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Subject: E-mail chain for hearing VNG Stores
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Good morning licensing,

Can the below e-mails sent to the representative of the applicant for VNG store premises licence be added to the hearing pack for the benefit of the committee. These e-mails were sent 11 days apart during the consultation period. These are the ones that I refer to where I state I have had no reply when I sent in my representation.

Many thanks
PC 25597
Lee Scott

From: Scott, Lee (25597)
Sent: 23 May 2023 11:05
To: info@personalllicencecourses.com
Cc: Licensing <Licensing@southampton.gov.uk>
Subject: FW: Premises License Application - VNG STORES LTD - 128 ABOVEBAR STREET, SOUTHAMPTON SO14 7DU

Good afternoon,

I write again to request to see if you have any comment regarding my approach to yourself and your client regarding the premises licence application below.

You will be all too aware this is a time limited matter.

Many Thanks
Lee Scott

From: Scott, Lee (25597)
Sent: 12 May 2023 21:51
To: info@personalllicencecourses.com
Cc: Licensing <Licensing@southampton.gov.uk>; Phil Bates [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Premises License Application - VNG STORES LTD - 128 ABOVEBAR STREET, SOUTHAMPTON SO14 7DU

Good evening Mr Panchal,

I write to you regarding the application for a new premises licence at 128 Above Bar Street – VNG Store.

Before I enter into consultation with you or your client regarding this premises licence I am writing to advise that I will be submitting a representation against this premises licence initially regarding the hours.

The latest for this premises I would accept would be 2100.

This location is within a cumulative impact area as set out by the Southampton city council statement of licensing policy and the measures offered within section M are poor. This premises is opposite the biggest nightclub in the city and near to other large premises in an area with increased night time economy related crime and disorder.

Please can you advise if your client will be willing to accept 2100 as the terminal hour and what other voluntary conditions are you considering at the premises.

It is disappointing we could not have had these discussions pre-application as per the 182 guidance suggests.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Regards

Lee Scott

PC 25597

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Licensing & Alcohol Harm Reduction Team

Southampton Central Police Station

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From: [Scott, Lee \(25597\)](#)
To: info@personallicencecourses.com
Cc: [Licensing](#)
Subject: VNG premises licence - 182 Above Bar Street Southampton
Date: 09 June 2023 10:35:19
Attachments: [ABOVE BAR STREET NTE 2020-22.pdf](#)

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Good morning Mr Panchal,

Thank you for your time on the phone yesterday. I was pleased you were free when I called to finally have some correspondence with you regarding the VNG premises licence application. I was disappointed to learn from you that you were too busy to reply to my e-mails during the consultation period for the premises licence application, a feeling that will be echoed by your client I am sure.

I am still not satisfied that this premises will uphold the licensing objectives and meet the requirements of the cumulative impact policy.

Please see the attached document, you'll note I have copied in the licensing authority in order for this e-mail and the document to be included in the hearing report.

Kind regards

Lee Scott

PC 25597

Lee Scott

Licensing & Alcohol Harm Reduction Team

Southampton Central Police Station

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**Above Bar Street –
Night Time Economy**

01/01/2020 – 31/12/2022

Date: June 2023

Version Control: 1

Above Bar Street

This area (Cumulative Impact Policy Zone 2) covers the main commercial street in the district but the northern end has NTE venues in the Guildhall Square area. The area makes up 0.2% of the district (0.11km²).

In 2020, 17% of NTE offences were within the zone, followed by 17% in 2021 and 21% in 2022. In 2022, there were more drugs possession offences linked to the NTE in Zone 2 than in areas not within a zone in the district (27% compared to 22% not in a zone). In 2021, it had 29% of weapons possession offences.

The proportion of NTE offences within Zone 2 has increased from 2021 to 2022 (17% to 21%). Whereas, this decreased in Zone 1 (27% to 25%).

Weapons possession offences had a higher proportion in 2021 at 29% which reduced to 19% in 2022. Other sexual offences have also increased (14% in 2020, 23% in 2021 and 26% in 2022). See Appendix 1 and 2 for more detail.

Saturday night has the highest volume of offences (140, 48%), followed by Friday (82, 28%). Offences are more spread across the evening than in Zone 1 from 22:00 to 04:59 with peaks at 01:00 and 02:00.

Figure 1: Zone 2 - Above Bar with NTE Heat Map

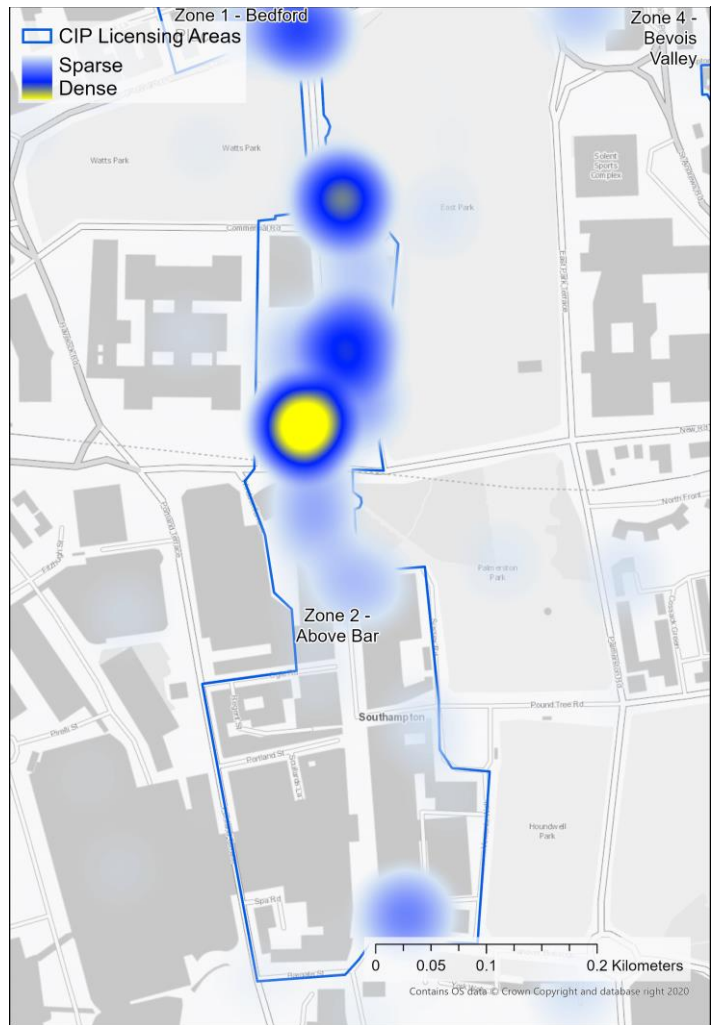
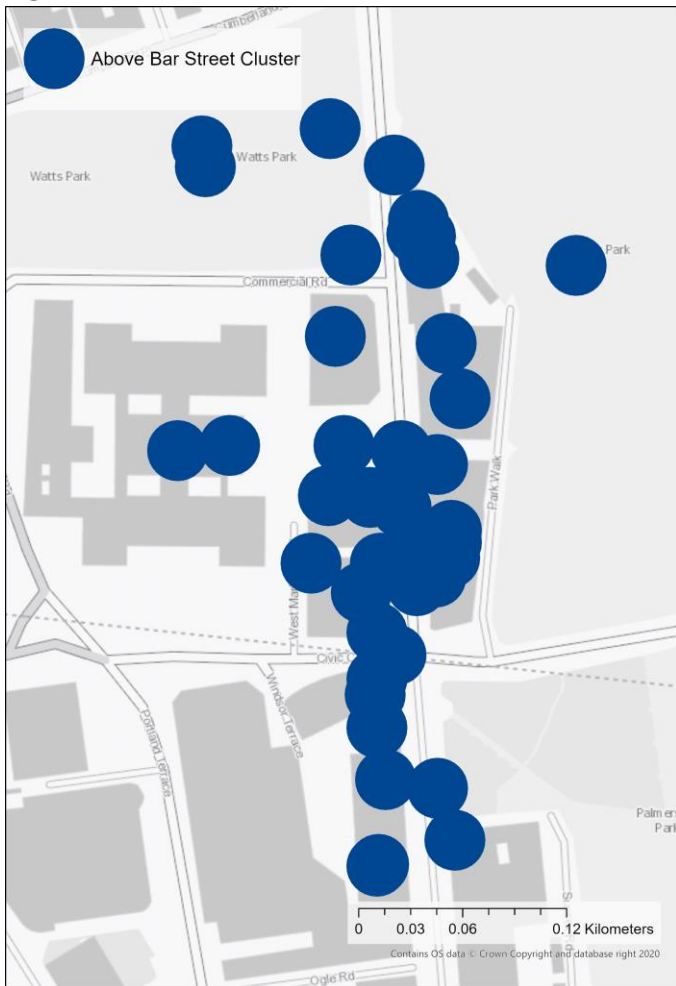


Table 1: Temporal Analysis of NTE Offences in Zone 2 in 2022

Day/Time	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	00	01	02	03	04	05	Total
Monday-Tuesday	0	2	0	0	1	2	1	0	1	0	3	5	0	15
Tuesday-Wednesday	0	0	1	1	0	1	2	1	0	0	3	0	1	10
Wednesday-Thursday	2	0	0	0	0	3	1	1	8	1	0	0	0	16
Thursday-Friday	0	0	2	1	2	1	1	2	1	3	1	1	0	15
Friday-Saturday	0	2	6	4	1	5	11	10	15	17	7	4	0	82
Saturday-Sunday	2	3	5	4	5	10	17	5	21	31	18	10	9	140
Sunday-Monday	0	0	0	0	2	2	2	2	3	1	3	0	0	15
Total	4	7	14	10	11	24	35	21	49	53	35	20	10	293

Figure 2: Identified Cluster of 2022 NTE Offences



Density Based Clustering

An alternative mapping method was used to identify clusters of offences based on density rather than mapping them to areas already identified.

This method created clusters using 2022 NTE offence data by highlighting areas with 36 or more offences where the offences are no more than 100m apart. This highlights an area on Above Bar Street.

The tables below show Zone 2 (Above Bar Street) in comparison to other CIP zones.

- Zone 1 – Bedford Place
- Zone 2 – Above Bar
- Zone 3 – High St, Oxford St and Town Quay
- Zone 4 – Bevois Valley
- Zone 5 – West Quay / Leisure World

Table 2: NTE Offences by Zone and Crime Type in 2021

Crime Type	No Zone	Zone 1	Zone 2	Zone 3 - High St	Zone 3 - Oxford St	Zone 3 - Town Quay	Zone 4	Zone 5	Total
Violence with Injury	113 (48%)	34 (15%)	43 (18%)	7 (3%)	4 (2%)	3 (1%)	18 (8%)	11 (5%)	447
Violence without Injury	76 (48%)	28 (18%)	28 (18%)	13 (8%)	3 (2%)	1 (1%)	5 (3%)	6 (4%)	315
Rape	8 (80%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (10%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (10%)	24
Other Sexual Offences	8 (28%)	4 (14%)	4 (14%)	4 (14%)	0 (0%)	1 (3%)	2 (7%)	6 (21%)	69
Possession of Drugs	9 (64%)	1 (7%)	1 (7%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	3 (21%)	17
Weapons Offences	4 (36%)	3 (27%)	0 (0%)	1 (9%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (9%)	2 (18%)	17
Public Order	32 (48%)	7 (11%)	15 (23%)	5 (8%)	2 (3%)	1 (2%)	3 (5%)	1 (2%)	170
Total	250 (48%)	77 (15%)	91 (17%)	31 (6%)	9 (2%)	6 (1%)	29 (6%)	30 (6%)	1,059

Table 3: NTE Offences by Zone and Crime Type in 2022

Crime Type	No Zone	Zone 1	Zone 2	Zone 3 - High St	Zone 3 - Oxford St	Zone 3 - Town Quay	Zone 4	Zone 5	Total
Violence with Injury	192 (35%)	143 (26%)	119 (21%)	12 (2%)	34 (6%)	0 (0%)	37 (7%)	18 (3%)	555
Violence without Injury	151 (33%)	110 (24%)	111 (24%)	13 (3%)	34 (7%)	1 (0%)	27 (6%)	14 (3%)	461
Rape	11 (52%)	1 (5%)	3 (14%)	2 (10%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	3 (14%)	1 (5%)	21
Other Sexual Offences	27 (27%)	30 (30%)	26 (26%)	1 (1%)	3 (3%)	0 (0%)	11 (11%)	3 (3%)	101
Possession of Drugs	9 (22%)	15 (37%)	11 (27%)	0 (0%)	1 (2%)	0 (0%)	4 (10%)	1 (2%)	41
Weapons Offences	13 (42%)	10 (32%)	6 (19%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	2 (6%)	0 (0%)	31
Public Order	117 (53%)	44 (20%)	22 (10%)	6 (3%)	11 (5%)	4 (2%)	8 (4%)	9 (4%)	221
Total	520 (36%)	353 (25%)	298 (21%)	34 (2%)	83 (6%)	5 (0%)	92 (6%)	46 (3%)	1,431