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#### Police Representation

#### APPLICATION FOR A VARIATION OF A PREMISES LICENCE – Rowans, 10 Stroud Green Road, Hornsey, London N4 2DF

Dear Licensing Team,

I write on behalf of the Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police. This application is submitted by Parksrock Limited of the above business name in regards to a Variation of a premises licence application. This premises is a large Family Amusements Centre with an existing licence for sale of alcohol, Regulated Entertainment and provision of late night refreshments.

The premises is asking to vary the layout of the premises in accordance with the plan submitted to include the garden/smoking area on the ground floor and the first floor Park Suite within the licensed areas.

The police wish to make representations as we feel if the application is granted the following objectives will be undermined:

• Prevention of public nuisance,

Current times for the premises are

Supply of AlcoholMonday to Sunday09:00 to 04:00Regulated Entertainment09:00 to 04:00Monday to Sunday09:00 to 04:00Provision of Late Night Refreshment23:00 to 04:00

#### The opening hours of the premises:

#### Monday to Sunday

#### 09:00 to 05:00

We do not agree to the plan submitted to include the garden/smoking area on the ground floor within the licensed areas till 04:00 hours as we feel that the licensing objectives above will be undermined

### **Venue** location



The location of the premises is on Stroud Green Road directly opposite Finsbury Park Underground Station. The premises has a large residential block on the side and there are residential premises opposite.

The first floor Park Suite which is inside the premises (not external) does not raise any concerns.

We do have concerns for the garden area the applicant wishes to use as it is at the rear facing the park itself.

We the police therefore feel that if the premises were allowed to use the rear outside area for regulated entertainment till 04:00 hours the eco of the music will have a knock affect to the I residents quality of life. This would also disrupt residents' sleep and affect residents' quiet enjoyments of their homes undoubtable causing a public nuisance.

We recommend the following times for the rear garden area.

Supply of Alcohol	
Monday to Sunday	09:00 to 04:00
Regulated Entertainment	
Sunday to Thursday	09:00 to 23:00
Friday to Saturday	09:00 to 00:00
Provision of Late Night Refreshment	
Monday to Sunday	23:00 to 04:00
The opening hours of the premises:	
Monday to Sunday	09:00 to 05:00

We the police have assessed the application describing the steps intended to be taken in order to promote the four Licensing Objectives of:

- 1) The Prevention Of Crime and Disorder
- 2) Public Safety
- 3) The prevention of Public Nuisance
- 4) The protection of children from Harm

We would also ask in line for the following conditions to be added to the operating schedule in regards to the outdoor space.

## THE PREVENTION OF PUBLIC NUISANCE

- 1. The outside spaces to have SIA in place on days that events are held at the premises
- 2. All external doors and windows to be kept closed but not locked whilst regulated entertainment / live or recorded music is being played
- 3. The outdoor space 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.
- 4. The management shall make subjective assessments of noise levels outside at the perimeter of the premises approximately every 2 hours 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.
- The outdoor spaces not to have live music or any sporting events taking place after 23:00 hours Sunday to Thursday and 01:00 hours Friday and Saturday

## THE PREVENTION OF CRIME AND DISORDER

1. The CCTV system will be maintained in good working order and images will be correctly time and date stamped. Footage will be retained for a minimum period of 31 days and a copy of CCTV footage will be downloaded and provided to any responsible authority on request. CCTV shall comply with the following criteria:

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

(b) Camera(s) must capture full frame shots of the heads and shoulders of all people in the licensed area of 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 onsite.

- (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.

2. At least six prominent, clear and legible notices shall be displayed throughout the premises, including all toilets warning customers that drug use will not be tolerated.

2. A log must be kept by premises supervisor of SIA staff employed at the premises indicating that they have been informed of, understand, and will implement the entry and search policy. This log must be made available to Police or Local Authority employees on request

3. An incident log shall be kept at the premises, it will be in a hardback durable format handwritten at the time of the incident or as near to as is reasonable and made available on request to 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) Seizures of drugs or offensive weapons
- (f) Any faults in the CCTV system or searching equipment or scanning equipment
- (h) Any visit by a relevant authority or emergency service.

4. Toilets at the premises shall be checked for any sign of drug use on average of every four hours between 09:00 hours and closing time of 05:00 hours. A record 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

## In summary

We the Police **object** to the applications on the grounds stated. It is feared that without adequate and detailed safeguards, policies and risk assessments being in place, and implemented control of the premises could easily be lost and a risk posed to both patrons and the wider community in the form of public nuisance and other associated alcohol related issues.

If the suggested additions to the operating schedule are agreed WE WOULD withdraw this representation contingent upon that agreement. I reserve the right to provide further information to support this representation. Regards,

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