

APPENDIX 3 – REPRESENTATION FROM WEST MERCIA POLICE

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Subject: External Email : RE: [EXTERNAL] RE: KMCH VENTURES LTD LICENCE APPLICATION

West Mercia Police will be submitting a formal objection to the above application in regards to the below. These questions have been submitted to the applicant both via email and face to face but we have not had any response, due to this we have concerns that the four licensing objectives cannot be maintained or promoted.

This premises is surrounded by residential properties and is in an already busy high street, the change of use is also quite substantial going from a school uniform shop to a licenced bar with live music.

Would you be willing to drop the hours (opening, for music and sales) you have requested on your application? If yes what would you be happy to drop them to? **NO RESPONSE- objection on the basis of the licensing objective- The prevention of public nuisance**

what sort of adult entertainment were you thinking of hosting ? what risk assessment and adjustments to the premises will be made if this is granted ? **NO RESPONSE- objection on the basis of the licensing objective- The prevention of public nuisance and The protection of children from harm**

how will you be monitoring and controlling the noise from the premises? Live music brings different challenges with it, how will the acoustics of live music be controlled compared to the general people noise? **NO RESPONSE- objection on the basis of the licensing objective- The prevention of public nuisance**

will the storage area for the alcohol be secure and monitored, and if so how?

We would want at least 2 SIA door staff present on a Friday and Saturday night from at least 8pm until closing (1 on the main front door and 1 inside/monitoring the smoking area) due to the higher risks the weekend brings with it, would you be willing to have this as well as a SIA risk assessment for events and the day to day running of the premises ? **NO RESPONSE- objection on the basis of the licensing objective- The prevention of crime and disorder; Public safety**

How will you monitor the capacity ? **NO RESPONSE objection on the basis of the licensing objective : The prevention of crime and disorder; Public safety**

will tables and chairs be left in situ when live music is on or will they be cleared away? This may change the capacity level considerably, how will you monitor this/any changes?

If tables and chairs are cleared away where will they be stored?

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where will any persons visiting the premises park any vehicles they are in ? do you have a car park? If not where will people be expected or directed to park ? how will you monitor this to ensure your customers are not blocking anyone in or causing an obstruction of the highway/footpath?

we would be requesting the smoking area at the back be closed and not used after 10pm due to the noise made by customers and the second hand smoke that could track up to the residential properties and this would considerably affect the quality of life of the residents in very close proximity to this premises. Would you be willing to do this and how would you be monitoring the smoking area? **NO RESPONSE-objection on the basis of The prevention of public nuisance;**

is the smoking area enclosed or is there access at the rear to the premises? How would this be controlled if there is access?

where would you then put the smokers and how would you monitor this area?

we would be requesting no glass bottle bins be emptied outside after 9pm, would you be happy with this? **NO RESPONSE-objection on the basis of The prevention of public nuisance;**

we would also be requesting all doors and windows are closed and kept closed after 10pm (except for entry and egress) and that the doors have automatic closing hinges on them, would you be happy with this ? **NO RESPONSE-objection on the basis of The prevention of public nuisance;**

I note there is currently NO CCTV in this premises (or it is not mentioned in the application) we would request this be installed and you have cameras that are clear enough to identify the faces of persons entering the premises and be able to continue to do this while they are inside the premises, we would also request cameras cover inside the venue and the smoking area, we would also request the footage be able to be saved for at least 30days, have play back facilities and be produced to a police officer upon request, would you be able to facilitate this ? **NO RESPONSE-objection on the basis of The prevention of crime and disorder; Public safety;**

I note there is mention of a challenge 25 book, what information would you be entering into this? **NO RESPONSE- objection on the basis of the licensing objective- The prevention of public nuisance and The protection of children from harm**

will you have a written drugs policy? If so what would it say? **NO RESPONSE- objection on the basis of the licensing objective- The prevention of public nuisance and The protection of children from harm**

will toilet checks be completed and if so how will they be recorded?

what will any staff be trained in and how/who would train them? How would this then be recorded?

would you be willing to have a written authorised sale of alcohol form kept on site and made available upon request of an authorised authority ?

a face to face meeting and an email detailing all these queries have been put to the applicant but as yet we have had no response, therefore on behalf of West Mercia police feel that an objection is relevant.