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## Licensing (Licensing and Gambling) Sub-Committee

Wednesday, 28th April, 2021 at 1.00 pm

PLEASE NOTE TIME OF MEETING

## Virtual Meeting

This meeting is open to the public

#### **Members**

Three Members drawn from the Licensing Committee

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#### **PUBLIC INFORMATION**

The Members of the Licensing Committee are Councillors Bunday, G Galton, B Harris, Kataria, Laurent, McEwing, Noon, Renyard, Spicer, and Streets.

#### **Terms of Reference**

The Sub-Committee deals with licences for which the Council is responsible under the Licensing Act 2003 and Gambling Act 2005, including:-

- Determination of applications for review of premises licences and club premises certificates;
- Determination of representations to applications for premises licences and club premises certificates, variations and various permits;
- Determination of police objections to applications for:
  - Variation of designated premises supervisors
  - Transfer of premises licences
  - Personal licences for the sale of alcohol
- Determination of objections to temporary event notices.

#### **Relevant Representations**

Those who have made relevant representations may address the meeting about the matter in which they have an interest. New matters, not raised within a written representation, can not be relied upon at the hearing. When dealing with Licensing Act matters the Sub-Committee must only take into account the following statutory Licensing Objectives:-

- prevention of crime and disorder
- public safety
- prevention of public nuisance
- protection of children from harm

Likewise, when dealing with Gambling Act matters the Sub Committee must only take into account the statutory Licensing Objectives below:-

- Preventing gambling from being a source of crime or disorder, being associated with crime or disorder or being used to support crime
- Ensuring that gambling is conducted in a fair and open way, and
- Protecting children and other vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling

Southampton: Corporate Plan 2020-2025 sets out the four key outcomes:

- Communities, culture & homes Celebrating the diversity of cultures within Southampton; enhancing our cultural and historical offer and using these to help transform our communities.
- Green City Providing a sustainable, clean, healthy and safe environment for everyone. Nurturing green spaces and embracing our waterfront.
- Place shaping Delivering a city for future generations. Using data, insight and vision to meet the current and future needs of the city.
- Wellbeing Start well, live well, age well, die well; working with other partners and other services to make sure that customers get the right help at the right time

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## **Dates of Potential Meetings Municipal Year** 2020/21

Meetings are scheduled on a weekly basis usually at 4pm on a Wednesday evening.

#### **CONDUCT OF MEETING**

#### **Terms of Reference**

The terms of reference are contained in the Council's Constitution.

#### **Rules of Procedure**

The meeting is governed by the Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005 and the Council Procedure Rules as set out in Part 4 of the Constitution, so far as it is applicable.

#### **Business to be discussed**

Only those items listed on the attached agenda may be considered at this meeting.

#### Quorum 3

The minimum number of appointed Members required to be in attendance to hold the meeting is 3.

#### **DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS**

Members are required to disclose, in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct, **both** the existence **and** nature of any "Disclosable Pecuniary Interest" or "Other Interest" they may have in relation to matters for consideration on this Agenda.

#### **DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

A Member must regard himself or herself as having a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in any matter that they or their spouse, partner, a person they are living with as husband or wife, or a person with whom they are living as if they were a civil partner in relation to:

- (i) Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain.
- (ii) Sponsorship:

Any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from Southampton City Council) made or provided within the relevant period in respect of any expense incurred by you in carrying out duties as a member, or towards your election expenses. This includes any payment or financial benefit from a trade union within the meaning of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.

- (iii) Any contract which is made between you / your spouse etc (or a body in which the you / your spouse etc has a beneficial interest) and Southampton City Council under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed, and which has not been fully discharged.
- (iv) Any beneficial interest in land which is within the area of Southampton.
- (v) Any license (held alone or jointly with others) to occupy land in the area of Southampton for a month or longer.
- (vi) Any tenancy where (to your knowledge) the landlord is Southampton City Council and the tenant is a body in which you / your spouse etc has a beneficial interests.
- (vii) Any beneficial interest in securities of a body where that body (to your knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of Southampton, and either:
  - a) the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body, or
  - b) if the share capital of that body is of more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which you / your spouse etc has a beneficial interest that exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.

#### Other Interests

A Member must regard himself or herself as having an 'Other Interest' in any membership of, or occupation of a position of general control or management in:

Any body to which they have been appointed or nominated by Southampton City Council Any public authority or body exercising functions of a public nature

Any body directed to charitable purposes

Any body whose principal purpose includes the influence of public opinion or policy

#### **Principles of Decision Making**

All decisions of the Council will be made in accordance with the following principles:-

- proportionality (i.e. the action must be proportionate to the desired outcome);
- due consultation and the taking of professional advice from officers;
- respect for human rights;
- a presumption in favour of openness, accountability and transparency;
- setting out what options have been considered;
- · setting out reasons for the decision; and
- clarity of aims and desired outcomes.

In exercising discretion, the decision maker must:

- understand the law that regulates the decision-making power and gives effect to it.
   The decision-maker must direct itself properly in law;
- take into account all relevant matters (those matters which the law requires the authority as a matter of legal obligation to take into account);
- leave out of account irrelevant considerations;
- act for a proper purpose, exercising its powers for the public good;
- not reach a decision which no authority acting reasonably could reach, (also known as the "rationality" or "taking leave of your senses" principle);
- comply with the rule that local government finance is to be conducted on an annual basis. Save to the extent authorised by Parliament, 'live now, pay later' and forward funding are unlawful; and
- act with procedural propriety in accordance with the rules of fairness.

#### **AGENDA**

#### 1 **ELECTION OF CHAIR**

To appoint a Chair for the purposes of this meeting.

#### 2 APOLOGIES AND CHANGES IN MEMBERSHIP (IF ANY)

To note any changes in the membership of the Sub-Committee made in accordance with the Licensing Act 2003.

#### 3 DISCLOSURE OF PERSONAL AND PECUNIARY INTERESTS

In accordance with the Localism Act 2011, and the Council's Code of Conduct, Members to disclose any personal or pecuniary interests in any matter included on the agenda for this meeting.

#### 4 STATEMENT FROM THE CHAIR

## 5 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (INCLUDING MATTERS ARISING) (Pages 1 - 2)

To approve and sign as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 24 March 2021 and to deal with any matters arising, attached.

#### 6 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC - LEGAL ADVICE

At a predetermined point during the consideration of all items the Sub-Committee may move into private session in order to receive legal advice when determining issues. The parties to the hearing, press and the public, unless otherwise excluded by the Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005, will be invited to return immediately following that private session at which time the matter will be determined and the decision of the Sub-Committee will be announced.

### 7 <u>APPLICATION FOR NEW PREMISES LICENCE - AVENUE FOOD AND WINE, 21</u> <u>METHUEN STREET, SOUTHAMPTON SO14 6FL</u> (Pages 3 - 38)

Tuesday, 20 April 2021

Executive Director Communities, Culture & Homes



# Agenda Item 5

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## Agenda Item 7

DECISION-MAKER LICENSING (LICENSING & GAMBLING) SUB COMMITTEE

SUBJECT HEARING TO CONSIDER AN APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF A

PREMISES LICENCE – Avenue Food and Wine 21 Methuen

Street Southampton SO14 6FL

DATE OF HEARING 28th April 2021 1300 hours

**REPORT OF SERVICE DIRECTOR** – COMMUNITIES, CULTURE AND HOMES

**E-mail** licensing@southampton.gov.uk

Application Date: 18th February 2021 Application Received 18th February 2021

Application Valid: 10th March 2021 Reference: 2021/00512/01SPRN



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## Representations from Responsible Authorities

Responsible Authority	Satisfactory?
	No Response
Safeguarding Children	
	No Response
Fire Service	
	No Response
Environmental Health - Licensing	
	No Response
Home Office	

		No Response	
Building Control			
		No Response	
Public Health Manager	-		
		No Response	
Police - Licensing			
		Agreed Conditions	3
Trading Standards			
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Other Representation	ıs		
Name	Address		Contributor Type
	2 Gordon Avenue		
			Resident
D	Southampton		Resident
Mr Roy Boyle	Southampton SO14 6WD		Resident
Mr Roy Boyle	·		Resident Resident
Mr Roy Boyle	SO14 6WD		
Mr Roy Boyle  Mr Morikeh Daramy	SO14 6WD 36 Alma Road		
	SO14 6WD 36 Alma Road Southampton		
	SO14 6WD  36 Alma Road  Southampton  SO14 6UP		Resident

## Legal Implications

The legislation specifically restricts the grounds on which the sub-committee may refuse an applicati for grant of a premises licence, or impose conditions. The legislation provides for a presumption of grant of an application for a premises licence, subject to the determination of the application with a view to promoting the licensing objectives in the overall interests of the local community. In doing so the sub-committee must give appropriate weight to:

- the steps that are appropriate to promote the licensing objectives;
- the representations (including supporting information) presented by all the parties;
- its own statement of licensing policy
- the Statutory Guidance

An application may be refused in part and thereby only permit some of the licensable activities sought.

An applicant for grant of a premises licence whose application has been refused, or who is aggrieved by conditions imposed, may appeal against the decision to the Magistrates' Court. Any

other person, who made a valid representation, may appeal to the Magistrates' Court against the decision to grant the application or against any conditions imposed.

In considering this application the sub-committee is obliged to consider the application in accordance, in particular, with both the Licensing Act 2003(Hearings) Regulations 2005 (as amended) and the rules of natural justice

The practical effect of this is that the sub-committee must make its decision based on evidence submitted in accordance with the legislation and give adequate reasons for reaching its decision.

Only persons that made relevant representations or their representative, within the time limits, will be allowed to present evidence and this will be restricted to the points raised in their written representation. Any evidence used to expand upon specific points already raised in a written representation should be served upon all parties in good time before the hearing date in order to allow proper consideration. A failure to properly serve any such additional evidence in advance is likely to mean it cannot be produced or relied up at the hearing.

The sub-committee must also have regard to:

- The Crime and Disorder Act 1998
   Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 places the sub-committee under a duty to exercise its various functions with due regard to the likely effect of the exercise of those functions on, and the need to do all that it reasonably can to prevent, crime and disorder in its area.
- The Human Rights Act 1998
  The Act requires UK legislation to be interpreted in a manner consistent with the European Convention on Human Rights. It is unlawful for the sub-committee to act in a way that is incompatible (or fail to act in a way that is compatible) with the rights protected by the Act. Any action undertaken by the sub-committee that could have an effect upon another person's Human Rights must be taken having regard to the principle of proportionality the need to balance the rights of the individual with the rights of the community as a whole. Any action taken by the sub-committee which affect another's rights must be no more onerous than is necessary in a democratic society. The matters set out in this report must be considered in light of the above obligations.

Copies of the application for grant of a premises licence and the representations to it are annexed to this report.

#### **Equality Act 2010**

Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010 requires the Council to have due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation and any other conduct that is prohibited by or under this Act. It also requires the Council to advance equality of opportunity and foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it. This means having due regard to the need to removing or minimising disadvantages suffered, taking steps to meet the needs of persons, encouraging persons to participate in public life, tackling prejudice and promoting understanding. The relevant protected characteristics are: age; disability; gender reassignment; pregnancy and maternity; race; religion or belief; sex; sexual orientation.

#### **SUMMARY**

Applicant	Mr. Kanathage Rahula Perera
Designated Premises Supervisor	Kanathage Rahula Perera

#### Licensable Activities.

Supply by retail of a	lcohol	
	07:00 - 23:00	
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#### Conditions consistent with the operating Schedule

#### Record Keeping

The Premises Licence Holder must keep, for a period of 24 months, complete records, such as invoices, receipts and delivery notes, relating to alcohol and cigarettes obtained by him for sale from his shop. Records must include the name, address, AWRS number (for alcohol suppliers) and telephone number of the supplier, the date of supply, the products supplied, and their prices. These details must be available on request to Responsible Authorities within 24 hours. The Premises Licence Holder must be able to identify who supplied alcohol and cigarettes present at his premises

#### **CCTV**

A colour recording CCTV system that captures images from the main public areas must be fully operational whilst licensable activities are taking place.

The system shall be able to cope with all levels of illumination.

The recording equipment shall be stored and operated in a secure environment with limited access, to avoid damage, theft, unauthorised viewing and maintain the integrity of the system.

The system shall be serviced at twelve monthly intervals and maintained to a standard that is acceptable to the police licensing department responsible for the area.

The system clock shall be checked regularly for accuracy taking account of GMT and BST.

Digital systems shall have sufficient storage capacity for 28 days evidential quality recordings (minimum 4 frames per second).

The images produced shall be date and time stamped.

A notice shall be displayed at the entrance to the premises advising that CCTV is in operation.

An additional recording CCTV camera shall be installed and fully operational whilst the venue is open to the public to cover the area immediately outside the front of the premises.

It is important that Responsible Authorities are able to access data from the systems quickly and easily and therefore provision shall be made that at all times a person is in attendance who is nominated by the data controller who has access to the secure area who is able to operate the equipment

Ensure all operators receive training from the installer when equipment is installed and that this is cascaded down to new members of nominated staff.

Have a simple operator's manual available to assist in replaying and exporting data (particularly important with digital systems) and to produce images to the police responsible authority for the purpose of the prevention and detection of crime as long as the request is lawful and complies with the data protection Act.

In the event of a technical failure of the CCTV equipment, the premises licence holder or DPS shall notify the police licensing department responsible for the area within 24 hours.

#### **REFUSALS BOOK**

A written log shall be kept of all refusals including refusals to sell alcohol. Details recorded must include date (day/month/year), time, product refused, reason for refusal, and the full name of the person who made the refusal. The Premises Licence Holder shall ensure that the refusals log is checked, signed and dated on a weekly basis by the venue manager/manageress.

The refusals log will be kept and maintained at the premises and will be available for inspection immediately upon request by Responsible Authorities.

The record of refusals will be retained for 12 months.

#### STAFF TRAINING

Before commencing their duties all new staff must receive information and training concerning the sale of age-restricted products. This training must cover their legal responsibilities and action to be taken in the event of suspicions being aroused that someone is purchasing or attempting to purchase an item under the legal age. All employees will sign a record to acknowledge that they have completed this training and have understood their responsibilities on this area. The contents of this training and the record must be available to Responsible Authorities on request. This training should be reviewed and updated at reasonable intervals but at least annually.

#### **CHALLENGE 25**

There will be a Challenge 25 policy operating at the premises. Challenge 25 means that the holder of the premises licence shall ensure that every individual, who visually appears to be under 25 years of age and is seeking to purchase or be supplied with alcohol at the premises or from the premises, shall produce identification proving that individual to be 18 years of age or older.

Acceptable identification for the purposes of age verification will include a photo card driving licence, passport or photographic identification bearing the "PASS" logo and the persons date of birth.

If the person seeking alcohol is unable to produce acceptable means of identification, no sale or supply of alcohol will be made to or for that person.

'Challenge 25' posters shall be displayed in prominent positions at the premises.

#### **ABV**

No beers, ciders or lager of 6.5% ABV or over shall be sold by retail unless they in a pack of 4 or more as supplied by the manufacturer

#### SINGLE CANS

No single cans of beers ciders or lager shall be sold to customers. Unless other non-alcoholic product purchases (excluding tobacco and tobacco sundries) are made totalling £5.00 or more in the same transaction.

#### Work Hours

That a log of work hours is kept for every member of staff that works at the premises, full time, part time, and temporary, including those who provide cover at any point when the shop is trading, or conducting activities in relation to trade. The record will consist of the staff member's name, the date (day/month/year), the times when the staff member commenced and finished work (expressed in the 24 hour clock). This must be completed at the time when the staff member commences and finishes work, by either the member of staff or his supervisor/manager. The record must be kept at the premises and be available to Responsible Authorities on request.

The applicant has agreed the above conditions with Trading Standards after a visit to the store whilst they thought they were trading under a Temporary Event Notice. This is explained in the letter from Trading Standards.

There are three public representations.

#### Included in Report

Application

Plan

Trading Standards Agreed Conditions

3 Public Representations

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

#### 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.

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	iii as an unincorporated association or							
	iv other (for example a statutory corporation)    please complete section (B)							
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	000 or more people are expected to attend the premises at any time, please state the number expected to attend.	
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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 (if ticking yes, fill in box $H$ )	(g)
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State the name and details of the individual whom you wish to specify on the licence as designated premises supervisor (Please see declaration about the entitlement to work in the checklist at the end of the form):

Name KANATHAGE RAHULA PERERA
Personal licence number (if known) 2014/02057/02SPEN
Issuing licensing authority (if known) SOUTHAMPTON

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matter childre	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 9).  NONE					
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Hours premises are open to the public Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			State any seasonal variations (please read guidance note 5)			
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**M** Describe the steps you intend to take to promote the four licensing objectives:

#### a) General – all four licensing objectives (b, c, d and e) (please read guidance note 10)

Staff training shall be recorded and updated every 6 months Training shall cover the requirements for ID as part of age verification, AND OTHER RELEVANT REQUIREMENTS REGARDING THE LICENSING act as regards to each INDIVIDUAL STAFF MEMBERS ROLE IN THE BUSINESS.

Signage shall be displayed in a prominent position on the premises requesting that customers leave quietly

Signage shall be prominently displayed warning customers of the legal penalties for purchasing alcohol for any person under the age of 18 years

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

There must be a suitable colour digital CCTV RECORDING system installed at the premises. The system must be capable of providing 30 days recording. The images recorded are to be retained for 30 days and made available to the Police or other enforcement agencies. WITHIN 48 HOURS of a request. AND IN LINE WITH DATA PROTECTION LEGISLATION. DVD/USB copies of relevant footage to be provided to the Police or other enforcement agencies at no cost.

The CCTV system shall be checked REGULARLY to ensure it is working in line with the requirements of the licence. Any failure to be rectified within 48HOURS

c) Public safety					
Adhere to legislation and covered in a) above					
Exit routes shall be kept clear					
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e) The protection of children from harm

The premises licence holder shall ensure that a 'challenge 25' policy is adopted on the premises at all times. Signage of the 'challenge 25' policy shall be prominently displayed on the premises.

Acceptable identification accepted by the premises licence holder, DPS, or other staff members shall be a passport, photo driving licence or PASS accredited identity card Staff training in i.d procedure will be carried out on a regular basis.

The licence holder shall ensure that a refusals register is kept on the premises and that this shall be available upon request of an authorised officer. The register shall record any refused sale of alcohol.. The refusal register shall be inspected on a regular basis by the DPS or nominated person/s and signed by the DPS or nominated person/s that they have checked the register

#### Checklist:

#### Please tick to indicate agreement

•	I have made or enclosed payment of the fee.	B
•	I have enclosed the plan of the premises.	B
•	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 designated premises supervisor, if applicable.	B
•	I understand that I must now advertise my application.	R
•	I understand that if I do not comply with the above requirements my application will	
•	be rejected.	B
	[Applicable to all individual applicants, including those in a partnership which is not a limited liability partnership, but not companies or limited liability partnerships] I have included documents demonstrating my entitlement to work in the United Kingdom (please read note 15).	B

IT IS AN OFFENCE, UNDER SECTION 158 OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003, TO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT IN OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS APPLICATION. THOSE WHO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT MAY BE LIABLE ON SUMMARY CONVICTION TO A FINE OF ANY AMOUNT.

IT IS AN OFFENCE UNDER SECTION 24B OF THE IMMIGRATION ACT 1971 FOR A PERSON TO WORK WHEN THEY KNOW, OR HAVE REASONABLE CAUSE TO BELIEVE, THAT THEY ARE DISQUALIFIED FROM DOING SO BY REASON OF THEIR IMMIGRATION STATUS. THOSE WHO EMPLOY AN ADULT WITHOUT LEAVE OR WHO IS SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS AS TO EMPLOYMENT WILL BE LIABLE TO A CIVIL PENALTY UNDER SECTION 15 OF THE IMMIGRATION, ASYLUM AND NATIONALITY ACT 2006 AND PURSUANT TO SECTION 21 OF THE SAME ACT, WILL BE COMMITTING AN OFFENCE WHERE THEY DO SO IN THE KNOWLEDGE, OR WITH REASONABLE CAUSE TO BELIEVE, THAT THE EMPLOYEE IS DISQUALIFIED.

Part 4 – Signatures (please read guidance note 11)

Signature of applicant or applicant's solicitor or other duly authorised agent (see guidance note 12). If signing on behalf of the applicant, please state in what capacity.

Declaration	<ul> <li>[Applicable to individual applicants only, including those in a partnership which is not a limited liability partnership] I understand I am not entitled to be issued with a licence if I do not have the entitlement to live and work in the UK (or if I am subject to a condition preventing me from doing work relating to the carrying on of a licensable activity) and that my licence will become invalid if I cease to be entitled to live and work in the UK (please read guidance note 15).</li> <li>The DPS named in this application form is entitled to work in the UK (and is not subject to conditions preventing him or her from doing work relating to a licensable activity) and I have seen a copy of his or her proof of entitlement to work, if appropriate (please see note 15)</li> </ul>
Signature	ROBERT JORDANBSc ACIB FOR PR RETAIL CONSULTANTS LTD
Date	18 <sup>TH</sup> February 2021
Capacity	agent

For joint applications, signature of 2<sup>nd</sup> applicant or 2<sup>nd</sup> applicant's solicitor or other authorised agent (please read guidance note 13). 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 14) R. JORDANBSc ACIB FOR PR RETAIL CONSULTANTS LTD.

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Telephone number (if any)							
If you would prefer us to correspond with you by e-mail, your e-mail address (optional)							

#### **Notes for Guidance**

1. 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

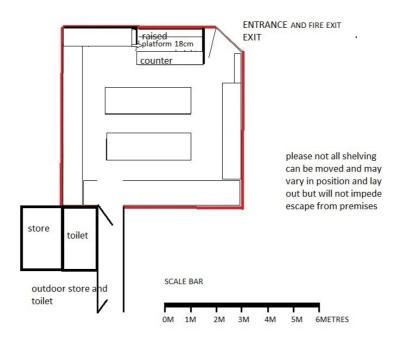
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FOR ALCOHOL DISPLAY



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**Trading Standards Service** 

Southampton City Council Civic Centre Southampton S014 7LY

Direct dial:
Fax:
Email:

Please ask for: Lucas Marshall Our ref: Your ref:

29th March 2021

Licensing Southampton City Council PO Box 1767 Southampton SO18 9LA

Dear Sir/Madam

#### Licensing Act 2003

I write with reference to Kanathuge Rahula Perera's application for a premises licence at Avenue Food & Wine, 21 Methuen Street, Southampton, a copy of which has been received by Southampton City Council's Trading Standards Service.

When an application is made I check the background of the applicant, with regard to Trading Standard's involvement, and if possible I pay a visit to the business and check for compliance with Trading Standard's legislation, so that I can ascertain whether a representation would be appropriate.

On 25<sup>th</sup> March 2021 I conducted an inspection of Avenue News & Food. It appeared to have opened that day. The Premises Licence had not yet been granted and there was no Temporary Event Notice in place: any sale of alcohol would therefore be unauthorised, an offence under Section 136(1) of the Licensing Act 2003. There was one member of staff present and working behind the counter. Beers, wines and spirits were displayed so I decided to first make a test purchase of alcohol, prior to announcing myself to the staff member. A bottle of wine was sold to me. I then announced myself to the seller and I explained what he had done. He was unable to provide means of identification, but identified himself as dob a student from Sri Lanka, who said that he was permitted to work 20 hours per week. He told me that he had been told by Perera that he could not sell alcohol until tomorrow, 26<sup>th</sup> March. He also said that he had not worked at a shop before, and that he had only worked at this premises for an hour before selling the alcohol to me. It concerns me that someone with so little retail experience should be left in sole control of a shop selling controlled goods, and in allowing this Perera has set up the business for failure.

Mr Perera attended the premises shortly after and I discussed diligence procedures with him. He confirmed that there were no records of staff training in place, there was no refusals book in use, and that the CCTV system was not working: he had failed to take the most basic of precautions. What Perera has stated in his application, with regards to meeting the Licensing Objectives, bears no relation to the diligence, or lack thereof, that he demonstrated at the premises during my visit.

For this reason I would ask that, should a Premises Licence be granted, the following conditions are added to the licence, to assist Mr Perera in the management of the premises:

#### Record Keeping

The Premises Licence Holder must keep, for a period of 24 months, complete records, such as invoices, receipts and delivery notes, relating to alcohol and cigarettes obtained by him for sale from his shop. Records must include the name, address, AWRS number (for alcohol suppliers) and telephone number of the supplier, the date of supply, the products supplied, and their prices. These details must be available on request to Responsible Authorities within 24 hours. The Premises Licence Holder must be able to identify who supplied alcohol and cigarettes present at his premises

(it was noted during my inspection that Polish beers which were not compliant with legislation on labelling of food/drink (they were not labelled in English) were in possession for sale at Avenue Food & Wine, and illegal alcohol has been found at Perera's other premises, 156 Warren Avenue, Southampton, hence the above condition regarding Record Keeping):

#### **CCTV**

A colour recording CCTV system that captures images from the main public areas must be fully operational whilst licensable activities are taking place.

The system shall be able to cope with all levels of illumination.

The recording equipment shall be stored and operated in a secure environment with limited access, to avoid damage, theft, unauthorised viewing and maintain the integrity of the system. The system shall be serviced at twelve monthly intervals and maintained to a standard that is acceptable to the police licensing department responsible for the area.

The system clock shall be checked regularly for accuracy taking account of GMT and BST. Digital systems shall have sufficient storage capacity for 28 days evidential quality recordings (minimum 4 frames per second).

The images produced shall be date and time stamped.

A notice shall be displayed at the entrance to the premises advising that CCTV is in operation. An additional recording CCTV camera shall be installed and fully operational whilst the venue is open to the public to cover the area immediately outside the front of the premises.

It is important that Responsible Authorities are able to access data from the systems quickly and easily and therefore provision shall be made that at all times a person is in attendance who is nominated by the data controller who has access to the secure area who is able to operate the equipment

Ensure all operators receive training from the installer when equipment is installed and that this is cascaded down to new members of nominated staff.

Have a simple operator's manual available to assist in replaying and exporting data (particularly important with digital systems) and to produce images to the police responsible authority for the purpose of the prevention and detection of crime as long as the request is lawful and complies with the data protection Act.

In the event of a technical failure of the CCTV equipment, the premises licence holder or DPS shall notify the police licensing department responsible for the area within 24 hours.

#### REFUSALS BOOK

A written log shall be kept of all refusals including refusals to sell alcohol. Details recorded must include date (day/month/year), time, product refused, reason for refusal, and the full name of the person who made the refusal. The Premises Licence Holder shall ensure that the refusals log is checked, signed and dated on a weekly basis by the venue manager/manageress.

The refusals log will be kept and maintained at the premises and will be available for inspection immediately upon request by Responsible Authorities.

The record of refusals will be retained for 12 months.

#### STAFF TRAINING

Before commencing their duties all new staff must receive information and training concerning the sale of age-restricted products. This training must cover their legal responsibilities and action to be taken in the event of suspicions being aroused that someone is purchasing or attempting to purchase an item under the legal age. All employees will sign a record to acknowledge that they have completed this training and have understood their responsibilities on this area. The contents of this training and the record must be available to Responsible Authorities on request. This training should be reviewed and updated at reasonable intervals but at least annually.

#### **CHALLENGE 25**

There will be a Challenge 25 policy operating at the premises. Challenge 25 means that the holder of the premises licence shall ensure that every individual, who visually appears to be under 25 years of age and is seeking to purchase or be supplied with alcohol at the premises or from the premises, shall produce identification proving that individual to be 18 years of age or older. Acceptable identification for the purposes of age verification will include a photo card driving licence, passport or photographic identification bearing the "PASS" logo and the persons date of birth.

If the person seeking alcohol is unable to produce acceptable means of identification, no sale or supply of alcohol will be made to or for that person.

'Challenge 25' posters shall be displayed in prominent positions at the premises.

#### ABV

No beers, ciders or lager of 6.5% ABV or over shall be sold by retail unless they in a pack of 4 or more as supplied by the manufacturer

#### SINGLE CANS

No single cans of beers ciders or lager shall be sold to customers. Unless other non-alcoholic product purchases (excluding tobacco and tobacco sundries) are made totalling £5.00 or more in the same transaction.

#### Work Hours

That a log of work hours is kept for every member of staff that works at the premises, full time, part time, and temporary, including those who provide cover at any point when the shop is trading, or conducting activities in relation to trade. The record will consist of the staff member's name, the date (day/month/year), the times when the staff member commenced and finished work (expressed in the 24 hour clock). This must be completed at the time when the staff member commences and finishes work, by either the member of staff or his supervisor/manager. The record must be kept at the premises and be available to Responsible Authorities on request.

Yours faithfully

Lucas Marshall

#### **Trading Standards Officer**

Cc. Police Licensing, Central Station, Southampton
Mr K.R.Perera, Avenue Food & Wine, 21 Methuen St, Southampton

If you require this letter or future correspondence from us in a different format (e.g. tape, Braille, or disc) please do not hesitate to let us know.

From: <u>Marshall, Lucas</u>

To: <u>Licensing</u>; <u>Licensing & Alcohol Harm Reduction Team Mailbox</u>

Cc: McGuiness, Ian; Hawley, Mark, 25491

Subject: FW: Representation re. application for Avenue Food & Wine, 21 Methuen Street, Southampton

**Date:** 31 March 2021 12:35:44

#### Dear Sir/Madam

I write with regard to the application for a premises licence, Avenue Food & Wine, 21 Methuen Street, made by Mr K.R Perera. I have made representation by way of letter and Robert Jordan, Perera's Licensing Consultant, has notified that the conditions proposed will be accepted. I would therefore regard a hearing as unnecessary.

Yours faithfully Lucas Marshall

Trading Standards Officer Southampton City Council

From: robertjordan01 > Sent: 31 March 2021 12:20

To: Licensing ; Marshall, Lucas > Cc: Hawley, Mark,25491 >; Licensing & Alcohol Harm Reduction Team Mailbox >; McGuiness, Ian

**Subject:** Re: Representation re. application for Avenue Food & Wine, 21 Methuen Street, Southampton

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Yes agreed

Yours faithfully

From: "Marshall, Lucas" <
To: "Licensing" <
Cc: "Licensing & Alcohol Harm Reduction Team Mailbox"

>; "Hawley, Mark,25491"

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>sent: Monday, 29 Mar, 2021 At 09:44

Subject: Representation re. application for Avenue Food & Wine, 21 Methuen Street, Southampton

Dear Sir/Madam

Please find attached a representation from Southampton City Council's Trading Standards Service regarding the application for premises licence at Avenue Food & Wine, 21 Methuen Street, Southampton.

If you have any queries please contact me by e-mail or on ...

#### Lucas Marshall Trading Standards Officer Southampton City Council

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From: publicaccess@southampton.gov.uk

Licensing To:

Subject: Comments for Licensing Application 2021/00512/01SPRN

Date: 31 March 2021 23:00:17

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 11:00 PM on 31 Mar 2021 from Mr Morikeh Daramy.

#### **Application Summary**

Address: 21 Methuen Street Southampton SO14 6FL

**Proposal:** Premises Licence

Case Officer: Tricia Young Click for further information

#### **Customer Details**

Name: Mr Morikeh Daramy

**Email:** 

Address: 36 Alma Road, Southampton SO14 6UP

#### **Comments Details**

Commenter Neighbour

Type:

Customer objects to the Licensing Application Stance:

Reasons

for

comment:

**Comments:** 11:00 PM on 31 Mar 2021 I strongly object to the above

application. It will be noisy, empty beer cans & bottles all over the place, drunk people shouting & fighting. Cannot

afford another off-license shop in this area.

From: publicaccess@southampton.gov.uk

To: Licensing

Subject: Comments for Licensing Application 2021/00512/01SPRN

31 March 2021 22:43:46 Date:

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 10:43 PM on 31 Mar 2021 from Mr Roy Boyle.

#### **Application Summary**

Address: 21 Methuen Street Southampton SO14 6FL

Proposal: Premises Licence

Case Officer: Tricia Young Click for further information

#### **Customer Details**

Name: Mr Roy Boyle

**Email:** 

Address: 2 Gordon Avenue, Southampton SO14 6WD

#### **Comments Details**

Commenter Neighbour

Type: Stance:

Customer objects to the Licensing Application

Reasons

for

comment:

Comments: 10:43 PM on 31 Mar 2021 TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN I wish to object most strongly to this application for the

following reason:

- 1. The applicant is seeking excessively long hours: from 07.00 to 23.00 7/7. None of the other or so licensed premises in Portswood and Lodge Road DC is licensed to sell alcohol as early as 07.00. Were these long hours granted, the other licensed premises in the DC would sooner or later seek comparably long opening hours.
- 2. With so many licensed premises already in this DC there is a serious risk that the area would become a major centre for the consumption of alcohol, especially by students who live in large numbers here. This should be strongly discouraged in the interests of the peace and good order in the locality.

Given the pressures on the Health Service and A&E the Local Authority should do what it can to ensure the health and well-being of the residents.

I hope that my concerns will be taken into account when this application is considered.

From: publicaccess@southampton.gov.uk

To: Licensing

Subject: Comments for Licensing Application 2021/00512/01SPRN

Date: 28 March 2021 21:08:20

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 9:08 PM on 28 Mar 2021 from Ms Sophie Naylor.

#### **Application Summary**

Address: 21 Methuen Street Southampton SO14 6FL

Proposal: Premises Licence

Case Officer: Tricia Young Click for further information

#### **Customer Details**

Name: Ms Sophie Naylor

**Email:** 

Address: 120 Earls Road, Southampton SO14 6TL

#### **Comments Details**

Commenter Neighbour

Type: Stance:

Customer objects to the Licensing Application

Reasons

for

comment:

**Comments:** 9:08 PM on 28 Mar 2021 I object for the convenience store to be an off-licence. We already have many off licence (The premier, Champagne Charley's, Tesco, the Polish store and more) all within half a mile distance. It would be totally ridiculous to have another one, they are families living on Earls road, we do not need any more alcohol nuisance that we have already. I am constantly picking up glass bottles,

cans of drinks in the street, no more is needed!

## Licensing (Licensing and Gambling) Sub-Committee



# Procedure – Applications etc. under the Licensing Act 2003 or Gambling Act 2005

- A hearing will be held to decide applications, etc., under the Licensing Act 2003, where
  there have been relevant representations from one or more of the responsible
  authorities or other persons. The parties to the hearing will have the chance to be heard.
  They are also entitled to be helped or represented by another person if due written
  notice is given in advance.
- Hearings will take place before a Sub-Committee comprising three members of the Licensing Committee. One of these members will be elected Chair of the Sub-Committee for that hearing.
- Please note that for day time hearings the Sub-Committee will normally adjourn for lunch at 1:00 p.m. and that comfort breaks will be taken at the discretion of the Chair at appropriate points during the meeting.

#### **Preliminary matters**

- The Chair will introduce those present.
- 5. The Chair will check whether any of the Sub-Committee members has a "disclosable pecuniary", "personal" or "pecuniary" interest.
- 6. The Chair will check whether all the parties are present at the hearing, and if any are not, whether they have told the Council that they do not wish to attend or be represented. If any party who was expected to attend has not done so, the Sub-Committee will decide whether to hold the hearing in that party's absence, or to adjourn it to another date. Hearings will be adjourned if the Sub-Committee considers this necessary in the public interest, if that is possible. If the Sub-Committee decides to hold the hearing in a party's absence, they will still consider any written information received.
- 7. In the case of an application for variation or a new licence, the Sub-Committee's legal advisor will ask the applicant or their advisor for confirmation that the required public notices have been displayed where they can conveniently be read from the exterior of the premises and that notice was given in a local newspaper within eleven working days of the day on which the application was received by the licensing authority.
- 8. Normally, hearings will be open to the public. However, the Sub-Committee may exclude the public from the hearing (or part of it) if they think the public interest in doing so outweighs the public interest in having the hearing in public. If the public are excluded, any of the parties to the hearing, and/or anyone helping or representing them, may also be excluded.
- The Chair will propose a motion that the public and the press be excluded from the hearing while the Sub-Committee considers the matter. Ordinarily the legal advisor and democratic support officer will remain (see paragraph 30 (b) below).
- 10. The Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014 provide an entitlement for the public to film, photograph and audibly record ("record") public meetings. However, by virtue of Schedule 6, paragraph 58 of the Licensing Act 2003 and section 101 (15) of the Local Government Act 1972, Licensing Act 2003 hearings are not covered by the entitlement to film as of right. The Council's general approach is to encourage openness and transparency in all its dealings and the general presumption is that filming or recording of hearings shall generally be permitted where due notice has been provided in advance of the hearing. Nonetheless the following shall apply:

## Licensing (Licensing and Gambling) Sub-Committee



- 17. Unless the Council has requested in advance that a particular point be clarified, new documentary or other evidence may not be submitted for the first time at the hearing, unless all the other parties agree.
- 18. Members of the Sub-Committee will have read all the papers included in the agenda for the hearing before the hearing starts. The parties are requested not to spend unnecessary time repeating evidence which is already in the papers and which is not disputed.
- 19. Evidence that is not relevant to the case, or to the promotion of the four licensing objectives, will be disregarded.

#### **Hearing Procedure**

- 20. If any party has asked permission for a witness or witnesses to appear, the Sub-Committee will decide whether they should be heard (see paragraph 10 above).
- 21. All parties will be allowed a similar (and maximum) amount of time to put their case, and ask questions of other parties, subject to the Chair's discretion to not hear repetitive matters or questions.

#### The applicant

- 22. The applicant for the licence (or their representative) or the applicant in review proceedings, may present their case.
- 23. If the Sub-Committee permits, the applicant may call those witnesses whose names have been provided in advance to support their application.
- 24. Where a group of witnesses wish to speak in support of the application for similar reasons, one person should, where possible, act as spokesperson for the whole group. The Sub-Committee may reasonably refuse permission for a witness to be heard if their evidence simply repeats points already made.
- 25. The Chair will invite those making representations to seek clarification on any point made by the applicant. The Chair will decide in which order those making representations will be invited to put their questions.
- 26. Members of the Sub-Committee or the Legal Advisor, if so permitted by the Chair, may also seek clarification of the applicant or any of their witnesses.

#### The representations

- 27. Where there is more than one person making a representation, the Chair will decide the order in which they may put their case. If there is a representation from one or more of the responsible authorities, their representatives will normally be invited to put their case first.
- 28. The following procedure will apply to each person making a representation in turn:-
  - (a) The person making a representation (or their representative) may present their case.
  - (b) If the Sub-Committee permits, the person making a representation may call those witnesses whose names have been provided in advance to support their objection.
  - (c) Where a group of witnesses wish to speak in support of the objection for similar reasons, where possible, one person should act as spokesperson for the whole group. The Sub-Committee may reasonably refuse permission for a witness to be heard if their evidence simply repeats points already made.