

Report of: Service Director - Public Protection

Meeting of	Date	Agenda Item	Ward(s)
Licensing Sub-Committee	25 February 2014		Caledonian

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Subject: PREMISES LICENCE NEW APPLICATION
RE: JOURNEYS KINGS CROSS, 54-58 CALEDONIAN ROAD, LONDON N1 9DP
1. Synopsis

- 1.1 This is an application for a new premise licence under the Licensing Act 2003.
- 1.2 The new application is to:
 - i) Supply alcohol for consumption on and off the premises 16:00 to 23:00 Sunday to Thursday and 16:00 to midnight Friday and Saturday;
 - ii) Exhibition of films 18:00 to 20:30 Sunday to Monday;
 - iii) Late night refreshment 23:00 to 00:00 Friday to Saturday;
 - iv) Set the opening hours of the premises.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 To determine the application for a new premises licence under Section 19 of the Licensing Act 2003.
- 2.2 To consider that this address is in the Kings Cross Saturation or "Cumulative Impact Policy" of Islington. This special policy creates a rebuttable presumption that applications for new premises licences, club premises certificates, or variation applications that are likely to add to the existing cumulative impact will normally be refused, unless the applicant can demonstrate why the operation of the premises involved will not add to the cumulative impact or otherwise impact adversely on the promotion of the licensing objectives.

2.3 If the Committee grants the application it should be subject to:

- i) conditions of the current premises licence;
- ii) conditions prepared by the Licensing Officer which are consistent with the Operating Schedule
- iii) conditions recommended by responsible Authorities
- iv) any conditions deemed necessary by the Committee to promote the four licensing objectives.

3. Background

3.1 The premises is currently unlicensed.

3.2 On 3 December 2013 the applicant agreed with the Noise Team to remove recorded music from the application.

3.3 Papers are attached as follows:-

- Appendix 1: application form;
- Appendix 2a: name & address details of those persons making representations;
- Appendix 2: representations from Police, Licensing Authority and two local residents;
- Appendix 3: suggested conditions and map of premise location.

4. Planning Implications

4.1 The current use is accepted as A3.

5. Conclusion and reasons for recommendations


5.1 The Council is required to consider this application in the light of all relevant information, and if approval is given, it may attach such conditions necessary to promote the licensing objectives.

Background papers:

The Council's Statement of Licensing Policy
Licensing Act 2003
Secretary of States Guidance

Final Report Clearance

Signed by


Service Director - Public Protection

8.1.14
Date

Received by

Head of Scrutiny and Democratic Services

Date

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[Insert name and address of relevant licensing authority and its reference number (optional)]

Application for a premises licence to be granted under the Licensing Act 2003

Handwritten signature and date 7/11/13

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS 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 TANGERINE VENTURES LTD. apply for a premises licence under section 17 of the Licensing Act 2003 for the premises described in Part 1 below (the premises) and I/we are making this application to you as the relevant licensing authority in accordance with section 12 of the Licensing Act 2003

Part 1 - Premises details

Postal address of premises or, if none, ordnance survey map reference or description: JOURNEYS KINGS CROSS, 54-58 CALEDONIAN ROAD, ISLINGTON. Post town: LONDON. Post code: N1 9DP.

Telephone number at premises (if any): 0207 8333893. Non-domestic rateable value of premises: £ 82,500.

Part 2 - Applicant details

Please state whether you are applying for a premises licence as

Please tick ✓ yes

- a) an individual or individuals* [] please complete section (A)
b) a person other than an individual*
i. as a limited company [x] please complete section (B)
ii. as a partnership [] please complete section (B)
iii. as an unincorporated association or [] please complete section (B)
iv. other (for example a trading corporation) [] please complete section (B)
c) a recognised club [] please complete section (B)
d) a charity [] please complete section (B)

ISLINGTON COUNCIL LICENSING. Date: 4/11/13. Fee Paid: 315. Licence Number: 000027. Licence Number: 066807B.

PUBLIC PROTECTION DIVISION 222 UPPER ST, LONDON N1 1XR

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- e) the proprietor of an educational establishment please complete section (B)
- f) a health service body please complete section (B)
- g) a person who is registered under Part 2 of the Care Standards Act 2000 (c14) in respect of an independent hospital please complete section (B)
- h) the chief officer of police of a police force in England and Wales please complete section (B)

*If you are applying as a person described in (a) or (b) please confirm:

- Please tick yes
- I am carrying on or proposing to carry on a business which involves the use of the premises for licensable activities; or
 - I am making the application pursuant to a
 - statutory function or
 - a function discharged by virtue of Her Majesty's prerogative

(A) INDIVIDUAL APPLICANTS (fill in as applicable)

Mr Mrs Miss Ms Other title (for example, Rev)

Surname

First names

I am 18 years old or over Please tick yes

Current postal address if different from premises address

Post Town **Postcode**

Daytime contact telephone number

E-mail address (optional)

SECOND INDIVIDUAL APPLICANT (if applicable)

Mr Mrs Miss Ms Other title (for example, Rev)

Surname First names

Please tick
 yes

I am 18 years old or over

Current postal address if different from premises address

Post Town Postcode

Daytime contact telephone number

E-mail address (optional)

(B) OTHER APPLICANTS.

Please provide name and registered address of applicant in full. Where appropriate please give any registered number. In the case of a partnership or other joint venture (other than a body corporate), please give the name and address of each party concerned

Name	TANGERINE VENTURES LTD T/A JOURNEYS KING'S CROSS
Address	4 THE MILL COPLEY HILL BUSINESS PARK CAMBRIDGE ROAD BABRAHAM CAMBRIDGE ENGLAND CB22 3GN
Registered number (where applicable)	07645036
Description of applicant (for example partnership, company, unincorporated association etc)	PRIVATE LIMITED COMPANY
Telephone number (if any)	02078333893
E-mail address (optional)	kxmanagement@gmail.com

Part 3 Operating Schedule

When do you want the premises licence to start?

Day		Month		Year			
2	5	1	1	2	0	1	3

If you wish to licence to be valid only for a limited period, when do you want it to end?

Day		Month		Year			

If 5000 or more people are expected to attend the premises at any one time, please state the number expected to attend.

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The premises operate as a backpackers hostel, part of the franchise group "Journeys Hostels". The hostel has rooms laid out over four floors. Reception is located on the ground floor next to the main entrance. The lounge and the kitchen, where licensable activities will take place are located on the lower ground floor. Only guests are allowed on the premises and the entrance is controlled 24 hours by the shift manager on duty. The common areas in the basement are closed between 02:00-06:00.

What licensable activities do you intend to carry on from the premises?
(Please see sections 1 and 14 of the Licensing Act 2003 and Schedule 1 and 2 to the Licensing Act 2003)

Please tick yes

Provision of regulated entertainment

- a) plays (if ticking yes, fill in box A)
- 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)

Provision of entertainment facilities for:

- i) making music (if ticking yes, fill in box I)
- j) dancing (if ticking yes, fill in box J)
- k) entertainment of a similar description to that falling within (i) or (j)
(if ticking yes, fill in box K)

Provision of late night refreshment (if ticking yes, fill in box L)

Supply of alcohol (if ticking yes, fill in box M)

In all cases complete boxes N, O and P

A

Plays Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			Will the performance of a play take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick [Y] (please read guidance note 2)	Indoors		
Day	Start	Finish		Outdoors		
Mon			Please give further details here (please read guidance note 3)	Both		
Tue						
Wed				State any seasonal variations for performing plays (please read guidance note 4)		
Thur						
Fri						
Sat				Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the performance of plays at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 5)		
Sun						

B

Films Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			Will the exhibition of films take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick [Y] (please read guidance note 2)	Indoors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Day	Start	Finish		Outdoors		
Mon	18:00	20:30	Please give further details here (please read guidance note 3) FILMS WATCHED ON TV	Both		
Tue	18:00	20:30				
Wed	18:00	20:30		State any seasonal variations for the exhibition of films (please read guidance note 4)		
Thur	18:00	20:30				
Fri	18:00	20:30				
Sat	18:00	20:30		Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the exhibition of films at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 5)		
Sun	18:00	20:30				

C

Indoor sporting events Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			<u>Please give further details</u> (please read guidance note 3)
Day	Start	Finish	
Mon			
Tue			<u>State any seasonal variations for indoor sporting events</u> (please read guidance note 4)
Wed			
Thur			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for indoor sporting events at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 5)
Fri			
Sat			
Sun			

D

Boxing or wrestling entertainments Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			<u>Will the boxing or wrestling entertainment take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick [Y]</u> (please read guidance note 2)	Indoors	
Day	Start	Finish		Outdoors	
Mon			Both		<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 3)
Tue					
Wed					<u>State any seasonal variations for boxing or wrestling entertainment</u> (please read guidance note 4)
Thur					
Fri					<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for boxing or wrestling entertainment at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 5)
Sat					
Sun					

E

Live music Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			Will the performance of live music take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick [Y] (please read guidance note 2)	Indoors		
Day	Start	Finish		Outdoors		
Mon			Please give further details here (please read guidance note 3)	Both		
Tue						
Wed				State any seasonal variations for the performance of live music (please read guidance note 4)		
Thur						
Fri				Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the performance of live music at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 5)		
Sat						
Sun						

F

Recorded music Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			Will the playing of recorded music take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick [Y] (please read guidance note 2)	Indoors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Day	Start	Finish		Outdoors		
Mon	07:30	23:00	Please give further details here (please read guidance note 3) LOW LEVEL BACKGROUND MUSIC FROM FOUR 100 WATT SPEAKERS. INSIDE THE BUILDING	Both		
Tue	07:30	23:00				
Wed	07:30	23:00		State any seasonal variations for playing recorded music (please read guidance note 4)		
Thur	07:30	23:00				
Fri	07:30	00:00		Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the playing of recorded music entertainment at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 5)		
Sat	07:30	00:00				
Sun	07:30	23:00				

G

Performances of dance Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			Will the performance of dance take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick [Y] (please read guidance note 2)	Indoors				
				Outdoors				
				Both				
Day	Start	Finish	Please give further details here (please read guidance note 3)					
Mon								
Tue								
Wed						State any seasonal variations for the performance of dance (please read guidance note 4)		
Thur								
Fri						Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the performance of dance entertainment at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 5)		
Sat								
Sun								

H

Anything of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g) Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			Please give a description of the type of entertainment you will be providing					
Day	Start	Finish	Will this entertainment take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick [Y] (please read guidance note 2)	Indoor				
				Outdoor				
				Both				
Mon			Please give further details here (please read guidance note 3)					
Tue								
Wed								
Thur						State any seasonal variations for entertainment of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g) (please read guidance note 4)		
Fri								

Sat			Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the entertainment of similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g) at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 5)
Sun			

Provision of facilities for making music Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			Please give a description of the facilities for making music you will be providing	
			Will the facilities for making music be indoors or outdoors or both – please tick [Y] (please read guidance note 2)	Indoors
				Outdoors
Day	Start	Finish	Both	
Mon			Please give further details here (please read guidance note 3)	
Tue				
Wed			State any seasonal variations for the provision of facilities for making music (please read guidance note 4)	
Thur				
Fri			Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for provision of facilities for making music entertainment at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 5)	
Sat				
Sun				

Provision of facilities for dancing Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			Will the facilities for dancing be indoors or outdoors or both – please tick [Y] (see guidance note 2)	
			Indoors	
			Outdoors	
Day	Start	Finish	Both	
			Please give a description of the facilities for dancing you will be providing	

Mon			Please give further details here (please read guidance note 3)
Tue			
Wed			State any seasonal variations for providing dancing facilities (please read guidance note 4)
Thur			
Fri			Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the provision of facilities for dancing entertainment at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 5)
Sat			
Sun			

K

Provision of facilities for entertainment of a similar description to that falling within I or J Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			Please give a description of the type of entertainment facility you will be providing	
Day	Start	Finish	Will the entertainment facility be indoors or outdoors or both – please tick [Y] (please read guidance note 2)	Indoor
Mon				Outdoor
Tue				Both
Wed				
Thur				State any seasonal variations for the provision of facilities for entertainment of a similar description to that falling within j or k (please read guidance note 4)
Fri				
Sat				Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the provision of facilities for entertainment of a similar description to that falling within I or J at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 5)
Sun				

L

Late night refreshment Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			Will the provision of late night refreshment take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick [Y] (please read guidance note 2)	Indoors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Day	Start	Finish		Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Mon			Please give further details here (please read guidance note 3) SUPPLY OF HOT FOOD OR DRINK TO HOSTEL'S RESIDENTS ONLY.	Both	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Tue						
Wed				State any seasonal variations for the provision of late night refreshment (please read guidance note 4)		
Thur						
Fri	23:00	00:00			Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the provision of late night refreshment at different times, to those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 5)	
Sat	23:00	00:00				
Sun						

M

Supply of alcohol Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			Will the sale of alcohol be for consumption (Please tick box Y) (please read guidance note 7)	On the premises	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Day	Start	Finish		Off the premises	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Mon	16:00	23:00	State any seasonal variations for the supply of alcohol (please read guidance note 4)	Both	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Tue	16:00	23:00				
Wed	16:00	23:00		Non-standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the supply of alcohol at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 5)		
Thur	16:00	23:00				
Fri	16:00	00:00				
Sat	16:00	00:00				
Sun						

Sun	06:00	23:00	
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State the name and details of the individual whom you wish to specify on the licence as premises supervisor

Name..... ANGELIKI ANTONIADOU

Address.....

Postcode.....

Personal Licence number(if known)

Issuing licensing authority (if known)..... CITY OF WESTMINSTER

N

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)

O

Hours premises are open to the public Standard timings (please read guidance note 6)			State any seasonal variation (please read guidance note 4)	
Day	Start	Finish		
Mon			THE PREMISES WILL NOT BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. THEY ARE OPEN TO GUESTS ONLY.	
Tue				
Wed				
Thur				
Fri				
Sat				
Sun				
				Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises to be open to the public at different times from those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 5)

P

Describe the steps you intend to take to promote the four licensing objectives:

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

- We will take appropriate measures in order to control the consumption of alcohol in our premises. Guests tend to bring their own supplies to the hostel and we would like to control the consumption in order to promote all four licensing objectives and offer an enjoyable and safe environment to our guests.
- We will train our staff thoroughly in health and safety, crime prevention, food and hygiene, and in selling alcohol.

b) The prevention of crime and disorder

- We have a CCTV recording 24 hours and monitored by the shift manager. Our CCTV signs are in place in the designated areas of the premises where the licensable activities will take place.
- The management team consists of fully trained staff. Two personal license holders, one trained first aid and one first aid instructor trainer. We intend to arrange courses to train the rest of our key staff who work at reception and those who are going to work at the bar area.
- Bar staff will perform age checks on under 25 individuals and when deemed necessary. Under 18 individuals are only allowed in the premises if accompanied by an adult and if staying in a private room. The bar will be open to residents only. No visitors are allowed on the premises.
- The bar staff will be fully trained to prevent the excessive consumption of alcohol, and to deny the sale of alcohol to drunken persons. Our aim is to control the consumption of alcohol on our premises.
- Guests will not be allowed to exit the premises with alcohol. There is a shift manager on duty 24 hours, located in front of the main entrance and is checking the guests entering the premises. He/She will prevent anyone from taking alcohol into the street.

c) Public safety

- Fire risk assessment is in place for the premises, fire doors and fire exits clearly marked in public areas.
- The premises are fully equipped with fire fighting equipment, emergency lighting and a fire alarm system.
- The key employees have undertaken health and safety training and are capable to fulfil the public safety responsibilities.
- We will create a safe drinking environment where staff will be fully trained to remove glasses and cups, which will be made of toughened glass or plastic.

d) The prevention of public nuisance

- Our aim is to create a peaceful environment both for our guests and our neighbours. Considering there are people sleeping in the lower ground floor we will keep music levels up to -45dB and switch off the music at 00:00.
- The back yard area is closed every evening at 22:30 to ensure nuisance from human voices affecting our neighbours is eliminated. There will be no music in the back yard area.
- Shift managers will be trained to deal with nuisance and be responsible to keep the music levels as stated at all times. The music will be controlled only by them.
- With regards to storage and collection, we already have arrangements in place with a commercial waste service provider. Collection takes place in the mornings to minimise noise disturbance during collection.
- The licensable activities will be available to residents only and residents will not be leaving the premises after the close time therefore guests will not be departing from the premises and cause nuisance.

e) The protection of children from harm

- We have an age policy in place. Children under 12 years of age are not allowed on site and under 18 individuals from 12 to 17 years old are allowed on site only under adult supervision. Management staff are personal licence holders and staff will be fully trained to perform checks to under 25 individuals in order to prevent the sale of alcohol to children.
- We have strict drug enforcement policy in place. Guests are strictly forbidden to use any kind of drugs in the premises.
- No under 18 individuals will be allowed in the bar area during opening hours.

Please tick ✓ yes

- I have made or enclosed payment of the fee
- I have enclosed the plan of the premises
- I have sent copies of this application and the plan to responsible authorities and others where applicable
- I have enclosed the consent form completed by the individual I wish to be premises supervisor, if applicable
- I understand that I must now advertise my application
- 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 4 – Signatures (please read guidance note 10)

Signature of applicant or applicant’s solicitor or other duly authorised agent. (See guidance note 11) If signing on behalf of the applicant please state in what capacity.

Signature 

Date..... 31/10/2013

Capacity MANAGING DIRECTOR (MD)

For joint applications signature of 2nd applicant or 2nd applicant’s solicitor or other authorised agent. (please read guidance note 12) If signing on behalf of the applicant please state in what capacity.

Signature

Date.....

Capacity

Contact name (where not previously given) and postal address for correspondence associated with this application (please read guidance note 13)	
Post town	Post code
Telephone number (if any)	
If you would prefer us to correspond with you by e-mail your e-mail address (optional)	

FIRE ESCAPE DIRECTIONS

IF YOU DISCOVER A FIRE

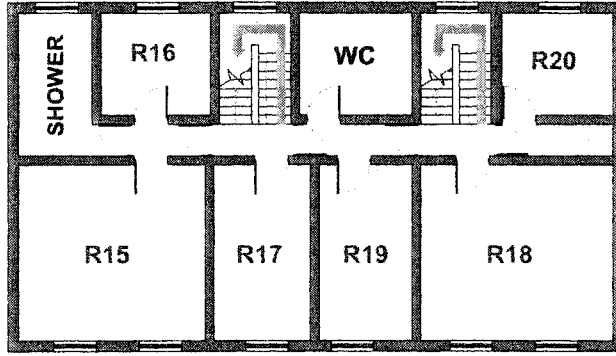
OPERATE NEAREST FIRE ALARM POINT

CALL FIRE BRIGADE BY TELEPHONING 999

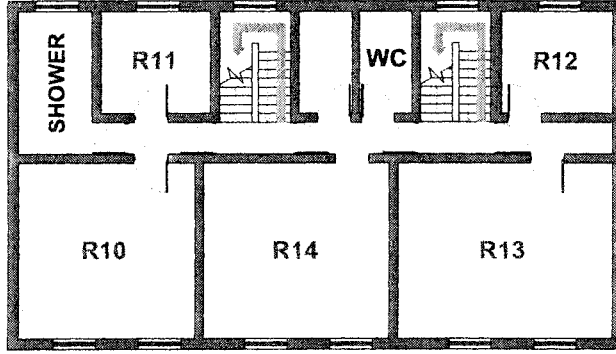
IF YOU HEAR THE FIRE ALARM, LEAVE THE BUILDING BY THE NEAREST EXIT

DO NOT STOP TO COLLECT BELONGINGS

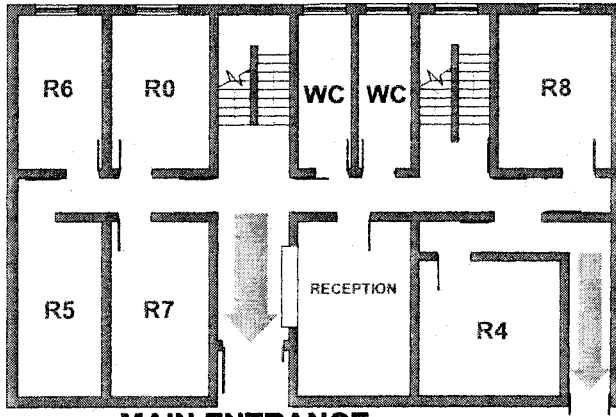
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1ST FLOOR



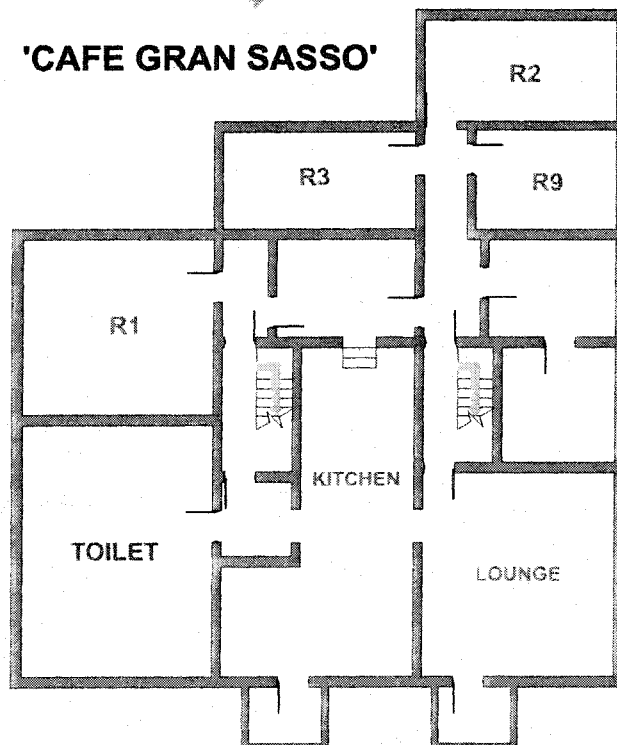
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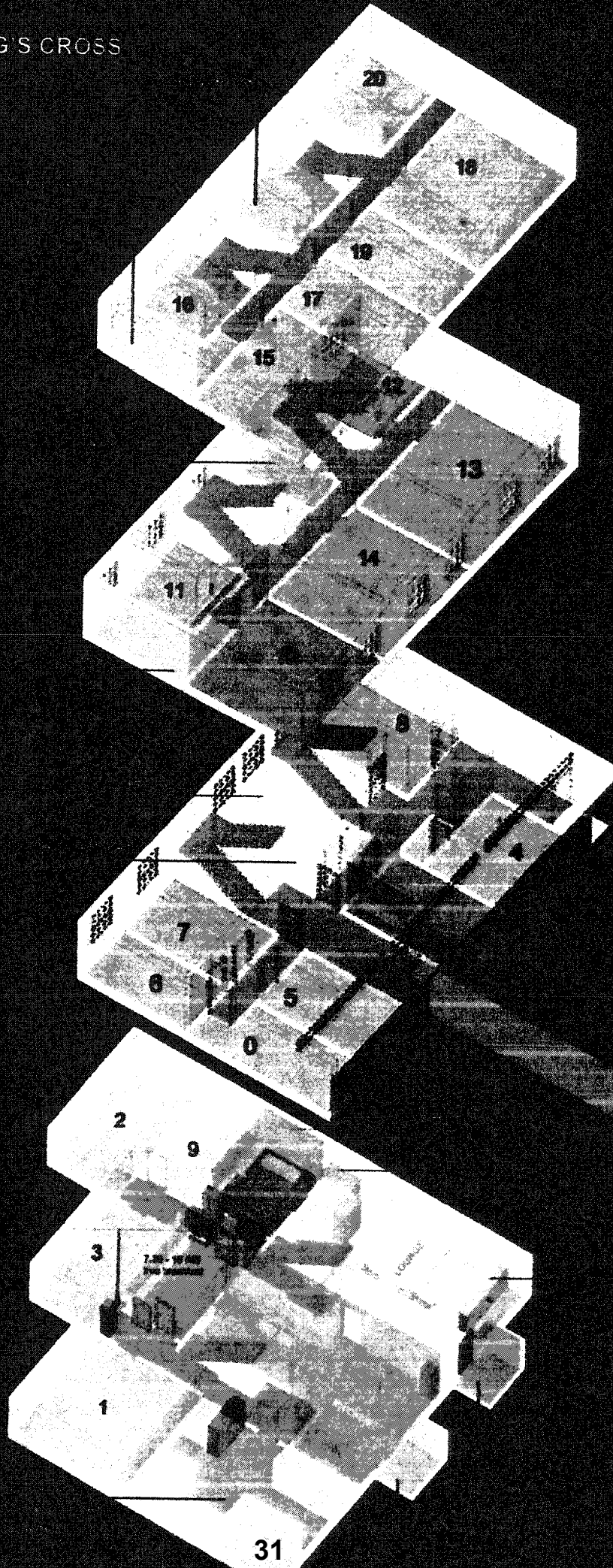
MAIN ENTRANCE

MEETING POINT: 'CAFE GRAN SASSO'

LOWER GROUND FLOOR



JOURNEYS KING'S CROSS



Health and Safety Representation

Licensing Act 2003

Application: Journeys End 54-58 Caledonian Road London N1

I am submitting a representation on behalf of the with respect to the new application for a premises at 54-58 Caledonian Road

The grounds for the representation are:

- Public safety

The reasons for the representation are that:

- The plans submitted with the application do not comply with the statutory requirements
- The application is for the Lower Ground Floor but the plans accompanying the application cover the Lower Ground Floor, Ground Floor, First Floor and Second Floor.

Recommendation

If the application is granted the following conditions should be attached to the licence:

1. The premises shall not be used under this licence until the licence holder has submitted detailed plans for the lower ground floor and the Licensing Authority has approved them in writing
2. A plan of the lower ground floor, in the Standard Scale: 1:100 shall show:
 - a. the extent of the boundary of the building, if relevant, and any external and internal walls of the building and, if different, the perimeter of the premises;
 - b. the location of points of access to and egress from the premises;
 - c. if different from paragraph b, the location of escape routes from the premises;
 - d. in a case where the premises is used for more than one existing licensable activity, the area within the premises used for each activity;
 - e. in a case where an existing licensable activity relates to the supply of alcohol, the location or locations on the premises which is or are to be used for consumption of alcohol;
 - f. fixed structures (including furniture) or similar objects temporarily in a fixed location (but not furniture) which may impact on the ability of individuals on the premises to use exits or escape routes without impediment;
 - g. in a case where the premises includes any steps, stairs, elevators or lifts, the location of steps, stairs, elevators or lifts;
 - h. in a case where the premises includes any room or rooms containing public conveniences, the location of the room or rooms;
 - i. the location and type of any fire safety and other safety equipment; and
 - j. the location of a kitchen, if any, on the lower ground floor.

Janice Gibbons
Service Manager
Islington Council
Public Protection Division

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18 December 2013

Tomashevski, Katie

From: nick White
Sent: 03 December 2013 15:35
To: Bancroft, Eryka
Cc: Licensing; Tomashevski, Katie
Subject: Re: Licensing Act 2003: Application Journeys Kings Cross - 54-58 Caledonian Road Islington N1

Hi Eryka,
We are content to remove the recorded element of the application.
many thanks

Kind Regards,

Nick White
Franchise Owner/Manager

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London N1 9DP

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On 3 Dec 2013, at 15:29, "Bancroft, Eryka" <Eryka.Bancroft@islington.gov.uk> wrote:

Hello Nick and Angelina,

I'm just following up on my visit yesterday regarding the above.

It would help me in drawing up my representation if you were able to confirm that you are content to withdraw the recorded music element of the application.

If you could reply to this email confirming that I would be grateful.

Kind regards

Eryka Bancroft
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Public Protection Division
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Tomashevski, Katie

From:
Sent: 16 December 2013 20:09
To: Licensing
Subject: Re: Comments re: Licensing Application Ref: WK/201330347 - [IMPORTANT]

Dear Mr Williams,

As requested and in confidence, my address is !

Also, another point I would like addressed is: The hostel lets rooms to groups of schoolchildren, which again, the staff never manage the noise nuisance when they decide to hold shouting conversations with each other while hanging out of the bedroom windows, or stop them climbing out of the bedroom windows onto the low level roof, nor control the litter they through out of the windows. How will the staff ensure that these children do not get hold of any alcohol if it were made available on the premises?

Best reagrds

From: Licensing <Licensing@islington.gov.uk>
To:
Sent: Monday, 16 December 2013, 17:44
Subject: RE: Comments re: Licensing Application Ref: WK/201330347 - [IMPORTANT]

Pl confirm your full residential address so that I can accept your email as a representation against this application. I confirm that these details will be be treated confidentially.

Regards
John Williams
Technical Support Officer

-----Original Message-----

From:
Sent: 15 December 2013 20:24
To: Licensing
Subject: Comments re: Licensing Application Ref: WK/201330347 - [IMPORTANT]

RE: Licensing Act 2003 - Premises License New Application
Address: Journeys Kings Cross, 54-56 Caledonian Road, London N1 9DL

Ref no: WK/201330347

Dear Sirs,

Please accept this as my official request NOT to have any of my personal or contact details displayed publically as I fear reprisals to my property and family.

Thank you for the opportunity to register my opposing comments to the license application at the above address.

We reside on _____, whose home is one of a number which adjoins the back of Journeys Kings Cross Hostel, specifically our gardens, kitchen and bedrooms. For years it has been a very real and stressful reality that the noise and anti-social behaviour from the visitors at Journeys causes sleep deprivation and nuisance. In particular, my family and I feel the full brunt of all of this, as it is our property which directly adjoins Journeys Kings Cross hostel.

The visitors at Journeys repeatedly climb out of the bedroom windows onto the low level roof _____ to smoke, drink alcohol, play music and dance with the utmost disregard for those of us who permanently reside on Northdown Street and who are trying to sleep. They are often seen urinating into our gardens too and even brazenly openly have sex on it! When I call Journeys to ask them to please get their visitors to stop this offending nuisance I am more often than not, advised that the staff "too busy checking in staff at the reception desk" or that "they don't have the staff to monitor what goes on in their hostel". Admittedly, there are occasions when the staff do apologise for these incidents and advise that they will "go and have a look", but I will have to wait until they are free to do so!

Just last Thursday, at 16:10, while washing dishes at my kitchen window, my partner and I witnessed a male visitor at Journeys at the 3rd floor open bedroom window, openly masturbating, and joking and shouting to his companions below in the rear open area to "mind their heads" as he ejaculated out of the window. Of course we were disgusted; my partner was incensed so I called the hostel and spoke to Anna about what we were seeing and asked her to go and put an immediate stop to it; she apologised and said she would do when she was free! But this delay just allowed the incident to play out.

The Journeys staff repeatedly fail to lock the open area at the back of the hostel at the required time of 22:00 each night. After too numerous to count phone calls to Management about this, I was advised that "all staff members have been informed that they must ensure that this door is locked at 22:00, as they are aware of the noise being omitted from this area and that it does cause a nuisance for residents such as myself who would require to sleep". It is a nightly battle to try to sleep as this rule is not adhered to and I have to constantly call Journeys staff to ask why this area has not been locked up on time; they reply that they don't have the staff to manage this and sometimes they leave this to the cleaner to do, but admitted that this also sometimes fails.

I really feel that it is truly unacceptable that mine and my family's sleep is dictated by the staff and their visitors to decide when and if they will allow us to do so.

I was once told my Journeys staff that I should sleep during the day to catch up on my sleep! When would I be able to do this considering that I have to go to work every day. I was also told by staff that "yes, it does get quite noisy and we have to wait to get home to get some sleep". Well I am at home, why am I not allowed to sleep.

It is also very offensive to hear all of the foul language that these visitors use as a constant and the constant fights that occur which we have to watch and listen to playing out, as Journeys staff do not police their visitors.

It is hit and miss if we are able to walk on the pavement, as Journeys visitors congregate outside the premises smoking cigarettes and 'spliff/wacky backy/marijuana' at ALL HOURS of the day, so everyone is forced to walk in the main road which is quite terrifying when buses are hurtling down Caledonian Road towards you.

It is only through the numerous calls to Journeys asking them to get their visitors to close the toilet window when they are using the facilities that they have only recently painted the windows as even when just performing a standard task of washing dishes in our kitchen, we are able to see people actually sitting on toilet and wiping their bottoms! We are also subjected to be forced to view their visitors intimately washing themselves. The painted windows have not made a difference.

This is already a designated Cumulative Impact Area and there is already:

1 pub, an Indian takeaway, a Thai takeaway, a Chinese takeaway and a late opening off license selling alcohol only yards - 1 door away from Journeys, which staff and visitors DO NOT even have to cross a road to frequent. Then directly across the road (north) there is a licensed music playing bar, a cafe and a pizzeria. Then yards across the road (east) is a restaurant/cafe another music playing licensed bar, another off license, a chicken takeaway, a

burritos bar, two other restaurants and ANOTHER very late opening music playing pub. Also, directly across the road, there is a courtyard hosting numerous late opening music playing licensed bars and restaurants. All of these amenities are within 1 - 100 yards of Journeys Kings Cross Hostel, not to mention all of the 24 hour opening fast food restaurants readily available and yet ANOTHER licensed pub a few yards to the east of Journeys hotel, so I can see no need or requirement which should allow them to sell food or alcohol on their premises which would only fuel the highly offensive anti social behavior that their staff have already admitted that they can not police. We already suffer the noise nuisance from this music playing bars and also from the people as they leave the premises. There is already a pub, the King Charles, [REDACTED] yards from Journeys) which also dictates when I and my family are able to sleep.

I would also like to make it clear that we oppose EACH AND ALL of the activities detailed on Journeys license application, including the one in which they require to be able to host these activities seven days a week. When would we get any respite. Also they would not be able to police the anti-social behaviour of those on their premises consuming the alcohol AFTER 23:00. This alcohol consumption would only contribute to the litany of anti-social incidents we are already forced to endure.

A few years ago, Journeys submitted an application to the Council (I'm sure you might be able to look this up). We submitted our objections then and was contacted by Mr Ben Stackhouse; Journeys Hostel Area Manager who wanted to discuss my points raised regarding noise nuisance. I even invited him to my home, he attended and admitted that he was quite concerned at the very close proximity of the hostel to my property and was also surprised how he could look directly into all of the rooms at the hostel with such a clear view and witnessed for himself, the volume of noise that we had to endure. Mr Stackhouse assured us that their staff would be made aware that they would have to do more to address these issues and put a stop to it. It is disappointing that almost 6 or 7 years later - NOTHING HAS CHANGED, BUT HAS GOT WORSE.

We feel aggrieved that we are forced to suffer all of this at the hands of Journeys Hostel and that we encounter rude and offensive language by some of the staff when we call to ask for their help, who demonstrate a clear lack of understanding to these re-curring problems. We have even had the phone put down on us when we call them to tell them that the noise is keeping us awake. We have had to call Journeys at all hours of the night and early morning, and sometimes 3 or 4 times a night to ask them to please get their visitors to reduce their noise levels or even to remind them that they still have not locked the back open area where their visitors are still outside causing a nuisance. It is also highly frustrating that they staff do not always pick up the phone as when we are eventually able to get through to them they advise that they are "too busy" to be able to answer the telephone. If we are made to be kept awake at 2 o'clock and 3 o'clock on any given day of the week, why are they not available to answer our calls for help?

I would be grateful if you would acknowledge receipt of this e-mail and submission of my comments by return of this e-mail.

Yours faithfully

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-----Original Message-----

From: eforms@islington.gov.uk [mailto:eforms@islington.gov.uk]

Sent: 17 December 2013 21:55

To: Corpresources.Complaints

Subject: Complaints form

Your details

Your name

Your Address

Address Line 2

Address Line 3

Postcode

Daytime Tel No

Evening Tel No

Your e-mail address

Your Comment, Compliment or Complaint

Which service do you want to tell us about? Law and Public Services

What type of feedback? A complaint

What is your comment, complaint or compliment? I am unable to submit a licence application response for Journeys Hostel, Caledonian Road and I want to submit my comments today as its the last day for submissions. I think the proposal is ridiculous. The hostel is populated by teenagers, mostly, from the ages of 16 to 21 - I know this because I talk to them and check. This licence has had no thought on the impact yet another establishment selling alcohol will have in the area. The area has become rowdy, unmanageable, crime rates have increased and as a resident, tax payer and council tax payer, I am increasingly feeling unsafe in the area. The journeys hostel has had quite a lot of problems in the past with noise pollution from the residents going well into the small hours of the morning. I work long hours - I get up at 5am and don't get home until 7.30/8pm. And, I don't want to have to deal with drunken teenagers and aggressive people who use my street to congregate and intimidate. They always have drugs on them, I see and smell this. Are there any plans to police the journeys hostel? the residents seem to be able to run without any supervision. The journeys hostel has a responsibility to the surrounding neighbourhood to keep their residents under control. By selling alcohol on the premises there will be no way of monitoring their sales and supervising the drinking quantities of the people buying the alcohol. The area is not in short supply of places to buy alcohol. In fact, the number of alcohol selling premises is at a disturbingly high percentage and this licence request will just exacerbate the situation. Please DO NOT agree to this licence. Please make sure that alcohol establishments have the responsibility to keep their patrons under control and drink in moderation. This area is fast become lawless, unsafe and unsavoury. My street is grade II listed and we get many visitors taking pictures of the architecture and history. How does it look to visitors when they see groups of drunken, drug-taking youths congregate in a menacing way. The application should be thrown out.

Your
Our Licensing/NI
Date: 07/12/2013



**METROPOLITAN POLICE
SERVICE
Islington Police Licensing Team
Islington Police Station
2 Tolpuddle Street
London
N1 0YY**

Telephone: 07799133204
Email:
Licensingpolice@islington.gov.uk

Date 7th December 2013

Journeys Kings Cross

54 - 58 CALEDONIAN ROAD N1 9DP

Dear Sir

Re: Journeys Kings Cross: 54 - 58 CALEDONIAN ROAD N1 9DP

With reference to the above application, I am writing to inform you that the Metropolitan Police, as a Responsible Authority, will be objecting to this application to vary the License as it is our belief that if granted the application would undermine the Licensing Objectives.

The venue is situated in the 'Kings Cross Cumulative impact zone', a locality where this is traditionally high crime and disorder and there are concerns that this application will cause further policing problems in an already demanding area. Islington has almost double the national average of licensed premises per resident, and this is why the Police supported the implementation of the Council's Cumulative Impact Policy. This large number of licensed premises and the issues associated with these impacts greatly on the Police and all other emergency services resources.

It is for these reasons that we are objecting to the application and propose that it is refused.

If the Committee grants the application then I would ask them to consider attaching the following conditions to the application.

1. The CCTV system will give a clear head and shoulder image of all persons entering the premises. Copies will be made available to all responsible authorities within 24hrs of request by that authority. There will always be a member of staff on duty who can operate the system so that it can be viewed and copied at the time of an incident. The system will be maintained and serviced regularly and checked at least once a week to confirm that it is recording and able to playback. All recordings to be correctly date and time stamped.
2. Crime prevention literature will be placed in prominent positions in the premises and in all toilets used by visitors. Signs will be placed on the back of cubicle doors in the ladies and on the wall above the mens urinals. The content of this literature will be agreed and reviewed in conjunction with the local Police.
3. Any smoking areas outside the premises will be supervised by staff and there will be no more that 10 persons outside the front of the premises at any one time smoking.

Should you wish to discuss the matter further please contact us on Mobile 07799133204 or via email, Licensingpolice@islington.gov.uk

Yours sincerely
Islington Police Licensing Team
Steven Harrington Pc 425NI
Paul Hoppe Pc 208NI
Pete Conisbee Pc 575NI

Tomashevski, Katie

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 26 January 2014 10:31
To: Tomashevski, Katie
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Change of Hearing Date - Journeys Kings Cross - 45-56 Caledonian Road

Importance: High

Dear Katie

I'd just like to have this additional piece of information registered.

Last night, early hours of this morning, there was an incredible amount of disturbances in the area and the police were very busy - lots of sirens etc. The problems were even witnessed in my street - [REDACTED] - where the police were dealing with crime just outside my house. The level of disturbances has grown and I am feeling increasingly vulnerable and unsafe in the area.

I work in my own HR consultancy business and I'm in the process of renovating my house - which is costing a considerable amount of money as the house is grade II listed. I work very long hours - most days start at 6am and end at 9pm! I've lived in the house since the end of 2001 and have seen lots of changes, but I fear that there is a decline in what was happening in the area and it's starting to feel on the decline again.

All the efforts of Islington Council in making the area safe and attractive for the tourists who use Eurostar to St Pancras will go to waste if this increase in crime and disturbances aren't dealt with from the basic level upwards.

The area is increasingly turning into a cheap drinking place for people who abuse alcohol. You only have to look at the number of people in the streets drinking and carrying cans of beer. This seems to have increased enormously over the last 5 years.

I pay a lot in council tax and rates and I think the police do as best as they can with the resources they have at their disposal. But, the alcohol licenses in the area means they are fighting a losing battle.

I've also noticed that people are far more aggressive when they have been drinking. Again, this seems to have changed for the worse over the last 5 years.

Having so many licenses freely available just within walking distance from my house is ridiculous. Allowing such behaviour so close to St Pancras and all the visitors who stream into London from the continent is lunacy.

My wish is:

NO MORE ALCOHOL LICENCES IN THIS AREA
REDUCE THE HOURS ALCOHOL IS AVAILABLE IN LOCAL BARS

Please confirm you've received this email ...

Thank you.

[REDACTED]

On 17 Jan 2014, at 15:26, "Tomashevski, Katie" <Katie.Tomashevski@islington.gov.uk> wrote:

Suggested conditions of approval consistent with the operating schedule

1. The sale of alcohol and late night refreshment shall only be available to bona fide residents of the hostel. Residents shall not be allowed to bring visitors or guests into the bar.
2. Staff training shall include health and safety, crime prevention, food and hygiene, first aid and the Licensing Act 2003 including prevention of excessive consumption of alcohol and refusing sales to drunk persons.
3. CCTV shall be installed, operated and maintained in agreement with the Police. The system will enable frontal identification of every person entering the premises. The system shall record in real time and operate whilst the premises are open for licensable activities. The recordings shall be kept available for a minimum of 31 days. Recordings shall be made available to an Authorised Officer or a Police Officer (subject to the Data Protection Act 1998) within 24 hours of any request.
4. A Challenge 25 policy shall be operated at the premises and all staff shall be trained in its implementation.
5. Guests shall not be allowed to take alcohol off of the premises. Guests shall be checked by a sift manager
6. Fire risk assessments shall be carried and fire fighting equipment, emergency lighting and fire alarm .
7. Only toughened glass shall be used to serve drinks and staff shall be trained about the removal of glasses and cups.
8. The back yard area shall be closed at 22:30 and cleared of people.
9. There shall be no music played in the back yard.
10. Music shall only be played at background levels only.
11. Children under 12 years of age shall not be allowed on the premises. Persons aged under 18 to 12 years old shall only be allowed on the premises with adult supervision. Persons under the age of 18 shall not be allowed in the bar area.
12. There shall be a strict drug enforcement policy in place and residents shall be forbidden from any kind of illicit drug use.
13. Management staff shall be personal licence holders.
14. All staff shall be trained in Challenge 25 to prevent under age sales. The licensee shall adopt the Challenge 25 and the BII National Standards Proof of Age Scheme
15. The licensee shall ensure that staff are trained about age restricted products and ensure that they sign to confirm that they have understood the training. The licensee shall keep records of training and instruction given to staff.

Suggested conditions of approval from the Police

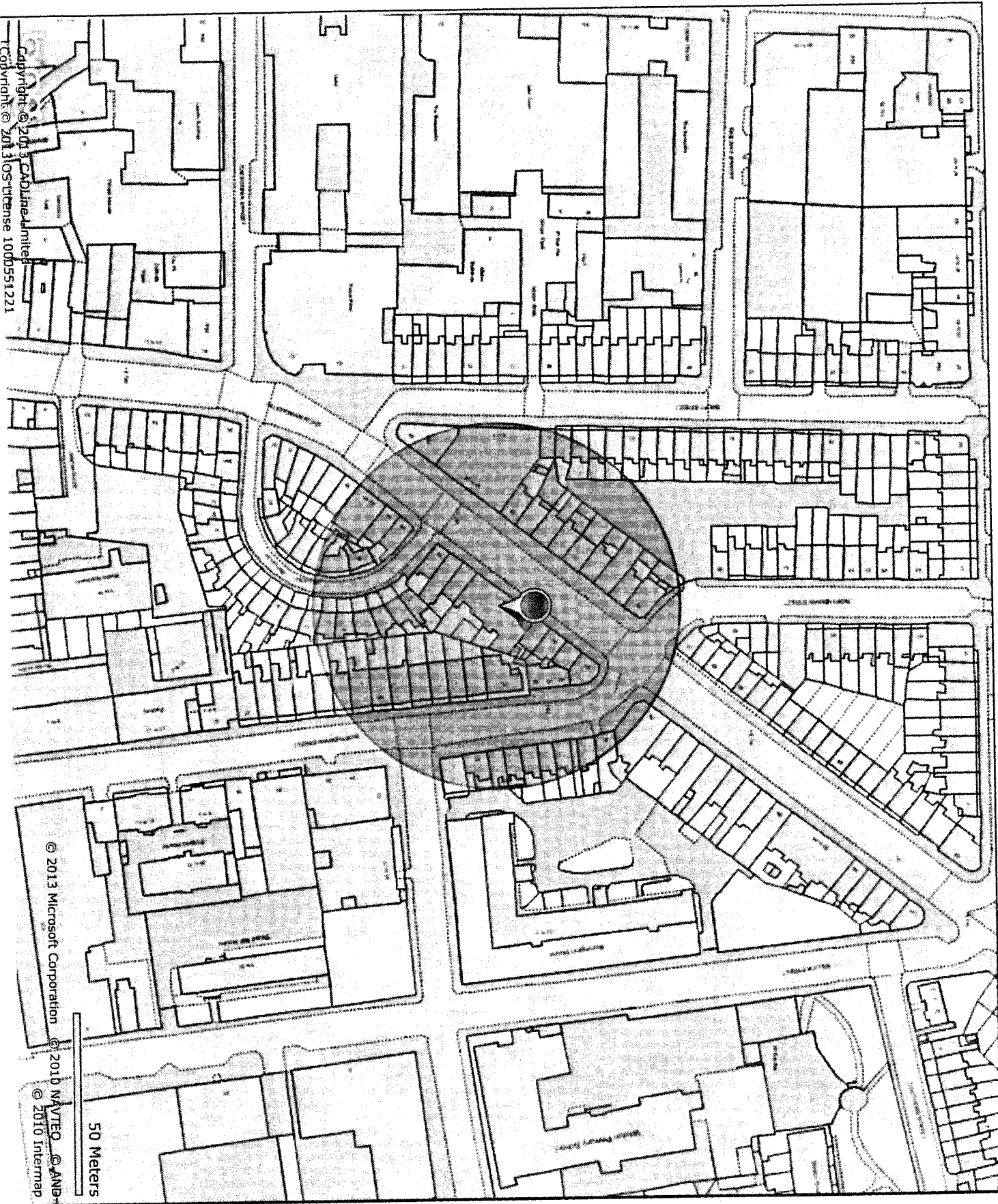
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18. Any smoking areas outside the premises will be supervised by staff and there will be no more than 10 persons outside the front of the premises at any one time smoking.

Suggested conditions of approval from the Noise Team (accepted)

19. No deliveries shall not take place on Sundays or Bank Holidays and should only take place between the hours of 13:00 and 15:00 and 17:00 other days of the week.
20. Bottling out and refuse disposal shall not take place on Sundays or Bank Holidays and should only take place between the hours of 09:00 and 14:00 other days of the week.
21. No consumption of alcohol shall take place outside the building; including the rear outside area.
22. The rear outside area shall close at 21:00.
23. Smoking shall be restricted to the rear outside area until 21:00 and after this time to the premises frontage.
24. Smokers shall be restricted to a reasonable number at all times.
25. A suitable container shall be provided for smoking litter at the premises frontage.
26. No noise or vibration shall emanate from the premises to cause a disturbance to neighbouring occupiers.
27. Prominent, clear and legible notices must be displayed at premises front exit and in the rear outside area requesting residents to respect the needs of local residents and to keep noise levels to a minimum.

Suggested conditions of approval from the Licensing Authority

28. The premises shall not be used under this licence until the licence holder has submitted detailed plans for the lower ground floor and the Licensing Authority has approved them in writing
29. A plan of the lower ground floor, in the Standard Scale: 1:100 shall show:
 - a) the extent of the boundary of the building, if relevant, and any external and internal walls of the building and, if different, the perimeter of the premises;
 - b) the location of points of access to and egress from the premises;
 - c) if different from paragraph b, the location of escape routes from the premises;
 - d) in a case where the premises is used for more than one existing licensable activity, the area within the premises used for each activity;
 - e) in a case where an existing licensable activity relates to the supply of alcohol, the location or locations on the premises which is or are to be used for consumption of alcohol;
 - f) fixed structures (including furniture) or similar objects temporarily in a fixed location (but not furniture) which may impact on the ability of individuals on the premises to use exits or escape routes without impediment;
 - g) in a case where the premises includes any steps, stairs, elevators or lifts, the location of steps, stairs, elevators or lifts;
 - h) in a case where the premises includes any room or rooms containing public conveniences, the location of the room or rooms;
 - i) the location and type of any fire safety and other safety equipment; and
 - j) the location of a kitchen, if any, on the lower ground floor.



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