the grant or renewal of a licence for the premises, vehicle, vessel or stall in respect of which the application is made, unless the refusal has been successfully appealed.

Discretionary grounds for refusal

Discretionary refusal under the provisions of the Council's Sex Establishment Licensing Policy:
– the Council may refuse to grant a licence on one or more of the following grounds:

1. that the applicant is unsuitable to hold the licence by reason of having been convicted of an offence or for any other reason;
2. that if the licence were to be granted the business to which it relates would be managed by or carried on for the benefit of a person, other than the applicant, who would be refused the grant of a licence if he made the application himself;
3. that the number of sex establishments in the relevant locality at the time the application is made is equal to or exceeds the number which the authority considers is appropriate for that locality;
4. Where the premises have not received the relevant planning permission
5. that the grant of the licence would be inappropriate, having regard to:
 - (i) the character of the locality where the premises are situated;
 - (ii) the use to which any premises in the vicinity are put;
 - (ii) the layout, character or condition of the premises in respect of which the application is made.

Agenda Item 5

APPLICATION FOR A SEX ESTABLISHMENT LICENCE – SEXUAL ENTERTAINMENT VENUE

Committee

Licensing Sub-Committee

Officer Contact

Stephanie Waterford

01895 277232

Papers with report

Appendix 1 – Application documents
Appendix 2 – Premises licence
Appendix 3 – Objections
Appendix 4 – Letter from Metropolitan Police
Appendix 5 – Standard Conditions for Sex Establishment Licences
Appendix 6 – Photographs of the exterior of the premises

Ward(s) affected

Northwood Hills

SUMMARY

To consider objections from residents and/or interested parties against the grant of an application for a Sex Establishment Licence to allow relevant entertainment at the premises known as The Olde Northwood Public House, 142 Pinner Road, Northwood, HA6 1BP

RECOMMENDATION

That the Licensing Sub-Committee determine the application.

Either;

- A) Grant the licence as applied for; or**
- B) Grant the licence with amended/additional conditions or amended times of operation; or**
- C) Refuse the application**

INFORMATION

Background

1. The Sex Establishment Provisions under the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 (as amended) were adopted by Hillingdon Council on 12th May 2011.
2. All premises offering 'relevant entertainment' had to make applications by 22nd December 2011 for a new sex establishment licence to authorise activities that were previously unregulated.

The Application

3. A Sex Establishment Licence application for the Olde Northwood Public House was applied for by Mr Steven Reg Pantling on 20th December 2011.
4. The application is for sexual entertainment including striptease, pole dancing and one to one personal dances.
5. The proposed timings of the entertainment are between 14.00 and 22.00 hours each day.
6. The applicant has explained the existing policies in regard to proof of age, protection and conduct of performers, security, crime & disorder and the external appearance of the premises.
7. The applicant has advertised the application in the local press and also by displaying a poster at the premises for a period of 21 days.
8. The applicant also sent a copy of the application to the Metropolitan Police Licensing Sergeant.

A copy of the application and Dancers Rules are attached to the report as **Appendix 1**.

The Premises

9. The premises is a traditional public house located on the corner of Pinner Road and High Street, Northwood. The applicant has traded at the premises providing adult entertainment venue since 2000.
10. The premises has the benefit of a premises licence under the Licensing Act 2003 which authorises alcohol sales and regulated entertainment.

A photo of the premises is attached to the report as **Appendix 6**.

A copy of the premises licence is attached to the report as **Appendix 2**.

Objections

11. The consultation period for making objections started on 19th December 2011 and finished on 16th January 2012.
12. During the consultation period, the Licensing Service received 19 individual letters of objection and 1 petition.
13. Copies of the objections and petition are attached to the report as **Appendix 3**.
14. The Metropolitan Police Service has not objected to the grant of a sex establishment licence but has recommended that the Dancers Rules be amended to introduce a 'no touch' rule. The applicant has agreed this suggestion and amended the rules.
15. A copy of the Metropolitan Police letter is attached as **Appendix 4**.

16.No objections have been received from the Ward Councillors.

Conditions

17.Any Sex Establishment Licence granted will be subject to the Councils standard conditions for Sexual Entertainment Venues.

18.A copy of these conditions is attached as **Appendix 5**.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Members should be aware that the Planning, Environment, Education and Community Services directorate does not have a budget provision for costs, should the applicant be successful in appealing to the Court(s) against a decision of the Council. In the event that a Court was to uphold an appeal, officers would need to identify how the costs would be funded before action could be taken in order to comply with Council financial policy.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Procedure and Determination

The powers of local authorities in determining licence applications in relation to sex establishments are found in Schedule 3 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 ('the Act') as amended.

This report indicates that the applicant has complied with the procedural requirements for advertising the applications and giving notification to the police.

The Act provides that before refusing to grant a licence, the local authority must give the applicant the opportunity of appearing before and being heard by a committee/sub-committee.

There is also discretion on the part of the committee as to whether or not they choose to hear from objectors at the hearing. All objections must be notified to the applicant before the application is considered by the Council.

As the Act gives local authorities wide discretion in how they conduct hearings, decisions with regards to procedure should take account of Hillingdon's Sex Establishment Licensing Policy. It is important that the hearing is conducted in a way that is procedurally fair.

Grounds for Refusal

The Act provides mandatory and discretionary grounds for refusal of a licence. If any of the mandatory grounds are shown, the local authority *must* refuse the application. If any of the discretionary grounds are shown, the local authority *may* refuse the application. If neither mandatory nor discretionary grounds are shown, the local authority must approve the application.

The **mandatory** grounds for refusal of an application are that the applicant:

1. is under the age of 18;
2. is disqualified from holding a sex establishment licence;
3. is an individual who has not been resident in an European Economic Area (EEA) state for six months immediately preceding the date of the application;
4. is a corporate entity that is not incorporated in an EEA state;
5. has in the 12 months immediately preceding the date of the application been refused the grant or renewal of a licence for the premises in respect of which the application is made (unless the refusal has been reversed on appeal).

The Council may also refuse to grant a licence on one or more of the **discretionary** grounds:

1. that the applicant is unsuitable to hold the licence by reason of having been convicted of an offence or for any other reason;
2. that if the licence were to be granted the business to which it relates would be managed by or carried on for the benefit of a person, other than the applicant, who would be refused the grant of a licence if he made the application himself;
3. that the number of sex establishments in the relevant locality at the time the application is made is equal to or exceeds the number which the authority considers is appropriate for that locality;
4. that the grant of the licence would be inappropriate, having regard to:
 - (i) the character of the locality where the premises are situated;
 - (ii) the use to which any premises in the vicinity are put;
 - (ii) the layout, character or condition of the premises in respect of which the application is made.

The local authority has a wide discretion within the above discretionary grounds, however there is a limitation in the fact that a licence cannot be refused purely on moral grounds (*R v Newcastle Upon Tyne City Council, ex p The Christian Institute [2001] LGR165*).

The factors mentioned in Hillingdon Council's Sex Establishment Licensing Policy are relevant in making a determination on the discretionary grounds and should be taken into account.

Where an applicant has been convicted of an offence, the mere presence of a conviction does not make an applicant unsuitable. The local authority must consider whether and why the particular conviction makes the applicant unsuitable. Then it must consider whether that unsuitability requires the use of its discretion to refuse the licence. The applicant must be given the opportunity to address any concerns that are raised in this regard.

There is a duty to give reasons to the applicant, through a written statement, where a licence is refused.

Conditions

The local authority has the option of granting the licence subject to conditions. Hillingdon has standard conditions for sex establishment licences, however the local authority has a wide discretion in attaching conditions, including the discretion to vary its own standard conditions to meet the individual requirements of the premises. Any conditions must be necessary, non-discriminatory and proportionate. In practice this means that conditions should be directed at attaining the objectives of public policy, public security, public health or the protection of the environment. Conditions should go no further than is necessary to achieve such objectives.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

The Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982

The Policing and Crime Act 2009

London Borough of Hillingdon Sex Establishment Licensing Policy

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20 DEC 2011

Application for a Sex Establishment Licence
Pursuant to Schedule 3 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982

Important Notes:

1. If you are completing this form by hand please write legibly in block capitals. In all cases ensure that your answers are inside the boxes and written in black ink. Use additional sheets if necessary.
2. You may wish to keep a copy of the completed form for your records

Section 1. – About the Applicant

1.A Please tick whether you are applying as;

- An individual (please complete 1.B below)
- A company or other corporate body (please complete 1.C below)
- A partnership or other unincorporated body (please complete 1.C below)

1.B Individual Applicants details;

Mr Mrs Miss Ms Other (e.g. Dr)

First Name/s STEVEN REG

Surname/s PANTLING

Date of Birth (D/M/Y) [REDACTED] Place of birth KINGSBURY, LONDON

Registered Address 142 PINNER ROAD

NORTHWOOD

Post Code HA6 1BP

Contact number 01923 840862 email theddenorthwood@hotmail.co.uk

1.C Other applicants details (e.g. company, corporate body, partnership etc);

Name N/A

Registered Address

Post Code

Registered Number (where applicable)

Contact number email

Description of applicant (e.g. company, corporate body, partnership etc);
.....

Date of incorporation of the company;

Please give full details of shareholders holding 5% or more of the issued share capital of the company;

Name/s;	Address/es;	Sharehold %
.....
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Is the whole of the business owned by the applicant?

Yes

No

1.D Applicants interest in the premises;

Please tick the applicants interest in the premises

Freehold

Leasehold (please attach details of the lease to this application)

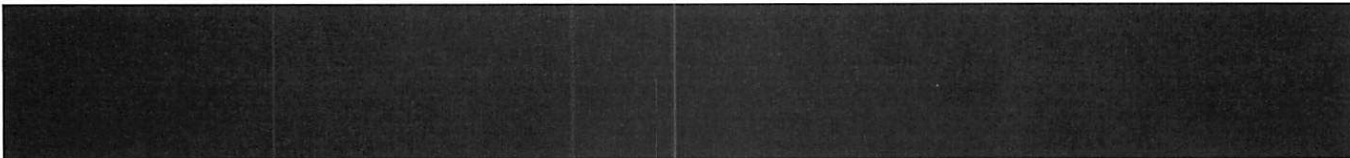
1.E Other Sex Establishments operated by the applicant;

Please give details of any other sex establishments operated/owned/managed by the applicant (continue on a separate sheet if necessary);

NONE

1.F Individual Applicants criminal history;

Please give details, including the date, of any convictions that may be relevant to this application. Please be advised that the Council may consult with the Metropolitan Police Service in respect of the suitability of the applicant.



Section 2. – Premises details

2.A Address/location of premises;

Trading Name of premises THE OLDE NORTHWOOD

Address 142 PINNER ROAD

NORTHWOOD

Post Code HA6 1BP

Contact number at premises 01923 840862

2.B Please tick the type of premises that you are proposing to licence;

- Premises
- Vehicle
- Vessel
- Stall

Where the application relates to a vehicle/vessel/stall, please give full details of the location or area (enclose a map where necessary);

2.C Please tick the type of Sex Establishment you are proposing to licence;

- Sex Shop (complete Section 3)
- Sex Cinema (complete Section 4)
- Sexual Entertainment Venue (complete Section 5)

2.D Hours of trade;

Please give the times during which the premises will be open to the public;

Monday 2 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Tuesday 2 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Wednesday 2 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Thursday 2 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Friday 2 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Saturday 2 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Sunday 2 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Section 3. – Sex Shop

3.A About the licensed area;

Please describe the area of the premises to be licensed (e.g. first floor show room etc);

N/A

3.B Articles for sale;

Please describe the articles to be offered for sale

N/A

Section 4. – Sex Cinema

4.A About the licensed area;

Please describe the area of the premises to be licensed (e.g. screen 2 etc);

N/A

Section 5. – Sexual Entertainment Venue

5.A About the licensed area;

Please describe the area of the premises to be licensed (e.g. rear function room etc);

~~Public Bar~~ LOUNGE BAR

5.B Types of performance;

Please give details of the type of entertainment proposed (e.g. Striptease, pole-dancing etc)

Striptease, Pole dancing, One to one personal dance

5.C Performance areas;

Please give information of any raised staging, pole platforms, private dance areas etc.

Pole in centre of dance area with raised podium
3 sofas in one area for personal dance, in full view of bar

5.D. Premises Licences under the Licensing Act 2003;

Does the premises have the benefit of a premises licence? If so, please give details of the premises licence number and the current Designated Premises Supervisor (DPS).

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STEVEN REG PANTLING

5.E Performers

Please state the measures proposed by the licence holder to protect performers/ensure their welfare, and include details of any house rules for performers conduct. Please also include details of changing/private areas for performers to which the public will not be admitted (please attach full details to this application);

Managers staff constantly aware of customers in bar - CCTV on main dance area and personal area. No touch rule strongly enforced by all staff. House rules attached. Performers change in ladies cloak room, which is kept locked when vacant. Male customers no entry to corridors leading to cloaks.

Section 6. Management of the Premises and operational plan

6.A Manager

Please state the name of the person who will be responsible for the day to day management of the business;

MRS CHRISTINE PANTLING

6.B Deputy

Please give the name of the person who will deputise for the Manager;

MR STEVEN PANTLING

6.C Restriction of admissions

Please explain what age restrictions/proof of age policies are proposed in respect of admission to the premises and how these are to be enforced (you may attach any proof of age policies to this application);

We have operated Challenge 21 for at least 5 years. Notices on both entrances. Anyone who appears to be under 25 is asked for I.D. Strictly enforced by all staff. No I.D. no entry. Even for groups if 1 person has no I.D. all refused.

6.D Security, Crime & Disorder

Please explain any proposals for security and the prevention of crime and/or disorder at the premises e.g. Door Supervisors, CCTV etc.

We have had exotic dancers at these premises since 2000. We have full CCTV coverage which has always been made available to the police (usually for events outside the premises and outside of our trading hours).

6.E What advertisements, signs or displays are to be exhibited outside the premises?

Please provide as much detail as possible including size, nature and content (attach images if available);

Front of building has artwork on emergency exit, large board outside rear entrance (not visible to public on road). All signage has been in line with council's rules of management for consent to striptease over previous years.

6.F Please describe how you plan to prevent the licensed area being viewed by passers-by, including window displays;

2 windows have been blocked by internal mirrors, 2 high windows + door window have venetian blinds, 2 main windows have heavy curtains which are closed + pressed together prior to shows. Not opened before 10 p.m. Curtain between bars

Section 7. Declaration

7.A Checklist


Please tick;

- I have enclosed Photo ID, or a certified copy (*Passport, Driving Licence etc*)
- I have enclosed proof that the applicant has the legal right to occupy the premises
- I have enclosed a full scale plan of the premises
- I have enclosed a location plan (*in respect of vehicles, vessels and stalls*)
- I have enclosed management policies, including proof of age, performers house rules etc.
- I have enclosed the licence fee £2300
- I understand that I must send a copy of my application and its enclosures to the Metropolitan Police Service
- I understand that the Councils standard conditions will be attached to my licence if granted
- I understand that I must now advertise my application
- I understand that if I do not comply with the above requirements, my application will be rejected

IT IS AN OFFENCE, LIABLE ON CONVICTION TO A FINE NOT EXCEEDING £20,000, FOR ANY PERSON TO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT WHICH HE KNOWS TO BE FALSE IN ANY MATERIAL RESPECT, OR WHICH HE DOES NOT BELIEVE TO BE TRUE IN CONNECTION WITH AN APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT, VARIATION, RENEWAL OR TRANSFER OF A SEX ESTABLISHMENT LICENCE.

Applicant 2

I STEVEN REG PANTLINS (insert name) declare that the information given in this application is true and complete in every respect.

Signature;  Date; 19.12.11

Position/capacity in signing PROPRIETOR/D.P.S

Applicant 2 (if necessary);

I (insert name) declare that the information given in this application is true and complete in every respect.

Signature; Date;

Position/capacity in signing

Please send your application and its enclosures to;

**The Licensing Service
London Borough of Hillingdon
Civic Centre
High Street
Uxbridge
UB8 1UW**

A copy will also need to be sent to;

**The Licensing Sergeant
Metropolitan Police Service
Northwood Police Station
2 Murray Road
Northwood
HA6 2YW**

THE OLDE NORTHWOOD

DANCER RULES (AMENDED 01/01/2012)

1. KEEP SHARP FOOT WARE OFF FURNITURE.
2. A BREAK OF 6 MINUTES BEFORE NEXT COLLECTION.
3. PLEASE ACCEPT A DRINK IF OFFERED – EVEN WATER
4. CUSTOMERS MUST NOT TOUCH YOU – MINIMUM FINE £20
5. CASH UP EVERY HOUR, ON THE HOUR.
6. DO NOT BRING ANY FOOD OR DRINK PURCHASED ELSEWHERE TO PUB
7. DO NOT USE ANY MAKE UP IN BAR AREA – PLEASE KEEP TOILETS CLEAN
8. DO NOT INVOLVE CUSTOMERS IN ANY PROBLEMS – SPEAK TO MANAGER
9. MINIMUM DONATION IS £1.
10. IN THE EVENT OF FIRE/ALARM LEAVE PREMISES IMMEDIATELY
11. KEEP BODY COVERED WHEN LEAVING BAR AREA
12. LIMITED LIABILITY FOR PROPERTY AND INJURIES
13. SIGN IN WITH REAL SIGNATURE - NOT DANCER NAME.
- 14. NO CONTACT IS ALLOWED BETWEEN DANCER AND CUSTOMER. DO NOT SIT ON CUSTOMER OR ALLOW THEM TO TOUCH YOU.**
15. PERSONAL DANCE. ONE ON ONE ONLY WHEN A STAGE SHOW IS ON. TAKE £10 FEE PRIOR TO DANCE. IF CUSTOMER PROBLEM WE WILL TERMINATE DANCE.
16. VARY THE MUSIC. DO NOT USE THE SAME TUNES
17. WRITE YOUR PERSONAL CONTACT PHONE NUMBER AND NAME IN BACK OF BOOK.
18. DO NOT USE MOBILE PHONES IN THE BAR.
19. THIS IS AN ENGLISH SPEAKING BAR - PLEASE SPEAK ENGLISH. EXCESSIVE USE OF FOREIGN LANGUAGE AND YOU WILL NOT WORK HERE AGAIN.
20. MINDERS – BOYFRIENDS – HUSBANDS – LOVERS – PROTECTORS ETC. ARE NOT WELCOME HERE... PLEASE LEAVE THEM OUTSIDE.
- 21. YOU ARE NOT ALLOWED TO EXCHANGE PHONE NUMBERS WITH CUSTOMERS. IF A CUSTOMER HANDS YOU THEIR PHONE NUMBER OR BUSINESS CARD PLEASE HAND IT TO A MEMBER OF STAFF AT THE END OF YOUR SHIFT.**




PREMISES LICENCE

Ref: LBH 030/LE

Premises Licence Number: LBHIL 140/05

This Premises Licence has been issued by Norman C Stanley on behalf of the Licensing Authority, London Borough of Hillingdon, Civic Centre, High Street, Uxbridge, UB8 1UW

Signature:  Date: 6 August 2010

Part 1 – Premises Details

Postal Address of Premises or, if none, Ordnance Survey map reference or description -	
The Olde Northwood 142 Pinner Road	
Post Town - Northwood	Postcode - HA6 1BP
Telephone number – 01923 840862	

Where the licence is time limited, the dates -
N/a

Licensable activities authorised by the licence –
(a) the sale by retail of alcohol
(b) the provision of regulated entertainment being:-
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • performance of live music • playing recorded music • performance of dance and • entertainment of a similar description
(c) the provision of facilities for making music, dancing

The times the licence authorises the carrying out of licensable activities –

The sale by retail of alcohol

On weekdays, other than Christmas Day, Good Friday or New Year's Eve, between 10.00 and 23.00 hours.

On Sundays, other than Christmas Day or New Year's Eve, between 12.00 and 22.30 hours.

On Good Friday, between 12.00 and 22.30 hours.

On Christmas Day, from 12.00 to 15.00 and 19.00 to 22.30 hours.

From the start of licensed hours on New Year's Eve to the start of licensed hours on New Year's Day

The provision of regulated entertainment as detailed above

On Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays, between the hours of 09.00 hours and 23.00 hours

On Sundays between the hours of 09.00 hours and 22.30 hours

The provision of recorded music is not time restricted

The provision of entertainment facilities for making music and/or, dancing and entertainment of a similar description is not time limited for the purpose of private functions.

The opening hours of the premises -

Not restricted

Where the licence authorises supplies of alcohol whether these are on and/or off supplies -

ON AND OFF SUPPLIES

Part 2

Name, (registered) address, telephone number and e-mail (where relevant) of holder of Premises Licence -

Steven Reg Pantling

142 Pinner Road

Northwood

HAS 6 1BP

Registered number of holder, for example company number, charity number (where applicable) -

N/a

Name, address and telephone number of designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises the supply of alcohol –

Steven Pantling
142 Pinner Road
Northwood
HAS 6 1BP

01923 840862

Personal Licence number and issuing authority of personal licence held by designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises for the supply of alcohol –

London Borough of Hillingdon - LBHIL 0283

Annex 1 – Mandatory Conditions

Alcohol

1. No sale/supply of alcohol shall be made when there is no Designated Premises Supervisor in respect of the premises licence
2. No sale/supply of alcohol shall be made when the Designated Premises Supervisor does not hold a Personal Licence or when his/her Personal Licence is suspended
3. Every sale/supply of alcohol under the premises licence shall be made, or authorised, by a person who holds a Personal Licence

Applicable from 6th April 2010

1. (1) The responsible person shall take all reasonable steps to ensure that staff on relevant premises do not carry out, arrange or participate in any irresponsible promotions in relation to the premises.

(2) In this paragraph, an irresponsible promotion means any one or more of the following activities, or substantially similar activities, carried on for the purpose of encouraging the sale or supply of alcohol for consumption on the premises in a manner which carries a significant risk of leading or contributing to crime and disorder, prejudice to public safety, public nuisance, or harm to children–

(a) games or other activities which require or encourage, or are designed to require or encourage, individuals to –

- (i) drink a quantity of alcohol within a time limit (other than to drink alcohol sold or supplied on the premises before the cessation of the period in which the responsible person is authorised to sell or supply alcohol), or
- (ii) drink as much alcohol as possible (whether within a time limit or otherwise);

(b) provision of unlimited or unspecified quantities of alcohol free or for a fixed or discounted fee to the public or to a group defined by a particular characteristic (other than any promotion or discount available to an individual in respect of alcohol for consumption at a table meal, as defined in section 159 of the Act);

(c) provision of free or discounted alcohol or any other thing as a prize to encourage or reward the purchase and consumption of alcohol over a period of 24 hours or less;

(d) provision of free or discounted alcohol in relation to the viewing on the premises of a sporting event, where that provision is dependent on –

- (i) the outcome of a race, competition or other event or process, or
- (ii) the likelihood of anything occurring or not occurring;

(e) selling or supplying alcohol in association with promotional posters or flyers on, or in the vicinity of, the premises which can reasonably be considered to condone, encourage or glamorise anti-social behaviour or to refer to the effects of drunkenness in any favourable manner.

2. The responsible person shall ensure that no alcohol is dispensed directly by one person into the mouth of another (other than where that other person is unable to drink without assistance by reason of a disability).
3. The responsible person shall ensure that free tap water is provided on request to customers where it is reasonably available.

Applicable from 1st October 2010

4. (1) The premises licence holder or club premises certificate holder shall ensure that an age verification policy applies to the premises in relation to the sale or supply of alcohol.

(2) The policy must require individuals who appear to the responsible person to be under 18 years of age (or such older age as may be specified in the policy) to produce on request, before being served alcohol, identification bearing their photograph, date of birth and a holographic mark.

5. The responsible person shall ensure that –

(a) where any of the following alcoholic drinks is sold or supplied for consumption on the premises (other than alcoholic drinks sold or supplied having been made up in advance ready for sale or supply in a securely closed container) it is available to customers in the following measures –

- (i) beer or cider: ½ pint;
- (ii) gin, rum, vodka or whisky: 25 ml or 35 ml; and
- (iii) still wine in a glass: 125 ml; and

(b) customers are made aware of the availability of these measures⁴ of that Act.

Annex 2– Conditions consistent with the operating Schedule

General

1. The Licence Holder shall ensure that the following licence conditions are fully complied with.
2. The council's Rules of Management annexed hereto shall be fully complied with.

Public Safety

3. The number of persons accommodated within the public bar at any one time shall not exceed 50.

Protection of Children from harm

4. Performances of striptease shall take place only in designated areas approved by the Council.
5. The curtains located across the windows of the public bar shall be drawn together at all times the performance area is in use for the purpose of 'strip-tease'.
6. The entertainment shall be given by the artistes only and under no circumstances shall any member of the audience be permitted to participate in the performance.
7. Except with the consent of the Council there shall be no external advertising of the 'strip-tease', either at the premises or in the immediate vicinity. However, the licensee must ensure that immediately within the entrance to the premises the nature of the entertainment offered is made very clear to any visitor so that they may choose to leave without being exposed to the performance if they so wish.
8. Signs with a maximum letter size of 125mm reading 'EXOTIC DANCING TAKING PLACE WITHIN - NO PERSONS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE ALLOWED' shall be displayed in conspicuous positions in the following locations:-
 - a) On each of the entrance doors which lead into the bar where exotic dancing takes place
 - b) On each side of the external gate which is located across the rear entrance/exit route from the rear car park
9. The performers shall be suitably dressed when they are passing to and from the designated performance area to the dressing rooms.
10. The licence holder or DPS shall exercise continual vigilance to ensure that no soliciting or prostitution takes places on the premises.
11. The licence holder or DPS shall exercise continual vigilance to ensure that no lewd or obscene behaviour is allowed on the premises.
12. The licence holder shall ensure that the Duty Manager is made fully aware of the conditions of this consent.
13. The premises shall not be used for 'strip-tease if so advised, in writing, by the Council

Annex 3 – Conditions attached after a hearing by the licensing authority

N/a

Annex 4 – Plans

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Licensing Service reg no 155/05

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APPENDIX 3

10/01/2012

Stephanie Waterford
License Service Manager
Licensing Service
Planning, Environment and Education and Community Services
London Borough Of Hillingdon
Civic Centre, High Street
Uxbridge, Middlesex
UB8 1UW

RE: Objection to the current application for a Sex Establishment License by Mr. S. Pantling, The Olde Northwood Public House, 142 Pinner Road, Northwood, Middlesex, HA6 1BP.

Dear Stephanie,

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- The character of the relevant locality
- The use of the other premises in the vicinity

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- Purely or primarily residential accommodation

- Schools, play areas, youth clubs, children's centres and similar
- Access routes to and from Schools, play areas, youth clubs, children's centres and similar
- Places of worship
- Community facilities or public buildings including but not limited to leisure parks, community clubs/centres and sheltered housing

Character of the relevant locality

The HBC SEL policy provides that a SEL shall be considered with respect to the character of the relevant locality.

The Olde Northwood is situated at the end of a parade of shops on the historic Northwood High Street. The area is also densely populated with families, elderly residents, etc., and other local public amenities as outlined later in this letter. Therefore a SEV is not in keeping with the character and atmosphere of the community and is completely inappropriate.

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The location of a bus stop in the immediate vicinity of the applicant's premises directly exposes residents and commuters to the harms and disturbance associated with the sex industry (especially verbal, physical and sexual assaults).

The bus stop is operated by Transport for London and is situated directly outside the rear entrance of the premises and is used well into the night at times when the club is in operation.

It is unacceptable that people (especially women, the vulnerable and minors) who wish to use the bus service are forced to wait outside a strip club and are faced with the threat of the "patrons" who pass by on a regular basis and are invariably under a state of intoxication and arguably sexual excitement. Indeed, in the case of *Vimac Leisure and Durham City Council* the factor of local transport hubs was cited as a legitimate ground for the refusal of a premises licence with attached adult entertainment provisions given the high numbers of minors congregating in the region of a local bus and railway station.

Close proximity to:

Purely or primarily residential accommodation

"The Olde Northwood" position at 142 Pinner Road is located in very close proximity to:

Residential accommodation on Pinner Road, The High Street, Hallowell Road, Hilliard Road, Chestnut Avenue, etc., which are adjacent to the front, side and

rear of the applicant's premises, both in the form of multiple existing family homes and new housing currently near completion.

It is clear that a strip club sited in close proximity to a residential area is neither acceptable nor appropriate. Even Peter Stringfellow, the owner of several world famous lap dancing clubs, says that 'lap-dancing clubs should not be near any residential areas; it's as simple as that.'¹

Such reasons reflect concerns raised by key stakeholders in consultations that led to the subsequent reform of licensing law governing the sex industry vis-à-vis strip clubs.

Schools, play areas, youth clubs, children's centres and similar

The applicant's premises is sited close by to a concentration of local premises dedicated to the care of infants, including Woodlodge Montessori School, 97 Hilliard Road, Hallowell Playschool, 54 Hallowell Road and mums and toddlers at Emmanuel Church, High Street.

Northwood Youth Club is also located at 54 Hallowell Road. Emmanuel Church has a variety of youth groups during the week e.g. Glofridays (7-11yrs at 18:00-20:15).

In nearby Chestnut Avenue there is Northwood Park where there are many children's facilities including a children's play area, basketball court, tennis courts, football and cricket pitches, etc. Furthermore, LA Fitness at 22 Chestnut Avenue provides children's swimming lessons.

Children, young people, parents and staff ought to be entitled to a community environment that is not situated in close proximity to the sex industry.

Access routes to Schools, play areas, youth clubs, children's centres and similar

The applicant's premises are also on the access route to several local Schools, e.g. Hillside Infant and Junior School, Northwood Way and Northwood Secondary School on Potter Street.

For the same reason as above, children, young people, parents and staff ought to be entitled to a community environment that is not situated in close proximity to the sex industry. My own daughter and her friends (aged 12 and 13) regularly walk to and from Haydon Academy past this establishment .

Places of worship

The applicant's premises are in close proximity to Emmanuel Church on the High Street. The church is not only a substantially sized venue for regular

¹ Metro website, *Strip*.

worship, but also hosts many weekly social events e.g. Third Age (retired) bible study (Mondays 14:00-15:30), Wednesday Fellowship (14:15-16:00), and Mother's Union meetings (fortnightly on Tuesdays at 14:00). Many of the events held are for the benefit of local women and the elderly.

A strip club within close range of an important religious and social site for members of the local Christian and wider local community is highly inappropriate and arguably offensive.

The applicant is also situated a short distance from St. Matthew's Church and St. John's United Reformed Church on Hallowell Road (which also hold weekly mums and toddlers groups).

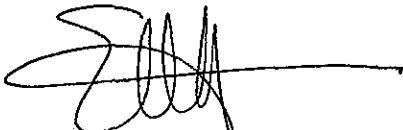

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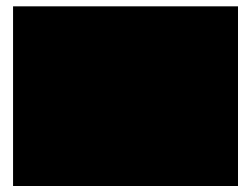
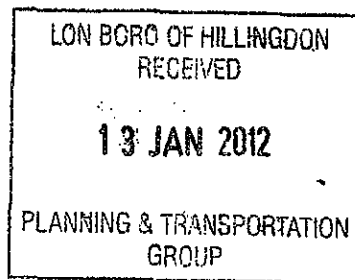
Situated immediately opposite The Olde Northwood is James Court a sheltered housing complex which contains 32 one bedroom flats and 1 two person flat, 15 Bedsits and 5 self-contained flats for people with disabilities.

As previously stated, the residents and staff ought to be entitled to a community environment that is not situated in close proximity to the sex industry.

Please would you let me know when the public hearing will take place. Many thanks.

Yours sincerely,



January 2012

To the License Service Manager, Stephanie Waterford

Dear Stephanie

Re : Application for Sex Establishment License, 'The Olde Northwood', 142 Pinner Road, Northwood, HA6 1BP

I am writing to ask the Hillingdon License Service to turn down the above application on the basis of locality for the following reasons :

- the main entrance to the venue is at the rear of the premises is close to a bus stop which is used, in particular, by children and older people, who will see 'customers' arrive and leave by car and on foot.

[Incidentally the notice in the rear car park of 'The Olde Northwood', which is clearly visible from the bus stop and includes the word 'f**king', does not enhance its reputation at all].

- it is located in a residential setting of the High Street [a conservation area] and Pinner Road. The sheltered housing complex, James Court, for elderly and vulnerable people is immediately opposite the site.
- the premises are on a route to and from local schools, most notably Hillside and Northwood Schools.
- the premises are close to Northwood recreation ground in Chestnut Avenue which is used by local children and LA Fitness Club, also in Chestnut Avenue.

For these reasons, I do not consider that the provision of sex entertainment is a suitable enhancement to the locality and a license should not be granted.

The Hillingdon Licensing Service must take the welfare, safeguarding and protection of young people and the more vulnerable in the area into account when considering this application.

I look forward to hearing your decision in due course.

Yours sincerely



*email copy received 16/1/12



13 January 2012

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As a resident of Hilliard Road I do not want such an establishment at the end of my road where I live with my family of 3 young children. There is a drawing of what the pub offers as 'entertainment' on the door, and my children pass this on the way to the playground in Chestnut Avenue – as of course many other children of school age will do. A local primary school is accessed via a footpath in Hilliard Rd, do many children use this as a route to school. The notices erected by the landlord in his car park use undesirable language and the content refers to drug use. There is often foul language written on boards around the venue which is just not acceptable surely.

There is also a bus stop opposite the premises where passengers (often children) have no choice but to sit facing the venue and all the customers who have often been drinking alcohol and are obviously in a state of sexual arousalment.

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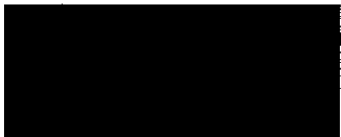
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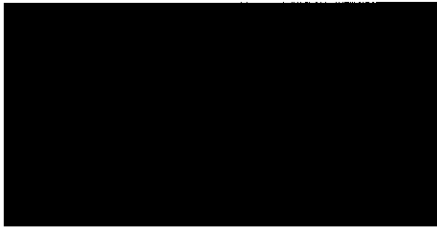
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Please could this license not be granted.

Yours truly,

A solid black rectangular box redacting the signature of the sender.



11.01.12

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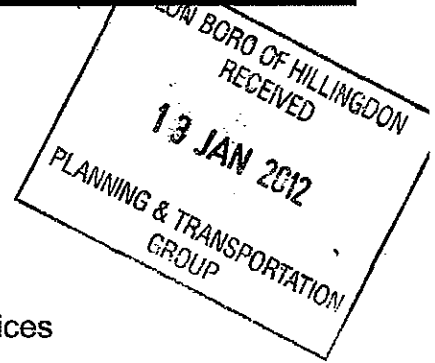
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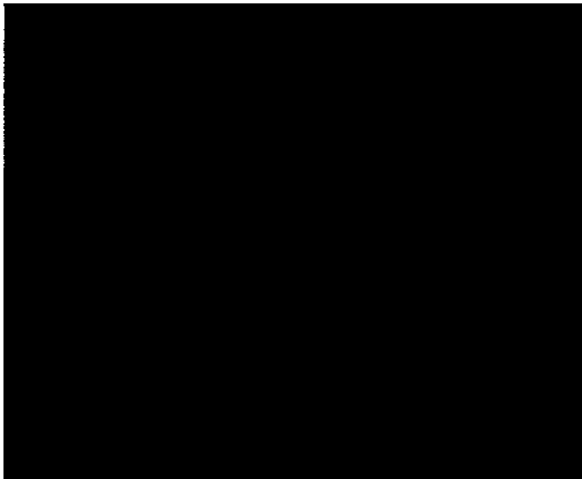
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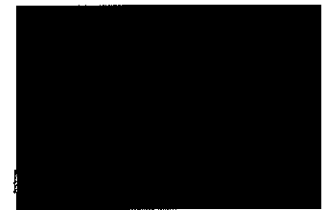
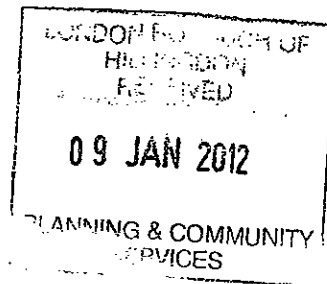
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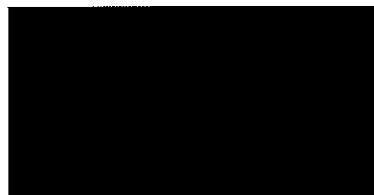
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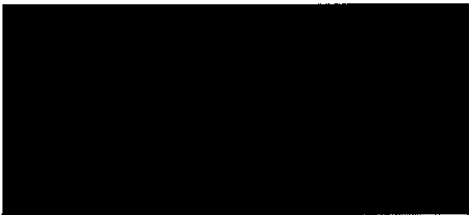
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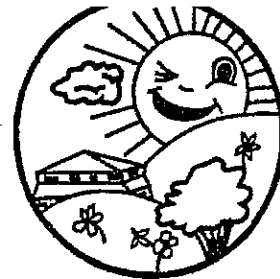
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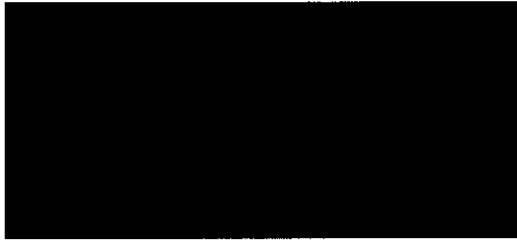
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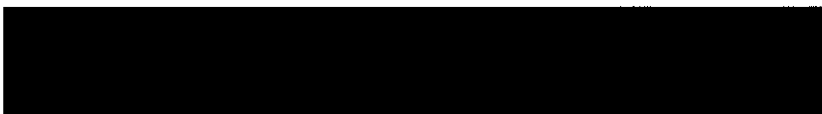
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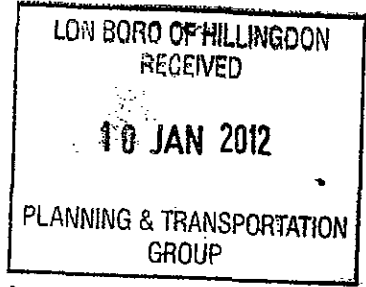
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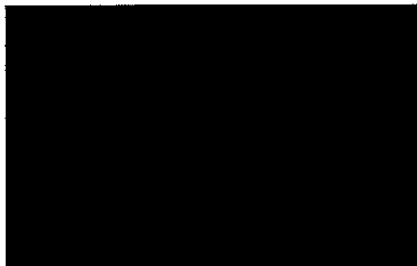
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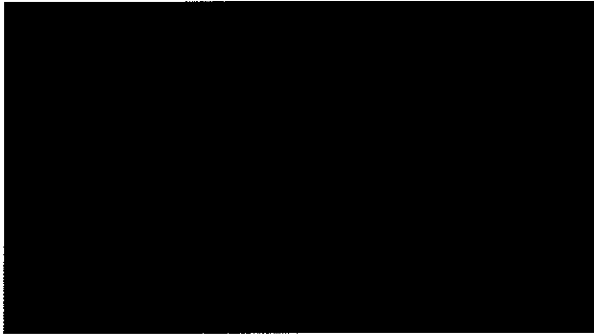
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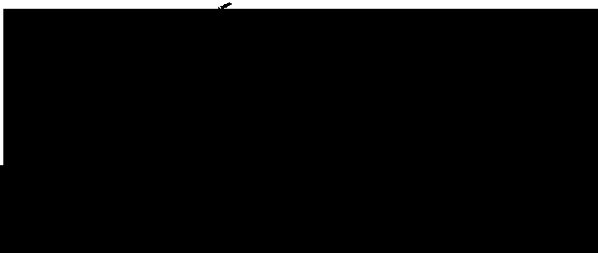
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16th Jan 2012



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17.1.12

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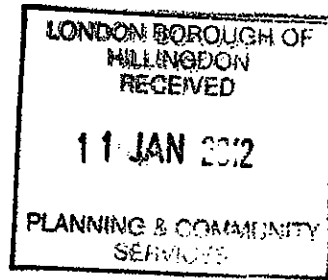
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10 January 2012



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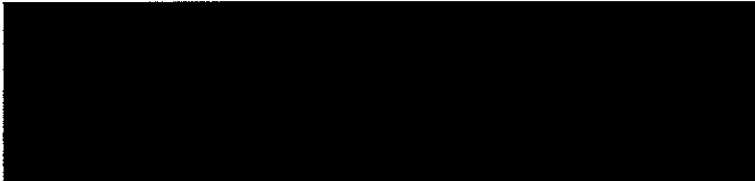
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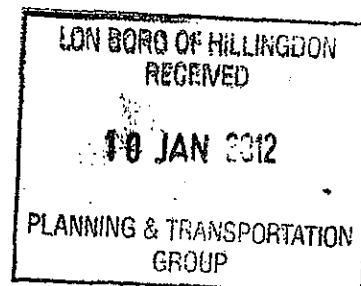
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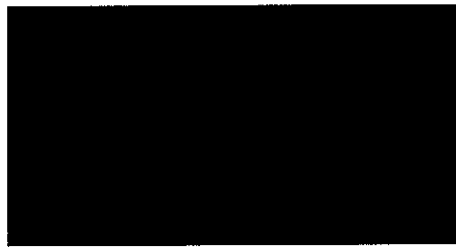
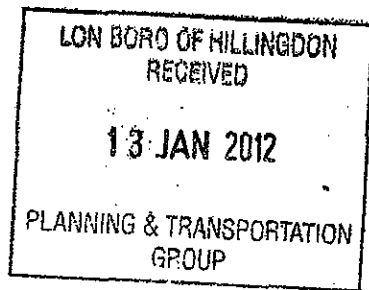
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A strip club right in the middle of a residential area is inappropriate & unacceptable

As Peter Stringfellow, owner of lapdancing clubs says: "lapdancing clubs should not be near any residential areas; it's as simple as that." (quote from Metro website, strip)

(d) It is also in close proximity to schools etc;

notably the Woodlodge Montessori School, 97 Hilliard Rd; Hallowell playschool at 54 Hallowell Road; and the mums + toddlers group at Emmanuel Church - The High Street. Northwood Youth club is also at 54 Hallowell Rd. Emmanuel Church also has a number of youth groups that meet in the evenings during the week and children will be walking past the pub at these times.

Northwood Recreation Ground is in Chestnut Ave where there is a playground, a basketball hoop, football + cricket pitches + tennis courts. LA fitness is in the same road provides children's swimming lessons.

Children, young people, parents and staff ought to be entitled to a community environment that

is not situated in close proximity to the sex industry.

② Access routes to schools etc

The Old Northwood pub is also on the access route to several local schools;

Hillside Infant + Junior School in Northwood Way; Northwood Secondary School on Potter Street; St Helens on Green Lane and many children living in the roads around the pub also use the bus stops + roads to walk to Hazelton School in Northwood Hills.

This ~~is~~ also means the premises' use as a sex establishment is unsuitable in such a highly populated area.

③ Places of worship...

Emmanuel Church is in the High Street and hosts many regular events, a lot of which are held for the benefit of local women + the elderly. There are also two churches in Hallarell Rd, which hold events for women + children + families.

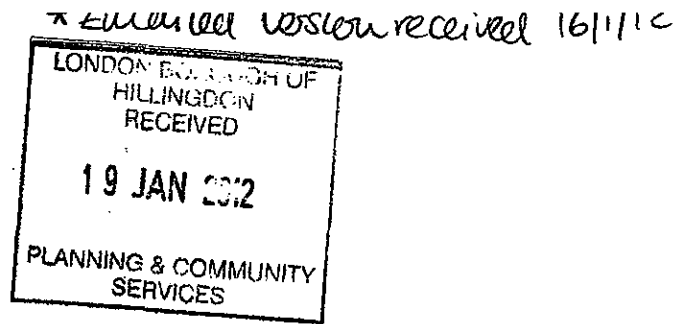
④ Community facilities or public buildings:
Immediately opposite the pub is a

④ ~~a~~ sheltered housing complex. ~~for~~

I would like to know when the public hearing will take place and I would also hope that you will take all these points raised in the letter into consideration when deciding whether it is the right thing to do to grant this license.

Yours sincerely,





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18th January 2012

Dear Stephanie Waterford,

I am writing concerning the matter of the Olde Northwood Pub's (in the following: ONP) application for a 'Sex Entertainment Venue' (in the following: SEV) licence.

As you have rightly stated, the Olde Northwood Pub 'has been providing nude entertainment for at least 8 years,' so this is not a case of starting something that has not been there before. However, the change in legislation is supposed to provide the opportunity for local people to have 'a greater say over where and how many lap dancing clubs and similar venues open and operate in their neighbourhood'.¹

I want to use this pathway to speak up against what I understand as inappropriate in regard to the character of the locality of where the ONP is situated in.

It seems entirely inappropriate to have a sex entertainment venue within the nearness of premises used for worship (churches etc.), children's education and entertainment (schools and youth club) and sheltered housing.

1. Despite the number of mentioned community facilities and public buildings below, the area is made up of primarily residential accomodation.

2. Several primary and secondary schools are within a distance of less than a mile of the ONP:

- Primary Schools:

- Frithwood Primary School (Carew Road, HA6 3NJ)- 0.7m
- Hillside Infant and Junior School (Northwood Way, HA6 1RX)- 0.8m
- Holy Trinity CofE Primary School (Rickmansworth Road, HA6 2RH)- 0.9m
- St John's School (Wieland Road, HA6 3QY)- 1.0m
- The Hall School (Rickmansworth Road, HA6 2RB)- 1.1m
- St Martins School (40 Moor Park Road, HA6 2DJ)- 1.4m

¹ SEV Guidance for England and Wales', produced by the 'Home Office' in March 2010, Introduction, 1.2.

- Secondary Schools:

- Northwood School (Potter Street, HA6 1QG)- 0.5m
- Northwood College (Maxwell Road, HA6 2YE)- 0.7m
- St Helen's School (Eastbury Road, HA6 3AS)- 0.7m

- Specialist Primary School:

- RNIB Sunshine House Northwood (33 Dene Road, HA6 2DD)- 1.1m
(Children's Home and service for families)

The location of the ONP is such that it is at the corner of a main road connecting the different parts of Hillingdon (Pinner, Harrow, Northwood Hills, Northwood, Rickmansworth), so to go to any of those, everyone automatically comes past the ONP. This is a main access route to schools, so that children going to school regularly, indeed *daily*, have to walk past there to get to their destination. Especially in the winter season (because it gets dark early), for children returning from school, it could be both unnerving and potentially unsafe to walk past the building. For the protection of the children of this area, it would only be appropriate to reject an application for a SEV licence at the present location.

Only 200 yards up the road (Hallowell Road), there is the 'Northwood Youth Centre' (also run by the London Borough of Hillingdon) that is aiming to have an 'improved centre for young people in this area.'²

3. There are various places of worship (Christian Churches and Synagogues) in close proximity of the ONP (as listed below). People attending those churches/synagogues, especially returning late in the afternoon/evening during the winter season (esp. women) often need to pass the junction of Rickmansworth/High Street/Hallowell Road (location of ONP). Here the same thing applies as for the protection of children on their way from/to school- their safety is potentially in danger.

- Churches:

- Emmanuel Church Northwood (Church Road)
- Holy Trinity Church Northwood (Gateway Close)
- Fairfield Northwood Hills-Evangelical Church (Windsor Close)
- St Matthews Northwood (Hallowell Road)
- Eastbury Church (Rofant Road)
- Northwood United Reformed Church (Joel Street)
- St Johns United Reformed Church (Hallowell Road)
- St Edmunds C of E Church Northwood (Pinner Road)- 0.7m

- Synagogues:

- Northwood United Synagogue (Murray Road)
- Northwood and Pinner Liberal Synagogue (Oaklands Gate)

4. Community Facilities like the Northwood Hills Library, the Pinner Green Social Club 1998 and a sports field that offers a play area for local residents (especially children) are no further than half a mile away from the ONP, the Social Club is within 800 yards.

There is also the James Court 'Housing with Support' (managed by London Borough of

² <http://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/index.jsp?articleid=16786>.

Hillingdon) which advertises itself to be 'national housing for older people.'³ However, this is situated directly opposite the ONP with large front windows facing the black windows of the ONP advertising 'adult entertainment.' Two hundred yards up the road there 'Northwood and Pinner Hospital,' offering immediate medical care.

All of the above suggests that the character of the vicinity surrounding the ONP is family-orientated and therefore a most unsuitable one to have a sex entertainment venue in.

5. Where safety is in question, the Metropolitan police has published figures about the increase of rapes and indecent assaults in another borough of London: 'the number of rapes increased by 33% and indecent assaults by 55% in the London Borough of Camden after four lap dancing venues opened.'⁴ These figures are only confirmed by former lap-dancer's experience that sexual entertainment is not 'about sex, instead (...), it fosters sexual violence.'⁵

6. Furthermore, 'statistics show that addiction to the porn and sex industries is the third biggest cause of debt in the UK, while sex and relationship therapists are seeing an increase in the number of men suffering from sex addiction.'⁶

After having been previously unaware to the fact that I can have a certain degree of influence in the council's decisions in this matter, I forward this objection to the ONP's application for a SEV licence. I sincerely hope that the council would assess the situation carefully and take into consideration the figures stated above regarding 'the appropriateness and suitability of the proposed location of the premises.'⁷

Sincerely,




³ <http://www.housingcare.org/housing-care/facility-info-4798-james-court-northwood-england.aspx>.

⁴ The Guardian, 12th January 2009.

⁵ The Guardian, 19th March 2008.

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⁷ London Borough of Hillingdon Sex Establishment Licensing Policy (2011).



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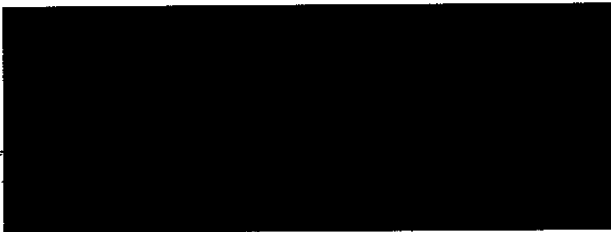
Dear Hillingdon Council,

I'm writing regarding the application for a sex establishment license by the 'Olde Northwood Pub' n 142 Pinner Road Northwood, and to express my deep concern towards this pressing issue.

As a resident of Northwood, I would like to show my objection to such a license being granted. Not only does an establishment such as this make money of people's weaknesses, but I believe that such availability and fuelling of what could be described as lustful mindsets, not only can break up relationships, marriages and families, but can also fuel further needs to have those visual stimulations outworked in reality, leading to prostitution, and even sex trafficking.

I do realise the argument that it may be better to have this sort of establishment under legal monitoring, opposed to if it continued illegally, but think that at some point there needs to be a stand against the development of this industry in way, shape or form. Thank you, for taking your time to read this letter, and I hope the enclosed signatures will also show the concern felt towards this issue.

Thank you again.



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To whomever, it may concern,

We (the students, lecturers, employees and residents) of London School of Theology are writing to you concerning the application for a sex establishment licence for the Olde Northwood Pub.

The following signatures number over a 100, and signify our concern as a community for the emotional and physical welfare of the women employed, as well as the emotional manipulation executed on men who struggle with issues of lust. This industry as a whole makes money off people's weaknesses, and we as a community commit to stand against this industry developing.

We hope you take our opposition of this application seriously, and into consideration when making your final decision.

Thank you again.

London School of Theology, Lecturers, Students and Staff.

Petition

Olde Northwood Pub has applied for a sex establishment license this means that they will be able to sell differing sex articles, films and exotic dancing. Previously they have been able to have exotic dancing as it has been under there own personal licence, but they law has changed and now they need to have a sex establishment licence. If borough of Hillingdon council gains enough opposition the licence will not be granted. Please sign your name etc here if you do not want this licence to be granted.

I, as a resident of Northwood, do not consent to the Olde Northwood Pub, 142 Pinner Road, Northwood, acquiring a sex establishment License.

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16 January 2012

Dear Ms Waterford,

**Sex Establishment Licence at Olde Northwood PH, 142 Pinner Road,
Northwood**

Objection

With regard to the above application by Mr Pantling, Police have noted the contents of the application and are aware of the history of the premises. The Olde Northwood is one of three premises in Hillingdon that currently offer strip tease and entertainment of a like kind. The Police have considered all similar licence applications from a perspective of crime and disorder and public safety.

The question of morality is not one for the Police to consider; it is evident that these premises are not applying to change their operation in any other way from what has been in place for the past 10 years. It is a change in legislation that has brought about the application.

For the purpose of Police involvement, and the considerations that the police have, it would be a recommendation in the activities of the premises that there should be no touching between dancer and client or client to dancer at any stage, other than normal exchange of money. To this extend, item 14 of the Dancer's Rules should be excluded and replaced by 'There shall be no touching between client and dancer or dancer and client at any stage'.

If this were agreed by the applicants, Police would be minded to withdraw the objection.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ian Meens'.

Ian Meens
Licensing Sergeant

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Standard Conditions to be imposed upon Sex Establishment Licences

Introduction

1. In these Conditions "The Council" shall mean London Borough of Hillingdon and all enquiries concerning this licence shall be directed to the Licensing Service, London Borough of Hillingdon, Civic Centre, High Street, Uxbridge, UB8 1UW
2. These conditions are imposed by the Council pursuant to its powers under paragraph 13 (1) of Schedule 3 to the above Act as terms, conditions and restrictions on a subject to which a licence is in general to be granted, renewed or transferred by the Council save and insofar as they do not conflict with the provisions of the Act itself.

Conditions applicable to all Sex Establishments

Management of the Premises

1. The Licensee or some responsible person, over the age of 18, nominated by him and approved in writing by the Council for the purpose of managing the sex establishment ("the manager") with the authority to direct activities within the Premises, shall have personal responsibility for and be present on the Premises at all times when the Premises are open to the public. A form will be provided for this purpose.
2. Where the Licensee is a body corporate or an incorporated body, any change of director, company secretary or other person responsible for the management of the body shall be notified in writing to the Council within 14 days of such change and such written details as the licensing authority may require in respect of the change of personnel shall be furnished within 14 days of a request in writing from the Council.
3. A copy of the licence and any special conditions attached shall at all times be displayed in a conspicuous position on the Premises, so as to be available for inspection by the police, the fire authority, and authorised officers of the Council.
4. The name of the person responsible for the management of the Premises, whether the Licensee or the manager, shall be displayed in a conspicuous position within the Premises throughout the period during which he is responsible for the conduct of the Premises.
5. The Licensee shall retain control over all parts of the Premises and shall not let, licence or part with possession of any part. The Council must be immediately notified in the event that any part of the Premises is affected by the termination of a lease or other event affecting the Licensee's control of the Premises.
6. The Licensee shall ensure that the public are not admitted to any part of the Premises that has not been licensed, other than toilet facilities where provided for customers.
7. Neither the Licensee nor any employee or agent shall personally solicit custom for the sex establishment outside or in the locality (village, town or city) of the Premises.

8. The Licensee shall ensure that during the hours that the Premises are open for business every employee wears a badge of a type approved by the Council indicating his name and that he is an employee.
9. The Licensee shall maintain a daily register in which shall be recorded the name and address of any person who is to be responsible for managing the Sex Establishment in the Licensee's absence and the names and addresses of those employed in the Sex Establishment. The Register is to be completed each day within thirty minutes of the Sex Establishment being opened for business and is to be available for inspection by the police and by authorised officers of the Council.
10. The Licensee shall take all reasonable precautions for the safety of the public and employees.
11. No person under the age of 18 shall be admitted to the Premises.
12. The Licensee shall adopt a procedure to check the age of customers entering the premises who appear to be younger than 25 in order to ensure that they are not under the age of 18.
13. All persons working in the premises, including Performers, shall be aged not less than 18 years. The Licensee must maintain adequate records of the names, addresses and dates of birth of performers including adequate identity checks.
14. The Licensee shall ensure a closed-circuit television system is installed internally and externally to the satisfaction of the Council. Appropriate notices must be displayed in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998, advising that CCTV is in operation. In addition the Licensee must ensure that the requirement under that Act regarding registration with the Data Protection Commissioner is complied with.
15. CCTV cameras shall be positioned to record a clear facial image of any person entering the premises via the main entrance/s.
16. The CCTV recordings of each day, shall be stored in a secure location for a period of at least 30 days. The recordings shall be available for inspection on request by authorised officers of the Council and the Metropolitan Police Service.
17. The Licensee shall provide upon request copies of any documents reasonably required by an authorised officer of the Council in relation to compliance with this Licence.

State, Condition and Layout of the Premises

18. Notwithstanding the Licensee's duties under the Health and Safety at Work etc Act 1974 and related legislation and his obligations under any lease or other agreement for the use of the Premises, he shall maintain the Premises in good repair and condition.
19. External doors shall be closed at all times other than when persons are entering or leaving the Premises. The external doors shall be fitted with a device to provide for their automatic closure and such devices shall be maintained in good working order.

20. The Premises shall be fitted with an inner entrance door or screen so that no part of the interior of the Premises or any of the contents of the premises shall be visible when persons are entering or leaving the Premises. Such inner entrance door or screen shall be fitted with a device to provide for their automatic closure and such devices shall be maintained in good working order.
21. No access shall be permitted through the Premises to any other Premises adjoining or adjacent except in the case of emergency.
22. Lighting shall be in operation continuously during the whole of the time that the Sex Establishment is open to the public.
23. Alterations or additions, either internal or external, shall not be made to the Premises without prior written consent from the Council. A variation application will be required in order for consent to be considered.

Operation of the Premises

24. No change from a sex shop (including a mail-order shop) to either a sex cinema or sex entertainment venue, sex cinema to either a sex shop or sex entertainment venue, or from a sex entertainment venue to either a sex cinema or a sex shop shall be made without the approval of the Council. This will require consideration of an appropriate application.
25. No sex articles or other things intended for use in connection with, or for the purpose of stimulating or encouraging sexual activity or acts of force or restraint which are associated with sexual activity shall be displayed, sold, hired, exchanged, loaned or demonstrated in a sex cinema or a sexual entertainment venue.

Licensed Name

26. a) The Council at the time of granting the licence in respect of the premises shall appoint a name referred to as "The Licensed Name" by which it is intended that the premises shall be known and the licence holder shall ensure that the premises are known solely by that name and by no other, save as provided for by paragraph (b) below. Such name shall have been provided on the application form.
- b) An application in respect of a change of licence name shall be made to the Council in writing not less than 28 days prior to the proposed change and the Council shall have an absolute and unfettered discretion to allow or refuse such change.

Conditions applicable to Sexual Entertainment Venues

1. The Licensee must ensure that a suitable and sufficient number of trained staff are employed to supervise the interior of the Premises (“floor supervisors”) to ensure that conditions of licence are complied with, in particular the no touching conditions, and to ensure the safety of performers.
2. The Licensee must submit a set of “House Rules” to the Licensing Authority as part of the application process; these rules will form part of the licence, and must be complied with. Furthermore they must ensure that all performers are fully conversant with and sign an agreement to adhere to such House Rules.
3. The Licensee shall ensure that neither they nor any person promoting or providing entertainment on the Premises (nor any person acting on behalf of any such person) shall display advertisements promoting the entertainment or the Premises in any unlawful manner.
4. Where the Council have given notice in writing to the Licensee objecting to an advertisement on the grounds that, if displayed, it would offend against good taste or decency or be likely to encourage or incite to crime or to lead to disorder or to be offensive to public feeling, that advertisement shall not be displayed.
5. The Licensee shall ensure that no more members of the public shall be present on the Premises at any time whilst relevant entertainment takes place to which this licence relates where the Council has specified a number in writing on the grounds of public safety, public nuisance or crime and disorder.

Opening of the Premises

6. Relevant entertainment may only be provided during the hours permitted by an authorisation under the Licensing Act 2003 unless a specific condition on the Sex Establishment Licence permits otherwise.

External Appearance

7. At no time shall performers or persons working in the premises be visible from outside of the Premises, with the exclusion of Door Supervisors.
8. The Licensee shall not permit the display outside of the Premises of photographs or other images which indicate or suggest that relevant entertainment takes place on the Premises.
9. External advertising of relevant entertainment shall not include any of the following:
 - a) any depiction of full nudity
 - b) any depiction of partial nudity (including the display of breasts, buttocks or genitalia)
 - c) any depiction of overtly sexual or violent images or any other images which may give rise to concerns in respect of public decency or protection of children or vulnerable persons from harm.

Provision of Relevant Entertainment

10. Performers shall only perform in specified designated areas, to seated customers or in such other areas of the licensed Premises as may be agreed in writing with the Council.
11. The Licensee is to implement a policy to ensure the safety of the Performers when they leave the Premises after a period of work.
12. Performers may not accept any telephone number, email address, address or contact information from any customer, except in the form of a business card which must be surrendered to the Licensee or their representative before leaving the Premises.
13. Performers may not give any telephone number, email address, address, contact information or business card to any customer or in any way solicit themselves.
14. The Licensee must ensure that during performances of relevant entertainment:
 - i. Customers may not dance at any time except in areas specifically designated by the Council as being separate from areas for sexual entertainment.
 - ii. Customers must remain appropriately clothed at all times.
15. Relevant entertainment will only take place in specified designated areas within the premises, as identified on the plan attached to the licence.
16. Performers will stop immediately and move away from any customer who is offensive, and shall report such behaviour and any other inappropriate behaviour or breach of house rules to the management. If after receiving a warning a customer continues behave inappropriately, the customer must be requested to leave the premises and should be escorted from the premises by appropriately authorised staff only (i.e. SIA registered door supervisors).

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