

Licensing Hearing

To: Councillors Moore, Reid and B Watson

Date: Monday, 14 May 2007

Time: 1.30 pm

Venue: The Guildhall

AGENDA

1. Chair

To elect a Member to act as Chair of the meeting.

2. Introductions

3. Declarations of Interest

At this point Members are asked to declare any personal or prejudicial interests they may have in the business on this agenda.

4. The Determination of an Application by Luminar Gems Ltd, Deltic Avenue, Rooksley, Milton Keynes, MK13 8LW for Section 35(3)(a) Determination of Application to Vary Premises Licence in respect of Toffs, 3-5 Toft Green, YO1 1JT (CYC-009396)

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LICENSING ACT 2003 SUB – COMMITTEES PROCEDURE FOR HEARINGS

Introduction

The procedure outlined below will be followed at all Licensing Hearings.

As Licensing Hearings are quasi-judicial the Sub-Committee will, in effect, act like a Court and the rules of natural justice will apply. The Sub-Committee will be guided by legal principles in determining whether evidence is both relevant and fairly admitted. Committee Members have a duty to view all evidence presented before them impartially. Members of the Licensing Sub-Committee have all received relevant training and are used to making decisions of this type. No matter how strong local opinion may be, Committee Members can only make decisions based on relevant licensing issues as set out before the Sub-Committee in determining applications.

The hearing will be in public session. However, the Sub-Committee may exclude the public from a hearing if it considers it in the public interest to do so. However, the decision will be made in private.

The purpose of the hearing is

- To enable those with a right to appear to advance their point of view and to test the case of their opponents
- To assist the Sub-Committee to gather evidence and understand the relevant issues

In view of the requirement to hold hearings within specified times, the Licensing Authority will generally be unable to enter into discussions to identify dates convenient to all parties concerned. In exceptional circumstances, the Licensing Authority will consider applications to adjourn hearings to a later date.

Representations at Licensing Hearings

The Applicant, Ward Councillors, and Representors who have made written submissions will be allowed to speak at the Sub-Committee. At any hearing of an application, the Applicant and any Representors shall attend in person wherever possible. Any party to a hearing may be assisted or represented by any person, legally or otherwise.

All parties will be given a fair hearing and each party will have the same amount of time in which to address the Sub-Committee. A time limit has been set because of the pressures on the Sub-Committees to hear so many applications in a short period of time. **Each party will have 15 minutes to address the Sub-Committee, give any further information, and call any witnesses.** If any party considers this time to

be insufficient then a request in writing may be made to the Democracy Officer for an extension of time at least 2 working days before the hearing. However, this will not be automatically granted and will be at the discretion of the Sub-Committee.

The Sub-Committee may take into account any documentary evidence or other information in support of the application, representations or notice, either before the hearing or, with the consent of all other parties, at the hearing.

If any Representors fail to attend the hearing, the Sub-Committee will normally proceed but will consider their written objection and hear and consider any evidence and argument in relation to it put forward by the Applicant. In considering written evidence in the absence of a Representor, appropriate weight will be attached, given that the person cannot be questioned by the Applicant and Members.

The Sub-Committee is required to disregard any information given or evidence produced by a party or witness which is not relevant to the application, representations, or notice, and the promotion of the licensing objectives. Duplication should be avoided. Comments must be confined to those points already made, although the parties may extend or expand on their written submissions. The Sub-Committee will have read and familiarised themselves with all the written submissions and the issues prior to the hearing, and therefore do not require the points to be repeated or made at length. The Applicant and Representors cannot raise substantial new information at a hearing which has not been seen previously by the other parties.

A Representor **may not** introduce any new ground or objection not referred to in the written submission unless the Sub-Committee considers there are exceptional circumstances for doing so and the Representor is able to justify why the ground or objection should be raised. The Applicant may make representations to the Sub-Committee as to why any such request to introduce a new ground should or should not be granted. In considering whether to grant a request by a Representor to introduce a new ground, the Sub-Committee will consider why the new evidence has not been produced earlier and whether the admission of such a ground would necessitate the grant of an adjournment and will consider any unfairness to the Applicant or other Representors by reason of the extra cost or delay thereby caused.

Any person behaving in a disruptive manner will be asked to leave the hearing. If this does occur, that person may, before the end of the hearing, submit in writing any information which they would have been entitled to give orally.

Procedure prior to the Hearing

The Members sitting on the Sub-Committee will meet prior to the hearing to note the matters that are to be presented. They will only be accompanied by the Democracy Officer and Legal Advisor (*if present*). Attention will only be drawn to the nature of the application and the premises or person to which it relates. The actual application will not be discussed.

At any hearing of an application, the Licensing Officer, the Applicant and any Representors or representatives will report to reception and be asked to wait in reception until the democracy officer calls them through to the committee room.

Procedure at the Hearing

1. Members of the Sub-Committee will appoint a chair.
2. The Chair introduces the Committee Members and officers [*Democracy Officer, Legal Advisor to the committee (if present) and the Licensing Officer*], welcomes the Applicant and Representors (or their representatives), and establishes the identity of all who will be taking part.
3. The Chair will explain to the parties the procedure that will be followed at the hearing.
4. The Chair will proceed with the order of business on the agenda.
5. When the agenda item relating to the application is reached, the Chair will invite the Licensing Officer to present the application.
6. The Licensing Officer outlines the application, confirms the application details, introduces the report and gives an update on any recent changes.
7. The Chair will invite Committee Members, the Applicant and Representors (or representatives) to ask the Licensing Officer questions to clarify any points raised in the report.
8. The Chair will ask the Applicant (or their representative) to present their case.
9. The Applicant (or their representative) will present their case and may call any witnesses to support their case [*maximum 15 minutes*].
10. The Chair will invite the Representors (or their representative) in the following order to ask questions of the Applicant (or their representative) and/or witnesses [*maximum 5 minutes each party*]
 - (i) Police
 - (ii) Other Responsible Authorities
 - (iii) Ward Councillors
 - (iv) Interested Parties
11. The Chair will invite the Committee Members to ask questions of the Applicant (or their representative) and/or witnesses.
12. The Chair will invite the Representors (or their representative) in the following order to state the nature of their interest in the matter, present their case and call any witnesses to support their case [*maximum 15 minutes each party*]
 - (i) Police
 - (ii) Other Responsible Authorities
 - (iii) Ward Councillors
 - (iv) Interested Parties

13. The Chair will invite the Applicant to ask questions of each Representor (or their representative) and/or their witnesses after each presentation [*maximum 5 minutes per Representor*].
14. The Chair will invite the Committee Members to ask questions of each Representor (or their representative) and/or their witnesses after each presentation.
15. The Chair will invite the Representors (or their representative) in the following order to summarise their case [*maximum 5 minutes each party*]
 - (i) Police
 - (ii) Other Responsible Authorities
 - (iii) Ward Councillors
 - (iv) Interested Parties
16. The Chair will invite the Applicant (or their representative) to summarise their case [*maximum 5 minutes*].
17. The Chair will provide the Sub-Committee with a final opportunity to seek clarification from any of the parties on any points raised, or seek advice from the Licensing Officer on policy, or from the Legal Advisor (*if present*) on law and jurisdiction.
18. When all the evidence has been heard, the Chair will declare the hearing closed and ask the Licensing Officer, the Applicant and Representors (or their representatives) plus any witnesses present to leave the committee room and wait in reception while the Sub-Committee considers the evidence.

Procedure after the Hearing

19. If the Sub-Committee wish to seek further clarification on the evidence given, the Democracy Officer will invite all parties back into the committee room.
20. If possible, and for all hearings under:-
 - section 35 or 39 which is in respect of an application made at the same time as an application for conversion of an existing licence under paragraph 2 of Schedule 8 (determination of application under section 34 or 37)
 - section 85 which is in respect of an application made at the same time as an application for conversion of an existing club certificate under paragraph 14 of Schedule 8 (determination of application under section 85)
 - section 105(2)(a) (counter notice following police objection to temporary event notice)
 - section 167(5)(a) (review of premises licence following closure order)
 - paragraph 4(3)(a) of Schedule 8 (determination of application for conversion of existing licence)

- paragraph 16(3)(a) of Schedule 8 (determination of application for conversion of existing club certificate)
- paragraph 26(3)(a) of Schedule 8 (determination of application by holder of a justices' licence for grant of personal licence)

the Sub-Committee will make a decision on conclusion of the hearing and only the Democracy Officer and the Legal Advisor to the Sub-Committee (*if present*) will remain in the room with the Committee Members. These officers will not comment on the merits of the application, but will be present to provide advice on legal and procedural points and to record the decision.

21. If the decision has been made, all the parties will be invited back into the committee room by the Democracy Officer. The Chair will announce the decision including reasons together with, if appropriate, details of any conditions to be attached to the grant of the licence. This decision will then be communicated in writing to the Applicant and Representors within 3 working days of the hearing. There can be no further questions or statements.
22. For all other hearings not listed above, if the Sub-Committee is unable to make a decision on the day of the hearing, the decision will be made within 5 working days beginning with the day or the last day on which the hearing was held. The Democracy Officer will inform the parties that they are no longer required and the decision will be communicated in writing to the Applicant and Representors within 3 working days of the decision being made.
23. The notification will include information about the rights of appeal against the determination made.

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Licensing Act 2003 Sub Committee

14 May 2007

Report of the Director of Neighbourhood Services

Section 35(3)(a) Application for the Variation of a premise licence for Toffs, 3-5 Toft Green, York, YO1 1JT**Summary**

1. This report seeks Members determination of an application for the variation of a premise licence, which has been made under the Licensing Act 2003.
2. Application reference number: CYC-009396.
3. Name of applicant: Luminar Gems Ltd.
4. Type of authorisation applied for: Variation of premises licence.
5. Summary of application: The nature of the application is to vary the existing layout of the premises to include an outside smoking terrace as part of the existing licensed area, and to amend Condition 1 of Annex 3 of the existing licence to read "There shall be no admissions to the premises after 01:30 hours, except for patrons using the smoking terrace."

Background

6. A copy of the existing premise licence is attached at Annex 1.
7. A copy of the application to vary the licence is attached at Annex 2.

Promotion Of Licensing Objectives

8. The operating schedule submitted by the applicant shows that, in addition to existing conditions attached to the current licence, the licensing objectives would be met as follows:
9. The prevention of crime and disorder: The external area will be covered by the existing CCTV system installed at the premises.
10. Public safety: No additional steps required.
11. The prevention of public nuisance: No additional steps required.

12. The protection of children from harm: No additional steps required.

Special Policy Consideration

13. The premises fall within an area that has been identified as one where the concentration of a significant number of licensed premises has a considerable impact on the licensing objectives. As part of a series of measures to address the problems of a city centre increasingly blighted by alcohol misuse, this area has been made the subject of a special policy that addresses the impact of the concentration of licensed premises in this particular part of the city centre. The special policy was approved by the licensing committee on 1 April 2005 and considered by full council on 12 April 2005, a copy of the special policy statement is attached at Annex 8.

Consultation

14. Consultation was carried out by the applicant in accordance with s13, and s17(5) of the Act and Regulation 42, Parts 2 and 4 of the Licensing Act 2003 (Premises Licences and Club Premises Certificates) Regulations 2005, which concern the displaying of a notice on the premises and an advertisement in a local paper giving details of the application and serving a copy of the application on all responsible authorities. The applicant complied with all statutory requirements. In addition the relevant ward councillors and/or parish council were notified by way of register.
15. All procedural aspects of this application have been complied with.

Summary of Representations made by Responsible Authorities

16. A representation has been received from the following responsible authority relating to this application. This is attached at Annex 3 and summarised below:
17. City of York Council Environmental Protection Unit: Make representation on the grounds of the prevention of the public nuisance licensing objective, stating that the proposed area should be reduced in size in order for the seating and covered area to be screened by the adjacent wall. This would provide a barrier between the patrons and the windows of nearby sensitive properties and would remove the direct line of sight to the windows.

Summary of Representations made by Interested Parties

18. A representation has been received from an interested party, a copy of the representation is attached at Annex 4.
19. The address of the interested party is indicated on the map attached as Annex 5.
20. An "interested party" is defined at s13(3) of the Act as being a person living in the vicinity of the premises, a body representing persons who live in that vicinity, a person involved in a business in that vicinity, or a body representing persons involved in such businesses.

21. Members are reminded that representations are only “relevant” if they relate to the likely effect of the grant of the licence on the promotion of at least one of the licensing objectives.

Planning Issues

22. Planning permission is required for this proposal. At the time of submitting this report planning permission had not been sought.

Options

23. By virtue of s18(4) of the Act, the Committee have the following options available to them in making their decision:-
24. Option 1: Grant the variation of the licence in the terms applied for.
25. Option 2: Grant the variation of the licence with modified/additional conditions imposed by the licensing committee.
26. Option 3: Grant the variation of the licence to exclude any of the licensable activities to which the application relates and modify/add conditions accordingly.
27. Option 4: Reject the application.

Analysis

28. The following could be the result of any decision made this Sub Committee:-
29. Option 1: This decision could be appealed at Magistrates Court by any of the representors.
30. Option 2: This decision could be appealed at Magistrates Court by the applicant or any of the representors.
31. Option 3: This decision could be appealed at Magistrates Court by the applicant or any of the representors.
32. Option 4: This decision could be appealed at Magistrates Court by the applicant.

Corporate Priorities

33. The Licensing Act 2003 has 4 objectives the prevention of crime and disorder, public safety, prevention of public nuisance and the protection of children from harm.
34. The promotion of the licensing objectives will support the Council’s priority to reduce the actual and perceived impact of violent, aggressive and nuisance behaviour on people in York.

Implications

35.

- **Financial** - N/A
- **Human Resources (HR)** – N/A
- **Equalities** – N/A
- **Legal** – This decision could be appealed at Magistrates Court by the applicant or any of the representors.
- **Crime and Disorder** - The Committee is reminded of their duty under the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 to consider the crime and disorder implications of their decisions and the authority's responsibility to co-operate in the reduction of crime and disorder in the city.
- **Information Technology (IT)** – N/A
- **Property** – N/A
- **Other** – none

Risk Management

36. All Members of the Licensing Act 2003 Committee have received full training on the Act and the regulations governing hearings. They are aware that any decision made which is unreasonable or unlawful could be open to challenge resulting in loss of image, reputation and potential financial penalty.
37. The report details the options available to the panel in determining the application and recommends that a decision be reached. There are no risks involved with this recommendation.

Recommendations

38. Members determine the application.

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Report Approved



Date 26 April 2007

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Wards Affected: Micklegate

For further information please contact the author of the report

Background Papers:

- Annex 1** - Copy of existing premises licence
- Annex 2** - Copy of application form
- Annex 3** - Copy of representation from Responsible Authority
- Annex 4** - Copy of representation from Interested Party
- Annex 5** - Map of area showing address of Interested Party
- Annex 6** - Mandatory Conditions
- Annex 7** - Copy of City Centre Special Policy Statement
- Annex 8** - Legislation and Policy Considerations

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LICENSING ACT 2003

PREMISES LICENCE

Schedule 12

Part A

Part 1 Premises details

Premises licence number CYC - 009396

Postal address of premises:

Toffs
3-5 Toft Green

Post town: **York**

Post code: **YO1 1JT**

Telephone number: 01904 620203

Expiry date: This licence has no expiry date.

Licensable activities authorised by the licence:

Films
Boxing or Wrestling
Live Music
Recorded Music
Performances of Dance
Facility for making music
Facilities for dancing
Late Night Refreshment
Supply of Alcohol

The times the licence authorises the carrying out of licensable activities:

FILMS
Indoors

Monday 11:00 - 03:30	Tuesday 11:00 - 03:30	Wednesday 11:00 - 03:30	Thursday 11:00 - 03:30
Friday 11:00 - 03:30	Saturday 11:00 - 03:30	Sunday 11:00 - 03:30	

BOXING OR WRESTLING

Indoors

Monday 11:00 - 02:00	Tuesday 11:00 - 02:00	Wednesday 11:00 - 02:00	Thursday 11:00 - 02:00
Friday 11:00 - 02:00	Saturday 11:00 - 02:00	Sunday 11:00 - 02:00	

LIVE MUSIC

Indoors

Monday 11:00 - 03:30	Tuesday 11:00 - 03:30	Wednesday 11:00 - 03:30	Thursday 11:00 - 03:30
Friday 11:00 - 03:30	Saturday 11:00 - 03:30	Sunday 11:00 - 03:30	

RECORDED MUSIC

Indoors

Monday 11:00 - 03:45	Tuesday 11:00 - 03:45	Wednesday 11:00 - 03:45	Thursday 11:00 - 03:45
Friday 11:00 - 03:45	Saturday 11:00 - 03:45	Sunday 11:00 - 03:45	

PERFORMANCE OF DANCE

Indoors

Monday 11:00 - 03:30	Tuesday 11:00 - 03:30	Wednesday 11:00 - 03:30	Thursday 11:00 - 03:30
Friday 11:00 - 03:30	Saturday 11:00 - 03:30	Sunday 11:00 - 03:30	

FACILITY FOR MAKING MUSIC

Indoors

Monday 11:00 - 03:30	Tuesday 11:00 - 03:30	Wednesday 11:00 - 03:30	Thursday 11:00 - 03:30
Friday 11:00 - 03:30	Saturday 11:00 - 03:30	Sunday 11:00 - 03:30	

FACILITIES FOR DANCING

Indoors

Monday 11:00 - 03:30	Tuesday 11:00 - 03:30	Wednesday 11:00 - 03:30	Thursday 11:00 - 03:30
Friday 11:00 - 03:30	Saturday 11:00 - 03:30	Sunday 11:00 - 03:30	

LATE NIGHT REFRESHMENT

Indoors

Monday 23:00 - 03:45	Tuesday 23:00 - 03:45	Wednesday 23:00 - 03:45	Thursday 23:00 - 03:45
Friday 23:00 - 03:45	Saturday 23:00 - 03:45	Sunday 23:00 - 03:45	

SUPPLY OF ALCOHOL

Monday 11:00 - 03:30	Tuesday 11:00 - 03:30	Wednesday 11:00 - 03:30	Thursday 11:00 - 03:30
Friday 11:00 - 03:30	Saturday 11:00 - 03:30	Sunday 11:00 - 03:30	

Non Standard Timings for FILMS, BOXING OR WRESTLING, LIVE MUSIC, RECORDED MUSIC, PERFORMANCES OF DANCE, FACILITY FOR MAKING MUSIC, FACILITIES FOR DANCING, LATE NIGHT REFRESHMENT, and SUPPLY OF ALCOHOL:

From the end of permitted hours New Year's Eve to the start of permitted hours New Year's Day.

An additional hour to the standard and non-standard times on the day when British Summertime commences.

The Opening Hours of the Premises

Monday 11:00 - 04:00	Tuesday 11:00 - 04:00	Wednesday 11:00 - 04:00	Thursday 11:00 - 04:00
Friday 11:00 - 04:00	Saturday 11:00 - 04:00	Sunday 11:00 - 04:00	

Non Standard Timings:

From the end of permitted hours New Year's Eve to the start of permitted hours New Year's Day.

An additional hour to the standard and non-standard times on the day when British Summertime commences.

Where the licence authorises supplies of alcohol whether these are on and/or off supplies:

On the premises

Part 2**Name, (registered) address, telephone number and email (where relevant) of holder of premises licence**

Name: Luminar Gems Limited

Address: Deltic Avenue
Rooksley
Milton Keynes
MK13 8LW

Telephone number: 01908 544100

Email address: None

Registered number of holder, for example company number, charity number (where applicable):

Limited Company 5882675

Annex 1 – Mandatory conditions

MANDATORY CONDITIONS WHERE LICENCE AUTHORISES SUPPLY OF ALCOHOL

- (1) In accordance with section 19 of the Licensing Act 2003, where a premises licence authorises the supply of alcohol, the licence must include the following conditions.
- (2) The first condition is that no supply of alcohol may be made under the premises licence -
- (a) at a time where there is no designated premises supervisor in respect of the premises licence, or
 - (b) at a time when the designated premises supervisor does not hold a personal licence or his personal licence is suspended.
- (3) The second condition is that every supply of alcohol under the premises licence must be made or authorised by a person who holds a personal licence.

MANDATORY CONDITION: EXHIBITION OF FILMS

- (1) In accordance with section 20 of the Licensing Act 2003, where a premises licence authorises the exhibition of films, the licence must include a condition requiring the admission of children to the exhibition of any film to be restricted in accordance with this section.

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(2) Where the film classification body is specified in the licence, unless subsection (3)(b) applies, admission of children must be restricted in accordance with any recommendation made by that body.

(3) Where -

(a) the film classification body is not specified in the licence, or

(b) the relevant licensing authority has notified the holder of the licence that this subsection applies to the film in question,

admission of children must be restricted in accordance with any recommendation made by that licensing authority.

(4) In this section - 'children' means persons aged under 18; and 'film classification body' means the person or persons designated as the authority under section 4 of the Video Recordings Act 1984 (c.39) (authority to determine suitability of video works for classification).

MANDATORY CONDITION: DOOR SUPERVISION

(1) In accordance with section 21 of the Licensing Act 2003, where a premises licence includes a condition that at specified times one or more individuals must be at the premises to carry out a security activity, the licence must include a condition that each such individual must be licensed by the Security Industry Authority.

(2) But nothing in subsection (1) requires such a condition to be imposed -

(a) in respect of premises within paragraph 8(3)(a) of Schedule 2 to the Private Security Industry Act 2001 (c.12) (premises with premises licences authorising plays or films), or

(b) in respect of premises in relation to -

(i) any occasion mentioned in paragraph 8(3)(b) or (c) of that Schedule (premises being used exclusively by club with club premises certificate, under a temporary event notice authorising plays or films or under a gaming licence), or

(ii) any occasion within paragraph 8(3)(d) of that Schedule (occasions prescribed by regulations under that Act).

(3) For the purposes of this section -

(a) 'security activity' means an activity to which paragraph 2(1)(a) of that Schedule applies, and

(b) paragraph 8(5) of that Schedule (interpretation of references to an occasion) applies as it applies in relation to paragraph 8 of that Schedule.

Annex 2 – Conditions consistent with the operating schedule

For Regulated Entertainment consisting of Music and Dancing

a) The licence holder shall attach a copy of the City Council's Rules for the Management of Places of Public Entertainment to the valid licence. This document shall form part of the licence.

b) The licence holder shall ensure prompt compliance with any written report received from the City Council.

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c) The licence holder shall ensure prompt compliance with any written report received from North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service.

d) The maximum occupancy of the licensed premises shall not exceed the following numbers at any time:

860 Persons of which no more than 150 persons are to be accommodated on the first floor.

e) The noise generated from the use of these premises shall not exceed a Noise Rating 25 (ISO.R=1966: 1971) when measured at a distance of one metre from the nearest noise sensitive facade and be of such a level so as not to constitute a nuisance to inhabitants of the neighbourhood.

f) In accordance with Condition 1.11 of the Rules of Management of Places of Public Entertainment licensed by the City of York Council, written consent is hereby given for these premises to be used for entertainment attended wholly or mainly by children subject to the attached conditions being complied with. This consent is limited to Tuesday evenings between the hours of 18:30 - 21:00 when the premises may remain open for disco and dancing from 14 to 17 year olds.

Schedule of additional conditions to be complied with when entertainments attended wholly or mainly by children are given

1. A sufficient number of competent and adequately trained adult attendants shall be on duty during events which are to be attended wholly or mainly by children. The minimum number of attendants on duty must be as follows:

One attendant for every 100 or part thereof accommodated on the ground floor.

One attendant for every 50 or part thereof accommodated on the first floor.

Persons whose normal duties are other than the assistance of persons entering the entertainment area, should not be included in calculating the number of attendants.

2. Attendants must be specifically instructed as to their essential duties and responsibilities in the event of fire or other emergency.

3. Attendants should be easily identifiable by means of some conspicuous clothing or marking system which is visible under all lighting conditions.

4. Training of attendants must include instruction in the following areas:

- a) the action to be taken upon discovering a fire;
- b) the action to be taken upon hearing the fire alarm;
- c) raising the alarm, including the location of the alarm call points and alarm indicator panels;
- d) the correct method of calling the fire brigade;
- e) the location and use of fire fighting equipment;
- f) knowledge of escape routes;
- g) knowledge of the method of operation of any special escape door fastenings;

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- h) appreciation of the importance of fire doors and the need to close all doors at the time of a fire and on hearing the fire alarm;
- i) the operating of all escape doors not in regular use, to ensure that they function satisfactorily; and
- j) evacuation of the building to an assembly point at a place of safety (to include reassuring persons attending the entertainment and escorting them out of the premises).

5. Attendants must have attended at least one practice fire drill following completion of training.

6. Notices must be prominently displayed where parents deposit children, saying that in the event of an emergency children will be escorted by a member of staff to a named collection point outside the building.

7. Account should be taken of the additional responsibility caused by the attendance of disabled children. Further attendants will need to be on duty, the number of which will depend on the number of disabled children attending and the nature of their disabilities.

Licensing Objectives

General

1. Staff will be trained to the requirements of relevant legislation.

Prevention of Crime & Disorder

2. If a DJ is used on any night they will ask customers to leave quietly.

3. CCTV is installed and maintained within the premise. Notices stating that CCTV is in operation 24 hours a day are displayed throughout the venue.

4. Any person who appears to be intoxicated or who is behaving disorderly will not be allowed entry to the venue. Any person within this venue who appears to be intoxicated or who is behaving disorderly will be given care and consideration in leaving the venue.

5. The venue will actively participate in the local Pubwatch or equivalent scheme.

6. Text/radio pagers are used within the venue, they are monitored by a responsible member of staff.

7. Toughened glass is used in the venue.

8. The venue will only accept photographic driving licences, passport or in agreement with the police a form of identification with the PASS hologram.

9. Music and dancing will be a prominent feature of trading.

Public Safety

Annex 1

10. Free drinking water will be available at all times.

11. A person trained in first aid will be at the venue who will have received training in any problems associated with alcohol and drug misuse.

12. A qualified first aider shall be present throughout any sporting entertainment involving boxing, wrestling, judo, karate or sport of a similar nature.

13. Where a ring is used it will be constructed by a competent person and shall be inspected by a competent authority before use and any material used to form the skirt of the ring shall be flame retardant.

14. The seating layout shall be agreed with the appropriate authorities.

Public Nuisance

15. Reasonable steps will be taken to recognise the need of local residents and businesses.

Protection of Children from Harm

16. A person under the age of 18 years will only visit the venue with a responsible adult usually for the purpose of dining unless there is an event especially organised for the youth market. Unaccompanied persons under the age of 18 are not welcome in the venue except at events especially organised for the youth market.

17. A person under 18 years will not be allowed to use any AWP machine.

18. The venue intends to have specially organised events for the youth market when the venue will adhere to the following Company Policies:

- a) Admission Policy
- b) General Policies Statement
- c) Code of Conduct for Staff Statement and
- d) Child Protection Policy

Annex 3 – Conditions attached after a hearing by the licensing authority

1. There shall be no admissions to the premise after 01:30 hours.

2. The sale of alcohol shall cease 30 minutes before closing time.

3. The sale of late night refreshment shall cease 15 minutes before closing time.

4. Recorded music shall cease 15 minutes before closing time.

5. All licensable activities identified in Section B, E, G, I and J of the application form shall cease 30 minutes before closing time.

6. The licensable activity identified in Section D of the application form shall cease by 02:00 hours.

7. A dispersal policy agreed with the Licensing Authority and North Yorkshire Police shall be adhered to at all times.

For and on behalf of
The Director of Neighbourhood Services

Date: 15/08/2005
15/11/2006 (Transfer)

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City of York Council

Application to vary a premises licence 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.

I/We Luminar Gems Limited

(Insert name(s) of applicant)

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

Premises licence number

CYC - 009396

Part 1 – Premises Details

Postal address of premises or, if none, ordnance survey map reference or description

Toffs 3-5 Toft Green

Post town	York	Post code	YO1 IJT
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Telephone number at premises (if any)	01904 620203
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Non-domestic rateable value of premises	£70,000.00
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Part 2 – Applicant details

Daytime contact telephone number	01908 544100
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E-mail address (optional)	
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Current postal address if different from premises address	Deltic Avenue Rooksley
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Post Town	Milton Keynes	Postcode	MK13 8LW
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Part 3 - Variation

Please tick yes

Do you want the proposed variation to have effect as soon as possible?

If not do you want the variation to take effect from

Day		Month		Year	

Please describe briefly the nature of the proposed variation (Please see guidance note 1)

To vary the layout of the premises in accordance with plans as supplied by the applicant, such variation to have effect upon completion of the works as notified to the Licensing Authority in writing.

Alterations as follows :-

- Smoking Terrace created on neighboring land acquired by Luminar Leisure
- Existing escape doors altered to accommodate a suitable lobby for access and egress to proposed smoking area
- New alternative internal exit doors shown off proposed lobby area to maintain a safe escape route
- Smoking area demarcated with timber fencing and escape gates leading to a place of ultimate safety
- Smoking Terrace to provide removable umbrellas, poseur units and seating areas.
- Amendment to Condition 1 in Annex 3 to read : "There shall be no admissions to the premises after 01:30 hours, except for patrons using the smoking terrace".

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

N/A

Part 4 Operating Schedule

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

Provision of regulated entertainment

Please tick yes

- | | |
|--|--------------------------|
| a) plays (if ticking yes, fill in box A) | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b) films (if ticking yes, fill in box B) | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c) indoor sporting events (if ticking yes, fill in box C) | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| d) boxing or wrestling entertainment (if ticking yes, fill in box D) | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| e) live music (if ticking yes, fill in box E) | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| f) recorded music (if ticking yes, fill in box F) | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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:

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)

Sale by retail of alcohol (if ticking yes, fill in box M)

In all cases complete boxes N, O and P

Plays Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			<u>Will the performance of a play take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 2)	Indoors <input type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors <input type="checkbox"/>
				Both <input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish	<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 3)	
Mon				
Tue				
Wed				
Thur				
Fri				
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Sun				
			<u>State any seasonal variations for performing plays</u> (please read guidance note 4)	
			<u>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</u> (please read guidance note 5)	

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 (please read guidance note 2)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish	Please give further details here (please read guidance note 3)		
Mon					
Tue			State any seasonal variations for the exhibition of films (please read guidance note 4)		
Wed					
Thur			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)		
Fri					
Sat					
Sun					

C

Indoor sporting events Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			Please give further details (please read guidance note 3)		
Day	Start	Finish			
Mon					
Tue			State any seasonal variations for indoor sporting events (please read guidance note 4)		
Wed					
Thur			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 (please read guidance note 5)		
Fri					
Sat					
Sun					

D

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

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 (please read guidance note 2)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish	Both <input type="checkbox"/>		
Mon			Please give further details here (please read guidance note 3)		
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 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 (please read guidance note 2)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mon				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tue			Please give further details here (please read guidance note 3)		
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 a 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					

I

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 (please read guidance note 2)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish		Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
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 at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 5)		
Sat					
Sun					

J

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 (see guidance note 2)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
			Please give a description of the facilities for dancing you will be providing		
Day	Start	Finish			
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 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 (please read guidance note 2)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mon				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tue			Please give further details here (please read guidance note 3)		
Wed					
Thur			State any seasonal variations for the provision of facilities for entertainment of a similar description to that falling within i or j (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 (please read guidance note 2)	Indoors <input type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors <input type="checkbox"/>
				Both <input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish		
Mon			Please give further details here (please read guidance note 3)	
Tue				
Wed			State any seasonal variations for the provision of late night refreshment (please read guidance note 4)	
Thur				
Fri			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				
Sun				

M

Supply of alcohol Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			Will the supply of alcohol be for consumption (Please tick box) (please read guidance note 7)	On the premises <input type="checkbox"/>
				Off the premises <input type="checkbox"/>
				Both <input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish		
Mon			State any seasonal variations for the supply of alcohol (please read guidance note 4)	
Tue				
Wed			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				
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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)

None

O

Hours premises are open to the public Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			State any seasonal variations (please read guidance note 4)
Day	Start	Finish	Non standard timings. Where you intend 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) NO CHANGE
Mon			
Tue			
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Please identify those conditions currently imposed on the licence which you believe could be removed as a consequence of the proposed variation you are seeking

Amendment to Condition 1 in Annex 3 to read : "There shall be no admissions to the premises after 01:30 hours, except for patrons using the smoking terrace".

Please tick yes

- I have enclosed the premises licence
- I have enclosed the relevant part of the premises licence

If you have not ticked one of these boxes please fill in reasons for not including the licence, or part of it, below

Reasons why I have failed to enclose the premises licence or relevant part of premises licence

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

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

Bearing in mind the nature of the variation is to approve alterations, little further is required to meet the objectives.

b) The prevention of crime and disorder

The external area will be covered by the existing CCTV system installed at the premises.

c) Public safety

See box a) above

d) The prevention of public nuisance

See box a) above

e) The protection of children from harm

See box a) above

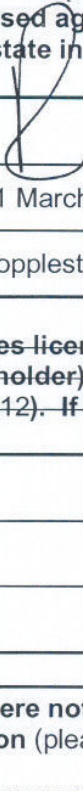
Please tick yes

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

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

Part 5 – Signatures (please read guidance note 10)

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

Signature	
Date	21 March 2007
Capacity	Poppleston Allen for the applicant

~~Where the premises licence is jointly held signature of 2nd applicant (the current premises licence holder) or 2nd applicant's solicitor or other authorised agent~~ (please read guidance note 12). ~~If signing on behalf of the applicant please state in what capacity.~~

Signature	
Date	
Capacity	

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

Judy Willis - P17282/16473
 Poppleston Allen Solicitors
 37 Stoney Street
 The Lace Market

Post town	Nottingham	Post code	NG1 1LS
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Telephone number (if any)	0115 953 8511
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If you would prefer us to correspond with you by e-mail your e-mail address (optional) j.willis@popall.co.uk
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Notes for Guidance

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

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

ENVIRONMENT & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

MEMORANDUM

From: Ian Gray
To: Lesley Cooke
Extn: 1567
Date: 19 April 2007

Application for Variation of Premises Licence, Toffs Nightclub, Toff Green

With regard to the above application for a variation, I would like to make the following representations.

I would like to object to the extent of the smoking area. It would be preferable if the area was reduced in size such that the seating and covered area is screened by the adjacent wall such that it would provide a barrier between the patrons and the windows of nearby sensitive properties and remove the direct line of site to the windows.

Reason: To prevent a public nuisance.

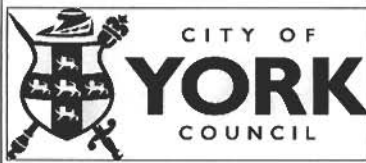
If the plans were amended to comply with my above recommendations, I would have no objections. This has been discussed with the applicant.

Regards

Ian Gray
Senior Environmental Protection Officer



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Site Plan : Toffs 3-5 Toft Green

SCALE 1:1000

DRAWN BY JB

DATE 23/4/2007

Originating Group

Project

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Organisation

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**MANDATORY CONDITIONS – PREMISES LICENCE
LICENSING ACT 2003**

MANDATORY CONDITIONS WHERE LICENCE AUTHORISES SUPPLY OF ALCOHOL

- (1) In accordance with section 19 of the Licensing Act 2003, where a premises licence authorises the supply of alcohol, the licence must include the following conditions.
- (2) The first condition is that no supply of alcohol may be made under the premises licence –
 - (a) at a time where there is no designated premises supervisor in respect of the premises licence, or
 - (b) at a time when the designated premises supervisor does not hold a personal licence or his personal licence is suspended.
- (3) The second condition is that every supply of alcohol under the premises licence must be made or authorised by a person who holds a personal licence.

MANDATORY CONDITION: EXHIBITION OF FILMS

- (1) In accordance with section 20 of the Licensing Act 2003, where a premises licence authorises the exhibition of films, the licence must include a condition requiring the admission of children to the exhibition of any film to be restricted in accordance with this section.
- (2) Where the film classification body is specified in the licence, unless subsection (3)(b) applies, admission of children must be restricted in accordance with any recommendation made by that body.
- (3) Where –
 - (a) the film classification body is not specified in the licence, or
 - (b) the relevant licensing authority has notified the holder of the licence that this subsection applies to the film in question,
 admission of children must be restricted in accordance with any recommendation made by that licensing authority.
- (4) In this section –
 - “children” means persons aged under 18; and
 - “film classification body” means the person or persons designated as the authority under section 4 of the Video Recordings Act 1984 (c.39) (authority to determine suitability of video works for classification).

MANDATORY CONDITION: DOOR SUPERVISION

- (1) In accordance with section 21 of the Licensing Act 2003, where a premises licence includes a condition that at specified times one or more individuals must be at the premises to carry out a security activity, the licence must include a condition that each such individual must be licensed by the Security Industry Authority.
- (2) But nothing in subsection (1) requires such a condition to be imposed –
 - (a) in respect of premises within paragraph 8(3)(a) of Schedule 2 to the Private Security Industry Act 2001 (c.12) (premises with premises licences authorising plays or films), or
 - (b) in respect of premises in relation to –
 - (i) any occasion mentioned in paragraph 8(3)(b) or (c) of that Schedule (premises being used exclusively by club with club premises certificate, under a temporary event notice authorising plays or films or under a gaming licence, or
 - (ii) any occasion within paragraph 8(3)(d) of that Schedule (occasions prescribed by regulations under that Act).
- (3) For the purposes of this section –
 - (a) “security activity” means an activity to which paragraph 2(1)(a) of that Schedule applies, and

- (b) paragraph 8(5) of that Schedule (interpretation of references to an occasion) applies as it applies in relation to paragraph 8 of that Schedule.

6.3 CITY CENTRE SPECIAL POLICY STATEMENT

This Special Policy was approved by the City of York on 12 April 2005 and shall have effect from 13th April 2005 to 6 January 2008 unless otherwise reviewed by the Council.

This Special Policy is a supplement to the Council's Statement of Licensing Policy and must be read in conjunction with that document.

This Special Policy relates to the following streets:

Micklegate, Toft Green, Tanner Row, Rougier Street, George Hudson Street, Bridge Street, Low Ousegate, Clifford Street, Tower Street, Tanner Moat, Wellington Row, North Street, Cumberland Street, King Street, Lower Friargate, Kings Staith, Peckitt Street, Blossom Street (to Holgate Road) and The Crescent (see Appendix K, Map of Special Policy Area).

This area has been identified as requiring additional licensing controls to promote the licensing objectives due to the cumulative effect of the concentration of late night drink led, refreshment and entertainment premises on crime, disorder and/or public nuisance affecting residents, visitors and other businesses.

A statistical, evidence based report was submitted by North Yorkshire Police to substantiate this statement and was considered by the City of York Council in approving this policy.

Consultation on the Special Policy was carried out in accordance with Section 5(3) of the Licensing Act 2003.

Effects of the Special Policy

1. This policy relates to applications for the grant and/or variation of premises licences or club premises certificates or the issue of provisional statements.
2. Each application will be considered on its own merits.
3. Where no representations are received any application will be granted in terms consistent with the operating schedule.
4. Applications for the grant of a new premises licence or club premises certificate or provisional statement :

Where relevant representations are received there will be a presumption against the grant of such a licence or certificate unless the applicant can rebut the presumption that the granting of such a licence or certificate would undermine the licensing objectives.

5. Application for the variation of a premises licence or club premises certificate due to a change of style of operation :

Any application for the variation of style of operation which is subject to relevant representations will be considered on its own merits having regard to the promotion of the licensing objectives.

6. Application for the variation of a premises licence or club premises certificate resulting in an extension of the premises and increased capacity:

There will be a presumption to refuse such applications, where relevant representations are received and where the increase in capacity would undermine the licensing objectives unless the applicant can rebut the presumption that the granting of such a variation would undermine the licensing objectives.

7. Application to vary the hours of operation attached to a premises licence or club premises certificate:

All applications that seek to extend the licensed hours will be considered on an individual basis. No different policy will apply in this area as opposed to the rest of the city.

Legislation and Policy Considerations

1. The following provisions of the Licensing Act 2003 apply to this application: S4 general duties of licensing authorities; s34 application to vary premises licence; s35 determination of application under section 34; s36 supplementary provision about determinations under section 35; and ss19, 20 and 21 mandatory conditions.
2. The following provisions of the Licensing Act 2003 (Premises Licences and Club Premises Certificates) Regulations 2005 apply to this application: Regulation 42, Part 2 (Premises licences) and Part 4 (General) relating to applications, notices and representations and advertisement of applications
3. The following provisions of the Secretary of State's guidance apply to this application: Paragraphs 5.47 Steps to promote the licensing objectives; 13.25 to 13.29 Variations of new premises licences.
4. The following paragraphs of the licensing authority's statement of licensing policy apply to this application: 3.2 Crime and Disorder; 4.1 Consultation on New Premises Applications, Club Premises Certificates, Variations and Provisional Statements; 4.2 General Principles for Determination of Applications; 5.0 Guidelines for Applicants; 7.0 Licensing Hours and Appendix D Pool Conditions.
5. The Committee is reminded of their duty under the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 to consider the crime and disorder implications of their decisions and the authority's responsibility to co-operate in the reduction of crime and disorder in the city.
6. The Committee is reminded that the Human Rights Act 1998 guarantees the right to a fair hearing for all parties in the determination of their civil rights. The Act also provides for the protection of property, which may include licences in existence, and the protection of private and family life.

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