

HEREFORDSHIRE COUNCIL

**REGULATORY COMMITTEE DECISION NOTICE
(THE LICENSING ACT 2003)**

PREMISES	The Royal Oak Hotel
APPLICANT'S NAME	Venture Resource Ltd.
APPLICATION TYPE	New Premises Licence
PANEL MEMBERS	Councillor P Jones CBE (Chairman) Councillor JW Hope MBE Councillor JHR Goodwin
DATE OF MEETING	20 March 2009

Members of the Licensing Panel of the Council's Regulatory Committee considered the above application, full details of which appeared before the Members in their agenda and the background papers.

Prior to making their decision the Members heard from the Environmental Health Officer together with the applicant and his legal advisor and the interested parties who had raised objections in respect of the application.

Having carefully considered those matters brought before them, the Committee were of the opinion that the application should be **granted subject** to the conditions appearing below. In reaching their decision, the Members had full regard to both the provisions of the Licensing Act 2003 and the Council's Licensing Policy. The Members imposed conditions in order to promote the four licensing objectives, namely the prevention of crime and disorder, public safety, the prevention of public nuisance and the protection of children from harm.

HOURS OF LICENSABLE ACTIVITY

	Live / Recorded Music, Performance of Dance	Prov. of Facilities for Making Music, Dancing or Similar	Late Night Refreshment	Sale of Alcohol	Open to the public
Monday	0900 - 2330	0900 - 2330	2300 - 2330	0900 - 2330	0900 - 2400
Tuesday	0900 - 2330	0900 - 2330	2300 - 2330	0900 - 2330	0900 - 2400
Wednesday	0900 - 2330	0900 - 2330	2300 - 2330	0900 - 2330	0900 - 2400
Thursday	0900 - 2330	0900 - 2330	2300 - 2330	0900 - 2330	0900 - 2400
Friday	0900 - 0100	0900 - 0100	2300 - 0100	0900 - 0100	0900 - 0130
Saturday	0900 - 0100	0900 - 0100	2300 - 0100	0900 - 0100	0900 - 0130
Sunday	0900 - 2400	0900 - 2400	2300 - 2400	0900 - 2400	0900 - 0030

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NON STANDARD HOURS

	Live / Recorded Music, Performance of Dance	Prov. of Facilities for Making Music, Dancing or Similar	Late Night Refreshment	Sale of Alcohol	Open to the public
Sundays before B/H Monday	0900 - 0100	0900 - 0100	2300 - 0100	0900 - 0100	0900 - 0130

CONDITIONS

The application was granted in respect of the hours of operation of the licensable activities described in the box above together with the following conditions

- The mandatory conditions of The Licensing Act 2003.
- All conditions suggested by the applicant under section P of the application form.

GENERAL

- That a CCTV system is installed which meets the requirements of the Police and the Licensing Authority. To be installed by 1 May 2009.
- An accident book is kept on the premises
- There be sufficient door supervisors at the premises as are appropriate on a risk assessed basis.
- That the designated premises supervisor joins the Leominster Pub Watch scheme.
- That no drinks in open containers are to be taken outside beyond the patio area.
- That the capacity for the function rooms is to be limited according to the fire risk assessment
- A responsible person shall be available on the premises at all times that they are open to the public. This person shall comply with all reasonable requests made by a duly authorised officer of the Licensing Authority or the West Mercia Constabulary if it is considered that one or more of the four licensing objectives are being compromised.

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PUBLIC SAFETY

- Adequate systems shall be in place to control numbers of persons entering the premises to prevent overcrowding and alleviate crowd control problems.
- A suitable and sufficient risk assessment for all licensable activities provided on the premises shall be recorded and maintained. Adequate systems shall be in place to ensure the actions (and precautions) identified in the risk assessment are effectively implemented.

PREVENTION OF PUBLIC NUISANCE

- Noise or vibration shall not emanate from the premises so as to interfere with the use or enjoyment of any neighbouring premises.
- Staff shall check to ensure that noise emanating from the premises does not cause public nuisance at least on an hourly basis whilst recorded or amplified live music is being played other than background music. If the noise is observed to be at an unacceptable level immediate action must be taken to address the problem. A written log showing the time, the person making the check, observations made and any actions taken shall be kept on the premises and made available at the request of the Licensing Authority.
- A suitable and sufficient policy shall be implemented to ensure that rowdy or unsociable behaviour from patrons on the outdoor area is effectively controlled.
- Suitable and sufficient means of ventilation shall be provided to all parts of the premises to which the public have access, particularly when regulated entertainment is provided on the premises and doors are to be kept shut.
- A suitable and sufficient dispersal policy shall be implemented to deal with any rowdy or unsociable behaviour from patrons leaving the premises.
- Doors to the lobbies and exits shall not be propped open.

PROTECTION OF CHILDREN FROM HARM

- Proven methods shall be employed for the prevention of unlawful supply, consumption and use of alcohol, drugs and other products, which are illegal to sell to children.