

Public Document Pack
Bridgend County Borough Council
Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol Pen-y-bont ar Ogwr



Civic Offices, Angel Street, Bridgend, CF31 4WB / Swyddfeydd Dinesig, Stryd yr Angel, Pen-y-bont, CF31 4WB

Legal and Regulatory Services /
Gwasanaethau Cyfreithiol a Rheoleiddiol
Direct line / Deialu uniongyrchol: 01656 643 387
Ask for / Gofynnwch am: Sarah Daniel

Our ref / Ein cyf:
Your ref / Eich cyf:

Date / Dyddiad: Thursday, 5 November 2015

Dear Councillor,

LICENSING ACT 2003 SUB-COMMITTEE (A)

A meeting of the Licensing Act 2003 Sub-Committee (A) will be held in Committee Rooms 2/3, Civic Offices Angel Street Bridgend CF31 4WB on **Wednesday, 11 November 2015 at 2.00 pm.**

AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence
To receive apologies for absence (to include reasons, where appropriate) from Members / Officers.
2. Declarations of Interest
To receive Declarations of personal and prejudicial interest (if any) from members/ officers in accordance with the provisions of the Members Code of Conduct adopted by Council from the 1st September 2008.
3. Application for New Premises Licence: GSC Top Club, Caerau, Maesteg 3 - 46

Yours faithfully
P A Jolley
Assistant Chief Executive Legal and Regulatory Services

Distribution:

Councillors:
B Jones

Councillors
JE Lewis

Councillors
R Williams

This page is intentionally left blank

BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT TO SPECIAL LICENSING ACT 2003 SUB COMMITTEE

11 NOVEMBER 2015

REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT CHIEF EXECUTIVE LEGAL AND REGULATORY SERVICES

LICENSING ACT 2003 : SECTION 17

APPLICATION FOR PREMISES LICENCE

GSC TOP CLUB, 76 & 77 CAERAU ROAD, MAESTEG, BRIDGEND

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This is an application made by Gian Singh Cheema and Sharn Jeet Kaur for a new Premises Licence for the above premises. The premises is described as a freehold property with ground floor and first floor facilities. The premises was formerly a private members club.

2. Connection to Corporate Improvement Plan / Other Corporate Priority

- 2.1 None.

3. Background

- 3.1 A copy of the application form is attached at Appendix A together with a location plan. A full sized copy of the plan indicating the proposed licensed area will be available at the meeting.
- 3.2 The application is for a Premises Licence which authorises the supply of alcohol on the premises only, plays, films, indoor sporting events, live music, recorded music, performances of dance and anything of a similar description to live music, recorded music and performances of dance and the provision of late night refreshment between the following times:-

Supply of alcohol, plays, films, indoor sporting events, live music, recorded music, performances of dance & anything of a similar description to that falling within live music, recorded music and performances of dance:-

Sunday to Friday : 0900 – 2330 hours

Saturday : 0900 – 0030 hours

Live music:-

Sunday to Friday : 1100 – 2330 hours

Saturday : 1100 – 0030 hours

Provision of late night refreshment:-

Sunday to Friday : 2300 – 2330 hours

Saturday : 2300 – 0030 hours

3.3 There are no non standard timings for the above licensable activities and the premises will be open to the public between 0900 and 0000 hours Sunday to Friday and between 0900 and 0100 hours on Saturdays.

3.4 The application has been advertised in accordance with Regulations.

4. Current situation / proposal.

4.1 Representations have been received from the Chief Officer of Police, Council's Public Protection Department, the Licensing Authority, members of the public and Councillor G W Davies, local ward member, Copies of the representations are attached at appendix B.

4.2 On 14 October 2015, the Licensing Section received a response to the representations submitted by the Council's Public Protection Department, a copy of which is attached at Appendix C. The letter has been forwarded to the Public Protection Department for consideration, however, at the time of preparing this report the representations had not been withdrawn and an update will be requested at the hearing.

4.3 The Sub-Committee must have regard to the Council's Statement of Licensing Policy and the Home Office Guidance issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003. However, the Sub-Committee must consider each application on its own merits having regard to the application, the operating schedule submitted and the representations made.

4.5 Sections 2, 8, 9 and 10 and of the Home Office Guidance apply to this application. There are no specific local licensing policies applicable to the Maesteg area.

5. Effect upon Policy Framework & Procedure Rules.

5.1 None

6. Equality Impact Assessment.

6.1 A full Equality Impact Assessment has not been undertaken in relation to this service, however due regard has been given to the implications on persons protected by equality legislation and human rights. Adverse impact of this Legislation on the equality protected groups is very unlikely. Consideration has been given to the guidance issued to accompany the Licensing Act 2003 relating to need to eliminate duplication and conflict with existing disability legislation and to reference and highlight the Council's Race Equality Scheme, policies and codes of conduct to applicants. We do not consider, on the basis of the above, that a detailed Equality Impact Assessment is required for this service. In line with our Inclusive Equalities Scheme we will monitor for any adverse impacts that may develop.

7. Financial Implications.

7.1 None

8. Recommendation.

- 8.1 The Sub-Committee is asked to determine the application having regard to the Council's Statement of Licensing Policy and the Guidance issued by the Home Office.
- 8.2 The Sub-Committee is requested to confirm whether any additional conditions are to be imposed or only those which are consistent with and set out in the operating schedule. Section 10 of the Home Office Guidance relates to conditions attached to Premises Licences, Mandatory conditions will apply to the licence, if granted, in respect of the specification of a Designated Premises Supervisor, age verification policy and authorisation by personal licence holders.

Andrew Jolley

Assistant Chief Executive Legal and Regulatory Services

Date: 5 November 2015

Contact Officer: Rachel Morris
Senior Licensing and Registration Assistant

Telephone: (01656) 643294

E-mail: Rachel.Morris@bridgend.gov.uk

Postal Address Civic Offices, Angel Street, Bridgend, CF31 4WB

Background documents

Application for Premises Licence

Representations from Responsible Authorities, Councillor Davies and Members of the Public
Correspondence from applicant's solicitor

Council's Statement of Licensing Policy available at www.bridgend.gov.uk

Amended Guidance issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 – March 2015
available at www.homeoffice.gov.uk

This page is intentionally left blank



Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol



Darren Mephram
Chief Executive

© Crown Copyright and database right 2015. Ordnance Survey 100023405.

Aerial Imagery: Cities Revealed aerial photography copyright The GeoInformation Group 2011.

Countryside Council for Wales, CCrown Copyright and database right 2015. Ordnance Survey 100018813.

Forestry Commission, © Crown Copyright and database right 2015. Ordnance Survey 100025498.

----- GSC TOP CLUB

1:1000

Time of Plot:
13:52

Date of Plot:
29/10/2015

Plot generated by:

LARS

Department :

COMMITTEE REPORT

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

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

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 Gian Singh Cheema and Sharn Jeet Kaur

(Insert name(s) of applicant)

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

Part 1 – Premises Details

| | | | |
|--|---------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Postal address of premises or, if none, ordnance survey map reference or description GSC Top Club 76 – 77 Caerau Road Caerau Maesteg | | | |
| Post town | Maesteg | Postcode | CF34 0PG |
| Telephone number at premises (if any) | | | |
| Non-domestic rateable value of premises | | £10,000 | |

Part 2 - Applicant Details

Please state whether you are applying for a premises licence as

Please tick as appropriate

- a) an individual or individuals * please complete section (A)
- b) a person other than an individual *
- i. as a limited company please complete section (B)
- ii. as a partnership please complete section (B)
- iii. as an unincorporated association or please complete section (B)
- iv. other (for example a statutory corporation) please complete section (B)

- c) a recognised club please complete section (B)
- d) a charity please complete section (B)
- e) the proprietor of an educational establishment please complete section (B)
- f) a health service body please complete section (B)
- g) a person who is registered under Part 2 of the Care Standards Act 2000 (c14) in respect of an independent hospital in Wales please complete section (B)
- ga) a person who is registered under Chapter 2 of Part 1 of the Health and Social Care Act 2008 (within the meaning of that Part) in an independent hospital in England please complete section (B)
- h) the chief officer of police of a police force in England and Wales please complete section (B)

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

Please tick yes

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

(A) INDIVIDUAL APPLICANTS (fill in as applicable)

| | | | | | |
|---|------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| Mr <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Mrs <input type="checkbox"/> | Miss <input type="checkbox"/> | Ms <input type="checkbox"/> | Other Title (for example, Rev) | |
| Surname Cheema | | | First names Gian Singh | | |
| I am 18 years old or over | | | | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Please tick yes |
| Current postal address if different from premises address | | | | | |
| Post town | Maesteg | | Postcode | | |
| Daytime contact telephone number | | | | | |
| E-mail address (optional) | | | | | |

SECOND INDIVIDUAL APPLICANT (if applicable)

| | | | | | |
|---|---|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Mr <input type="checkbox"/> | Mrs <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Miss <input type="checkbox"/> | Ms <input type="checkbox"/> | Other Title (for example, Rev) | |
| Surname Kaur | | | First names Sharn Jeet | | |
| I am 18 years old or over | | | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Please tick yes |
| Current postal address if different from premises address | | | | | |
| Post town | Maesteg | | Postcode | | |
| Daytime contact telephone number | | | | | |
| E-mail address (optional) | | | | | |

(B) OTHER APPLICANTS

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

| |
|---|
| Name |
| Address |
| Registered number (where applicable) |
| Description of applicant (for example, partnership, company, unincorporated association etc.) |
| Telephone number (if any) |
| E-mail address (optional) |

Part 3 Operating Schedule

When do you want the premises licence to start?

| | | |
|----|----|------|
| DD | MM | YYYY |
| 01 | 11 | 2015 |

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

| | | |
|----|----|------|
| DD | MM | YYYY |
| + | + | + |

Please give a general description of the premises (please read guidance note 1)
 76 – 77 Caerau Road
 Caerau
 Maesteg CF34 0PG

Freehold property owned by the Applicants with Ground Floor and First Floor facilities.

If 5,000 or more people are expected to attend the premises at any one time, please state the number expected to attend.

What licensable activities do you intend to carry on from the premises?

(Please see sections 1 and 14 of the Licensing Act 2003 and Schedules 1 and 2 to the Licensing Act 2003)

Provision of regulated entertainment

Please tick any that apply

- a) plays (if ticking yes, fill in box A)
- b) films (if ticking yes, fill in box B)
- c) indoor sporting events (if ticking yes, fill in box C)
- d) boxing or wrestling entertainment (if ticking yes, fill in box D)
- e) live music (if ticking yes, fill in box E)
- f) recorded music (if ticking yes, fill in box F)
- g) performances of dance (if ticking yes, fill in box G)
- h) anything of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g) (if ticking yes, fill in box H)

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

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

In all cases complete boxes K, L and M

A

| Plays Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6) | | | Will the performance of a play take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick (please read guidance note 2) In first floor function room which is equipped with a stage and changing facilities | Indoors | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
|---|-------|--------|---|---|-------------------------------------|
| Day | Start | Finish | | Outdoors | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | | | | Both | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mon | 9.00 | 23.30 | | Please give further details here (please read guidance note 3) Local children will have an opportunity of performing and rehearsing. Music may be played supervised by Carl Tidball who has attended ‘All Wales Basic Safeguarding Awareness’ | |
| Tue | 9.00 | 23.30 | | | |
| Wed | 9.00 | 23.30 | State any seasonal variations for performing plays (please read guidance note 4) None | | |
| Thur | 9.00 | 23.30 | | | |
| Fri | 9.00 | 23.30 | Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the performance of plays at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 5) None | | |
| Sat | 9.00 | 00.30 | | | |
| Sun | 9.00 | 23.30 | | | |

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) In the upstairs function room | Indoors | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
|---|-------|--------|---|----------|-------------------------------------|
| Day | Start | Finish | | Outdoors | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | | | | Both | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mon | 9.00 | 23.30 | Please give further details here (please read guidance note 3) Films suitable for children may be shown during the day, and in the evenings films may be shown which the censors have rated for viewing with adult supervision. | | |
| Tue | 9.00 | 23.30 | | | |
| Wed | 9.00 | 23.30 | State any seasonal variations for the exhibition of films (please read guidance note 4) None | | |
| Thur | 9.00 | 23.30 | | | |
| Fri | 9.00 | 23.30 | Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the exhibition of films at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 5) None | | |
| Sat | 9.00 | 00.30 | | | |
| Sun | 9.00 | 23.30 | | | |

C

| Indoor sporting events Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6) | | | <u>Please give further details</u> (please read guidance note 3) There are facilities at the premises to cater for pool, skittles and darts. |
|---|-------|--------|---|
| Day | Start | Finish | |
| Mon | 9.00 | 23.30 | <u>State any seasonal variations for indoor sporting events</u> (please read guidance note 4) None |
| Tue | 9.00 | 23.30 | |
| Wed | 9.00 | 23.30 | |
| Thur | 9.00 | 23.30 | |
| Fri | 9.00 | 23.30 | |
| Sat | 9.00 | 00.30 | |
| Sun | 9.00 | 23.30 | |
| | | | |
| | | | <u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for indoor sporting events at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 5) None |

D

| | | | | | | |
|---|-------|--------|--|--|----------|--------------------------|
| Boxing or wrestling entertainments Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6) | | | <u>Will the boxing or wrestling entertainment take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</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 | | | <u>State any seasonal variations for boxing or wrestling entertainment</u> (please read guidance note 4) | | | |
| Thur | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| Fri | | | <u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for boxing or wrestling entertainment at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 5) | | | |
| Sat | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| Sun | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |

E

| Live music Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6) | | | Will the performance of live music take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick (please read guidance note 2) There is a 1 st floor function room with dance floor and stage. Music may be amplified but monitored. | Indoors | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
|--|-------|--------|--|---|-------------------------------------|
| Day | Start | Finish | | Outdoors | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | | | | Both | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mon | 11.00 | 23.30 | | Please give further details here (please read guidance note 3) Groups will be performing on stage. Local D.J. will be providing dancing lessons. | |
| Tue | 11.00 | 23.30 | | | |
| Wed | 11.00 | 23.30 | State any seasonal variations for the performance of live music (please read guidance note 4) None | | |
| Thur | 11.00 | 23.30 | | | |
| Fri | 11.00 | 23.30 | 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) None | | |
| Sat | 11.00 | 00.30 | | | |
| Sun | 11.00 | 23.30 | | | |

F

| Recorded music Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6) | | | <u>Will the playing of recorded music take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 2) D.J. in the upstairs function room, amplification will be moderate. Also background music. | Indoors | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
|---|-------|--------|---|---|-------------------------------------|
| Day | Start | Finish | | Outdoors | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | | | | Both | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mon | 9.00 | 23.30 | | <u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 3) Back ground recorded music to the ground floor areas. | |
| Tue | 9.00 | 23.30 | | | |
| Wed | 9.00 | 23.30 | <u>State any seasonal variations for the playing of recorded music</u> (please read guidance note 4) None | | |
| Thur | 9.00 | 23.30 | | | |
| Fri | 9.00 | 23.30 | <u>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</u> (please read guidance note 5) None | | |
| Sat | 9.00 | 00.30 | | | |
| Sun | 9.00 | 23.30 | | | |

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 in the upstairs function room, music will be amplified, live and recorded. | Indoors | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
|--|-------|--------|--|----------|-------------------------------------|
| Day | Start | Finish | | Outdoors | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mon | 9.00 | 23.30 | Please give further details here (please read guidance note 3) Dancing for children will be during the day. | Both | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Tue | 9.00 | 23.30 | | | |
| Wed | 9.00 | 23.30 | State any seasonal variations for the performance of dance (please read guidance note 4) None | | |
| Thur | 9.00 | 23.30 | | | |
| Fri | 9.00 | 23.30 | 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) None | | |
| Sat | 9.00 | 00.30 | | | |
| Sun | 9.00 | 23.30 | | | |

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 Music and dancing to various groups, also Disc Jockey, but generally of the same type. | | |
| Day | Start | Finish | Will this entertainment take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick (please read guidance note 2) Music may well be amplified | Indoors | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Mon | 9.00 | 23.30 | | Outdoors | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | | | | Both | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Tue | 9.00 | 23.30 | Please give further details here (please read guidance note 3) Facilities will be afforded during the day for local youths to use the upstairs facility. | | |
| Wed | 9.00 | 23.30 | | | |
| | | | | | |
| Thur | 9.00 | 23.30 | State any seasonal variations for entertainment of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g) (please read guidance note 4) None | | |
| Fri | 9.00 | 23.30 | | | |
| | | | | | |
| Sat | 9.00 | 00.30 | 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) None | | |
| Sun | 9.00 | 23.30 | | | |
| | | | | | |

I

| 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) Over the bar downstairs and the 1 st floor function room | Indoors | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
|---|-------|--------|---|----------|-------------------------------------|
| Day | Start | Finish | | Outdoors | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | | | | Both | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mon | 23.00 | 23.30 | <u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 3) Selling of snacks including coffee/tea, pies, pasties, oriental meals, burgers and chips and foodstuffs of the same nature. | | |
| Tue | 23.00 | 23.30 | | | |
| Wed | 23.00 | 23.30 | <u>State any seasonal variations for the provision of late night refreshment</u> (please read guidance note 4) None | | |
| Thur | 23.00 | 23.30 | | | |
| Fri | 23.00 | 23.30 | <u>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</u> (please read guidance note 5) None | | |
| Sat | 23.00 | 00.30 | | | |
| Sun | 23.00 | 23.30 | | | |

J

| | | | | | |
|--|-------|--------|--|------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Supply of alcohol Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6) | | | Will the supply of alcohol be for consumption – please tick (please read guidance note 7) Consumption of alcohol will be downstairs, where under 18's will not be admitted. No alcohol will be available when under 18's use the upstairs function room. | On the premises | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| | | | | Off the premises | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | | | | Both | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Day | Start | Finish | State any seasonal variations for the supply of alcohol (please read guidance note 4) Alcohol will be available upstairs when over 18's are present and children absent. | | |
| Mon | 9.00 | 23.30 | | | |
| Tue | 9.00 | 23.30 | | | |
| Wed | 9.00 | 23.30 | | | |
| Thur | 9.00 | 23.30 | | | |
| Fri | 9.00 | 23.30 | | | |
| Sat | 9.00 | 00.30 | | | |
| Sun | 9.00 | 23.30 | | | |
| | | | 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) None | | |

State the name and details of the individual whom you wish to specify on the licence as designated premises supervisor:

| | |
|--|-------------------|
| Name | Gian Singh Cheema |
| Address | 1 |
| Postcode | |
| Personal licence number (if know) | 032786 |
| Issuing licensing authority (if known) | Sandwell |

K

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, there will not be any adult entertainment other than those described and ancillary thereto.

L

| | | | |
|--|-------|--------|--|
| 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) None |
| Day | Start | Finish | <u>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</u> (please read guidance note 5) None |
| Mon | 9.00 | 00.00 | |
| Tue | 9.00 | 00.00 | |
| Wed | 9.00 | 00.00 | |
| Thur | 9.00 | 00.00 | |
| Fri | 9.00 | 00.00 | |
| Sat | 9.00 | 01.00 | |
| Sun | 9.00 | 00.00 | |
| | | | |
| | | | |

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 9)

The Premises Supervisor and Licence Holder will keep personal observation of the premises both internally and externally. He will delegate supervision to a female to visit ladies' toilet facilities.

b) The prevention of crime and disorder

C.C.T.V. has been installed in all public rooms and entrances. C.C.T.V. has also been installed to monitor the front and rear of the building. Behaviour problems will be stopped immediately it becomes apparent and staff will be instructed to call the Police. Patrons who have consumed too much alcohol will be refused service and asked to leave the premises or refused admission. Doormen could also be employed.

c) Public safety

Ashtrays for external smoking will be provided and no drinks will be permitted to be consumed outside the premises to avoid slippery surfaces. There is an adequate supply of fire extinguishers and means of escape.

d) The prevention of public nuisance

No consumables will be permitted to be taken out of the premises (other than cigarettes) thus preventing litter and potential danger. Notices will be put up reminding patrons not to make a noise or create a public disturbance/disorder when leaving the premises. Doormen will be employed in appropriate circumstances.

e) The protection of children from harm

Staff will be instructed to verify young persons ages and ask for I.D. Signs will be displayed advising young persons that I.D. and proof of age may be requested before alcoholic drinks are served. Also Carl Tidball supervises young persons activities in function room. Young persons will not be permitted downstairs.
 Finally children can enter the upstairs function room without entering the downstairs bars as the entrance to the function room is in the foyer thus avoiding the downstairs bars.

Checklist:

Please tick to indicate agreement

- I have made or enclosed payment of the fee. *ALREADY FORWARDED*
- I have enclosed the plan of the premises. *ALREADY FORWARDED*
- I have sent copies of this application and the plan to responsible authorities and others where applicable. *ALREADY FORWARDED*
- I have enclosed the consent form completed by the individual I wish to be designated premises supervisor, if applicable. *ALREADY FORWARDED*
- I understand that I must now advertise my application. *ALREADY FORWARDED*
- I understand that if I do not comply with the above requirements my application will be rejected.

IT IS AN OFFENCE, LIABLE ON SUMMARY CONVICTION TO A FINE NOT EXCEEDING LEVEL 5 ON THE STANDARD SCALE, UNDER SECTION 158 OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003, TO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT IN OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS APPLICATION.

Part 4 – Signatures (please read guidance note 10)

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

| | |
|-----------|---|
| Signature | <i>D. M. White</i> |
| Date | 14.09.15 |
| Capacity | Solicitor for 1 st Applicant |

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

| | |
|-----------|---|
| Signature | <i>D. M. White</i> |
| Date | 14.09.15 |
| Capacity | Solicitor for 2 nd Applicant |

| | | | |
|---|--------------|----------|----------|
| Contact name (where not previously given) and postal address for correspondence associated with this application (please read guidance note 13) | | | |
| B. Shawe Solicitor King-Davies & Partners Lloyds Bank Chambers 18 Talbot Street | | | |
| Post town | Maesteg | Postcode | CF34 9BP |
| Telephone number (if any) | 01656 732911 | | |
| 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 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 the 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 the premises'. If you wish people to be able to purchase alcohol to consume away from the premises, please tick 'off the premises'. 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 or 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, each of the applicant or their respective agent must sign the application form.
13. This is the address which we shall use to correspond with you about this application.

KEEPING SOUTH WALES SAFE • CADW DE CYMRU'N DDIOGEL



PC Sarah Rowlatt - Licensing Officer
 Community Safety Partnership
 Bridgend Police Station
 Cheapside
 Bridgend
 CF31 1BZ
 Tel 01656 306022

Ref: SR 410-15

Friday, October 16, 2015
 Legal Services Department
 Corporate Services
Bridgend County Borough Council
 Angel Street
 Bridgend
 CF31 4WB

Cc: Gian Singh Cheema & Sharn Jeet Kaur
GSC Top Club
 c/o 75-76 Caerau Road
 Caerau
 Maesteg
 BRIDGEND
 CF34 0PR

Contact for application:
 B Shawe – Solicitors
 King-Davies & Partners
 Lloyds Bank Chambers
 18 Talbot Street
 Maesteg
 CF34 9BP

RE: OBJECTION NOTICE to GSC TOP CLUB

RE: APPLICATION TO GRANT A PREMISES LICENCE UNDER SECTION 17 OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003

REPRESENTATIONS

South Wales Police refer to the third application served on this department on the 18th September 2015 and inform the applicant and Bridgend County Borough Council Licensing Authority that there are police objections in respect to this application known as GSC Top Club and its hours and conditions as set out in the Operating Schedule.

This application is made on behalf of the Chief Officer of Police who is of the view that this current licensing application for a grant does not support the licensing objectives. The likely effect of the grant of this application as it stands would have an increase in crime and disorder and public safety/ nuisance and protection of children at, in or in the vicinity of the premises.

South Wales Police have received no separate correspondence with the applicants to date. Therefore having regard to the information submitted in this Operating Schedule, South Wales Police are of the opinion that the licensing objectives have not been adequately fulfilled. Thus potential risk of further crimes and disorder taking place. Some of these concerns could be reduced if additional restrictions on licensable hours are considered along with additional conditions. A reduction in hours needs to be seriously considered before this application is granted.

SOUTH WALES POLICE HEDDLU DE CYMRU

South Wales Police Headquarters, Cowbridge Road, Bridgend CF31 3SU
 Telephone: 01656 869200 Facsimile: 01656 869209

Pencadlys Heddlu De Cymru, Heol y Bont-faen, Penybont CF31 3SU
 Telffôn: 01656 869200 Ffacsimill: 01656 869209

Chief Constable **Peter Vaughan, BSc (Hons), DipAppCrim** Prif Gwnstabl

The Application

This application is submitted on behalf of the two applicants Mr CHEEMA and Mrs KAUR. Mr CHEEMA holds a personal licence number 032768 from Sandwell Authority and he wishes to be specified as the Designated Premises Supervisor. However, Mr CHEEMA is already a premises licence holder and a Designated Premises Supervisor of an existing licensed premises. His current premises have similar hours to those applied for here and South Wales Police argue that being a DPS at this location is not compatible with his current role.

Revised Guidance issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 March 2015 states

4.18 Every premises licence that authorises the sale of alcohol must specify a DPS. This will normally be the person who has been given day to day responsibility for running the premises by the premises licence holder.

South Wales Police therefore would require certain assurances on how the DPS will be able to uphold the licensing objectives for both premises at the same time and comply with the objectives therein. The opening times of this premises being 09.00 hours until 00.00 every night, or 01.00 hours on the early hours of Sunday morning.

The Operating Schedule

One condition stated in this operating schedule will not be complied with already as the DPS cannot be in two places at once:-

"that the Supervisor will keep personal observation of the premises both internally and externally."

This condition will also be breached the minute the Mr CHEEMA goes home to bed, or goes on holiday, so is not fit to be included in the operating schedule.

It is also not known what capacity the second applicant Mrs Sharn Jeet has or whether she is a personal licence holder, or in fact whether she understands her responsibilities as Holder of the premises licence as stipulated by the Licensing Act 2003.

Prior to this application being received this building operated as Caerau Labour Club which was problematic for the police and was ineffective in its ability to uphold all four of the licensing objectives.

Crime and disorder

Several reported incidents of crime and disorder were linked to the premises including drink related incidents and assaults crimed as Actual Bodily Harm and Grievous Bodily Harm. Assaults were present at christenings' and children's' parties along with records of criminal damage where people have kicked the doors in or smashed windows.

The premises are large with three servery areas and the applicant has asked for continual alcohol sales from 09.00 am each morning until 23.30 hours each weekday and until 00.30 hours on a Saturday. This equates to 14 and a half hours of continuous alcohol sales with 15 and a half on Saturday night / Sunday mornings. There is a clear casual link between an increase in crime and disorder when hours of alcohol sales are also increased. South Wales police state that knowing the previous problems at this location there is nothing in this current application that will prevent the same problems reoccurring and has not taken the licensing objectives seriously.

The Operating Schedule

Under the prevention of crime and disorder the applicant has only stated:

"behaviour problems will be stopped immediately it becomes apparent and staff will be instructed to call the police."

This does not consider any preventative measures of preventing the problem in the first place or how the behaviour will actually be stopped. This condition also does not protect staff members from being assaulted; in fact, it's the contrary and puts them in further danger of being assaults. Door staff have not been stipulated for this objective, only that they ***"could be employed"***.

Public safety / Public nuisance

Previously whilst police were dealing with a large disturbance at the premises a local resident complained about how the premises disturbed him every night and affected their right to life under the Human Rights Act. This Act needs to be considered by the Licensing Authority when considering a new application and weighing up the needs of a few, compared to the needs of the local residents. Police have also issued warning previously for noise at this premise and reports from vocal residents at local PACT meetings of complaints in relation to public nuisance because of the operation of the premises.

The Operating Schedule

This application does nothing to promote the prevention of public nuisance to nearby residential areas that surround the premises. The plans outline a rear smoking area, yet no conditions are stipulated as to how this will be managed effectively to prevent noise escaping. There is also access to these areas from both floors. There are also no clear objectives on how the street and outside area will be managed to prevent nuisance. However the operating schedule states

"Ashtrays for external smoking will be provided"

But the application does not state where these ash trays will be situated. They should not be situated out the front of the premises but only in the designated smoking area.

No sound measures have been stipulated within the licence to prevent music escaping and customers will be leaving at midnight every night or at 0100 am on Sunday mornings causing noise issues for the residents. The application asks for live music, recorded music and performance of dance until 23.30 every day of the week. This needs to be drastically reduced and managed in such a way as to not cause issues for the residents.

Previous disorder has been reported to the police resulting in windows and doors being smashed and highly intoxicated persons drinking in the street causing disorder. No remedies have been reported in this operating schedule to prevent this happening again.

The protection of children from harm

A specific test purchase operation was carried out in relation to the previous premises and two 15 year old underage volunteers were sold alcohol on this operation. These operations only exist once information is received from a number of sources. South Wales police not only have intelligence but also reported incidents of 13 year olds being present and intoxicated on the premises whilst using the upstairs function room for a 13th birthday party.

Under **The Protection of Children from harm** objective there are conditions offered but these need to be improved as they replicated offences under the Licensing Act and do not prevent children getting intoxicated on the premises, or what checks will be made.

The operating schedule is a part of the Premises application that details how the individual premise will operate and what activities are proposed. In this part of the document, the applicant should include a general description of the style and character of the business and the facilities provided to the customers. The operating schedule translates then into lawful orders and how the licensing objectives will be upheld by converting them into workable conditions. The conditions offered in this schedule do not show South Wales Police how this premise will be managed effectively and a number of these conditions offered need to be removed as they are unenforceable or duplicate existing legislation.

This application requires the provision of late night refreshment, supply of alcohol, live and recorded music, also amplified on both floors. No capacity limits have been provided and police have also not perused the risk assessment for these premises.

The application is in a residential area with six other licensed premises supplying alcohol in the same street with these premises adding to the existing problems of anti social behaviour and noise nuisance, therefore this application needs to consider the impact it may have on neighbours and residents alike.

Therefore South Wales police are objecting to the grant of this application as it stands.

Yours sincerely,



Police Officer Sarah Rowlett
Central West Licensing

Pen-y-bont ar Ogwr
Mwy Diogel



Safer Bridgend

www.saferbridgend.org.uk

MEMORANDUM COFNOD



From: **ASSISTANT CHIEF EXECUTIVE
LEGAL AND REGULATORY SERVICES**

To: **ASSISTANT CHIEF EXECUTIVE
LEGAL AND REGULATORY SERVICES
FAO – Yvonne Witchell – Licensing & Registration Officer**

our ref.
MJO/KE

ext. no.
3642

your ref.

Date
1 October, 2015

LICENSING ACT 2003

APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE

APPLICANT: G.S.C. TOP CLUB, CAERAU ROAD, CAERAU

The above application has been examined by this Department in its role as a Responsible Authority. Consideration has been given to issues in connection with the Health & Safety at Work Etc Act 1974, pollution of the environment, harm to human health and protection of children. I can advise you that the Department has the following relevant representations to make:

Prevention of Public Nuisance

This business is situated primarily in a residential area, with properties located both sides and opposite the premises. Numerous complaints of noise have been received by this Department when live or recorded music has been played at the premises, due to the excessive volume that the noise is played at and as a result of the first floor fire doors being left open. This also affects houses opposite the main entrance on Caerau Road when patrons enter and leave the premises, to smoke outside the main entrance on the ground floor. In addition, the patrons congregating outside to smoke on the pavement area, can cause problems of noise due to raised voices. The operating schedule needs to state that doors will be kept closed and how the noise from amplified music will be controlled, particularly during the ingress and egress of customers.

Hours Premises are open to the Public

This premises is situated primarily in a residential area, with properties located above, adjacent to and opposite the business. The applicant has requested opening hours from 09:00 to 00:00 Sunday to Friday and 00:00 to 01:00 on a Saturday for both standard and non-standard timings. The operating schedule fails to adequately address how public nuisance will be prevented from patrons leaving given its close proximity to nearby residential properties. Therefore I would request that the suggested hours in condition 1 below are imposed.

(1) Live Music

The applicant has also applied to have live music until 23:30 Monday to Friday and until 00.30 Saturday. Due to the close proximity of other residential premises and the previous complaints received by the Department, the hours applied for do not promote the licensing objectives. I would therefore request that the hours for live music are curtailed to those stipulated in condition 1 below.

(2) Recorded Music

Whilst I have no objection to the playing of recorded music, problems of noise could arise to residential properties whilst patrons are entering and leaving the business to smoke outside if the volume of the music is not adequately controlled, particularly late at night. Therefore condition 1 is requested in order to control the volume of recorded music.

(3) Noise from Patrons Congregating Outside

Patrons congregating outside to smoke on the pavement area could cause problems of noise due to raised voices and rowdy behavior. The operating schedule fails to address the noise from customers outside. In order to promote the licensing objective of prevention of public nuisance and control the noise from patrons congregating outside, I would therefore request that condition 2 and 3 is imposed.

(4) Litter

Condition 4 is requested in order to prevent public nuisance due to litter.

(5) Protection of Children From Harm

The application fails to make reference to measures that the premises intends to incorporate to ensure sales to underage persons aren't made. Reasonable precautions that should be considered to achieve compliance within this licensing objective are stipulated in conditions 5 and 6 below.

Conditions/Restrictions

The following conditions/restrictions are therefore necessary to promote the licensing objective of the prevention of public nuisance and protection of children from harm:

1. Timings for licensable activities and Opening Hours:

Opening Hours for Standard and Non Standard Timings

Sunday- Friday 09:00 - 00:00

Saturday 09:00 - 00:30

For Standard and Non-Standard Timings for the supply of alcohol, recorded music (excluding DJ) and all other licensable activities other than live music:

Sunday- Friday 09:00 - 23.30 hours

Saturday 09.00 - 00.00 hours

For Standard and Non-Standard Timings for the provision of live music, karaoke and DJ:

Sunday- Friday 11.00-23.00

Saturday 11.00-00.00

2. The premises licence holder will undertake routine monitoring of the external area to monitor and control the noise from any patrons outside the premises.
3. There shall be no drinks consumed anywhere outside the premises.
4. All litter, including cigarette ends, shall be cleared from the front pavement area in front of the premises and to the side of the premises at the close of business each day.

Health & Safety Policy

In order to promote the licensing objective of public safety I would advise you that prior to opening your business to the public you must have fully completed the renovations leaving a sound and safe structure for all areas of the building that public and staff will have access to and the following health and safety arrangements in place:

1. Where there are five or more employees a written statement of general policy with respect to health and safety must be provided and revised as often as appropriate. The

health and safety policy statement should set out how you manage health and safety in your organisation. It is a unique document that shows **who** does **what**; and **when** and **how** they do it.

(Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 Section 2(3))

In premises such as yours the matters normally dealt with in the 'Arrangements' section of the safety policy would include: -

- | | |
|------------------------|---------------------------------|
| A) First Aid | F) Accident recording/reporting |
| B) Fire Safety | G) Training |
| C) Electrical Safety | H) House Keeping |
| D) Manual Handling | I) Maintenance |
| E) Hazardous Chemicals | J) Noise |

The above list is not exhaustive and you should include any other matters relating to your specific business activities.

Risk Assessments

2. You are required to make a suitable and sufficient assessment of the risks to health and safety of your employees and others. The assessment is a systematic examination of all work activities undertaken and the risks they create for employees, visitors, customers and others. You are required to make a written record of your assessment if you have **more than five employees**.

(Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999, Regulation 3 (1))

When deciding what control measures you should apply the following principles:

- if possible avoid a risk altogether e.g. do the work in a different way, taking care not to introduce new hazards
- combat the risks at source e.g. replacing slippery steps is better than displaying a warning sign;
- adopt working requirements to the individual;
- take advantage of technological and technical process;
- implement risk prevention measures that protect the whole workstation rather than individuals;

(Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999, Regulation 4)

Procedures for Serious or Imminent Danger

3. Establish procedures to be followed in situations of serious or imminent danger e.g. fire, bomb alert etc. Procedures should set out clear guidance when employees should stop work and how they should move to a place of safety. Identify competent persons to implement procedures, identifying their specific roles and responsibilities. The procedures and competent persons must be brought to the attention of all staff.

(Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999, Regulation 8)

Gas Safety

4. All gas appliances and heating systems must be maintained in safe working order and checked for safety at least every 12 months by a competent person who is registered under the Gas Safe Register scheme. Ensure that you have up to date records of appropriate safety checks. **Please forward a copy of the latest record of such a check to this office.**

(Gas Safety (Installation and Use) Regulations 1998, Regulation 35)

Electrical Safety

5. At the time of my visit no electrical inspection report was available to view. The Electricity at Work Regulations 1989 requires that electrical installations (mains electrics) and portable equipment be maintained in a safe working condition. In most commercial premises it is appropriate for the electrical installation to be inspected by a suitably competent person at least every 5 years. Please ensure that you employ a competent person to test and inspect your mains electrical installations and keep a copy of this

certificate at your premises so that it can be checked as and when required for future inspections. **Please forward a copy of the latest record of such a check to this office.**

(Electricity at Work Regulations 1989, Regulation 4)

(Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999, regulation 3)

Management of Asbestos

6. The Control of Asbestos at Work Regulations 2006 (CAWR) places a duty on person with responsibilities for the repair and maintenance of non-domestic premises to find out if there are, or may be, asbestos-containing materials (ACMs) within the building.

The duty to manage will require you as the duty holder to:

- Take reasonable steps to find asbestos on their premises and assess the condition of these materials;
- Presume that materials do contain asbestos unless there is strong evidence that they do not;
- Prepare a record of the location and condition of asbestos, or presumed asbestos, materials and assess the risks from them;
- Prepare and implement a plan to manage those risks; and
- Provide information on the location and condition of the materials to anyone who is liable to disturb them. (E.g. Staff, contractors)

7. The duty requires that you make information on the location and condition of the asbestos available to anyone liable to work on it or disturb it. Any employees involved in building maintenance work and any contractors working on the premises should know if the building contains, or may contain, asbestos. They should also be told where it is and that there are potential risks to their health if they disturb it. **Please forward a copy of the latest record of such a check to this office.**

(Control of Asbestos at Work Regulations 2006)

The above list of requirements is not exhaustive and you should ensure that you are aware of all the health and safety legislation which your business needs to comply with. The HSE website available at: www.hse.gov.uk/ can provide you with further help and advice

If you have any queries regarding any of these matters, please do not hesitate in contacting me on the above extension.



Mr Matthew Jones, Environmental Health Officer

On behalf of **ASSISTANT CHIEF EXECUTIVE LEGAL AND REGULATORY SERVICES**

**MEMORANDUM
COFNOD**

Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol



From: Fiona Colwill - Licensing Enforcement Officer

To: Licensing Department

our ref.
FC

ext. no.
3180

your ref.

date
16 October, 2015

LICENSING ACT 2003

APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF A PREMISES LICENCE

APPLICANT: GSC TOP CLUB, 76-77 CAERAU ROAD, CAERAU, MAESTEG CF34 0PG

Licensing authority officers in their role as a responsible authority make the following representations: that the application, in its current format, does not support the licensing objectives and in particular, the operating schedule cannot be translated into enforceable conditions of licence:

Observations

The applicants have offered very little additional information in the application on how they intend to promote the licensing objectives, although the applicants have stated extra conditions under the operating schedule, a number are either already Mandatory Conditions or are unenforceable.

The applicants state 'Staff will be instructed to verify young persons ages and ask for ID', the applicants have also stated proof of age may be requested before alcoholic beverages are served, but fail to provide any details of any training under the Licensing Act 2003 and do not specify an age verification policy. A strict age policy and a policy advising how staff will be trained on the requirements of the Licensing Act 2003 or any details of the proof of age scheme must be in force. It is a mandatory condition that an age verification policy applies to a premises selling or supplying alcohol. This has not been fully evidenced in the operating schedule. As a minimum any policy shall include:

- all reasonable steps to be taken to prevent sales of alcohol to children under the age of 18 years, including prominent notices being displayed, at each point of entry to the premises and at all sales points, advising customers that the premises operates the relevant proof of age scheme
- Specify a proof of age requirement before sale of alcohol is made

- all reasonable steps to be taken to prevent adults from purchasing alcohol for or on behalf of children under 18 years
- A scheme that ensures any person attempting to purchase alcohol who is, or appears to be under the age of the relevant proof of age policy provides documented proof that he/she is over 18 years of age.
- A policy must be available advising on how staff will be trained on the prevention of the Sale of Alcohol to intoxicated persons.

The applicants state Carl Tidball supervises young persons' activities in the function room, by naming a specific person in the operating schedule the Premises Licence Holders will automatically be in breach of their conditions should the named person not be present on the premises during youth activities.

It is intended the first floor of the premises will be used by the wider community and in particular for youth/young persons' activities. It is stated in the application that alcohol will be consumed in the downstairs areas (bar and lounge) where persons under 18 will not be permitted, but in contradiction, then states that 'no alcohol will be available when under 18s use the upstairs function room'.

Consumption is not a licensable activity and, therefore, could be consumed in the upstairs area.

The plan submitted shows the licensable areas as both upstairs and downstairs.

Conditions / Restrictions

In order to promote the licensing objectives it is recommended that the following additional conditions are attached to the licence, if granted:

1. All staff shall be trained in all aspects of the Licensing Act 2003 on the commencement of employment, then annually or more frequently if necessary. Signed records will be kept by the DPS and made available for inspection upon request by authorised officers and responsible authority officers.
2. Challenge 25 will form part of the premises age verification policy, a copy of which will be made available for inspection upon request by authorised officers and responsible authority officers.
3. Challenge 25 signage will be displayed prominently in all service areas.
4. Electronic till prompts will be installed and maintained on all tills in respect of alcohol sales, to support the Challenge 25 policy.
5. All persons under the age of 18 shall vacate the premises by 2100 hours.
6. No alcohol will be on sale or exposed for sale in any area when persons under the age of 18 are present.
7. No persons under the age of 18 shall be permitted in the downstairs bar and lounge.

8. The Premises Licence Holder and DPS shall ensure that staff record any refusals of the sale of alcohol electronically or by way of a Refusals Register. The Register or records shall be made available for inspection upon request by authorised officers and responsible authority officers.

9. The Premises Licence Holder and DPS shall ensure the premises is monitored on a regular basis to ensure compliance with the Licensing Objectives, all incidents will be recorded and a register made available for inspection upon request by authorised officers and responsible authority officers.

Regards

Fiona Colwill
Licensing Enforcement Officer
Legal & Regulatory
Public Protection
Civic Offices
Angel Street
Bridgend
CF31 4WB

Tel: 01656 643180

Text phone | Ffon testun: 18001 01656 **643180**

Fiona Colwill, Licensing Enforcement Officer

On behalf of **ASSISTANT CHIEF EXECUTIVE LEGAL AND REGULATORY SERVICES**

The Licensing Department
First Floor
Bridgend County Borough Council
Civic Offices
Angel Street
Bridgend
CF31 4WB

1 North Street
Caerau
Maesteg
Mid Glamorgan
CF34 0PH

29/09/2015



Dear Sir/Madam,

We wish to object to the licensing hour's applied for by Gian Singh Cheema & Sharn Jeet Kaur in respect of the premises, G.S.C. Top Club, 76 & 77 Caerau Road, Caerau, Maesteg CF34 0PR.

We feel that, as this is a quite residential area, that these hours are excessive. There are many elderly people living across from these premises, as well as families with very young children, also there are several people living behind it on Alexander Road, who start work at six in the morning, they have to be up and out of the door by 5.30 am, at the latest.

We also feel that the fact that the Noddfa Community Project is on the opposite corner of North Street, is taken into consideration. There are youth clubs, homework groups, a dance group and a boxing club based at this centre, there are children in and out of there five evenings a week, and all day on Sunday. There are also various activities for the children put on there during the holidays.

We feel that the permitted licensing hours should be the same as other pubs and clubs in the area, with them having to apply for case-by-case extensions to their licence for such things as New Year.

The Blaenllynfi Hotel, at 83 Caerau Road, Caerau, (less than 100m away from the proposed pub), permitted opening hours are from 11.30am until 23.00 hours, Monday to Saturday, and on a Sunday 11.00 am until 23.00. This pub during the week does not open until 13.00 hours. They do not want the sort of customers who will be queuing outside of the Labour Club from 8.00am onwards. Although under their existing licence, they could open earlier. They have live music one a week, have very few extensions and stick to their licensing hours, and the police are never called to these premises.

The Station Hotel, at the beginning of Caerau Road, has licensing hours of 12.00 noon to 23.00 hours Monday to Thursdays, on Fridays and Saturdays it is 12.00 noon until midnight, and on Sunday it is 12.00 noon until 22.30 hours. Again, live music once a week, very few extensions to their licensing hours. Unfortunately, as this is the earliest opening licensed Premises in Caerau; there are problems from up to an hour beforehand with already inebriated people queuing up to get in, being abusive to people passing by, and staggering into the middle of the road.

The Conservative club, also known as the Imperial Club, a few hundred yards away from the Station Hotel does not open until 18.00 hours, there are not enough people using it during the day to make it economically viable to have it open during the day.

The Navigation Hotel has now been closed for several months due to insufficient trade, this Hotel also did not open during the day, again only from 18.00 to 23.00 hours.

The former Middle Club on Caerau Road only opened on Friday and Saturday evenings, it has now gone out of business, not enough patrons to go round apparently.

If this club is allowed to open earlier than the other pubs and clubs, we will have the patrons queuing outside up to an hour before it opens. (This happens at the Station Hotel), that would mean from 8 in the morning, and the later opening hours would mean drunk patrons arriving after the other pubs ect had closed trying to get in.

We also note the Gian Singh Cheema & Sharn Jeet Kaur have also applied for an entertainments licence for the same hours as the licence hours, again this is excessive for such a small residential area. The above-mentioned public houses have entertainment on once a week; we feel that the G.S.C. Top club should have an entertainment licence once a week, on either a Friday or a Saturday.

When this club was operating in the past, the police were called there on more occasions than we care to remember, the patrons would still be drinking and playing loud music until 3am. When they finally left the club, they would be drunk, abusive, urinating and defecating on the street on more than one occasion, shouting and screaming at the top of their voices. The police were invariably called to deal with them. The noise team attended on more than one occasion as the building is not designed for loud music to be played at all hours of the night.

The other problems with this club was the under age drinking that occurred there. Large groups of under age youths would congregate outside the door, which opens on to North street. They would be passed alcohol out through the doors, with the full knowledge of the proprietor, we would then have the police arrive and deal with them, as within an hour the youths would be falling down drunk, and all the problems that caused.

There was also the problem of smokers standing outside this door, throwing their cigarette ends down on the floor, and leaving their empty glasses and bottles there when they returned inside. These were not collected by the proprietor, and were subsequently smashed against house walls, windows, doors and the cars that were parked outside the homes of the owners, with the residents having to clean up the mess the next day.

We feel that the only way that this club should be allowed to re-open at all would be with very strict licence conditions such as

Door Staff employed during opening hours to prevent the passing of alcohol out to the under age drinkers and to prevent glasses and bottles being taken outside

the door onto the street, and making sure that the patrons left in an orderly manner, as to not disturb the local residents.

A smoking area away from the street, there is a small back yard with this premise that could be used for a smoking area.

That the windows and doors must be kept closed at all times, to prevent the noise disturbing the local residents, in the past this condition on the licence has been ignored, hence the need for the noise abatement team to be called. If the club is to hot for the patrons, then the proprietors should consider getting air conditioning installed before they open.

That either films, Recorded music, Sporting events, Performance of Dance, plays or other similar activities should only take place once a week, either a Friday or a Saturday, not the seven days a week they asked for. Again this is because the former club had music ect seven nights a week, and the local residents had problems seven nights a week.

We hope our objections will be taken into consideration when considering this licensing application.

Yours sincerely

Mr. A.J. Stockley and Ms. C.A. Brown

**Councillor G. W. Davies MBE
12, Glan Yr Afon,
Cwmfelin,
Bridgend,
CF34 9HU**

Wednesday, October 14, 2015

**Mrs. Yvonne Witchell,
Licensing Officer,
Bridgend County Borough Council,
Civic Offices,
Angel Street,
Bridgend, CF31 4WB**

Dear Mrs. Witchell

Re: Former Top Club – Caerau Road, Caerau

I recently met with residents of Caerau Road and North Street in Caerau who have concerns over the application made by Gian Singh Cheema and Sharn Jeet Kaur to reopen the former G.S.C. Top Club at 76-77 Caerau Road, Caerau CF34 0PG

This has been a licensed premise for many years; prior to its recent closure many local residents were subjected to unnecessary loud noises from within the premise and from late night revelers leaving sometimes as late as 4.00am.

It must be understood that this premise is situated in the centre of a residential area where the very elderly and very young live and they must be protected from excessive noise or other disturbances from those when using the premise and of course from those when leaving.

It is to this end that the following was suggested and which I fully support: -

Prevention of Public Nuisance

- That the supply of alcohol is restricted to 0900 – 2300 hours Monday to Sunday
- That Bank Holiday times are restricted to 900 – 2400 hours
- That all windows are at least double glazed and remain closed during the opening hours.
- That sound reducing curtains are provided for all windows facing the main road and properties in close proximity
- That an appropriate shelter for smokers is situated to the rear of the premise

The prevention of Crime & Disorder

- That a door supervisor is employed at week-ends (Friday to Sunday) and all bank Holiday events
- That CCTV cameras are sited within the premise

Public Safety & Protection of Children from Harm

- That the Designated Premises Supervisor is approved by South Wales Police

I trust that the above will be considered

Yours sincerely

G. W. Davies MBE

Caerau Ward Councillor



King | Davies & PARTNERS

APPENDIX C

Lloyds Bank Chambers,
18 Talbot Street,
Maesteg, Bridgend CF34 9BP
Tel | 01656 732911
Fax | 01656 738763
info@kingdavies.co.uk
DX 55752 Maesteg
www.kingdavies.co.uk

SOLICITORS AND COMMISSIONERS FOR OATHS

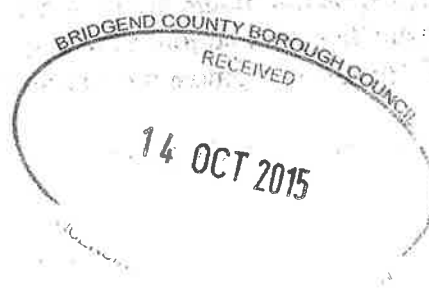
Our Ref: BS/LM/C0515.001

Your Ref: YW/RM/I.P635

Please ask for Mr. Bob Shawe

13 October 2015

Legal & Regulatory Services
Bridgend County Borough Council
Civic Offices
Angel Street
BRIDGEND
CF31 4WB



Bohdan Shawe BA (London)
Member of the Association of
Personal Injury Lawyers
Partner

Ceri Morgan LL.B. (Leicester)
Member of the Solicitors for
the Elderly
Partner

Philippa G. David LL.B. (Wales)
Member of the Law Society
Family Law Panel & Resolution
Associate

Dear Sirs

**Re: Application for a Premises Licence
GSC Top Club, 76-77 Caerau Road, Caerau, Maesteg**

We thank you for your correspondence of the 29th ultimo upon which we have taken our client's instructions.

If we may go through your letters point by point we would say as follows namely:

1. With regards to prevention of public nuisance we would respectfully point out that the property has not been utilised so the criticism cannot be levied against the applicant on his current use. However, any doors to the rooms where music is played will be kept closed so far as safety will allow and the volume will be kept to a minimum.

The entertainment is designed for the use of customers inside and not for the provision of music outside the property. Also warning notices will be given or at least customers will be advised not to create a noise outside.

However, these criticisms cannot be levied against Mr. Cheema because he is still to use the premises.

2. With regards to the opening times of the premises we are quite happy with the suggested hours and in fact in conforms with that in the latest application. Our client is quite happy with the conditions for the provision of live music, karaoke and D.J.



3. With regards to risk assessment there will be less than five employees at the premises but the applicants have checked the fire extinguishers and there is an adequate supply from the previous owners and also the fire alarm system is operative.

The fire exits are clearly marked and there are lights which illuminate when darkness falls.

Means of escape are clearly marked.

There is no asbestos at the property and the gas and electricity surveys are being undertaken.

As soon as we receive the gas and electricity reports we will forward copies.

Yours faithfully


Per pro King Davies and Partners