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Sir/Madam,

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

**OLIVIA'S COFFEE HOUSE, 15 WELL STREET, PORTHCAWL, BRIDGEND CF36 3BE**

**REPRESENTATIONS**

South Wales Police make representations to the Bridgend County Borough Licensing Authority that they are of the view that the likely effect of the grant of this application on the licensing objectives would be to increase crime and disorder and public nuisance at or in the vicinity of the premise.

Furthermore approval would fail to protect children from harm.

The representations are strengthened having regard to the steps intended to be taken in the Operating Schedule to promote the licensing objectives.

Information and evidence is set out below for the Licensing Sub-Committee's consideration.

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

## THE PREMISE

The Olivias Coffee House is currently open and trading as a restaurant in Porthcawl town centre without a premises licence. Customers therefore cannot consume hot food after 23.00 hours or be sold alcohol. They bring their own alcohol and the premises supplies the diners with glasses. Regulated entertainment is also provided on a weekend by way of a live acoustic music set. The premise operates primarily as a 'Tapas bar' where customers may dine at the premise.

This application to grant a premises licence at this premise is asking for opening hours from 09.00am until 02.00am Monday to Saturday. However this closing time is the same for the performance of live music, recorded music, late night refreshment provision and supply of alcohol timings.

These hours are only from 09.00 am till 12.00 on Sundays.

This application is also asking for additional timings to these times listed to incorporate an additional hour on Bank Holiday 'weekends', Christmas Eve and Boxing Day the material timings being 10.00am - 03.00am.

Also to allow 'Special timings on special event days' to allow any extension from 10.00 am to 03.00 am for 12 special events per year.

Recorded music, with or without DJ to include audience participation until these times.

Except New Years Eve and New Years day which specifies timings from 10.00 am – 23.00 hours continuous.

## THE APPLICANT

The current applicant is not a personal licence holder and therefore although wishes to be the Designated Premises Supervisor at the premise, this cannot be granted until the applicant actually becomes a personal licence holder herself.

## THE OPERATING SCHEDULE

Within the Operating Schedule (M - boxes A to E) the Act requires the applicant to describe any additional steps intended to be taken in order to promote all four licensing objectives namely: -

### **The prevention of crime and disorder**

### **Public safety**

### **The prevention of public nuisance**

### **The protection of children from harm**

The steps detailed are adopted as conditions of the Premises Licence and arguably attempt to negate responsible authorities from making representations in respect of the application.

Having made an assessment of the schedule some of the conditions proposed are either not relevant, are catered for under other legislation, appear in duplicate or are clearly unenforceable.

South Wales Police are of the opinion therefore that the licensing objectives have not been adequately addressed.

Home Office guidelines issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 and Bridgend County Borough Councils "Statement of Licensing Policy" allows representations to be amplified at hearings.

Yours faithfully,



Licensing Sergeant 623 Williams