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Cc: Helen Walters <helen.walters@stockport.gov.uk>

Subject: FW: Major variation

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Good morning,

Please find attached an application to vary the premises licence at Bask.

The last date for representations is 6th Nov.

Kind regards

Caitriona Muldoon

Case Manager- Licensing

Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council

2nd Floor | Fred Perry House | Edward Street | STOCKPORT | SK1 3XE

On 17 Oct 2023, at 09:09, StockportPolLic <StockportPoliceLicensing@gmp.police.uk> wrote:

Morning Benji,

Hope you're doing well.

I'm writing regarding the attached application to vary the Premise License at Bask essentially from 10.00-00.00hrs to 08.00-03.00hrs Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

I think we need to look at the existing Conditions and perhaps discuss altering or strengthening them to ensure that the License is more suited to a 3am finish.

Are you give me a bit of detail on how you currently operate, i.e;

- When (days/times) that you currently utilise Door Supervisors, and in what number (and between what times, and in what number, on a Sunday preceding a Bank Holiday Monday),
- The CCTV system currently in-place at the venue, which areas are covered by CCTV and the retention period of footage,
- How the venue will ensure that the over-consumption of alcohol doesn't become an issue,
- Details of the Drugs Policy which the venue currently operates, or will operate,
- Any policy on only using plastics outside (I appreciate that'll be more relevant to the summer months).

At the moment, I just need to understand how you currently operate and how you plan to operate going forward - it might be that we just need to reword some of the Conditions or formalise them on the License rather than introduce new ones.

Thanks in advance,

Jamie.

<image001.png> **PC Ellison | PC 17736**
Police Constable
District Licensing
Greater Manchester Police | Stockport Division
Cheadle Heath Police Station, Spectrum Way, Adswood, Stockport SK3
OSA
[REDACTED]

From: Benji Taylor [REDACTED]
Sent: 18 October 2023 09:38
To: StockportPolLic <StockportPoliceLicensing@gmp.police.uk>
Subject: Re: Major variation

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Hey pal,

Not too bad thank you. How's things?

Sounds good to me.

- We currently have door supervisors on Friday and Saturday nights, 7pm - 2am x 5. Extra when we have match days, and also extra when we have events that would require adequate door team.

For Sundays going into the bank holiday, we'd be the same, 5 @ 7pm - 2am.

- We have 8 internal CCTV cameras. Main entrance, overlooking the booths, bar area, behind bar, toilet entrance, cellar, stage and kitchen area. Kept for 2 months.

- We pride ourselves on making sure our customers don't overstep the alcohol consumption. And the staff are very much clued up on who's on their way to having too much. Water offered, a breather outside. It's priority for us, ahead of selling more alcohol, that everyone is safe and in good health.

- We have drug policies around the venue, and in the toilets. With regular toilet checks happening throughout the evening. Bag searches upon entry to the venue.

- No drinks allowed outside after 10.30pm, and we start using polycarbonate containers for drinks from 10pm.

With the licence extension of 1 hour from 2am - 3am, we've never had any problems when the dispersal happens at the end of the night and everyone leaves to try and grab a drink in either the casino or Notion. We'll be giving out lollies to people leaving to keep any chat at a minimum.

Let me know if you have any other questions mate.

On another note, I know County Grimsby have had previous before. Are you expecting any trouble on Saturday?

Benji Taylor

Bask

20 Railway Road, Stockport Exchange, SK1 3SW

On 23 Oct 2023, at 11:57, StockportPolLic <StockportPoliceLicensing@gmp.police.uk> wrote:

Hi Benji,

I'm good thanks, I'm glad you are too. Thanks for coming back to me so quickly and sorry I didn't respond re the Grimsby game, I've only just now picked up your e-mail. Things are a little hectic here..!

Hope pre/post game went without incident anyway – I'm told that the trains from Grimsby were cancelled so I imagine there were less away fans than there otherwise would have been.

I'd actually forgotten that Bask now operates until 0200 each day – I was still under the impression that it was midnight. We actually spoke about the CCTV last year when the Premise License was updated to 0200, so I'm happy with the conditions already on the License.

The only thing that may be useful is to have something in writing re the number of Sia on weekends. If we were to say something along the lines of *"A minimum of 4 Sia Door Supervisors will be utilised on Friday and Saturdays from 19:00 until close, and on any Sunday preceding a Bank Holiday Monday. At all other times, an ongoing risk assessment will be conducted by the DPS/Premise License Holder with regards to the necessity of Sia Door Supervision, and they will be utilised in the number and at the times deemed appropriate by said risk assessment"* would that be agreeable? I don't want to make the License too onerous but being as you currently use 5 (which I'd still recommend going forward) what're your thoughts on having 4 stipulated for Fri, Sat and BH Sundays? Do you currently use an Sia Register, too? As in, Sia Badge Holder's name, date/times worked, and Badge No?

How you operate with regards to polycarbs and no drinks outside etc is great, I don't think we need to have any other stipulations on the License.

It's always a really well ran premise which I'm grateful for!

Let me know your thoughts,

Jamie.

From: Benji Taylor [REDACTED]

Sent: 26 October 2023 16:05

To: StockportPolLic <StockportPoliceLicensing@gmp.police.uk>

Subject: Re: Major variation

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Thanks Jamie,

Yes we have an SIA register, with all SIA registered staff signing in, with the their badge numbers.

Glad to hear your kind words about how we operate.

Looking forward to another busy weekend.

Benji Taylor

Bask

20 Railway Road, Stockport Exchange, SK1 3SW

On 26 Oct 2023, at 17:12, StockportPolLic <StockportPoliceLicensing@gmp.police.uk> wrote:

Hi Benji,

Thanks. What're your thoughts re the below, i.e. the addition of the following condition on the new License;

"A minimum of 4 Sia Door Supervisors will be utilised on Friday and Saturdays from 19:00 until close, and on any Sunday preceding a Bank Holiday Monday. At all other times, an ongoing risk assessment will be conducted by the DPS/Premise License Holder with regards to the necessity of Sia Door Supervision, and they will be utilised in the number and at the times deemed appropriate by said risk assessment"

If you're happy with it, I can forward your response to the Local Authority so that the new License is up-to-date.

Many thanks,

Jamie.

From: Benji Taylor [REDACTED]

Sent: 26 October 2023 17:27

To: StockportPolLic <StockportPoliceLicensing@gmp.police.uk>

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Absolutely, we're more than happy to have that on the new license.

Benji Taylor

Bask

20 Railway Road, Stockport Exchange, SK1 3SW

On 27 Oct 2023, at 13:42, StockportPolLic <StockportPoliceLicensing@gmp.police.uk> wrote:

Thanks Benji,

I'll pass it onto the Local Authority.

I should probably already know the answer to this, but do you guys have involvement in the running of Notion Bar?

Many thanks

Jamie.

From: Benji Taylor [REDACTED]
Sent: 30 October 2023 07:59
To: StockportPolLic <StockportPoliceLicensing@gmp.police.uk>
Subject: Re: Major variation

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Thanks mate.

No we're not involved in Notion.

Benji Taylor
Bask
20 Railway Road, Stockport Exchange, SK1 3SW

From: StockportPolLic <StockportPoliceLicensing@gmp.police.uk>
Subject: RE: Major variation
Date: 30 October 2023 at 12:24:54 GMT
To: 'Benji Taylor' [REDACTED]

Cheers Benji; I didn't think you were, but one of Neighbourhood Officers had drawn a link between the running of Bask and Notion. Thanks for letting me know.

Jamie.