

# **Licensing Sub-Committee**

**Thursday 25 April 2013 at 10.00 am**

**To be held at the Town Hall, Pinstone  
Street, Sheffield, S1 2HH**

**The Press and Public are Welcome to Attend**

## **Membership**

**Councillors John Robson (Chair), Neale Gibson and George Lindars-Hammond  
David Barker (Reserve)**

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## **PUBLIC ACCESS TO THE MEETING**

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The Licensing Committee carries out a statutory licensing role, including licensing for taxis and public entertainment.

As a lot of the work of this Committee deals with individual cases, some meetings may not be open to members of the public.

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You may not be allowed to see some reports because they contain confidential information. These items are usually marked \* on the agenda.

If you require any further information please contact Harry Clarke on 0114 273 6183 or email [harry.clarke@sheffield.gov.uk](mailto:harry.clarke@sheffield.gov.uk).

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## **FACILITIES**

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**LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE AGENDA  
25 APRIL 2013**

**Order of Business**

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- 1. Welcome and Housekeeping Arrangements**
- 2. Apologies for Absence**
- 3. Exclusion of Public and Press**  
To identify items where resolutions may be moved to exclude the press and public
- 4. Declarations of Interest**  
Members to declare any interests they have in the business to be considered at the meeting
- 5. Licensing Act 2003 - Players' Lounge, 20 Yew Lane, Sheffield S5 9AN**  
Report of the Chief Licensing Officer

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## ADVICE TO MEMBERS ON DECLARING INTERESTS AT MEETINGS

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New standards arrangements were introduced by the Localism Act 2011. The new regime made changes to the way that members' interests are registered and declared.

If you are present at a meeting of the Council, of its executive or any committee of the executive, or of any committee, sub-committee, joint committee, or joint sub-committee of the authority, and you have a **Disclosable Pecuniary Interest** (DPI) relating to any business that will be considered at the meeting, you must not:

- participate in any discussion of the business at the meeting, or if you become aware of your Disclosable Pecuniary Interest during the meeting, participate further in any discussion of the business, or
- participate in any vote or further vote taken on the matter at the meeting.

These prohibitions apply to any form of participation, including speaking as a member of the public.

You **must**:

- leave the room (in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct)
- make a verbal declaration of the existence and nature of any DPI at any meeting at which you are present at which an item of business which affects or relates to the subject matter of that interest is under consideration, at or before the consideration of the item of business or as soon as the interest becomes apparent.
- declare it to the meeting and notify the Council's Monitoring Officer within 28 days, if the DPI is not already registered.

If you have any of the following pecuniary interests, they are your **disclosable pecuniary interests** under the new national rules. You have a pecuniary interest if you, or your spouse or civil partner, have a pecuniary interest.

- Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain, which you, or your spouse or civil partner, undertakes.
- Any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from your council or authority) made or provided within the relevant period\* in respect of any expenses incurred by you in carrying out duties as a member, or towards your election expenses. This includes any payment or financial benefit from a trade union within the meaning of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.

\*The relevant period is the 12 months ending on the day when you tell the Monitoring Officer about your disclosable pecuniary interests.

- Any contract which is made between you, or your spouse or your civil partner (or a body in which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, has a beneficial interest) and your council or authority -
  - under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed; and
  - which has not been fully discharged.
- Any beneficial interest in land which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, have and which is within the area of your council or authority.
- Any licence (alone or jointly with others) which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, holds to occupy land in the area of your council or authority for a month or longer.
- Any tenancy where (to your knowledge) -
  - the landlord is your council or authority; and
  - the tenant is a body in which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, has a beneficial interest.
- Any beneficial interest which you, or your spouse or your civil partner has in securities of a body where -
  - (a) that body (to your knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of your council or authority; and
  - (b) either
    - the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body; or
    - if the share capital of that body is of more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, has a beneficial interest exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.

Under the Council's Code of Conduct, members must act in accordance with the Seven Principles of Public Life (selflessness; integrity; objectivity; accountability; openness; honesty; and leadership), including the principle of honesty, which says that 'holders of public office have a duty to declare any private interests relating to their public duties and to take steps to resolve any conflicts arising in a way that protects the public interest'.

If you attend a meeting at which any item of business is to be considered and you are aware that you have a **personal interest** in the matter which does not amount to a DPI, you must make verbal declaration of the existence and nature of that interest at or before the consideration of the item of business or as soon as the interest becomes apparent. You should leave the room if your continued presence is incompatible with the 7 Principles of Public Life.

You have a personal interest where –

- a decision in relation to that business might reasonably be regarded as affecting the well-being or financial standing (including interests in land and easements over land) of you or a member of your family or a person or an organisation with whom you have a close association to a greater extent than it would affect the majority of the Council Tax payers, ratepayers or inhabitants of the ward or electoral area for which you have been elected or otherwise of the Authority's administrative area, or
- it relates to or is likely to affect any of the interests that are defined as DPs but are in respect of a member of your family (other than a partner) or a person with whom you have a close association.

Guidance on declarations of interest, incorporating regulations published by the Government in relation to Disclosable Pecuniary Interests, has been circulated to you previously, and has been published on the Council's website as a downloadable document at [-http://councillors.sheffield.gov.uk/councillors/register-of-councillors-interests](http://councillors.sheffield.gov.uk/councillors/register-of-councillors-interests)

You should identify any potential interest you may have relating to business to be considered at the meeting. This will help you and anyone that you ask for advice to fully consider all the circumstances before deciding what action you should take.

In certain circumstances the Council may grant a **dispensation** to permit a Member to take part in the business of the Authority even if the member has a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest relating to that business.

To obtain a dispensation, you must write to the Monitoring Officer at least 48 hours before the meeting in question, explaining why a dispensation is sought and desirable, and specifying the period of time for which it is sought. The Monitoring Officer may consult with the Independent Person or the Council's Standards Committee in relation to a request for dispensation.

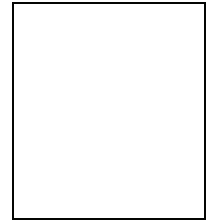
Further advice can be obtained from Lynne Bird, Director of Legal Services on 0114 2734018 or email [lynne.bird@sheffield.gov.uk](mailto:lynne.bird@sheffield.gov.uk)

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## SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL Committee Report



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**Report of:** Chief Licensing Officer, Head of Licensing

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**Date:** 9<sup>th</sup> April 2013

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**Subject:** Licensing Act 2003

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**Author of Report:** Claire Bower

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**Summary:** To consider an application for the variation of a premises licence made under the Licensing Act 2003.

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**Recommendations:** That members carefully consider the representations made and take such steps, as the Committee consider necessary for the promotion of the Licensing Objectives.

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**Background Papers:** Attached documents

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**Category of Report:** OPEN

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**LICENSING ACT 2003**

**PREMISES: Players Lounge, 20 Yew Lane, Sheffield, S5 9AN**

**1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1.1 To consider an application for the variation of a premises licence made under the Licensing Act 2003.

**2.0 THE APPLICATION**

2.1 The applicant is Mr Keith Johnstone.

2.2 The application, which was received on 13<sup>th</sup> February 2013, is attached to this report labelled Appendix 'A'.

2.3 Page 2 of the application form details briefly the proposed variation.

2.4 The application has subsequently been amended by the applicant. Details of the amendment are attached to the report at Appendix 'B' and the Solicitor for the applicant will address the committee on the amendments at the hearing.

2.5 The current premises licence is attached at Appendix 'C'.

**3.0 REASONS FOR REFERRAL**

3.1 Representations concerning the application for variation have been received from the following :-

- South Yorkshire Police                      Attached at Appendix 'D'
- Safeguarding Children Board            Attached at Appendix 'E'
- Health and Safety                            Attached at Appendix 'F'
- Local residents (x 7)                        Attached at Appendix 'G1', 'G2', 'G3', 'G4', 'G5', 'G6' & 'G7'

3.2 As the representations have not been resolved, the matter is referred to the Licensing Committee.

3.3 The applicant and representatives from 3.1 have been invited to attend the hearing. Copies of the notices will be available at the hearing.

**4.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 There are no specific financial implications to the Council arising from this application. However, additional costs may be incurred should the matter go to appeal. In such an eventuality it may not be possible to recover all these costs. The impact of these additional costs (if any) will be kept under review and may be subject of a further report during the year.

## **5.0 THE LEGAL POSITION**

- 5.1 The Licensing Act 2003 at section 4 (1) requires the Licensing Authority to carry out its functions with a view to promoting the Licensing Objectives which section 4(2) sets out as: -
- a) the prevention of crime and disorder,
  - b) public safety,
  - c) the prevention of public nuisance,
  - d) the protection of children from harm.
- 5.2 Section 4(3) of the Licensing Act also requires the Licensing Authority to have regard to the published statement of Licensing Policy and any guidance issued by the Secretary of State under section 182.

## **6.0 HEARINGS REGULATIONS**

- 6.1 Regulations governing hearings under the Licensing Act 2003 have been made by the Secretary of State.
- 6.2 The Licensing Authority has provided all parties with the information required in the Regulations to the 2003 Act as set out at Appendix 'H'.
- 6.3 Attached at Appendix 'H' is the following: -
- a) the rights of a party provided in Regulations 15 and 16;
  - b) the consequences if a party does not attend or is not represented at the hearing
  - c) the procedure to be followed at the hearing.
- 6.4 All relevant parties have been invited to attend the hearing. Copies of the notices will be available at the hearing.

## **7.0 APPEALS**

- 7.1 The Licensing Act 2003 section 181 and Schedule 5 makes provision for appeals to be made by the applicant and those making representations against decisions of the Licensing Authority, to the Magistrates' Court.

## **8.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 8.1 That members carefully consider the representations made and take such steps, as the Committee consider necessary for the promotion of the Licensing Objectives.

## **9.0 OPTIONS OPEN TO THE COMMITTEE**

- 9.1 To vary the premises licence in the terms requested.
- 9.2 To vary the premises licence with modified conditions.
- 9.3 To reject the whole or part of the application.

**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 Keith Johnstone 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**

SY0692PR

**Part 1 – Premises details**

Postal address of premises or, if none, ordnance survey map reference or description  Player's Lounge, 20 Yew Lane, Ecclesfield	
Post town Sheffield	Post code S5 9AN

Telephone number of premises (if any) 0114 2466147

Non-domestic rateable value of premises £10,750.00

**Part 2 – Applicant Details**

Daytime contact telephone number 01142 668664

Email address (optional) [Empty box]

Current postal address if different from premises address  
 Mr. Keith Johnstone  
 27 Wellington Road  
 Stannington

Post Town Sheffield Postcode S6 5PE

### Part 3 – Variation

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

Please tick  yes

If not do you want the variation to take effect from

Day    Month    Year

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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

**Please describe briefly the nature of the proposed variation** (please read guidance note 1)

The variation sought seeks to :-

1. Approve alterations to the premises as particularised on the drawings deposited with the Licensing Authority (drawing number 004A). In summary the works comprise:
  - . Reconfiguration of toilets including installation of disabled toilets and baby change facility.
  - . Reconfiguration of bar.
  - . Amendment to configuration of lobby.
  - . Amendment to configuration of lounge bar with new fixed seating.
  - . Amendment to configuration of fixed seating in the function suite.
  - . Installation of new partition wall creating a separate lounge/restaurant including fixed seating and snooker room.
  - . General redecoration throughout.
2. To extend the terminal hour for the retail sale of alcohol until 00:00 hours Sunday to Thursday and 01:00 hours Friday and Saturday.
3. To bring forward the commencement hour for the retail sale of alcohol to 10:00 on a Sunday.
4. To extend the hours for all licensable activities (with the exception of live music and retail sale of alcohol) by 1 hour Friday to Sunday and 30 minutes Monday to Thursday.
5. The opening hours of the premises are also to be amended every day so the premises will close 30 minutes after the end of the retail sale of alcohol.
6. The variation also seeks to add non standard timings in relation to Christmas Eve, Boxing Day and Bank Holiday Sunday where retail sale of alcohol will be permitted until 02:00 the following day and all other licensable activities were specified.
7. The addition of films as a licensable activity.
8. The removal of conditions located at annex 3 (Conditions 1 to 3 inclusive).
9. To allow the capacity for off sales as well as on sales.

The proposed variations are not anticipated to adversely affect the four licensing objectives and the existing conditions on the Licence are to remain unamended except where identified and are assessed to be sufficient for the proposed variation.

## 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.

Please tick ✓ yes

### Provision of regulated entertainment

- 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)

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

**In all cases complete boxes K, L and M**

**A**

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

**B**

<b>Films</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			<b>Will the exhibition of films take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick {Y}</b> (please read guidance note 2).	Indoors	✓
Day	Start	Finish		Outdoors	
Mon	10:00	00:30		Both	
Tue	10:00	00:30			
Wed	10:00	00:30	<b>Please give further details here</b> (please read guidance note 3) Exhibition of film principally recorded entertainment on screens and tv screens.		
Thur	10:00	00:30	<b>State any seasonal variations for the exhibition of films</b> (please read guidance note 4) n/a		
Fri	10:00	01:30	<b>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</b> (please read guidance note 5)		
Sat	10:00	01:30	When the hours for the sale of alcohol are extended hereunder these hours are also extended (see Box M below)		
Sun	10:00	00:30			

**C**

<b>Indoor sporting events</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			<b>Please give further details</b> (please read guidance note 3)
Day	Start	Finish	
Mon	As existing	00:30	
Tue	As existing	00:30	
Wed	As existing	00:30	
Thur	As existing	00:30	<b>State any seasonal variations for indoor sporting events</b> (please read guidance note 4)
Fri	As existing	01:30	
Sat	As existing	01:30	<b>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</b> (please read guidance note 5)
Sun	As existing	00:30	
			When the hours for the sale of alcohol are extended hereunder these hours are also extended (see Box M below)

**D**

<b>Boxing or wrestling entertainment</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			<b>Will the boxing or wrestling entertainment take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick {Y}</b> (please read guidance note 2).	Indoors	
Day	Start	Finish		Outdoors	
Mon				Both	
Tue					
Wed					
Thur			<b>Please give further details here</b> (please read guidance note 3)		
Fri					
Sat			<b>State any seasonal variations for boxing or wrestling entertainment</b> (please read guidance note 4)		
Sun					
			<b>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</b> (please read guidance note 5)		



**E**

<b>Live music</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			<b>Will the performance of live music take place indoors or outdoors or both - please tick {Y}</b> (please read guidance note 2).	Indoors	✓
Day	Start	Finish		Outdoors	
Mon			<b>Please give further details here</b> (please read guidance note 3)	Both	
Tue					
Wed					
Thur			<b>State any seasonal variations for the performance of live music</b> (please read guidance note 4)		
Fri					
Sat			<b>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</b> (please read guidance note 5)		
Sun					

**F**

<b>Recorded music</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			<b>Will the playing of recorded music take place indoors or outdoors or both - please tick {Y}</b> (please read guidance note 2).	Indoors	✓
Day	Start	Finish		Outdoors	
Mon	As existing	00:30	<b>Please give further details here</b> (please read guidance note 3)	Both	
Tue	As existing	00:30			
Wed	As existing	00:30			
Thur	As existing	00:30	<b>State any seasonal variations for playing recorded music</b> (please read guidance note 4)		
Fri	As existing	01:30			
Sat	As existing	01:30	<b>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the playing of recorded music entertainment at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</b> (please read guidance note 5)		
Sun	As existing	00:30			

When the hours for the sale of alcohol are extended hereunder these hours are also extended (see Box M below)

**G**

<b>Performances of dance</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			<b>Will the performance of dance take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick {Y}</b> (please read guidance note 2).	Indoors	
Day	Start	Finish		Outdoors	
Mon			<b>Please give further details here</b> (please read guidance note 3)		
Tue					
Wed					
Thur			<b>State any seasonal variations for the performance of dance</b> (please read guidance note 4)		
Fri					
Sat			<b>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the performance of dance entertainment at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</b> (please read guidance note 5)		
Sun					

**H**

<b>Anything of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g)</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			<b>Please give a description of the type of entertainment you will be providing</b>		
Day	Start	Finish	<b>Will this entertainment take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick {Y}</b> (please read guidance note 2).	Indoors ✓	
Mon	As existing	00:30		<b>Please give further details here</b> (please read guidance note 3)	Outdoors
Tue	As existing	00:30	Both		
Wed	As existing	00:30			
Thur	As existing	00:30	<b>State any seasonal variations for entertainment of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g)</b> (please read guidance note 4)		
Fri	As existing	01:30			
Sat	As existing	01:30	<b>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the entertainment of similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g) at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</b> (please read guidance note 5)		
Sun	As existing	00:30		When the hours for the sale of alcohol are extended hereunder these hours are also extended (see Box M below)	

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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 {Y} (please read guidance note 2).	Indoors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish		Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mon	As existing	00:30	<b>Please give further details here</b> (please read guidance note 3)		
Tue	As existing	00:30			
Wed	As existing	00:30	<b>State any seasonal variations for the provision of late night refreshment</b> (please read guidance note 4)		
Thur	As existing	00:30			
Fri	As existing	01:30	<b>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</b> (please read guidance note 5)  When the hours for the sale of alcohol are extended hereunder these hours are also extended (see Box M below)		
Sat	As existing	01:30			
Sun	As existing	00:30			

J

24:00? - See email 13/2/13.

Email attached to end of app

Supply of alcohol Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			Will the supply of alcohol be for consumption (Please tick box Y) (please read guidance note 7)	On the premises	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish		Off the premises	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mon	As existing	00:30 24:00	<b>State any seasonal variations for the supply of alcohol</b> (please read guidance note 4)		
Tue	As existing	00:00			
Wed	As existing	00:00	<b>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</b> (please read guidance note 5)  As per the existing Premises Licence without amendments save for the inclusion of additional non standard timings to extend the licensing hour to 02:00 on Christmas Eve, Boxing Day and on Sundays preceding a Bank Holiday Monday.		
Thur	As existing	00:00			
Fri	As existing	01:00			
Sat	As existing	01:00			
Sun	10:00	00:00			

**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

L

<b>Hours premises are open to the public</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			<b>State any seasonal variation</b> (please read guidance note 4)
Day	Start	Finish	
Mon	As existing	00:30	<p><b>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises to be open to the public at different times from those listed in the column on the left, please list</b> (please read guidance note 5)</p> <p>The premises shall close for service to the public 30 minutes after non standard times, as identified in Box M below</p>
Tue	As existing	00:30	
Wed	As existing	00:30	
Thur	As existing	00:30	
Fri	As existing	01:30	
Sat	As existing	01:30	
Sun	As existing	00:30	

**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**

At Annex 3 – Conditions attached after a hearing by the Licensing Authority – Conditions 1-3 inclusive.

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

## M

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)**

The proposed variations are not anticipated to adversely affect the four licensing objectives and the existing conditions on the Licence are to remain un-amended except where identified and are assessed to be sufficient for the proposed variation.

No new steps have been identified in relation to the four licensing objectives save as below

**b) The prevention of crime and disorder**

No further risks have been identified which need to be addressed.

**c) Public safety**

No further risks have been identified which need to be addressed.

**d) The prevention of public nuisance**

No further risks have been identified which need to be addressed.

**e) The protection of children from harm**

No further risks have been identified which need to be addressed.

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: John Gaunt & Partners..... *John Gaunt & Partners* .....

Date: *09/02/13* .....

Capacity: Solicitors .....

**Where the premises licence is jointly held signature of 2<sup>nd</sup> applicant (the current premises licence holder) or 2<sup>nd</sup> 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: John Gaunt & Partners.....

Date: .....

Capacity: Solicitors .....

<b>Contact name (where not previously given) and address for correspondence associated with this application</b> (please read guidance note 13)	
John Gaunt & Partners Omega Court 372 Cemetery Road	
<b>Post town</b> Sheffield	<b>Post code</b> S11 8FT
<b>Telephone number (if any)</b> 0114 266 8664	
<b>If you would prefer us to correspond with you by email your email address (optional)#</b> jhyldon@john-gaunt.co.uk	

## Hollis Georgina (CEX)

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**From:** Jonathan Hyldon [JHyldon@john-gaunt.co.uk]  
**Sent:** 13 February 2013 15:50  
**To:** Hollis Georgina (CEX)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Players Lounge, Sheffield  
**Attachments:** image003.jpg; ATT00001.htm; Corrected Section J.doc; ATT00002.htm

Georgina

Further to our telephone conversation I confirm that it is the intention of the application to extend the supply of alcohol on Monday evenings until midnight only. The indication in the application is that it was to 00:30. This is a typographical error and I would be grateful if you could note the alteration.

For your assistance, I enclose herewith an amended section J, correctly drawn.

I understand that you have agreed to circulate this correction to all Responsible Authorities, for which I am grateful.

Should you require any further action on our behalf however, please do not hesitate to contact me.

**Kind regards**

Jonathan Hyldon

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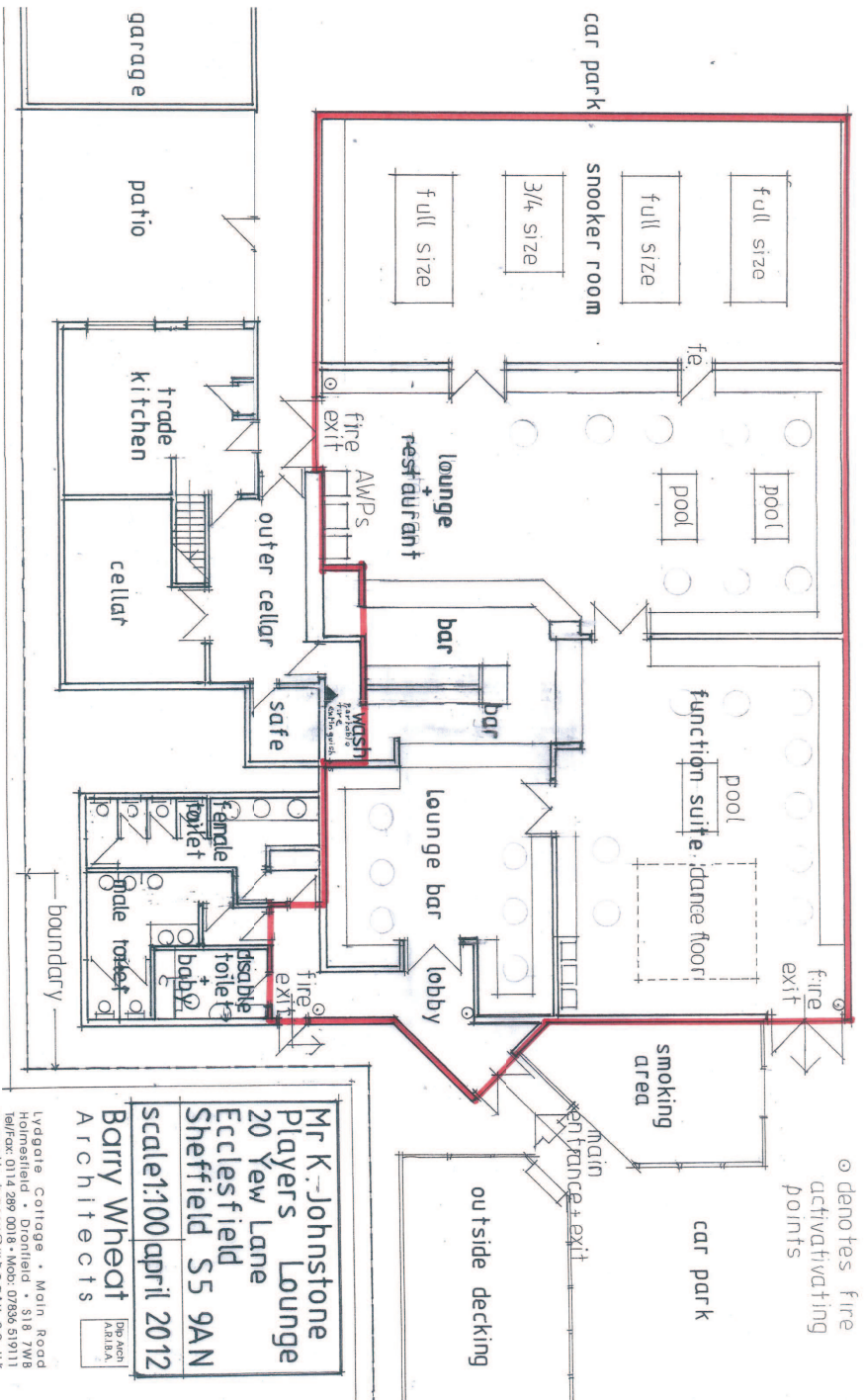
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 Players Lounge  
 20 Yew Lane  
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## Bower Claire

**From:** Jonathan Hyldon [JHyldon@john-gaunt.co.uk]  
**Sent:** 27 March 2013 16:18  
**To:** Bower Claire  
**Cc:** Hollis Georgina (CEX)  
**Subject:** Players Lounge, Ecclesfield  
**Importance:** High

Hello Claire,

Further to our telephone conversation this afternoon please see below the Variation Application "as applied for" and "as amended".

Various points have now been removed from the application which are highlighted in red with caps locks stating "removed". The condition in blue is what has been amended as discussed.

I hope this clarifies the position. I shall of course address the Committee on why the variation is proceeding and why each of the points below are being applied for.

I also confirm that all of the requisite statutory notices are currently being displayed on site and have been since the application was lodged and also since the review was served. Mr Johnstone is taking photographs of the notices daily and has been following the telephone call which Nina in your licensing department received in February blatantly lying that notices were not being displayed. A full record of photos will be brought to the hearing on Mr Johnstone's phone.

In the mean time if you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

### "As applied for"

The variation sought seeks to :-

1. Approve alterations to the premises as particularised on the drawings deposited with the Licensing Authority (drawing number 004A). In summary the works comprise:
  - . Reconfiguration of toilets including installation of disabled toilets and baby change facility.
  - . Reconfiguration of bar.
  - . Amendment to configuration of lobby.
  - . Amendment to configuration of lounge bar with new fixed seating.
  - . Amendment to configuration of fixed seating in the function suite.
  - . Installation of new partition wall creating a separate lounge/restaurant including fixed seating and snooker room.
  - . General redecoration throughout.
2. To extend the terminal hour for the retail sale of alcohol until 00:00 hours Sunday to Thursday and 01:00 hours Friday and Saturday.
3. To bring forward the commencement hour for the retail sale of alcohol to 10:00 on a Sunday.
4. To extend the hours for all licensable activities (with the exception of live music and retail sale of alcohol) by 1 hour Friday to Sunday and 30 minutes Monday to Thursday.
5. The opening hours of the premises are also to be amended every day so the premises will close 30 minutes after the end of the retail sale of alcohol.



## THE LICENSING ACT 2003

Premises Licence No: SY 0692 PR

Issue no 4

The Sheffield City Council being the Licensing Authority under the above Act, hereby grant this licence in accordance with the requirements of the Licensing Act 2003 in respect of and subject to the conditions attached:

### PART 1 – Premises details

Players Lounge  
20 Yew Lane  
Sheffield  
S5 9AN

Telephone Number: 0114 2466147

Where the licence is time limited, the dates:

Not applicable.

Licensable activities authorised by the licence and the times the licence authorises the carrying out of licensable activities:

#### 1. Provision of regulated entertainment:

(a) indoor sporting events

Sunday	10:00 to 23:30 hours
Monday	10:00 to 24:00 hours
Tuesday	10:00 to 24:00 hours
Wednesday	10:00 to 24:00 hours
Thursday	10:00 to 24:00 hours
Friday	10:00 to 00:30 hours the following day
Saturday	10:00 to 00:30 hours the following day

(b) live music

Indoors

Sunday	10:00 to 23:00 hours
Monday	10:00 to 23:00 hours
Tuesday	10:00 to 23:00 hours
Wednesday	10:00 to 23:00 hours
Thursday	10:00 to 23:00 hours
Friday	10:00 to 24:00 hours
Saturday	10:00 to 24:00 hours

(c) recorded music

Indoors

Sunday	10:00 to 23:30 hours
Monday	10:00 to 24:00 hours
Tuesday	10:00 to 24:00 hours
Wednesday	10:00 to 24:00 hours

Application Type: LA03\_App to Review Premises /Club

Unique Flare ID: 023540



New Years Eve (31.12) 10:00 to 24:00 hours  
New Years Day (01.01) 00:00 to standard terminal hour

**The opening hours of the premises are:**

Sunday 10:00 to 23:30 hours  
Monday 10:00 to 24:00 hours  
Tuesday 10:00 to 24:00 hours  
Wednesday 10:00 to 24:00 hours  
Thursday 10:00 to 24:00 hours  
Friday 10:00 to 00:30 hours the following day  
Saturday 10:00 to 00:30 hours the following day  
New Years Eve (31.12) 10:00 to 24:00 hours  
New Years Day (01.01) 00:00 to standard terminal hour

**PLEASE NOTE:**

In the event, that the hours permitted on this premises licence differ from those authorised on your planning consent, you **MUST ONLY** operate to which ever is the most restrictive permission.

Both Licensing and Planning carry out enforcement activities and if you are found to be in breach of either your premises licence and / or your planning consent, it may result in legal action being taken against you.

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

Sale by retail of alcohol for consumption on the premises.

**PART 2**

**Name, (registered) address, telephone number and e-mail (where relevant) of holder of premises licence:**

Mr Keith Johnstone  
27 Wellington Road  
Stannington  
Sheffield  
S6 5PE

**Telephone Number:** 01142466147

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

N/A

Kevin Johnstone  
3 Burrowlee Park Square  
Hillsborough  
Sheffield  
S6 2DA

**Telephone Number:** Unknown

**Personal licence number and issuing authority of personal licence held by designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises the supply of alcohol:**

**Personal Licence Number:** SY 1156 PR  
**Issuing Authority:** Sheffield City Council

**State whether access to the premises by children is restricted or prohibited:**

Restricted

**This Premises Licence shall be in force from the Second Appointed Day**

**Issued on: 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2005**



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**Steve Lonnia**  
**Chief Licensing Officer**  
**Head of Licensing Services**  
**On behalf of Sheffield City Council (issuing licensing authority)**

<b>Sheffield City Council – For Office use only</b>		
Variation of Premises Licence	1	Granted 16 <sup>th</sup> September 2010
Variation of DPS		
Transfer of Premises Licence		
Minor Variation	1	Granted 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2010
Amendment to Premises Licence following review	1	11 <sup>th</sup> October 2011

## **Annex 1A – Mandatory Conditions**

### **Mandatory Condition 1 (Section 19 ss 2)**

**Where a licence authorises the sale of alcohol then no supply of alcohol may be made under the premises licence –**

- (a) at a time when 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.**

### **Mandatory Condition 2 (Section 19 ss 3)**

**Where a licence authorises the sale of alcohol then every supply of alcohol under the premises licence must be made or authorised by a person who holds a personal licence.**

### **Mandatory Condition 3 (Section 20)**

**1. Where a premises licence authorises the exhibition of films, the licence includes the following conditions relating to the admission of children to the exhibition:**

- (a) The admission of children (under 18) to the exhibition of any film must be restricted in accordance with the classification set by the film classification body (currently the BBFC).**
- (b) In a case where there is no classification given by the classification body (the BBFC) the admission of children to the exhibition of any film must be restricted in accordance with any recommendation given by the Licensing Authority.**

**2. 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 4 (Section 21)**

**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 each such individual must be licensed by the Security Industry Authority.**

**Annex 1B - Mandatory Conditions effective from 6<sup>th</sup> April 2010:**

These mandatory conditions apply where the licence authorises the supply of alcohol. The conditions in paragraph 1 to 3 do not apply where the licence authorises the sale by retail or supply of alcohol only for consumption off the premises.

1. (1) The responsible person shall take all reasonable steps to ensure that staff on relevant premises do not carry out, arrange or participate in any irresponsible promotions in relation to the premises.

(2) In this paragraph, an irresponsible promotion means any one or more of the following activities, or substantially similar activities, carried on for the purpose of encouraging the sale or supply of alcohol for consumption on the premises in a manner which carries a significant risk of leading or contributing to crime and disorder, prejudice to public safety, public nuisance, or harm to children–

(a) games or other activities which require or encourage, or are designed to require or encourage, individuals to–

(i) drink a quantity of alcohol within a time limit (other than to drink alcohol sold or supplied on the premises before the cessation of the period in which the responsible person is authorised to sell or supply alcohol), or

(ii) drink as much alcohol as possible (whether within a time limit or otherwise);

(b) provision of unlimited or unspecified quantities of alcohol free or for a fixed or discounted fee to the public or to a group defined by a particular characteristic (other than any promotion or discount available to an individual in respect of alcohol for consumption at a table meal, as defined in section 159 of the Act);

(c) provision of free or discounted alcohol or any other thing as a prize to encourage or reward the purchase and consumption of alcohol over a period of 24 hours or less;

(d) provision of free or discounted alcohol in relation to the viewing on the premises of a sporting event, where that provision is dependent on–

(i) the outcome of a race, competition or other event or process, or

(ii) the likelihood of anything occurring or not occurring;

(e) selling or supplying alcohol in association with promotional posters or flyers on, or in the vicinity of, the premises which can reasonably be considered to condone, encourage or glamorise anti-social behaviour or to refer to the effects of drunkenness in any favourable manner.

2. The responsible person shall ensure that no alcohol is dispensed directly by one person into the mouth of another (other than where that other person is unable to drink without assistance by reason of a disability).

3. The responsible person shall ensure that free tap water is provided on request to customers where it is reasonably available.



**Annex 1C - Mandatory Conditions effective from 1st October 2010:**

These mandatory conditions apply where the licence authorises the supply of alcohol. The condition 5 does not apply where the licence authorises the sale by retail or supply of alcohol only for consumption off the premises.

4. (1) The premises licence holder or club premises certificate holder shall ensure that an age verification policy applies to the premises in relation to the sale or supply of alcohol.

(2) The policy must require individuals who appear to the responsible person to be under 18 years of age (or such older age as may be specified in the policy) to produce on request, before being served alcohol, identification bearing their photograph, date of birth and a holographic mark.

5. The responsible person shall ensure that–

(a) Where any of the following alcoholic drinks is sold or supplied for consumption on the premises (other than alcoholic drinks sold or supplied having been made up in advance ready for sale or supply in a securely closed container) it is available to customers in the following measures–

- (i) beer or cider: ½ pint;
- (ii) gin, rum, vodka or whisky: 25 ml or 35 ml; and
- (iii) still wine in a glass: 125 ml; and

(b) Customers are made aware of the availability of these measures.

## **Annex 2 – Conditions consistent with the operating schedule**

1. There shall be no sales of intoxicating liquor for consumption off the premises.
2. All staff and the Premises Licence Holder shall be trained in the operation of the Challenge 25 scheme and how to manage confrontation, staff training records must be maintained to the satisfaction of the Licensing Authority and made available to the officers of the Responsible Authorities and the Licensing Authority upon request.
3. A minimum of one member of staff must be assigned to act as Children's Safeguarder at the premises and this role must be fulfilled in compliance with the guidance and training issued by the Safeguarding Children's Board.
4. A colour CCTV system to the specification of South Yorkshire Police, will be fitted, maintained and in use at all times the premises are open, the CCTV images will be stored for 28 days. Police and Authorised Officers of the Council will be given access to images for the purposes in connection and detection of crime and disorder.
5. The Premises Licence Holder and all persons working at the premises shall be fully trained in the use of the CCTV system, so that images can be immediately obtained by the Police and Authorised Officers of the Council.
6. Staff will receive training on matters concerning underage sales, drugs policies, and operating procedures. Records of such training will be kept and made available for inspection by authorities upon request.
7. All doors and windows shall be closed, save for access and egress, when regulated entertainment is present in the premises.
8. The DPS or a designated member of staff must take a pro active approach to noise control, checking outside the premises to ensure that noise is kept to a reasonable level from patrons using the external area and manage noise levels internally so as not to cause a nuisance to the nearest noise sensitive property.
9. The Premises Licence Holder shall prominently display A4 notices on all exits reminding patrons to leave the premises in a quiet and orderly fashion to respect the local neighbours needs.
10. The Premises Licence Holder shall prominently display A4 notices in all external areas reminding patrons to be quiet whilst using the facilities provided and that they are in close proximity to residential accommodation.
11. No amplified sound shall be played in the premises except through an in-house amplified sound system fitted with a sound limiter and a cut off device connected to all emergency fire doors. The settings of which shall have received prior written approval of the Environmental Protection Service.
12. A recognised proof of age scheme must operate in compliance with the multi agency guidance issued by the Sheffield Safeguarding Children's Board, Trading Standards and South Yorkshire Police.

13. Children under the age of 16 years must be accompanied by an adult and supervised at all times.
14. Persons under the age of 18 years are not permitted to remain on the premises after 22:00 hours unless dining or attending a pre-booked function, event or game.

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

1. The premises shall be used as a private members club and for the purpose of providing members and bona fide guests with facilities for the playing of snooker and similar sports. The provision of live music and entertainment facilities shall be ancillary to the main use.
2. There shall not be more than 200 persons on the premises at any one time.
3. The provision of live music and similar entertainment facilities shall only be permitted for pre-booked events and shall be restricted to the new lounge as in accordance with the plan, dated 4<sup>th</sup> August 2005, revised 9th September 2010.
4. A permanent fixed residual current device (RCD) must protect the electrical power serving all amplified music equipment used for the purposes of live music.

### **Conditions attached after a hearing by the licensing authority 6th September 2011.**

1. The DPS must become a member of Sheffield Licence Watch and attend regularly.
2. The Premises must display relevant posters and information relating to the supply of alcohol to underage customers in positions that are both visible inside and outside the premises and at the point of sale.
3. Training concerning 'Challenge 25', underage sales, drugs policies and operating procedures shall be provided to all new members of staff. Existing members of staff shall receive annual refresher training. Records of all training shall be retained at the site and made available for inspection upon request of any Responsible Authority or the Licensing Authority.
4. The external decking area may be utilised by customers between 09:00 hours and 22:00 hours only.
5. Save for access and egress, only customers wishing to smoke shall be permitted to stand on the external decking area after 22:00 hours. Those customers wishing to smoke must not be permitted to drink in external areas while smoking after 22:00 hours.
6. The premises management must conduct a risk assessment in respect of all pre booked functions considering the employment of door supervisors and the use of non glass drinking vessels and maintain a written record of such risk assessments.
7. A registered SIA door supervisor must be employed at the premises from 21:00 hours until 30 minutes after the terminal hour whenever pre booked functions take place at the premises and also after 21:00 hours where numbers exceed 100 on a Friday or Saturday evening. The door supervisor must monitor all external areas to ensure noise from the premises and customers does not become excessive and to encourage customers to disperse quietly.

8. One hour before the conclusion of any pre booked function the premises management will ensure an announcement is broadcast within the premises that the event will be finishing in the next hour and customers requiring taxi transport should arrange their taxi.
9. A member of staff at the premises must carry out a check for litter and broken glass in the immediate area adjacent to the premises each evening after the premises has closed and clear up/remove any such broken glass.
10. A person who has successfully completed the Safe Guarding Children course must be on the premises at all times that under 18's are present.

**Rhodes Emma (CEX)**

**From:** Lucy.Adams@southyorks.pnn.police.uk on behalf of Sheffield.Liquor-Licensing@southyorks.pnn.police.uk  
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**To:** Licensing(General)  
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**Subject:** Objection-Application for a variation to the premises licence Player's Lounge, 20 Yew Lane, Ecclesfield

Sent on behalf of Sheffield Licensing, South Yorkshire Police

Licensing General

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Staniforth Road Depot

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Date: 13.03.13

## Licensing Act 2003

### Objection to the application for a variation to the premises licence

#### Player's lounge, 20 Yew Lane, Ecclesfield, Sheffield

On behalf of the Chief Constable of South Yorkshire, an objection is being made in relation to the above application.

The grounds of objection are based on the prevention of crime and disorder, public nuisance and the protection of children from harm. We have concerns regarding the proposed variation given ongoing issues at the premise. Further information will be provided in due course.

In order for the objection to be withdrawn, the matters outlined must be addresses to our satisfaction.

Yours faithfully,

For and on behalf of

Chief Constable, South Yorkshire Police

**From:** Milchard Amy (CYPD)

**Sent:** 13 March 2013 18:24

**To:** Licensing(General)

**Cc:** Hague Julie

**Subject:** SENT ON BEHALF OF JULIE HAGUE, SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN BOARD: REPRESENTATION - APPLICATION TO VARY THE PREMISES LICENCE FOR PLAYERS LOUNGE YEW LANE ECCLESFIELD SHEFFIELD

## **This representation is sent by email in agreement with the Licensing Authority**

The Sheffield Safeguarding Children Board has received and considered the above application and is hereby making a representation in relation to the proposed changes, under the core objective for the protection of children from harm (Licensing Act 2003).

The variation proposed by the applicant would result in a significant change to the style and character of the business, moving away from a membership controlled sports and social club to a general public late bar and party suite. I am concerned that if the application is granted as it stands, children and young people will be at increased risk of harm if additional safeguarding measures are not in place. This is because the existing licence conditions would mean that very young children may access the public bar, unaccompanied, until the early hours of the morning, in an environment that is adult orientated and where the main trade is the sale and consumption of alcohol.

The premises is well known to the SSCB and we have endeavoured to continually train staff to improve safeguarding and prevent underage sales; there is a record (including as recent as February 2013) of complaints regarding young people's behaviour and safety at these premises.

In order to ensure that adequate safeguarding systems are in place, if the application is granted, I would recommend that measures such as the following must be in place:

1. Persons under the age of 18 must be accompanied and supervised by a responsible adult at all times.
2. A designated family area must be used on a risk assessed basis (eg on football match viewings/match days)
3. Children accessing the premises to attend junior sports coaching sessions must be signed in and out of the premises by a responsible adult and a register of this process must be maintained and made available to the authorities for inspection on request. The premises management must obtain parent/carer consent for children under 16 years attending for sports coaching sessions and keep confidential records of emergency contact details for such children. The premises must have a suitable child protection policy to ensure that staff working with unaccompanied children are suitably vetted.
4. The booking contract for parties should include that a responsible adult is either in attendance or readily available in case of emergency and to provide supervision of children and vulnerable young people if required. This person should be nominated on the booking form along with their contact details (including a mobile phone number) so that staff can alert them if required.
5. Functions/parties should be ticketed or a guest list must be provided by the responsible adult prior to the event so that access can be controlled and audited.
6. It should be a booking condition that all guests must bring an acceptable form of identification (eg passport, photo driving licence or PASS logo card).
7. Adults attending parties involving a combination of under 18's and over 18's should be issued with a wristband to indicate age-verification has taken place to assist bar staff to prevent underage sales/proxy sales of alcohol.

I will liaise with the applicant's solicitor and try to resolve the above matter without the need for a formal hearing. I will notify the Licensing Authority of any agreements made.

Thank you,

**JULIE HAGUE**

Licensing Project Manager, SSCB

## Business Strategy & Regulation

Director of Business Strategy & Regulation: Mick Crofts

### Health Protection Service

2-10 Carbrook Hall Road • Sheffield • S9 2DB

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Officer: Mr S Gibbons

Tel: 0114 273 4616

Ref: players/sg

Date: 8 March 2013

Jonathan Hyldon  
John Gaunt & Partners  
Omega Court  
372-374 Cemetery Road  
Sheffield  
S11 8FT

Dear Sirs

### Licensing Act 2003

### Application to Vary the Premises Licence

**Premises: Players Lounge, 20 Yew Lane, Ecclesfield, Sheffield, S5 9AL**

I write further to the above application and a site visit on 10 January 2013, during which it was noted that unauthorised alterations have taken place to the internal layout of the premises.

Whilst these alterations were to a reasonable standard, and form part of this application, I have concerns regarding the proposal to remove the following three conditions which were attached to the premises licence during a hearing by the Licensing Committee on 6 September 2011;

1. The premises shall be used as a private members club and for the purpose of providing members and bona fide guests with facilities for the playing of snooker and similar sports. The provision of live music and entertainment facilities shall be ancillary to the main use.
2. There shall not be more than 200 persons on the premises at any one time.
3. The provision of live music and similar entertainment facilities shall only be permitted for pre-booked events and shall be restricted to the new lounge as in accordance with the plan, dated 4<sup>th</sup> August 2005, revised 9<sup>th</sup> September 2010.

The premises are currently operating as a proprietary club for the purpose of providing members with the facilities for the playing of snooker or similar, with social facilities which are ancillary to the main usage.

This application if granted, with the removal of the above three conditions, would substantially change the style and operation of the premises from a membership snooker

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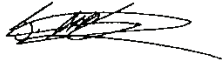
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club to that of a late bar/nightclub. As the responsible authority for Public Safety at this stage I have no alternative than to make an Objection, with respect to the removal of these conditions, due to the internal layout and arrangements, which are unsatisfactory.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me on the telephone number shown.

Yours faithfully



Mr S Gibbons  
Environmental Health Officer

Copy Via Email      Legal & Governance – Licensing General Section

Copy Via Post      Players Lounge  
20 Yew Lane  
Ecclesfield  
Sheffield  
S5 9AL

**From:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Sent:** 18 February 2013 18:26  
**To:** Licensing(General)  
**Subject:** Re: 147 Snooker Club-Yew Lane-Ecclesfield-Sheffield

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN,

I STRONGLY OBJECT TO THE ABOVE PUBLIC HOUSE EXTENDING HIS OPENING HOURS. FOR THE PAST SIX FRIDAY'S NOW, WE HAVE BEEN WOKEN UP, BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 12-1 AM, BY TEENAGERS, CAUSING A DISTURBANCE ON THEIR ROUTE HOME FROM THIS PLACE, BY THIS I MEAN FIGHTING, ARGUING, SHOUTING AT THE TOP OF THEIR VOICES. BROKEN GLASSES AND BOTTLES, I HAVE ALSO HAD TO CLEAN VOMIT UP ON MORE THAN ONE OCCASION, WHICH BELIEVE ME IS NOT NICE. SOME OF THESE YOUTHS ARE UNDER AGE TOO, AS THEY ARE IN FACT KNOWN TO ME. ITS ALWAYS GANGS OF THEM TOO, NOT A COUPLE BUT MAYBE 10-15 PEOPLE AT A TIME, SO WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW IS, WHY FRIDAY IS SO POPULAR, MAYBE HE AS A SOME DEAL ON WITH CHEAP DRINKS, NOT SURE, BUT SOMETHING BRINGS THEM IN THERE DROVES. I START WORK AT 6.30 AM SO I GO TO BED EARLY, THEN TO BE WOKEN SUDDENLY IS NOT ON, AND I SHOULD NOT HAVE TO PUT UP WITH IT, AND THEN TO FIND OUT THAT THEY WISH TO EXTEND THEIR OPENING HOURS IS RIDICULOUS AND AN INSULT. THIS BUSINESS STARTED OFF AS A SNOOKER CLUB, NOW ITS BECOME A NIGHT CLUB IN THE MIDDLE OF A CONSERVATION AREA, WHERE NOISE POLLUTION IS A KEY FACTOR. TO GRANT THESE CHANGES WOULD BE UNFAIR TO LOCAL RESIDENTS, OF WHICH A LOT OF THEM ARE RETIRED, ELDERLY AND POORLY AND ALREADY THEY ARE SICK OF THE TROUBLE THAT THIS CLUB BRINGS TO OUR VILLAGE. ONE OTHER POINT I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE, IS THAT THIS GENTLEMAN CAN GO HOME AFTER HE LOCKS UP HIS PREMISES, WE CANNOT GET AWAY FROM THE PROBLEMS, MAYBE IF HE WAS TO TAKE A LOOK AT THE SITUATION FROM OUR SIDE, HE MAY LOOK AT IT IN A DIFFERENT WAY, AND NOT BE SO QUICK OF THE MARK TO APPLY FOR THESE CHANGES. I HAVE SAT BACK AND IGNORED THIS PROBLEM FOR A WHILE NOW, BUT IT DOES NOT GO AWAY, AND ITS GETTING MUCH WORSE AND AM NOW AT BREAKING POINT. I MYSELF SUFFER WITH HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE AND TRY NOT TO LET THINGS BOTHER ME, BUT WHEN IT AFFECTS YOU ON A REGULAR BASIS IT REALLY DOES GRIND YOU DOWN, SO I REALLY NEEDED TO GET MY POINTS ACROSS. BY EXTENDING HIS HOURS OF TRADING WILL MEAN THAT YOUTHS ARE GOING TO BE WALKING THE STREETS AT 2-2.30 AM MAKING IT EXACTLY LIKE A NIGHT CLUB, AND JUST ADDING TO THE PROBLEMS WE ALREADY HAVE, IF A NIGHT CLUB IS WHAT THIS GENTLEMAN WANTS WHY DOES HE NOT SHIFT IS BUSINESS IN TO THE TOWN CENTRE WHERE A NIGHT CLUB BELONGS, AND I AM SURE WOULD BE WELCOMED WITH OPEN ARMS.

I DO HOPE THAT YOU WILL CONSIDER ALL THE FACTS BEFORE A DECISION IS MADE, AND IT MAYBE A GOOD IDEA TO CONTACT THE POLICE, AS THE ABOVE BUSINESS IS ALREADY WELL KNOWN TO THEM. PLEASE LET ME KNOW OF ANY MEETINGS WHICH WILL TAKE PLACE  
REGARDS TO THE ABOVE AS I AM VERY KEEN TO ATTEND.

david ofretwell

**From:** [redacted]  
**To:** <general.licensing@sheffield.gov.uk>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 26, 2013 1:09 PM  
**Subject:** players lounge 20 yew lane sheffield s5 9an  
from

dear sir

this is my objection to the proposed changes to the licensing hours to the players lounge.

at the moment friday and saturday nights there has been several occurrences where police ambulance ect, have had to attend because of the vioiece and fighting that has happend between the hours of 11pm and 1am and i have to sit and wait for the reverlers to go home before i can go to bed.

one of the biggest problems is the decking which was extended to the main entrance from the road to the premises.where customers sit summer and winter

another problem once the staff have ejected the customers from the building when closing there not intrested what happenes in the car park this is when the violence and fighting starts and spills over into yew lane

the car park is an echo chamber and the noise goes all round the area in the early hours.

GENERAL LICENSING

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2/26/2013

For the attention of Matt Proctor

Copy of letter sent to M. Young Planning Officer  
Development Services  
Howden House.



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8th March 2013

EVA RATCLIFFE SHELTERED HOUSING

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 E PETCH

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~~V Higgins~~  
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**From:**  
**Sent:** 08 March 2013 13:00  
**To:** Licensing(General)  
**Subject:** The Players Lounge - Ecclesfield

Dear Sir

I am writing in respect of the license extension being applied for by The Players Lounge (Formerly 147 Snooker Club)

of

20 Yew Lane

Sheffield

S5 9AN

I understand the main issue people have locally is associated with late night noise (especially at the weekend). I think that to extend the licensing hours will potentially cause more of an issue. Particularly considering the Eva Ratcliffe flats opposite have many elderly residents.

As such, I think this part of the application should be refused.

Regards

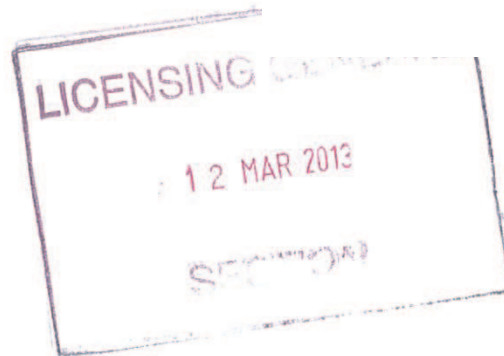
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## Appendix 'G5'

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Development Services  
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1 Union Street  
Sheffield S1 2SH



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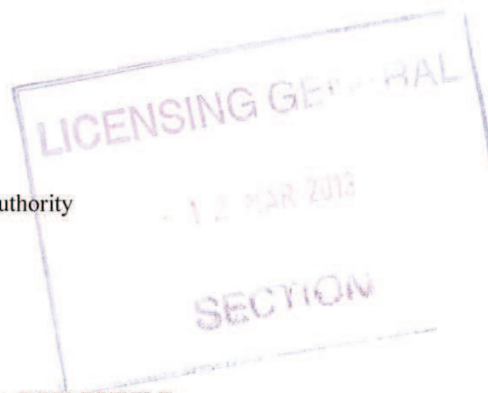
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9/3/2013

Sheffield Licensing Authority  
Staniforth Road  
Block C  
Sheffield  
S9 3HD



PLAYERS LOUNGE - ECCLESFIELD

I once again object to the above being granted extended Trading Hours.

Every Friday and Saturday night we are woken from about 11pm by Gangs of people shouting, fighting Damaging cars, and urinating on my property. Taxis are pulling up all Night Long and because of the Volume of traffic it brings they park across my drive often sounding the horn. At Closing time the Door Men send everyone off the property into the Street. I see them then leaving while there is mayhem in the street. The Police then have to attend.

This Club has been operating for Months Like a Night Club, I KNOW that it is full of UNDER AGE, I have been told by a neighbour their 13 year Old went in on Boxing Day with the couples friends and Their 13year Old , A few of their School Pals were in but NO PARENTS, drunk and getting served.

The Alterations have again been done prior to planning permission. It is not a function room and a Restaurant it is 2 FUNTION ROOMS . People come from all over the Area because it's the only place that will have 18<sup>th</sup> Partys. That is were the problem lies, they hold 2 18<sup>th</sup> together. They have to go through the other room for toilets and to get out. What a joke our Planning Laws are, the same Happened with the decking. WE ARE SUPPOSED TO BE A CONSERVATION AREA .

This brings me to the last review on 6/9/2011 after the conditions were set the councillor summed up If at any point we are brought back for breech of these conditions there will be Grave consequences ! Well thats about Everyone broken, So now what ?.

I cannot believe that we are expected to put up with all this I feels So Sorry for the Residents at Eva Ratcliffe Sheltered Housing some of these people are in their 80s and 90s. The terraced houses have Young Children and find it very distressing. I have be approached by Several neighbours and also 2 residents of the Sheltered housing they feel that NO ONE CARES and is not listening to them.

This weekend again it was disgusting the noise. Again Police attended one neighbour said 4 Youths ran Down the back of the Club and threw something over the bottom wall. I will let you work that one out.

All I can say is that this is a TICKING TIMEBOMB something is seriously going to go wrong. The Police will then have the Job of telling the Parents.

I Could go on and on with the issues .But these are a few FACTS that I think need to be mentioned.

(He Reckons his Solicitor has told him he will get the Extensions without any problem) .

Yours Faithfully

Hollis Georgina (CEX)

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**From:** gregory.woodman@pennings-reg.com  
**Sent:** 12 March 2013 07:12  
**To:** Licensing(General)  
**Subject:** Players Lounge (Formerly 147 Snooker Club)

I would like to totally send my opposition of the players lounge extending its opening hours at the weekends. we live on an housing estate. and I thought we were trying to stop binge drinking. if the people using the players lounge want late night drinking they should go to town.

we still get problems with the noise etc now !!!!! some of us like to go to bed to sleep also can it be reminded that the club is surrounded by elderly people. it is not necessary for it to be opened later and definitely not wanted.

please think about the people living near before the greed of the owner of the club.

thankyou.

Sent from Windows Mail

**Right of attendance, assistance and representation**

15. Subject to regulations 14(2) and 25, a party may attend the hearing and may be assisted or represented by any person whether or not that person is legally qualified.

**Representations and supporting information**

16. At the hearing a party shall be entitled to –  
in response to a point upon which the authority has given notice to a party that it will want clarification under regulation 7(1)(d), give further information in support of their application, representations or notice (as applicable), if given permission by the authority, question any other party; and address the authority

**Failure of parties to attend the hearing**

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(a) where it considers it to be necessary in the public interest, adjourn the hearing to a specified date, or  
(b) hold the hearing in the party's absence.  
(3) Where the authority holds the hearing in the absence of a party, the authority shall consider at the hearing the application, representations or notice made by that party.  
(4) Where the authority adjourns the hearing to a specified date it must forthwith notify the parties of the date, time and place to which the hearing has been adjourned.

**Procedure at hearing**

21. Subject to the provisions of the Regulations, the authority shall determine the procedure to be followed at the hearing.
22. At the beginning of the hearing, the authority shall explain to the parties the procedure which it proposes to follow at the hearing and shall consider any request made by a party under regulation 8(2) for permission for another person to appear at the hearing, such permission shall not be unreasonably withheld.
23. A hearing shall take the form of a discussion led by the authority and cross-examination shall not be permitted unless the authority considers that cross-examination is required for it to consider the representations, application or notice as the case may require.
24. The authority must allow the parties an equal maximum period of time in which to exercise their rights provided for at regulation 16.
25. The authority may require any person attending the hearing who in their opinion is behaving in a disruptive manner to leave the hearing and may –  
(a) refuse to permit that person to return, or  
(b) permit him to return only on such conditions as the authority may specify,

but such a person may, before the end of the hearing, submit to the authority in writing any information which they would have been entitled to give orally had they not been required to leave.

## Licensing Act 2003 – Hearing Procedure – Regulation 7 (1)

**This procedure has been drawn up in accordance with the Licensing Act 2003 to assist those parties attending Licensing Committee hearings.**

1. The hearing before the Council is Quasi Judicial.
  2. The Chair of the Licensing Committee will introduce the Committee and ask officers to introduce themselves.
  3. The Chair will ask the applicants to formally introduce themselves.
  4. The Solicitor to the Committee will outline the procedure to be followed at the hearing.
  5. Hearing Procedure:-
    - (a) The Licensing Officer will introduce the report.
    - (b) Questions concerning the report can be asked both by Members and the applicant.
    - (c) The Licensing Officer will introduce in turn representatives for the Responsible Authority and Interested Parties who will be asked to detail their relevant representations.
    - (d) Members may ask questions of those parties
    - (e) With the leave of the Chair the applicant or his representative may cross examine the representatives of the Responsible Authorities and Interested Parties.
    - (f) The applicant/licensee (or his/her nominated representative) will then be asked to:-
      - (i) detail the application;
      - (ii) provide clarification on the application and respond to the representations made.
    - (g) The applicant/licensee (or his/her nominated representative) may then be asked questions by members and with the leave of the Chair from the other parties present.
    - (h) The applicant will then be given the opportunity to sum up the application.
    - (i) The Licensing Officer will then detail the options.
    - (j) There will then be a private session for members to take legal advice and consider the application.
  6. The decision of the Licensing Committee will be given in accordance with the requirements of the Licensing Act 2003 and regulations made there under.
- NB:
- 1) At any time in the Licensing Process Members of the Committee may request legal advice from the Solicitor to the Committee. This advice may be given in open session or in private.
  - 2) The Committee Hearing will be held in public unless and in accordance with the Regulations the Committee determine that the public should be excluded.