

## **AGENDA**

## Regulatory Sub Committee

Date: Friday 26 November 2010

Time: **10.00 am** 

Place: Meeting Room 18a, Brockington, 35 Hafod Road,

Hereford

Notes: Please note the time, date and venue of the meeting.

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# Agenda for the Meeting of the Regulatory Sub Committee

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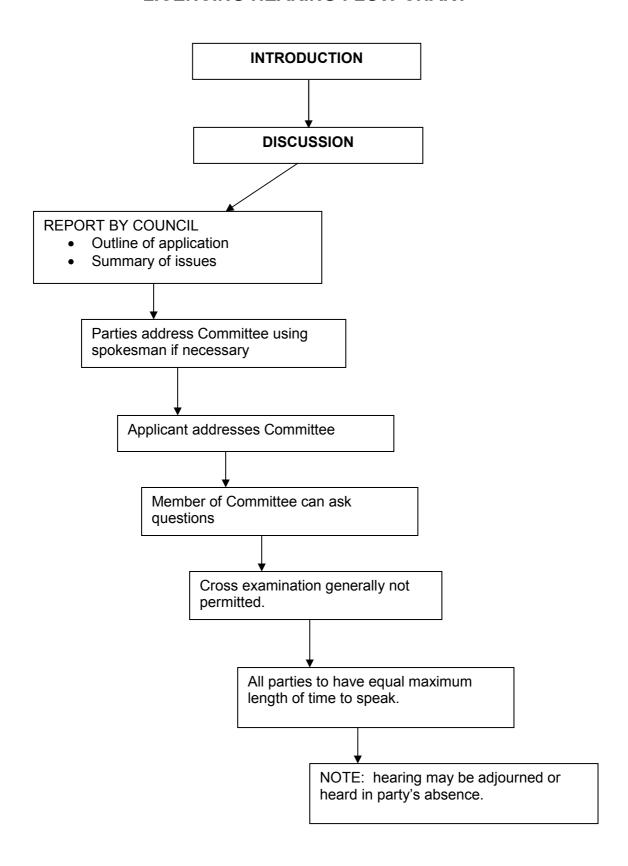
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#### LICENCING HEARING FLOW CHART





MEETING:	REGULATORY SUB-COMMITTEE
DATE:	26 NOVEMBER 2010
TITLE OF REPORT:	APPLICATION FOR VARIATION OF A PREMISES LICENCE 'TJ'S BAR & BISTRO, 62 COMMERCIAL ROAD, HEREFORD, HR1 2BP.' - LICENSING ACT 2003
PORTFOLIO AREA:	ASSISTANT DIRECTOR (ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH & TRADING STANDARDS) PUBLIC HEALTH DIRECTORATE

**CLASSIFICATION: Open** 

#### **Wards Affected**

Hereford City

#### **Purpose**

To consider an application for the variation of a premises licence in respect of the 'T J's Bar & Bistro, 62 Commercial Road, Hereford, HR1 2BP'.

#### **Key Decision**

This is not a Key Decision.

#### Recommendation

THAT Sub-Committee determine the application with a view to promoting the licensing objectives in the overall interests of the local community. They should give appropriate weight to:

- The steps that are necessary to promote the licensing objectives,
- The representations (including supporting information) presented by all parties,
- The Guidance issued to local authorities under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003, and
- The Herefordshire Council Licensing Policy.

#### **Key Points Summary**

- 1 Public Representation against the application
- 1 Representation from the West Mercia Police as a Responsible Authority

#### **Options**

a) Grant the licence subject to conditions that are consistent with the operating schedule accompanying the application and the mandatory conditions set out in the Licensing Act 2003,

Further information on the subject of this report is available from Fred Spriggs – Licensing Officer 01432 383542

- b) Grant the licence subject to modified conditions to that of the operating schedule where the committee considers it necessary for the promotion of the licensing objectives and add mandatory conditions set out in the Licensing Act 2003,
- c) To exclude from the scope of the licence any of the licensable activities to which the application relates,
- d) To refuse to specify a person in the licence as the premise supervisor, or
- e) To reject the application.

#### **Reasons for Recommendations**

2 Ensures compliance with the Licensing Act 2003.

#### Introduction and Background

3 Background Information

Applicant	Harjinder Singh		
	61A Commercial Road, Hereford, HR1 2BP		
Solicitor	Williams Beales & Co, 9 Br	road Street, HR3 5DB	
Type of application:	Date received:	28 Days consultation	
Variation Application	3/09/10	30/09/10	

#### **Licence Application**

The application for a variation to the premises licence has received representations and is therefore bought before the sub-committee for determination.

#### **Current Licence**

5 The current licence authorises: -

An exhibition of films, Any playing of recorded music

Monday - Sunday: 10:00 - 00:30

A performance of Live Music

Monday – Sunday: 12:00 – 23:30

Sale by retail of alcohol

Monday - Sunday: 12:00 - 23:30

Non Standard Timings:

10:00 on New Years Eve to the commencement of permitted hours on New Year's

Day.

#### **Summary of Application**

The application applies for the following licensable activities during the hours shown (all indoors): -

Any playing of recorded music; Sale by retail of alcohol (on & off premises)

Monday - Sunday: 11:00 - 01:30

<u>Sale by retail of alcohol (on premises)</u> Monday - Sunday: 12:00 – 01:30

#### **Summary of Representations**

- A copy of the representations can be found within the background papers.
- 8 1 representation has been received from a Responsible Authority West Mercia Police.
- 9 1 Local resident has made a representation against the application.

#### **Key Considerations**

- To consider what action should be taken, if any, to promote the four licensing objectives in accordance with the recommendation.
- 11 The premises are within the Special Policy Area (Cumulative Impact Area), as mentioned at Appendix 1 of the Herefordshire Council Licensing Policy 2008 2011.

#### **Community Impact**

12 The granting of the licence as applied for may have an impact on the community.

#### Legal Implications

- The Committee should be aware of a number of stated cases which have appeared before the Administrative Court and are binding on the Licensing Authority.
- The case of Daniel Thwaites Plc v Wirral Borough Magistrates' Court (Case No: CO/5533/2006) at the High Court of Justice Queen's Bench Division Administrative Court on 6 May 2008, [2008] EWHC 838 (Admin), 2008 WL 1968943, Before the Honourable Mrs Justice Black.
- 15 In this case it was summed up that: -
  - A licensing authority must have regard to guidance issued by the Secretary of State under section 182. Licensing authorities may depart from it if they have reason to do so but will need to give full reasons for their actions.
- Furthermore the Thwaites case established that only conditions should be attached to a licence with a view to promoting the Licensing objectives and that 'real evidence' must be presented to support the reason for imposing these conditions.
- 17 This judgement is further supported in the case of The Queen on the Application of Bristol Council v Bristol Magistrates' Court, CO/6920/2008 High Court of Justice Queen's Bench

Division The Administrative Court, 24 February 2009, [2009] EWHC 625 (Admin) 2009 WL 648859 in which it was said:

'Licensing authorities should only impose conditions which are necessary and proportionate for the promotion for licensing objectives'.

- The Committee should be aware of the stated case of R (on the application of JD Wetherspoons) v Guildford Borough Council [2006] EWHC 815 (Admin). Wetherspoons applied for a variation to their Lloyds Number 1 Bar within the cumulative impact area of Guildford which was subject to their Special policy.
- The Committee refused to grant this application on the grounds that the variation was likely to add to existing cumulative impact of the area.
- This was appealed to the High Court and the appeal was dismissed.
- The Committee's attention is drawn to the guidance issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act which states at paragraphs:

### "THE CUMULATIVE IMPACT OF A CONCENTRATION OF LICENSED PREMISES What is cumulative impact?

13.24 "Cumulative impact" is not mentioned specifically in the 2003 Act but means in this Guidance the potential impact on the promotion of the licensing objectives of a significant number of licensed premises concentrated in one area. The cumulative impact of licensed premises on the promotion of the licensing objectives is a proper matter for a licensing authority to consider in developing its licensing policy statement.

13.25 In some areas, where the number, type and density of premises selling alcohol for consumption on the premises are unusual, serious problems of nuisance and disorder may be arising or have begun to arise outside or some distance from licensed premises. For example, concentrations of young drinkers can result in queues at fast food outlets and for public transport. Queuing in turn may be leading to conflict, disorder and anti-social behaviour. While more flexible licensing hours may reduce this impact by allowing a more gradual dispersal of customers from premises, it is possible that the impact on surrounding areas of the behaviour of the customers of all premises taken together will still be greater in these cases than the impact of customers of individual premises. These conditions are more likely to occur in town and city centres, but may also arise in other urban centres and the suburbs.

#### Effect of special policies

13.29 The effect of adopting a special policy of this kind is to create a rebuttable presumption that applications for new premises licences or club premises certificates or variations that are likely to add to the existing cumulative impact will normally be refused, following relevant representations, unless the applicant can demonstrate in their operating schedule that there will be no negative cumulative impact on one or more of the licensing objectives".

22 Schedule 5 gives a right of appeal to: -

Rejection of applications relating to premises licences

- 1 Where a licensing authority—
  - (a) rejects an application for a premises licence under section 18,
  - (b) rejects (in whole or in part) an application to vary a premises licence under section 35,

- (c) rejects an application to vary a premises licence to specify an individual as the premises supervisor under section 39, or
- (d) rejects an application to transfer a premises licence under section 44, the applicant may appeal against the decision.

Decision to grant premises licence or impose conditions etc.

- 2(1) This paragraph applies where a licensing authority grants a premises licence under section 18.
  - (2) The holder of the licence may appeal against any decision—
    - (a) to impose conditions on the licence under subsection (2)(a) or (3)(b) of that section, or
    - (b) to take any step mentioned in subsection (4)(b) or (c) of that section (exclusion of licensable activity or refusal to specify person as premises supervisor).
  - (3) Where a person who made relevant representations in relation to the application desires to contend—
    - (a) that the licence ought not to have been granted, or
    - (b) that, on granting the licence, the licensing authority ought to have imposed different or additional conditions, or to have taken a step mentioned in subsection (4)(b) or (c) of that section,

he may appeal against the decision.

- (4) In sub-paragraph (3) "relevant representations" has the meaning given in section 18(6).
- Section 9 states that any such appeal must be made to a Magistrates Court for the area in which the premises are situated within 21 days of notification of the decision.

#### Consultees

- 24 Responsible authorities and persons living within the vicinity or with a business interest within the vicinity of the premises.
- A copy of the application was served on the responsible authorities. This was backed up by an email sent to them by the Licensing Authority.
- The notice of application was displayed on the premises prior to the start of the consultation period and for a period of 28 days. In addition, notice of the application was required to be published in a newspaper which was circulated within the vicinity of the premises.
- The applicant has produced a copy of that advertisement which is correct.

#### **Appendices**

- 28 a. Public representation
  - b. Police representation
  - c. Application Form
  - d. Licensing Policy Appendix 1

#### **Background Papers**

Background papers are available for inspection in the Council Chamber, Brockington, 35 Hafod Road, Hereford, 30 minutes before the start of the hearing.

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### Application to vary a premises licence under the Licensing Act 2003 SEP 2010

## PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTION FIRST

Before completing this form please read the guidance notes at the end of the form. If you are completing this form by hand please write legibly in block capitals. In all cases ensure that your answers are inside the boxes and written in black ink. Use additional sheets if necessary.

You may wish to keep a copy of the completed form for your records.

#### I/We HARJINDER SINGH

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(Insert name(s) of applicant)

being the premises licence holder, apply to vary a premises licence under section 34 of the Licensing Act 2003 for the premises described in Part 1 below

Premises licence number PR00497

#### Part 1 - Premises Details

Postal address of premises or, if none, ordnance survey map reference or description TJ's BAR & BISTRO 62 COMMERCIAL ROAD

ost town	HEREFORD	Post code	HR1 2BP
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Telephone number at premises (if any)	01432 342341
Non-domestic rateable value of premises	£6250

#### Part 2 - Applicant details

Daytime contact telephone number	01432 <del>342341</del> por Li	reducy ?	dr.
E-mail address (optional)			
Current postal address if different from premises address	61A COMMERCIAL ROAD		
Post Town HEREFORD		Postcode	HR1 2BP

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If your proposed variation would mean that 5,000 or more people are expected to attend the premises at any one time, please state the number expected to attend

#### Part 4 Operating Schedule

Please complete those parts of the Operating Schedule below which would be subject to change if this application to vary is successful.

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b)	films (if ticking yes, fill in box B)						
c)	indoor sporting events (if ticking yes, fill in box C)						
d)	boxing or wrestling entertainment (if ticking yes, fill in box D)						
e)	live music (if ticking yes, fill in box E)						
f)	recorded music (if ticking yes, fill in box F)						
g)	performances of dance (if ticking yes, fill in box G)						
h)	anything of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g) (if ticking yes, fill in box H)						
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j)	dancing (if ticking yes, fill in box J)						
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Please highlight any adult entertainment or services, activities, other entertainment or matters ancillary to the use of the premises that may give rise to concern in respect of children (please read guidance note 8)  NONE

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		Please tick yes			
•	I have enclosed the premises licence	$\boxtimes$			
•	I have enclosed the relevant part of the premises licence				
If you have not ticked one of these boxes please fill in reasons for not including the licence, or part of it, below					
Reasons why I have failed to enclose the premises licence or relevant part of premises licence					
	9				

**P** Describe any additional steps you intend to take to promote the four licensing objectives as a result of the proposed variation:

a) General – all four licensing objectives (b,c,d,e) (please read guidance note 9)

NO NEW STEPS HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED BY RISK ASSESSMENT IN RELATION TO THE FOUR LICENSING OBJECTIVES EXCEPT AS SET OUT BELOW.

WE HAVE CONSIDERED THE TERMS OF THE HEREFORDSHIRE LICENSING POLICY IN PREPARING THIS APPLICATION AND IN PARTICULAR THE CUMULATIVE IMPACT POLICY FOR THE PERIOD 2008-2011 FOR THE AREA

#### b) The prevention of crime and disorder

- 1. WE MAINTAIN A CCTV SYSTEM INSIDE AND OUTSIDE THE PREMISES WITH HARD DISK RECORDINGS WHICH ARE RETAINED FOR 28 DAYS. THERE ARE 16 CAMERAS IN TOTAL ON THE THREE ASSOCIATED PREMISES BEING TJ'S BAR & BISTRO, GOLDEN GALLEON FISH & CHIP SHOP AND THE GLASS TANDOOR RESTAURANT.
- 2. WE MAINTAIN A REGISTER OF INCIDENTS RELEVANT TO THE FOUR LICENSING OBJECTIVES
- 3. WE HAVE A COMPREHENSIVE STAFF TRAINING PROGRAMME AND ALL STAFF ARE TRAINED IN THE LICENSING ACT 2003 AS IT IS RELEVANT TO THEIR JOBS AND IN DRUG AWARENESS
- 4. WE WORK CLOSELY WITH THE POLICE , LOCAL AUTHORITY, LICENSED TRADE ASSOCIATIONS AND OTHER ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES TO ENSURE WE ADOPT INDUSTRY BEST PRACTICE IN SUPPORT OF THE LICENSING OBJECTIVES
- 5. WE ARE MEMBERS OF THE LOCAL H.A.N.D. SCHEME
- 6. WE PARTICIPATE IN THE HEREFORD CITY CENTRE "PUB RADIO" SCHEME
  7. AS REQUIRED BY THE LOCAL LICENSING POLICY WE PROVIDE A MINIMUM OF TWO
  TRAINED DOOR SUPERVISORS
- 8. THERE IS A SPECIFIC REQUIREMENT THAT OPENED CONTAINERS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO BE REMOVED FROM THE PREMISES SO THAT THE LICENCE OPERATES ONLY AS AN "ON LICENCE"
- 9. IN LINE WITH CURRENT POLICY DRINKS PROMOTIONS ARE ONLY UNDERTAKEN IN COMPLIANCE WITH BBPA GUIDELINES
- 10. WE HAVE A BURGLAR ALARM
- 11. ALL STATUTORY NOTICES ARE DISPLAYED.

#### c) Public safety

- 1. ALL ELECTRICAL AND GAS APPLICANCES ARE TESTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH CURERNT REGULATIONS
- 2. WE HAVE EMERGENCY LIGHTING AND MAINTAIN ADEQUATE FIRE FIGHTING EQUIPMENT
- 3. ALL STAFF WEAR A RECOGNISABLE UNIFORM

#### d) The prevention of public nuisance

- 1. WE OBSERVE THE LICENSING AUTHORITY'S RECOMMENDED POLICY FOR DOOR SUPERVISORS AND FOR ADMMISSION TO THE PREMISES AT ALL RECOMMENDED TIMES
- 2. AT ALL RELEVANT TIMES A MINIMUM OF TWO DOOR SUPERVISORS ARE ON DUTY 3. OPENED CONTAINERS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO BE REMOVED FROM THE PREMISES

e) The protection of children	en from harm
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NO UNUSUAL RISKS OF HARM TO CHILDREN HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED

Please tick yes

X

X

- I have made or enclosed payment of the fee
- I have sent copies of this application and the plan to responsible authorities and others where applicable
- I understand that I must now advertise my application
- I have enclosed the premises licence or relevant part of it or explanation
- I understand that if I do not comply with the above requirements my application will be rejected

IT IS AN OFFENCE, LIABLE ON CONVICTION TO A FINE UP TO LEVEL 5 ON THE STANDARD SCALE, UNDER SECTION 158 OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003 TO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT IN OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS APPLICATION

Part 5 – Signatures (please read guidance note 10)

Signature of applicant (the current premises licence holder) or applicant's solicitor or other duly authorised agent (please read guidance note 11). If signing on behalf of the applicant please state in what capacity.

Signature	William Bealer 16
	14 <sup>th</sup> Septemeber 2010
Capacity	SOLICITOR

Where the premises licence is jointly held signature of 2nd applicant (the current premises licence holder) or 2nd applicant's solicitor or other authorised agent (please read guidance note12). If signing on behalf of the applicant please state in what capacity.

Signature			

Date		
Capacity		

Contact name (where not previously given) and address for correspondence associated with this application (please read guidance note 13)

PAUL TOMPKINS

PAUL TOMPKINS SOLICITOR WILLIAMS BEALES & CO 9 BROAD STREET

Post town	HAY ON WYE		Post code	HR3 5DB
Telephone number (if any)		01497 820302	·	*

If you would prefer us to correspond with you by e-mail your e-mail address (optional) paul@williamsbeales.co.uk

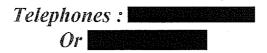
#### **Notes for Guidance**

This application cannot be used to vary the licence so as to extend the period for which the licence has effect or to vary substantially the premises to which it relates. If you wish to make that type of change to the premises licence you should make a new premises licence application under section 17 of the Licensing Act 2003.

- Describe the premises. For example the type of premises, its general situation and layout and any other information which could be relevant to the licensing objectives. Where your application includes off-supplies of alcohol and you intend to provide a place for consumption of these off-supplies you must include a description of where the place will be and its proximity to the premises.
- 2. Where taking place in a building or other structure please tick as appropriate. Indoors may include a tent.
- 3. For example state type of activity to be authorised, if not already stated, and give relevant further details, for example (but not exclusively) whether or not music will be amplified or unamplified.
- 4. For example (but not exclusively), where the activity will occur on additional days during the summer months.
- 5. For example (but not exclusively), where you wish the activity to go on longer on a particular day e.g. Christmas Eve.
- 6. Please give timings in 24 hour clock (e.g. 16:00) and only give details for the days of the week when you intend the premises to be used for the activity.
- 7. If you wish people to be able to consume alcohol on the premises please tick on, if you wish people to be able to purchase alcohol to consume away from the premises please tick off. If you wish people to be able to do both please tick both.
- 8. Please give information about anything intended to occur at the premises or ancillary to the use of the premises which may give rise to concern in respect of children regardless of whether you intend children to have access to the premises, for example (but not exclusively) nudity or semi-nudity, films for restricted age groups, the presence of gaming machines.
- 9. Please list here steps you will take to promote all four licensing objectives together.
- 10. The application form must be signed.
- 11. An applicant's agent (for example solicitor) may sign the form on their behalf provided that they have actual authority to do so.

- 12. Where there is more than one applicant, both applicants or their respective agents must sign the application form.13. This is the address which we shall use to correspond with you about this application.

# M. Williams and S. Firth, Flat 1, 16, Commercial Road, Hereford, HR1 2BB.



Licensing Section,
Herefordshire Council,
County Offices.
P.O. Box 233,
Bath Street,
Hereford,
HR1 2ZF.

7<sup>th</sup>. October, 2010.

Dear Sir / Madam,

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We already have problems of noise pollution that we have raised with your colleagues in Environmental Health ( please refer to the attached copies of recent correspondence with them ) and can only conclude that additional opening hours will only exacerbate an existing problem.

Please note that we shall be absent on holiday for a fortnight as from next Monday. Yours faithfully,

M. Williams.

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Environmental Health and Trading Standards, Herefordshire Council, PO Box 233, County Offices, Bath Street, Hereford, HR1 2ZF.

13th. August, 2010

Dear Sir / Madam,

I had occasion previously to write to you concerning the unacceptable level of late night noise coming from the premises, now known as the Long Bar, which are directly across the road from where I live.

Although I fully appreciate that this problem cannot be completely eliminated, it was considerably reduced before to an acceptable level by the simple remedy of ensuring the inner set of entrance doors were kept closed whenever possible.

Since that time, the business has changed management, and, unfortunately, the same noise problem has reoccured, especially on those nights which feature karaoke sessions and which last until the early hours of the morning. Obviously, this keeps me awake and results in sleepless nights.

Would it be possible please to ask the present proprietors to revert to the previous practice in order to help the situation?

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

M. Williams.

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23rd. August, 2010

Dear Sir / Madam,

I refer to my letter of 13<sup>th</sup>. August inst. (a copy of which is attached for your convenience) and would be grateful to hear from you.

Since the date of my letter, the same problem has reoccured on Monday, 16<sup>th</sup>. August and on Wednesday. 18<sup>th</sup>. August with the disturbance on both instances lasting into the early hours of the following morning.

Thanking you in anticipation,

Yours faithfully,

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Environmental Health Protection (Noise Pollution), Herefordshire Council, County Offices, Bath Street, Hereford, HR1 2HQ.

10<sup>th</sup>. September, 2010.

Dear Sir / Madam,

I have previously written to yourselves on 13<sup>th</sup>. August and 23<sup>rd</sup>. August.2010 (copies of which are enclosed for your reference).

I would be grateful to receive a response from yourselves, as the noise problem, already described in those letters, has if anything become worse on the two or three nights each week when these karaoke sessions are held.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

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28th. October, 2010.

Dear Sir / Madam.

Further to our letter of 7<sup>th</sup>. October, 2010 (a copy of which is attached for your reference), in the absence of a response from your goodselves in the interim, we wonder if any progress has been made in this matter.

Our concerns are as relevant as they were before, bearing in mind that the noise problem continues after the official closing time, with clearing the customers from the premises and when they congregate outside in Commercial Road, thus causing a different but comparable noise aggravation which can last for a considerable period. Yours faithfully,

M. Williams.

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Territorial Policing Unit – Herefordshire Hereford Police Licensing Department Hereford Police Station Bath Street Hereford. HR1 2HT



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E-mail licensing.herefordshire@westmercia.pnn.police.uk

26 October 2010

Our Ref: Your Ref:

Herefordshire District Council Licensing Authority PO Box 233 Bath Street HEREFORD, HR1 2ZF

Dear Sir/Madam

Ref Premises licence variation application – TJ's Bar, 62 Commercial Road, Hereford

I refer to the above application made in pursuant of the Licensing Act 2003, received by the West Mercia Police on the 29 September 2010

On behalf of the Chief Constable please take this as an Objection Notice for the purposes of of the Act.

This objection notice is served because it is the view of the West Mercia Police that to allow such application would undermine the licensing objectives and in particular the objective of the prevention of crime and disorder.

West Mercia Police submit the following as grounds to object to the application.

 The location of the premises is included in Herefordshire Councils licensing policy with regards to the cumulative and detrimental impact on the licensing objectives of the prevention of crime and disorder, ensuring public safety and the prevention of public nuisance. The Commercial Road area of Hereford has long been the 'no 1 hot spot' for alcohol related crime and disorder and nuisance.

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- To assist a direct quote from Appendix 1 of Herefordshire District Council Licensing Policy 2008-2011 states -
- 'Special Policy part 5 'The effect of this is to create a rebuttal presumption that applications for new premises or material variations will normally be refused if relevant representation to that effect are made unless it can be demonstrated that the operation of the premises will not add to the cumulative impact already been experienced..'
- From the 01 January 2009 to the 31 December 2009 a total of 325 crime incidents have occurred in this area which have a link to the licensing objectives – these offences that have been recorded are assaults and public order matters.
- Since the beginning of 2010, up until 26 October 2010, there have been a total of 263 crime incidents in the Commercial Road area of Hereford. These have been recorded as assaults and public order offences and have involved a police investigation.
- Additionally the following matters have been recorded on West Mercia Police message systems
  as matters reported to them as occurring in the Commercial Road area (note these figures will
  include the crimes recorded as above as not all matters result in a police investigation) –

Anti social behaviour 133 reports
Public order 110 reports
Assaults 68 reports
Total reports = 311

 In addition these can be broken down into time spans, and information indicates they occur between the hours of 2200hrs and 0400hrs –

Anti social behaviour 78 reports
Public order 81 reports
Assaults 43 reports
Total reports between 2200hrs and 0400hrs = 202

- Additionally a total of15 incidents have occurred in or near the applicants premises in 2010, which are in the view of West Mercia Police attributed to the fact it was open
- The Commercial Road area of Hereford, has a total of thirteen licensed premises.
- This made up of one night club, six public houses and six take-ways and late night refreshment houses. The night club has a licence until 0400hrs, the latest time (and the main closing time) for the public houses are 0100hrs and the late night refreshment premises close at 0130hrs. It is the view of West Mercia Police that the area and the nearby vicinity has sufficient licensed premises to meet public demand and increase in operating hours will have a direct impact on the licensing objectives.
- Nearby and included in the Licensing Authorities special policy appendix are a total of 16 other various licensed premises.
- The applicant indicates that they are a member of the HAND (Herefordshire Against Night Time Disorder), whilst this may be true in theory, in practise they are not an active member having not attended or participated in the majority of monthly meetings since 2008. Records indicate they have only re-started to attend meetings since this application was received.
- The policing resources for the Territorial Policing Unit for Herefordshire does not have unlimited police numbers, on a normal night after 2200hrs, a maximum of 13 officers would be available for

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deployment in the whole of the county – of which at least 6 would be expected to cover the market towns. On Friday and Saturday evenings, operational police shift patterns in order to meet the demand of the county, are varied to ensure numbers are increased between the hours of 2200hrs and 0400hrs. It can be expected that at a peak time a maximum of 28 officers will be available. Of this a maximum of 16 will be based in the Hereford city centre. This is a big draw on policing numbers and the ability of West Mercia Police to respond to incidents as they occur. To extend the operating hours of these premises would have further impact on West Mercia Polices ability to respond to incidents, meet demand and public expectation.

 West Mercia Police still believe that the cumulative impact of the high level of licensed premises in the Commercial Road and nearby areas of Hereford, impact on the licensing objectives and therefore any new licences or variations to licences applied for cannot be justified as a matter of course for all the reasons stated.

Lastly it is the intention of West Mercia Police to provide further information to support the above issues if deemed necessary in the event of this matter being taken to the Licensing Authority Regulatory Committee. In the event of this happening, this information will be provided in sufficient time for all parties' information.

Yours sincerely,

Jim MOONEY Police Licensing Officer