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Mr Mark McDermott
Licensing Officer
Licensing Service

Reference; SW/19/LA03

Your Reference;

Date; 17th April 2019

Dear Sir,

**BLACK BULL, VICTORIA ROAD, SOUTH RUISLIP
THE LICENSING ACT 2003**

I am writing to you as the Officer duly authorised to make representations on behalf of the Licensing Authority, in regard to the premises licence variation application submitted for the above premises.

In making this representation, I have had regard to the current licence arrangements as well as the proposed operating schedule and proposed licence plans.

It is not entirely clear from the application how the applicant wishes to operate the premises and what considerations have been taken with regard to the impact on the local area. In fact, there are no references in the application indicating the style of premises which is being proposed i.e. dining/traditional pub/family style etc etc. Without knowing the type of offering intended by the applicant, it is challenging to assess the application.

For example, a day time family dining premises has a very different set of requirements to a wet led, late night drinking establishment.

This has been a challenging premises in the past and has created noise nuisance and disturbance from disorderly patrons to the local community, resulting in visits from the Police and Councils out of hours noise service. The current conditions on the premises reflect the type of controls currently required for this premises.

I am concerned that the conditions relating to Door Supervisors and the noise limiter have been removed and have not been replaced with adequate controls in the new operating schedule.

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I note that the application includes proposals to redevelop the existing beer garden and provide fixed and movable seating for patrons. I have also noted that the original plans for an outdoor bar servery have now been removed and that the external structure will be retained for storage.

The introduction of this new seating will provide seating accommodation for somewhere over 150 patrons and I have concerns that this will undermine the public nuisance licensing objective creating noise and potential smoking nuisance to the residents which are on two sides of the garden.

I note that the current licence permits patrons to use the garden until 23.00 hours, however, I would summarise that the introduction of a vast amount of seating and improvement of the garden environment will entice patrons to remain outside longer than perhaps they would in the current garden. It is also not clear whether outdoor speakers are proposed for playing recorded music in the garden area and any timings for that activity.

I would recommend that the following form part of the Licence conditions in order to ensure that the licensing objectives are not undermined:

- 1) No customers shall be allowed to use any external area of the premises after 21.00 hours Sunday to Thursday and 22.00 hours Friday and Saturday except for customers permitted to use the area for smoking. No drinks shall be taken into the external area after these hours.
- 2) A minimum of 2 Door Supervisors shall be on duty at the premises between 21.00hours until 30 minutes after closing on Fridays, Saturdays and days where non-standard timings are permitted.
- 3) A noise limiter shall be installed to ensure that noise from live performances and DJ sets do not cause a nuisance to nearby residents.

I would therefore urge the Sub-Committee to consider these points when making their determination.

I intend to be present at the hearing to verbally deliver my representation and also to answer any queries from the Licensing Sub-Committee.

Stephanie Waterford
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| MEMORANDUM | |
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Dear Sir,

Re: Application to vary a Premises Licence- Licensing Act 2003

Address: The Black Bull, Victoria Road, Ruislip, HA4 0EF

I refer to the application to vary a Premises Licence under the Licensing Act 2003, relating to the above named premises.

The Anti Social Behaviour and Environment Team, in its capacity as a responsible authority, is making a representation to this application, in relation to the licensing objective Prevention Of Public Nuisance.

The grounds for this objection are:

1. The quantity of patrons using the proposed outside area, with the resultant increase in the possibility of noise nuisance for residents in neighbouring properties.
2. The times the area in question is operational, with the likelihood of noise nuisance increasing the later the hour.
3. The design of the area in question indicates a close proximity to residential properties, with again an increased likelihood of noise nuisance. The application makes a reference to acoustic fencing, but there is no indication as to where this would be situated or what material would be used to make such a provision effective.

When determining the application, the following conditions are recommended:

1. Times for use of the outdoor area are restricted to 21.00 Sunday to Thursday and 22.00 on Friday and Saturday nights.
2. Consideration is given to both the size and the layout of the area in question, as the proposed suggestion would greatly increase the capacity of the premises. It would also be suggested that a smaller scale would give the opportunity to adjust the layout of the site and

ensure a greater distance between the operational external area and the nearest residential area.

3. It would be constructive if a more in depth explanation of noise prevention measures be provided, both in terms of the previously mentioned acoustic fencing and security, re-entry of customers after a certain time and proposals of monitored and controlled dispersal at closing time.

I would therefore invite the Licensing Sub-Committee to consider this representation when making their decision regarding this application.

Yours faithfully,

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Your Ref – **BLACK BULL, VICTORIA
ROAD, SOUTH RUISLIP**

Dear Sir/Ma'am,

Re; **Black Bull** - Variation Application.

The Metropolitan Police would like to make the following representations regarding this application in support of the licensing objectives and in particular, The Prevention of Crime and Disorder.

This application, I believe is unclear in its current form in relation to the activities that the applicant wishes to carry out after the proposed variation.

Historically, this is a venue that has suffered from a large number of violence with injury related offences, drug abuse and misuse within and outside the venue and has also suffered a large number of noise complaints resulting in a number of multi-agency operations.

I do believe that the applicant has worked hard to tackle these issues and this is reflected in the crime statistics interrogated for last two years. It would be a shame to undo the good work that has contributed to the reduction in crime over this period.

I feel that the proposed changes to the current licence, and in particular point 4 of the Prevention of Crime and Disorder within the application (The need for door supervisors shall be assessed by way of a risk assessment) would undermine that licensing objective and leave the venue in a vulnerable position, especially with the proposed increased footfall.

The current conditions on the premises licence were implemented to deal with the issues that the venue was experiencing and the removal of Door Supervision, by means of assessment only I feel would undermine The Prevention of Crime and disorder and impact on Public Safety.

I would expect more of a substantial explanation on how the applicant will be promoting the licensing objectives in the interest of the community that they will be serving and in relation to the proposed removal of door supervision and the removal of Noise monitoring and how they feel these proposals will continue to support the Licensing Objectives.

David Butler,
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