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POLICE REPRESENTATION

<u>APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE – 6 BROTHERS, 17 WEST GREEN ROAD, TOTTENHAM, LONDON, N15 5BX</u>

Dear Licensing,

I write on behalf of the Commissioner of the Police of the Metropolis. This application is made by an agent Reba Danson on behalf of Mohammed Rahman.

The times requested for the premises are:

Sale of Alcohol

Monday to Sunday
Supply of alcohol **OFF** the premises only.

0700 to 2300 hours

Hours open to Public

Monday to Sunday

0700 to 2300 hours

The applicant has described the premises as a food retailer, which now seeks to enhance their offering for the sale of alcohol off the premises. I wish to make representations to against this application, because if granted I believe the following licensing objectives will not be upheld:

- The prevention of public nuisance.
- The prevention of crime and disorder.
- The protection of children of harm.

This premises is on a narrow high street, with residential apartments on the first and second floors on both sides along the street. This premises is in a residential neighborhood. Also nearby to West Green Road there are several primary schools and one secondary school.

This application is seeking to sell alcohol at all times that the premises open. This means that this off-licence premises will be supplying alcohol from 07:00 every morning. This causes me concern because this premises is located on a high street, there are several primary schools nearby and one secondary school. On mornings, there will be numerous school-children passing by on West Green Road. It would be undesirable for children on the way to school to routinely see customers purchasing alcohol and standing outside or in the nearby vicinity.

On West Green Road, there are a large variety of licensed premises including premises for off-license sales. This is also an area that has issues with street drinking, these issues have been reported to the local authority.

Currently, the Metropolitan Police and the London Borough of Haringey are undertaking an initiative known as "Clear, Hold, Build" in Tottenham. This initiative involves police targeting individuals causing crime and anti-social behavior, and that are having an adverse impact on the local community. This is then followed by the local community and other authorities rebuilding and regenerating the areas to design-out the crime and anti-social behavior. I am concerned that a licensed premises selling alcohol from 07:00 every morning risks undermining these efforts.

In order to mitigate the risk of harm to children, I suggest that while the premises may open from 07:00 every morning that the supply of alcohol starts from 09:00. The licensing agent has instead suggested that the following additional conditions:

- 1) The Licence-Holder/Premises will join and participate in any active Responsible Retailer Scheme operating in the local area, and
- 2) No Lager, beer, or cider exceeding ABV 6.5% will be stocked or sold, with the exception of crafter beers and artisan products.

While I welcome these conditions in my view these are insufficient. I also suggest an amendment to the following conditions for the prevision of CCTV:

- 4. A digital CCTV system shall be installed in the premises complying with the following criteria:
 - (a) Cameras shall be sited to observe the entrance and exit doors both inside and outside the premises.
 - (b) Cameras on the entrances shall capture full frame shots of the heads and shoulders of all people entering the premises i.e. capable of identification.
 - (c) Cameras overlooking floor areas shall be wide angled to give an overview of the premises.
 - (d) Be capable of visually confirming the nature of the crime committed.
 - (e) Provide a linked record of the date, time, and place of any image.
 - (f) Provide good quality images colour during opening times.
 - (g) Operate under existing light levels within and outside the premises.
 - (h) Have the recording device located in a secure area or locked cabinet.
 - (i) Have a monitor to review images and recorded picture quality.
 - (j) Be regularly maintained to ensure continuous quality of image capture and retention.
 - (k) Have signage displayed in the customer area to advise that CCTV is in operation.
 - (I) Digital images shall be kept for 31 days.
 - (m) Police or authorised local authority employees shall have access to images at any reasonable time.
 - (n) The equipment shall have a suitable export method, e.g., CD/DVD writer so that the police can make an evidential copy of the data they require. This data should be in the native file format, to ensure that no image quality is lost when making the copy. If this format is non-standard (i.e. manufacturer proprietary) then the manufacturer should supply the replay software to ensure that the video on the CD can be replayed by the police

on a standard computer. Copies must be made available to Police or authorised local authority employees on request.

In conclusion, the sale of alcohol from 07:00 in the morning would risk causing early morning street drinking which would be seen by school-children passing by. Although the licensing guidance suggests that the licensing hours should correspond to the opening times for a shop, I consider that in order to prevent harm to children and to prevent a public nuisance, a modest reduction to the opening time should be made on this occasion.

Yours faithfully,

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