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Metropolitan Police Service

LICENSING AUTHORITY RIVER PARK HOUSE LEVEL 1 NORTH 225 HIGH ROAD LONDON N22 8HQ

> Edmonton Police Station 462 Fore Street London N9 0PW

Dear Licensing

Re: Application form for New Premises Licence for DISTRICT 22, 83 Mayes Road N22 6UP

This application is submitted in relation to DISTRICT 22 LTD, 83 Mayes Road N22 6UP, submitted by Mr Anestis Skupras on behalf of Mr Aldo Topalli. The application describes the premises as a restaurant and a lounge.

The application is for provision of a licensable activities which are:

- **1)** Provision of recorded music from Sunday to Thursday 16:00 until 00:30 and Fridays, and Saturdays: 16:00 until 01:30.
- **2)** Supply of alcohol, on premises Sunday to Thursday 16:00 until 00:30 and Fridays, and Saturdays: 16:00 until 01:30.
- **3)** Hours premises will be open to the public as follow: Sunday to Thursday 16:00 until 01:00 and Fridays, and Saturdays: 16:00 until 02:00.

I write on behalf of the Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police. I wish to reject the application for a new premises license at District 22, 83 Mayes Road N22 on the following Licencing objectives;

- Prevention of crime and disorder
- Prevention of public nuisance

The have been recent incidents whereby it appears the licencing objectives have not been fully upheld by the premises.

On Saturday 9th April 2022 a Nuisance officer from Haringey Council attended the premises due to complaints submitted by the public. The officer attended to speak with the licensee in relation to operating past 23:00 hours, loud music and anti-social behaviour. The officer attended at 0045 hours, to find that the premises was still open to public, and operational. During the visit the officer was assaulted by a person within the premises, police were called to attend.

On Monday the 23rd May 2022 police were called to the premises at 23:49 in relation to the premises operating after hours, with loud music emanating from the venue. It has been reported that this has been happening until the early hours of the morning on a regular bases.

Following these complaints police attended the premises on the 17th June and spoken to the applicant to addressed the issues, advising on the operational hours not exceeding 23:00 as advised to the applicant by Haringey Council. As well as the noise complaints.

On the 04th July 2022 email was received by Police licencing stating founding from the visit conducted by Haringey Council on the 01st July 2022. The email stated that the visit was conducted in relation to a noise complaint.

No statutory nuisance was witnessed by the officers however the following have been witnessed and recorded during the visit: the premises appeared to be closed, infarct was still accommodating 20 to 30 people. Evidence of alcohol being consumed within the premises was documented, however no alcohol was on display. No transaction receipts were provided upon request, due to till being nonoperational, and no CCTV was provided to view or download due to alleged technical problems with the operating systems. Appropriate action was taken by the officer.

On the 06th July 2022 police licencing officers attended and spoken to the applicant, to address the issues raised to date.

Taking under consideration the above findings I do not have full confidence at this stage that the premises will be upholding the licensable objectives if this licence was granted.

However in order to remedy the issues highlighted, I require the following actions to be conducted and below conditions to be adhered to and added to the final licence. Additionally this will ensure that the licencing objectives are upheld.

PREVENTION OF CRIME AND DISORDER

1) A digital CCTV system recommended to be installed in the premises complying with the following criteria:

(a) Camera(s) must be sited to observe the entrance doors from both inside and outside.

- (b) Camera(s) on the entrance must capture full frame shots of the heads and shoulders of all people entering the premises i.e. capable of identification.
- (c) Camera(s) must be sited to cover all areas to which the public have access, excluding toilets if on site.
- (d) Provide a linked record of the date, time of any image.
- (e) Provide HD digital quality images in colour during opening times.
- (f) Have a monitor to review images and recorded quality.
- (g) Be regularly maintained to ensure continuous quality of image capture and retention.
- (h) Member of staff trained in operating CCTV at venue during times open to the public.
- (i) Digital images must be kept for 31 days. The equipment must have a suitable export method, e.g. CD/DVD writer so that Police can make an evidential copy of the data they require.

2) An incident log shall be kept at the premises, and made available on request to an authorised officer of the Council or the Police, which will record the following:

- (a) all crimes reported to the venue
- (b) all ejections of patrons
- (c) any complaints received
- (d) any incidents of disorder
- (e) any faults in the CCTV system
- (f) any visit by a relevant authority or emergency service
- 4) Signs shall be prominently displayed on the exit doors advising customers that the premises is in a Public Space Protection Order Area (or similar) and that alcohol should not be taken off the premises and consumed in the street. These notices shall be positioned at eye level and in a location where they can be read by those leaving the premises.
- **5)** A minimum of 2 door supervisors shall be employed on the premises on Fridays and Saturdays from 18:00 until the premises has closed. At least one door supervisor shall remain directly outside the premises for 30 minutes after the premises has closed or until all customers have dispersed. The duties of these staff will include the supervision of persons entering and leaving the premises to ensure that this is achieved without causing a nuisance. All door supervisors (or marshals) shall be easily identifiable by wearing high visibility jackets or armbands.

6) Any door supervisor employed must be from an SIA approved contractor scheme.

PREVENTION OF PUBLIC NUISANCE

- A noise-limiting device shall be installed to any amplification equipment in use on the premises. The noise-limiting device shall be maintained in effective working order and set to interrupt the electrical supply to any amplifier should the volume of the music be audible at the perimeter of the premises.
- 2) The management shall make subjective assessments of noise levels outside at the perimeter of the premises approximately to the near residential premises, whilst regulated entertainment is provided to ensure that noise from the premises does not cause a disturbance to local residents. Records shall be kept of the times, dates and any issues discovered. These records shall be kept for six months. Records must be made available to an authorised officer of the Council or police, upon request. Where monitoring by staff identifies that noise from the premises is audible at the perimeter, measures shall be taken to reduce this i.e. turning volume down.
- 3) The external area at the front of the premises shall be designated for the use of smokers from 16:00 hours until closing time on Monday to Sunday. There shall be no more than 10 persons using this designated area during these times. The designated area shall be adequately supervised to control the number and behaviour of patrons so as to not cause noise nuisance. Notices shall be displayed in the area specifying the terms of its use and asking patrons to respect the needs of local residents and to use the area quietly. No alcoholic drinks or glass containers shall be taken into the designated smoking area during these times.
- 4) At the conclusion of all regulated entertainment events a suitably worded announcement shall be made to the customers, requesting that they behave in a quiet manner whilst they are leaving the premises.
- **5)** Staff shall actively discourage patrons from congregating around the outside of the premises.
- 6) Prominent, clear and legible notices shall be displayed at all public exits from the premises requesting customers respect the surrounding area and dispose of litter in a responsible manner. These notices shall be positioned at eye level and in a location where those leaving the premises can read them.

Actions to be conducted prior to licence being granted:

In relation to the most recent incident:

- CCTV for the date 01st July 2022 form the hours of 22:00 until 00:30 of the 02nd July 2022 to be preserved, retrieved and provided to the police.
- 2) Not working tills to be addressed and corrected so in the future records can be seen when requested.

The applicant is forthcoming and cooperative, therefore if the above conditions will be accepted, and premises demonstrates that issues raised are addressed, I will be withdrawing my representation.

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