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LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE EDGE, 80 - 84 MARKET PLACE, ROMFORD RM1 3ER

AGENDA

10.30 am	Friday 9 March 2012	Council Chamber Town Hall
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Members 3: Quorum 2

COUNCILLORS:

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AGENDA ITEMS

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

(if any) - receive

2 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Members are invited to declare any interest in any of the item on the agenda at this point of the meeting. Members may still declare an interest in an item at any time prior to the consideration of the matter.

3 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENT

The Chairman will announce details of the arrangements in case of fire or other events that might require the meeting room or building's evacuation.

- 4 REPORT OF THE CLERK (Pages 1 6)
- 5 REPORT OF THE LICENSING OFFICER (Pages 7 58)

Application for a variation of a premises licence for EDGE, 80 – 84 Market Place, Romford RM1 3ER

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Committee Administration & Member Support
Manager



LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

REPORT

9 March 2012

Subject Heading:

Procedure for the Hearing: Licensing

Report Author and contact details:

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Members are advised that, when considering an application to vary a premises licence, the following options are available to them by virtue of the Licensing Act 2003, Part 3, section 35, paragraphs 3 and 4:

"Where relevant representations are made, the authority must

- (a) hold a hearing to consider them, unless the authority, the applicant and each person who has made such representations agree that a hearing is unnecessary, and
- (b) having regard to the representations, take such steps as it considers necessary for the promotion of the licensing objectives.

The steps are:

- a) modify the conditions of the licence
- b) reject the whole or part of the application

and for this purpose, the conditions of the licence are modified if any of them is altered or omitted or any new condition is added."

The Sub-Committee will also wish to note that, if none of these steps is required, the application must be granted.

Assuming that the Sub-Committee is satisfied that a hearing is required, then the following procedural steps are recommended. The Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005 will govern the arrangements for the hearing of the application now under consideration. This report accords with the requirements of that Act and the Regulations, and in particular Regulations 21-25 (procedure at the hearing).

1. Membership of the Sub-Committee:

- 1.1 The Sub-Committee comprises three members of the Licensing Committee, with a quorum of two members. Unless there are objections, in the absence of three members, the hearing shall proceed with the quorum of two.
- 1.2 A members of the Licensing Committee will be excluded from hearing an application where he or she:
 - 1.2.1 has considered an application in respect of the premises in the previous 12 months as a Member of the Regulatory Services Committee; or
 - 1.2.2 is a Ward Councillor for the Ward in which the premises, subject to the application, are located; or
 - 1.2.3 is a Ward Councillor for a Ward which is likely to be affected by the application or;
 - 1.2.4 has a personal interest in the application.

2. Roles of other participants:

- 2.1 The Legal Advisor is not a party to the hearing. The role of the Legal Advisor is to provide legal advice relating to the application and submissions.
- 2.2 The Clerk is not a party to the hearing. The role of the Clerk is to record the hearing and the decisions of the Sub-Committee, and ensure efficient administration

3. Representation validation meeting:

- 3.1 Prior to this hearing, the Sub-Committee Chairman will have met the Legal Advisor and/or Clerk to determine whether further clarification is required of any issues contained in the application or any representation.
- 3.2 During this preliminary meeting no decision will have been made or discussion held regarding the substantive merits of the application or representations.

4. Location and facilities:

- 4.1 All hearings will be heard at the Havering Town Hall unless otherwise directed.
- 4.2 Interpreters will be provided by the Council on request, provided notice is given at least five working days before the hearing.

5. Notification of attendance:

5.1 The Chairman will enquire of the parties who is in attendance and the parties will indicate their names (and, where relevant, whom they represent). A register will be circulated before the commencement of the hearing on which the applicant, his/her advisers and companions and all interested parties (and/or their representatives) will be asked to record their attendance.

6. Procedural matters:

- 6.1 Prior to the commencement of the hearing, the Chairman of the Sub-Committee will orally inform the parties whether their applications to have certain people attend the hearing (e.g. witnesses) have been granted or refused. Note this relates to people other than those attending on behalf of a party in the capacity as a representative of the party.
- 6.2 Prior to the commencement of the hearing the Chairman of the Sub-Committee will outline the procedure to be followed at the hearing. This will normally be as follows:

Introduction of the application:

The Licensing officer will outline:

- details of the application and relevant representations received from the parties;
- relevant legislation;
- relevant Licensing Policy; and
- the time limit in which the Council must reach a determination.

Documentary evidence:

- Documentary or other information in support of applications, representations or notices should be provided to the Clerk of the Sub-Committee at least 7 clear working days before the hearing. If this information is produced at the hearing it will only be taken into account by the Sub-Committee if the Sub-Committee and all the parties consent to its submission. Permission to have this information included in the hearing should be requested at the beginning of the hearing before any oral submissions have been made.
- Statements made by people in support of a party's representation who
 are not present at the hearing, must be signed by the maker, dated and
 witnessed by another person. The statement must also contain the
 witness's full name and occupation.

Representations:

- The chairman will invite each of the parties at the hearing or their representative sequentially to address the Sub-Committee and call any person/s to whom permission has been granted to appear. Each party will be allowed a maximum period of 10 minutes in which to address the Sub-Committee and call persons on his/her behalf.
- This 10 minute period is where each party has the opportunity to orally address the Sub-Committee and clarify any points in which the Sub-Committee has sought clarification prior to the hearing. This 10 minute period should be uninterrupted unless a member of the Sub-Committee or Legal Advisor considers that the speaker is making submissions that are irrelevant, frivolous or vexatious.
- Members of the Sub-Committee may ask questions of any party, at any time during the proceedings. Time taken in dealing with a Member's question will not be taken into account in determining the length of time available to the party in question to make their representation.

The sequence in which each of the parties will be invited to address the Sub-Committee will normally be in the order of:

- the Chief Officer of Police:
- the Fire Authority;
- the Health and Safety at Work Enforcing Authority;
- the Local Planning Authority;
- the Local environmental Health Authority;
- the Local Weights and Measures Authority:
- the Authority Responsible for the Protection of Children from Harm;
- a navigation or other authority responsible for waterways; and
- any other party that has submitted representations in respect of the application, certificate, notice or other matter appearing before the Sub-Committee;
- the party that has submitted the application, certificate, notice or other matter appearing before the Sub-Committee.

At the discretion of the Sub-Committee the above order may be varied.

Cross-Examination:

Where witnesses have been permitted by the Sub-Committee to speak at the hearing on behalf of a party, permission must be sought from the Sub-Committee before another party can ask the witness questions. This process of questioning is normally referred to as cross-examination. The Sub-Committee will allow cross-examination only where it is necessary to assist it in considering the representations or application.

Relevance:

Information submitted at the hearing must be relevant to the applications, representations, or notice and the promotion of the licensing objectives. The Chairman of the Sub-Committee is entitled to exclude any information it considers to be irrelevant whether presented in written or oral form. The licensing objectives are:

The prevention of crime and disorder;

Public safety;

The prevention of public nuisance; and

The protection of children from harm.

7. Failure of parties to attend the hearing:

7.1 If a party, who has not given prior notice of his/her intention not to attend the hearing, is absent from the hearing the Sub-Committee may either adjourn the hearing or hold the hearing in the party's absence. Where the hearing is held in the absence of a party, the Sub-Committee will still consider the application, representation or notice submitted by that party.

8. Adjournments and extension of time:

- 8.1 The Sub-Committee may adjourn a hearing to a specified date or extend a notice period except where it must make a determination within certain time limits in the following specific applications:
 - Applications for conversion of existing licences where the Sub-Committee must make a determination within 2 months of the application first being received. In default of a decision being made the application will be treated as being granted;
 - Applications for variation of existing licences where the Sub-Committee must make a determination within 2 months of the application first being received. In default of a decision being made the application will be treated as being rejected;
 - Applications for conversion of existing club certificates where the Sub-Committee must make a determination within 2 months of the application being first received. In default of a decision being made the application will be treated as being granted;
 - Applications for variation of existing club certificates where the Sub-Committee must make a determination within 2 months of the application being first received. In default of a decision being made the application will be treated as being rejected;
 - Applications made by holders of justices' licences for personal licences must be determined within 3 months of the application first being

- received. In default of a decision not being made within this period the application will be treated as being granted;
- Review of premises licences following closure orders where the Subcommittee must make a determination within 28 days of receiving notice of the closure order.

9. Sub-Committee's determination of the hearing:

- 9.1 At the conclusion of the hearing the Sub-Committee will deliberate in private accompanied by the Clerk and the Legal Advisor who will be available to assist the Sub-Committee with any legal problems but will not participate in any decision making of the Sub-Committee.
- 9.2 The Sub-Committee will normally make its determination and announce its decision at the end of the hearing.
- 9.3 Where all parties have notified the Sub-Committee that a hearing is not required the Sub-Committee must make its determination within 10 working days of being given notice that the hearing is not required.

10. Power to exclude people from hearing:

- 10.1 The public are entitled to attend the hearing as spectators. However, the Sub-Committee may exclude any person from the hearing including any person assisting or representing a party where:
 - it considers that the public interest would be best served by excluding the public or the individual person from the hearing; or
 - that person is behaving in a disruptive manner. This may include a party
 who is seeking to be heard at the hearing. In the case where a party is to
 be excluded, the party may submit to the Sub-Committee in writing any
 information which they would have been entitled to give orally had they
 not been required to leave the hearing.

11. Recording of proceedings:

11.1 A written record of the hearing will be produced and kept for 6 years from the date of the determination of the hearing.

12. Power to vary procedure:

12.1 The Sub-committee may depart from following any of the procedures set out in this document if it considers the departure to be necessary in order to consider an application, notice or representation.



LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

REPORT

9 March 2012

Subject Heading:

Report Author and contact details:

Variation of premises licence Edge 80-84 Market Place Romford RM1 3ER

Paul Campbell – Licensing Officer

01708 432777

licensing@havering.gov.uk

This application for a variation to a premises licence is made by Romford Investments Limited under section 34 of the Licensing Act 2003. The application was received by Havering's Licensing Authority on 17th January 2012.

Geographical description of the area and description of the building

Edge is a two story terrace premises with bars and entertainment areas on both floors

The premises is located on the south side of Market Place Romford approximately 200 metres east of South Street and 60 metres west of Mercury Gardens. The adjacent premises are shops and commercial premises there are residential properties on the opposite side of the Market Place.

The Market place is used as a Market on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday with the stalls being set up on the previous nights (Tuesday and Thursday) and being taken down into the night after the markets (Wednesday and Saturday) at all other times the Market Place is used as a car park.

The premises are within easy walking distance of Romford Train Station, cab ranks and offices and the night bus service.

A map of the area is attached to assist the committee.

Details of the application

The current premises licence permits

Supply of Alcohol		
Day	Start	Finish
Sunday to Thursday	07:00hrs	00:00hrs
Friday & Saturday	07:00hrs	03:00hrs

Live Music, Recorded M Provision of facilities fo	•	
Day	Start	Finish
Sunday to Thursday	07:00hrs	00:30hrs
Friday & Saturday	07:00hrs	03:30hrs

Late night Refreshment		
Day	Start	Finish
Sunday to Thursday	23:00hrs	02:00hrs
Friday & Saturday	23:00hrs	04:00hrs

Variation applied for:

Live Music, Recorded Dancing Supply of Alc	•	acilities for
Day	Start	Finish
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday		
Thursday	07:00hrs	02:00hrs
Friday		
Saturday		
Sunday	07:00hrs	02:00hrs

To remove the condition on the premises licence relating to the lobbied entrance and replace with manage the doors to be closed at a reasonable time apart form entrance and exit to the premises.

Seasonal variations & Non-standard timings

There are no seasonal variations or non-standard timings applied for in this variation.

Comments and observations on the application

The applicant acted in accordance with premises licence regulations 25 and 26 relating to the advertising of the application. The required newspaper advertisement was installed in the Yellow Advertiser on Wednesday 25th January 2012.

Licensing Sub-Committee, 9 March 2012

Summary

There were eight valid representations against this application from interested parties.

There was one representation against this application from responsible authorities. (Metropolitan Police)

Details of representations

Valid representations may only address the following licensing objectives:

The prevention of crime and disorder The prevention of public nuisance The protection of children from harm Public safety

Interested parties' representations

The interested parties representations fall mainly under the heading of the prevention of public nuisance.

Responsible Authorities' representations

The Metropolitan police outline their concerns over the proposed extended hours.

There were no representations from the following responsible authorities:

Public Health
The London Fire and Emergency Planning Authority
The Health & Safety Enforcing Authority
The Trading Standards Service
Planning Control & Enforcement
Children & Families Service

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<u>Details of</u> <u>Current Licence</u>



Premises licence number

007870

Part 1 - Premises details

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

Edge 80-84 Market Place Romford RM1 3ER

Where the licence is time limited the dates

Not Applicable

Licensable activities authorised by the licence

Live Music
Recorded Music
Late Night Refreshment
Supply of Alcohol
Provision of Facilities for Dancing

The times the licence authorises the carrying out of licensable activities

Supply of Alcohol
Sunday to Thursday – 07:00 to 00:00
Friday & Saturday – 07:00 to 03:00

<u>Live Music, Recorded Music</u> Sunday to Thursday – 07:00 to 00:30 Friday & Saturday – 07:00 to 03:30

<u>Late Night Refreshment</u>
Sunday to Thursday – 23:00 to 02:00
Friday & Saturday – 23:00 to 04:00

Provision of Facilities for Dancing Sunday to Thursday 07:00 to 00:30 Friday &Saturday 07:00 to 03:30

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The opening hours of the premises

Sunday to Thursday – 07:00 to 02:00 Friday & Saturday – 07:00 to 04:00

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

On and Off Supplies

Part 2

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

Romford Investments Limited
The Old Garage
4 Fairacres
Ruislip
HA4 8AN

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

7455541

Name, address and telephone number of designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises for the supply of alcohol

Mr Darren Mills 198 Lodge Avenue, Dagenham, RM8 2HG 01708 725921

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

London Borough of Barking & Dagenham - 08922

Mandatory Conditions

- 1. 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.
- 2. Every supply of alcohol under the Premises Licence must be made or authorised by a person who holds a Personal Licence.
- 3. (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.

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- (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.
- 4. 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).
- 5. The responsible person shall ensure that free tap water is provided on request to customers where it is reasonably available.
- 6. 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: 1/2 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. 3 of 8

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	Steve Bromley, Licensing Officer

- 7. (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.

Annex 2 - Conditions consistent with the operating schedule

- 1. The premises licence holder shall maintain a CCTV system which shall be capable of providing images to an identifiable standard.
- 2. SIA registered door supervisors will supervise the bar area during busy periods.
- 3. Staff must be trained to request identification from any person appearing to be under the age of 21 and will not serve alcohol to any individual who cannot provide sufficient photographic identification when requested.
- 4. CCTV footage must be provided to the police on request
- 5. Footage from the CCTV system must be kept for at least 28 days.
- 6. Staff must be trained to adhere to all fire safety and evacuation procedures
- 7. A fully trained first aider will be present at all times wherever possible.
- 8. The capacity must not exceed the limit set for the building.
- 9. The premises licence holder shall make reasonable endeavours to ensure music and noise emanating from the premises is not audible to cause disturbance to neighbouring residential properties.
- 10. Staff will be trained to contact the police if circumstances give rise to a public nuisance.
- 11. The premises licence holder will adhere to the challenge 21 initiative.

Annex 3 - Conditions attached after a hearing by the Licensing Authority

- CD1 All staff shall be suitably trained for their job function for the premise. The training shall be written into a programme, ongoing and under constant review, and must be available to a relevant Responsible Authority when called upon.
- A Premises Daily Register shall be kept at the premise. This register will be maintained and kept for a minimum of 12 months. This register should record the name of the person responsible for the premise on each given day. The Premises Daily Register shall record all calls made to the premises where there is a complaint made by a resident or neighbour of noise, nuisance or anti social behaviour by persons attending or leaving the premises. This shall record the details of the caller, the time and date of the call and the time and date of the incident about which the call is made and any actions taken to deal with the call. The Premises Paily Register will be readily available for

inspection by an Authorised Person throughout the trading hours of the premise. The Premises Daily Register will also record all incidents in relation to the use of any force by staff or Door Supervisors in the removal of persons from the premises. It shall record the time and date of the occurrence, name or brief description of the person removed, and details of the staff involved.

- CD7 All Door Supervisors shall enter their full details in the Premises Daily Register at the commencement of work. This shall record their full name, home address and contact telephone number, the Door Supervisor's SIA registration number and the time they commenced and concluded working. If the Door Supervisor was supplied by an agency, details of that agency will also be recorded including the name of the agency, the registered business address and a contact telephone number.
 - That staff will receive Drug awareness training from the Havering DAAT team.

CCTV

- CD15 A properly specified and fully operational CCTV system shall be installed or the existing system maintained to a satisfactory standard. The system will incorporate a camera covering each of the entrance doors and be capable of providing an image which is regarded as 'identification standard' of all persons entering and/or leaving the premises. All other areas of risk identified in the Operational Requirement shall have coverage appropriate to the risk.
- CD16 The installation or upgrading of any CCTV system shall comply with current best practice. In addition the documentation listed below shall be included in a 'System File' which should be readily available for inspection by the relevant authority:

Site plan showing position of cameras and their field of view.

Code of Practice.

Performance specification e.g. storage capacity, image file size, IPS for each camera and purpose of each camera position

Operational requirement.

Incident log.

Maintenance records including weekly visual checks.

- CD17 To obtain a clear head and shoulders image of every person entering the premises on the CCTV system, persons entering the premises should be asked to remove headwear, unless worn as part of religious observance.
- CD18 The CCTV system shall incorporate a recording facility and all recordings shall be securely stored for a minimum of 21 days. A system shall be in place to maintain the quality of the recorded image and a complete audit trail maintained. The system will comply with other essential legislation, and all signs as required will be clearly displayed. The system will be maintained and fully operational throughout the hours that the premises are open for any

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	Steve Bromley, Licensing Officer

licensable activity. For premises using a video recording system, the cassette tapes shall be used on no more than 12 occasions to maintain the quality of the recorded image.

CD19 The positions of all CCTV cameras shall be clearly shown on a set of plans which should form part of the 'System File'. Any alteration to the system should only be carried out after consultation with and written approval of Havering Police and the Licensing Authority.

Door Supervisors

- CDGPG9 Premises which have a policy that includes the searching of persons shall have Door Supervisors of on duty at all times.
- CDGPG10All Door Supervisors working outside the premises or whilst engaged in the dispersal of patrons at the close of business shall wear 'High Visibility Clothing'.

Queue Management and Dispersal Procedures

- PNGPG1 The Licence Holder shall implement a written queue management policy. All queuing outside the premises shall be managed in such a way that prevents noisy or rowdy behaviour and therefore minimises disturbance or nuisance to neighbours. The policy shall be approved in writing by the Licensing Authority.
- PNGPG2 The Licence Holder shall implement a written dispersal policy, to move customers from the premises and the immediate vicinity in such a way as to cause minimum disturbance or nuisance to neighbours, both residential and business, and to make the minimum impact upon the neighbourhood in relation to potential nuisance, antisocial behaviour, crime and disorder. The policy shall be approved in writing by the Licensing Authority.

Bottles and Glasses

Drinks shall be served in vessels made from polycarbonate or plastic.

First Aid

- PS22 An adequate and appropriate supply of first aid equipment and materials shall be available on the premises.
- PS23 At least one trained first-aider shall be on duty when the public are present.
- PS24 Notices detailing the availability of first aid equipment shall be prominently displayed & shall be protected from damage or deterioration.

Proof of age

CDGPG2 All members of staff at the premises shall seek "credible photographic proof of age evidence" from any person who appears to be under the age of 21 years and who is seeking access to the premises or is seeking to purchase or consume alcohol on the premises. Such credible evidence, which shall include a photograph of the customer, will include a passport, photographic driving licence, or Proof of Age card carrying a "PASS" logo.

• The premise will adopt the Challenge 21Policy as agreed.

Misuse of drugs

- CD20 The Licence Holder shall implement a written Drugs Policy. This shall detail the strategies to minimise the use and supply of illegal drugs within the premises. The Drugs Policy shall include a structured training programme covering the issues relevant to the misuse of drugs in relation to licensed premises, which will be delivered to all staff. This Policy shall be approved in writing by Havering Police.
- CD21 The Designated Premises Supervisor shall hold a National Certificate of Drugs Awareness qualification, run by the Bll or similar accredited body.
- CD22 All staff shall be trained in dealing with persons who are incapacitated through the use of drugs or the combined effect of drugs and alcohol.

Noise and Vibration

- PN17 Entertainment is to be held internally only and no music or speakers shall be provided to external areas of the premises.
- PN22 Staff shall be given adequate training to prevent them causing unnecessary noise when they leave the premises and prominent, clear notices displayed at all points where staff leave the building must instruct them to respect the needs of local residents and leave the premises and the area quietly.
- PN26 The specification, and orientation of all speakers shall be agreed with the Licensing Authority / Responsible Authority.

The Sub-Committee also included the following additional conditions:

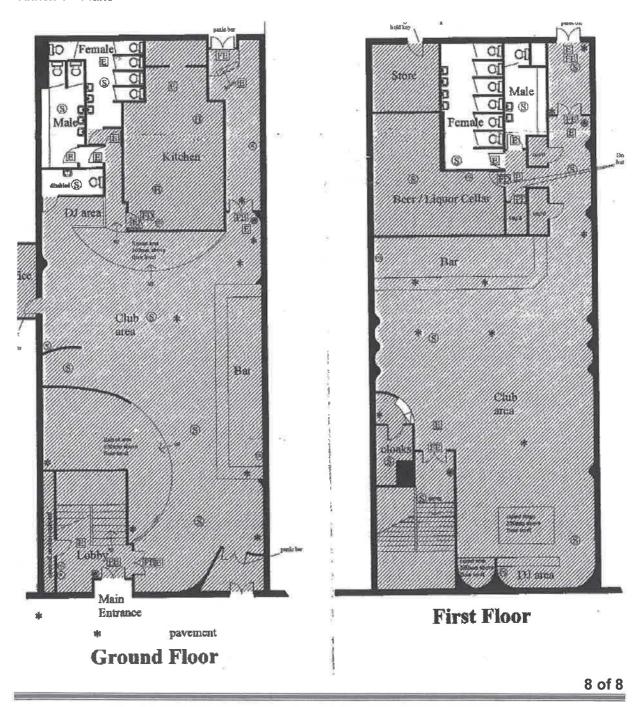
- The installation of a noise limiting device in all rooms where the playing of recorded and live music will occur. The noise limiting device once installed by a competent electrician is to be set and sealed by officers from the Environmental Health Service.
- The creation of a lobbied exit on the front façade of the building which leads in to the ground floor bar area.
- That the present single glazer folding doors to the front of the premise to be double glazed.

That these three conditions to be completed within the next six months.

 No drinks to be taken outside in to the smoking area and the maximum number in this area is set at 20.

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	Steve Bromley, Licensing Officer

Annex 4 - Plans





Part B

Premises licence summary

Premises licence number

007870

Premises details

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

Edge 80-84 Market Place Romford RM1 3ER

Where the licence is time limited the dates

Not Applicable

Licensable activities authorised by the licence

Live Music
Recorded Music
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Provision of Facilities for Dancing

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Provision of Facilities for Dancing Sunday to Thursday - 07:00 to 00:30 Friday & Saturday - 07:00 to 03:30

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

On and Off Supplies

Name, (registered) address of holder of premises licence

Romford Investments Limited
The Old Garage
4 Fairacres
Ruislip
HA4 8AN

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

7455541

Name of designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises for the supply of alcohol

Mr Darren Mills

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

Not Restricted



Copy of Application



Application to vary a premises licence under the Licensing Act 2003

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being the premises licence holder, apply the Licensing Act 2003 for the premises d	to vary a premises licence under Section 34 of . escribed in Part 1 below.
Premises licence number	007870
Part 1 – Premises details	
Postal address of premises or, if none ordnance si	urvey map reference or description
80-84 MARKET PLACE	
Romford	
Post town ESSEX	Post code RM1 - 3 ER
Telephone number at premises (if any)	01708 750152
Non-domestic rateable value of premises	£ 73,500

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Contact name (where not previously given) and postal address for correspondence associated with this application (please read Guidance Note 13)

80 - 84 MARKET PLACE

ROMPORD

Post town ESSEX

Post code RM1 3ER

Telephone number (if any)

If you would prefer us to correspond with you by e-mail your e-mail address (optional)

Guidance Notes

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

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

LONDON BOROUGH OF HAVERING

LICENSING ACT 2003

EXHIBITION OF A NOTICE AT THE PREMISES

Within 2 days from the date on which application is made for a new licence the applicant is required to put up a notice at the premises in a place where it can easily be seen and read by persons in the street or adjoining public place. The notice must be kept exhibited for 28 days.

The notice must be on light blue paper.

Public Protection Manager Housing & Public Protection

A copy of the prescribed notice (which may require completion) is attached. The notice <u>must</u> be dated to show the day it was first exhibited.

Will you kindly notify in the form below the date on which the notice was exhibited and give the undertaking that it will be kept exhibited for 28 days. The completed declaration should be returned to the offices of the Public Protection Manager.

London Borough of Havering
Mercury House, Mercury Gardens
Romford, Essex RM1 3SL

Name of Applicant

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Name of Premises

80-84 Market VLACE

Romford, ESSEX, RM1 3ER

The notice must be kept exhibited for 28 days from that date.

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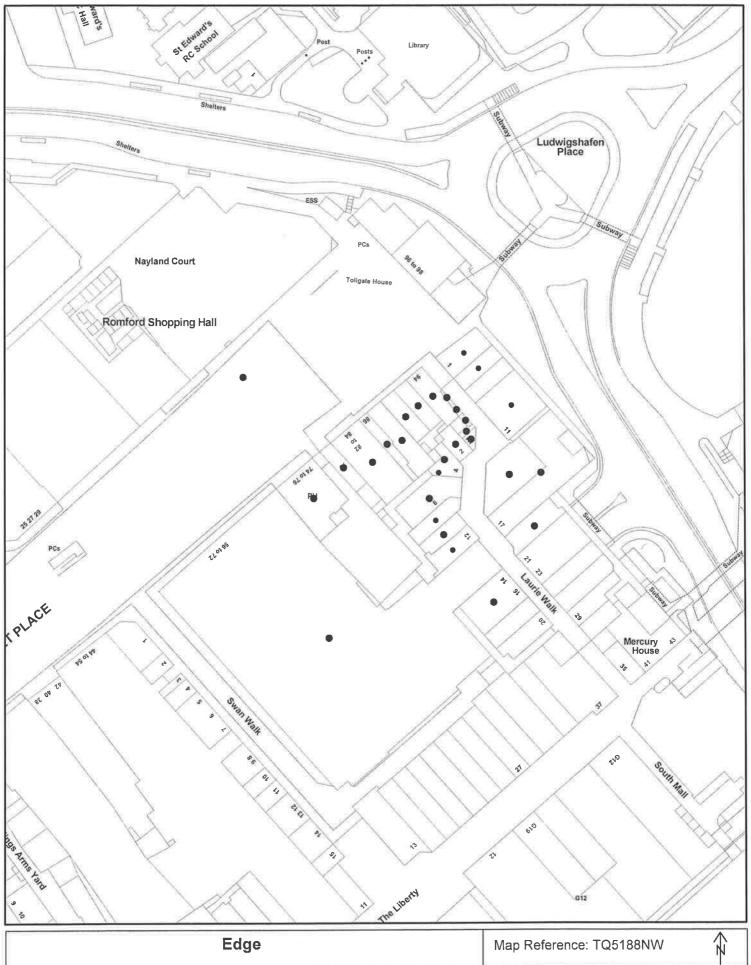
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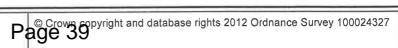


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London Borough of Havering Town Hall, Main Road Romford, RM1 3BD Tel: 01708 434343





Valid Representations

Paul Campbell

From: Mark Dale [markdale@rocketmail.com]

Sent: 08 February 2012 19:25

To: Paul Campbell

Subject: Edge Nightclub Extended Licensing Application

Categories: sub committee

Dear Sir,

I am writing in reference to the above application.

I am an owner occupier of a flat in Nayland Court and my flat looks out onto the Market Place and the Edge Nightclub. I would like to register my objection to this extension. The basis of my objection are as follows:-

- * Allowing the club to remain open until the early hours of Friday & Monday Mornings would be unfair to those residents who need their sleep before heading off for a days work. The music and particulally the base level that the club can be quite loud and thus could affect people's sleep. My bedroom is at the front of my flat, but I can still hear the base and music coming from the club.
- * The patrons of the club congregate outside the club creating a lot of noise polution. Their constant shouting above the noise of the club and the language used means sometimes we can't hear our televisions. Sometimes I think that there's a fight occuring because of the noise. This is also apparent at closing time when the patrons remain in the area without any effort by the management or door staff to move them on towards the taxi ranks or public transport.
- * Their are some residents who have children and this would affect their sleep pattens.
- * The original License was granted with three condition requiring to be met within six months of the license being granted. By the club's own admission, they have failed to meet at least one of these conditions which leads me to ask the question have the others been met? The condition I'm referring to is to the creation of a lobby area. As this has not been actioned within the six month period set, are they in breach of their license?

I feel that the granting of this extention will affect my quality of life and I hereby request that my objections be noted and the extension be refused.

Thank you for taking time to read my e-mail. I'll be happy to discuss further any of my objections.

Regards

Mark Dale 61 Nayland Court Brown.txt

From: Holly Brown [holly-brown@hotmail.co.uk]

Sent: 06 February 2012 09:36

To: Paul Campbell

Subject: Re: Edge Nightclub extended licensing application

Categories: sub committee

Hi Paul

Sorry my address is:

Flat 76 Nayland Court Market Place Romford RM1 3EF

Regards

Holly Brown

Sent using BlackBerry® from Orange

----Original Message----

To: <holly-brown@hotmail.co.uk>

Subject: RE: Edge Nightclub extended licensing application

Dear Ms Brown

Under the Licensing Act 2003 to accept your representation against the application I need your full address could you please provide this All representations must be with the licensing authority by 14th February 2012. Paul Campbell..

From: Holly Brown [mailto:holly-brown@hotmail.co.uk]

Sent: 04 February 2012 18:19

To: Paul Campbell

Subject: Edge Nightclub extended licensing application

Dear Paul

I understand that if we have any oppositions to the license extention the Edge nightclub is applying for you are the person we need to voice these to.

I am one of the residents of Nayland Court and my flat is situated opposite the Edge.

At present you get very little sleep when the club is open not only due to the music levels but mainly due to the congregation of its customers outside when the club is closing. They are generally there for a long time with no effort made to move them on by te management and we are usually woken by their loud drunken screams and shouts. If at the moment they only have an alcohol license until 12am I cannot imagine how little sleep we will get if the customers are able to buy alcohol for 2 hours longer.

Please let me know if you require anything further from me.

Kind regards

Brown.txt

Holly Brown

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From:

Michael Cardy [michael_cardy@hotmail.com]

Sent:

06 February 2012 15:37

To:

Paul Campbell

Subject:

Edge Nightclub Extended Licensing Application

Dear Paul,

I am writing to oppose the above application. I live in Nayland Court (Number 65) directly opposite the Edge and must say that the noise and anti-social behaviour of the clientele of that club is shocking and really disrupts my life here every weekend to such an extent that I don't even think about going to bed until after 3am on Fridays and Saturdays.

The volume of the music is bad enough, but not only that it is the crowd that stands outside even when the place is closed, shouting and screaming until 4 or 5am, the door staff do nothing to get the crowds to disperse.

This is really effecting my life and quality of life, it's bad enough being woken at 5am by the market getting put up and the stallholders playing their music while they put their stalls up, but to have it from The Edge is just too much.

I urge you not to allow this application to go ahead, for me and all the Residents in Nayland Court's sanity.

Thanking you in advance.

Michael Cardy

Mr Jay Chauhan. 43 Nayland Court, Marketplace Romford. RM1 3EF

Reference: Application by the EDGE Nightclub to extend licensing hours to 2am Thursdays and Sundays and the removal of an existing condition requiring a lobbied area to be created.

I wish to strongly oppose to the application forwarded by the Edge Nightclub as detailed above on the grounds that this will have a detrimental effect on my standard of life and my ability to sleep due to the excess noise from the music emanating from the club and the level of noise made outside of the club by their patrons into the early hours.

I am currently experiencing a number of issues with excessive noise and have done so since the club opened as The EDGE in October 2009. I have made a number of complaints regarding the doors being kept open into the early hours even when there has been no queuing or need to allow patrons to enter or exit but this continues to be a problem. As a result of my complaints I believe they have had a letter reminding them of their responsibilities however even as recently as Friday 3rd February the doors were left open until 1am and even on Saturday 4th February when it was snowing one of the doors was allowed to be left open until midnight.

This demonstrates a blatant disregard to their environment and myself as a resident situated opposite and I feel that licensing extended to 2am on Thursdays and Sundays would exaggerate the issue. Furthermore there is an extreme level of noise from patrons congregating outside of the club resulting in screaming and shouting and swearing until the early hours. Recently there have even been occasions when some of their patrons have exited the premises with skateboards and dropped them to the floor to skateboard outside of the club in full view of the door staff before returning into the club. Very little effort has been made to reduce the noise by patrons and by extending their opening times to 2.30am on Thursdays and Sundays would mean I would be subjected to this noise into the early hours for four nights in a row from Thursday to Sunday which I feel is completely unacceptable.

I wish to strongly oppose to the application to remove the condition for the lobbied area to the entrance of the building. I absolutely believe this lobbied area is of vital importance to reduce the noise levels emanating from within the club and I fail to understand how this lobbied area would not have any impact as stated in the application. It seems logical that having two sets of doors would act as a buffer zone to diffuse the noise from within unless they fail to keep the doors closed. At present when the doors are opened there is a significant increase in the volume emanating from within the club so I would ask that this condition remains and should be enforced with a strict timetable.

The club owners have stated they wish to have the licensing hours extended to enable them to compete with other premises in the immediate area. I would like to point out that their immediate area is the Market place where the only premises are The Bull pub, The Lamb pub and The Golden Lion pub, all of which close at normal pub hours. The venues they are referring to are all in South Street which is an area appropriate for these opening hours and are a considerable distance away. As such the Patrons of the EDGE would have made a conscious decision to go to the EDGE irrespective of the competition and there is no footfall to enable additional business.

To summarise I feel it is completely inappropriate and disproportionate to the area the EDGE is situated in and the extension of licensing and opening hours will have a very negative impact on my quality of life and it will be further exaggerated as we enter the spring and summer months. In fact I strongly feel that rather than extending the hours their licensing hours from Sundays to Thursdays should in fact be reduced in line with the above mentioned pubs.

I trust you will take into accounts my comments and bear in mind the circumstances when making your decision.

Regards, Jay Chauhan. From: Matthew Hall [reuben9904@hotmail.com]

Sent: 04 February 2012 13:43

To: Paul Campbell

Subject: Flat 63, Nayland court, marketplace, romford Re: Edge Nightclub

Categories: sub committee

Dear Sir,

I am writing to you in order to oppose the application of the Edge Nightclub to extend their alcohol licensing hours. The volume of the music, the number of people loitering outside the club and the number of days/early mornings and nights the club is open for buiseness is severely affecting my sleep and therefore quality of life. I am finding it difficult to perform optimally at work due to being tired through lack of sleep, the noise from the club dies away at around 3am and then comes the banging from dropping of large metal poles from market stalls being set up at 4.30am. It results in an overall level of noise pollution that is not compatable with people living in the adjacent residential property. I am not a person that enjoys complaining and my job as a hospital doctor means that I am used to dealing with stress and lack of sleep but I feel this situation really requires serious consideration by the council as it really is affecting the people that live nearby.

My long-term girlfriend also lives in the flat with me and also feels the situation is unfair on the local residents.

Yours Sincerely,

Dr Matthew Hall

From:

Matthew Hall [reuben9904@hotmail.com]

Sent:

04 February 2012 13:48

То:

Paul Campbell

Subject:

RE; Edge nightclub

Categories:

sub committee

Dear Sir,

In addition to my prior e-mail would you please also note that as well as opposing the application for extending alcohol licensing hours I also fully oppose the removal of the lobby in the nightclub. I suspect they are looking to optimise their capacity in order to create more revenue with no regard for the local residents well-being.

Yours Sincerely,

Dr Hall

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Sarah Plater [sarah_plater@hotmail.com]
05 February 2012 08:40
Paul Campbell From:

Sent:

To:

Subject: Edge extended licensing application

Categories: sub committee

Hi Paul,

I am writing to oppose Edge's application to extend their licensing hours. I live in one of the flats opposite this venue, and it is already a drain on our quality of life. Even with the windows closed and wearing earplugs, I am still kept awake by the reverberations of bass tones which seem to come through the walls and floors of the flat itself.

Even after the club stops playing music, crowds of people remain outside, shouting, swearing and sometimes fighting.

There are plenty of other clubs in South Street that should suffice to cater to this demographic: the Marketplace is essentially a residential area now and I wish it would be treated as such.

Please can you let me know the process from here?

Kind regards,

Sarah Plater 77 Nayland Court Romford Essex RM1 3EF

From:

Robert Hart [robhart2685@gmail.com]

Sent:

06 February 2012 11:03

To:

Paul Campbell

Subject:

Re: Edge extended licensing application

Categories:

sub committee

Hi Paul,
As requested my details are below:
Robert Hart
77 Nayland Court
Market Place
Romford
Essex
RM1 3EF

Thanks Rob

On 6 Feb 2012, at 09:23, Paul Campbell < Paul. Campbell @havering.gov.uk > wrote:

Dear Mr Hart

Under the Licensing Act 2003 to accept your representation against the application I need your full address could you please provide this

All representations must be with the licensing authority by 14th February 2012. Paul Campbell..

From: Rob Hart [mailto:robhart2685@gmail.com]

Sent: 05 February 2012 19:10

To: Paul Campbell

Subject: Edge extended licensing application

Dear Paul,

I am writing to you concerning news that i have recently found out that Edge nightclub in Romford Market Place has requested to extend opening and serving times on certain nights. I am a resident at Nayland Court just above the Market Place and write to put my complaint in that i do not wish this to happen. It is bad enough at the moment trying to get to sleep on a Friday and a Saturday night with the loud music and the bass level reverberating the walls and windows. We have learnt to put up with it although my partner has to use ear plugs on these nights to help get to sleep. If the club were to open later it would only make the matters worse and i know for a fact that a lot of other residents in this area will have contacted yourself to complain about the same problem. Please do not agree to this extended licensing to spare everybody here a lot of sleepless nights.

Thank you for your help in advance.

Robert Hart

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John Wade

Mr Paul Campbell
Licensing Specialist
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Your Ref: 007870

Dear Mr Campbell

8th February 2012

Objection to Application to Vary Premises Licence 007870 Edge, 80-84 Market Place, Romford, Essex RM1 3ER

I live opposite Edge and wish to oppose Romford Investments Limited's application to vary their Premises Licence on the grounds of noise and disturbance. I am highly experienced in both assessing and reducing the impact of entertainment noise, both as an Environmental Health Officer enforcing statutory noise nuisance law and consultant advising the entertainment industry. However, I am not making this representation in a professional capacity but as a resident affected by noise associated with Edge.

Taking each of the matters for which variation is sought in turn, I have the following comments to make:

Extension of hours, Thursdays and Sundays

The proposed extension of hours has the potential to create disturbance from music and patrons to a later hour to those residents of Nayland Court who have bedrooms overlooking Edge. Whilst my master bedroom overlooks St Edwards Way, there are occasions when our second bedroom (which overlooks Edge) is used and, on those occasions, we have been disturbed by music and patrons in the early hours of the morning with our windows closed.

Therefore, I object to the extension of hours.

Deletion of condition to create a lobbied exit

The Licensing Sub-Committee included the following additional conditions to the Premises Licence:

"The Sub-Committee also included the following additional conditions:

 The installation of a noise limiting device in all rooms where the playing of recorded and live music will occur. The noise limiting device once installed by a competent electrician is to be set and sealed by officers from the Environmental Health Service.

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John Wade

- The creation of a lobbied exit on the front façade of the building which leads in to the ground floor bar area.
- That the present single glazer folding doors to the front of the premise to be double glazed.

That these three conditions to be completed within the next six months."

I have a number of issues here:

- 1. The lobby should have been provided within six months of the Premises Licence being issued i.e. by April 2010.
- 2. The purpose of a lobbied exit is to ensure that one of the two sets of doors would always always closed (except in cases of emergency). It is a statement of fact that this would reduce noise breakout, compared with the current position of having just one door. I therefore fail to understand the assertion made by the applicant that "...after lengthy discussions with the Licencing and Noise Pollution Officers we have reached the conclusion that, due to the premises layout and nature of the business, the creation of a lobbied area would make absolutely no difference to the level of noise escaping."
- 3. The applicant asserts that "...we manage the doors, trying to enable them being closed at a reasonable time and only re-open to let patrons in and out." In my view there is no reasonable time up to which the door could be left open we are often disturbed in the early evening with music being audible above our television. It is a statement of fact that the doors are left open until late into the night and that the appropriate level of management control asserted in the application is not in place.

Therefore, I vehemently object to the removal of the condition to create the lobbied exit and must ask the question as to why there has been delay in requiring its provision.

A further, but related point, surrounds the additional condition to install "...a noise limiting device in all rooms where the playing of recorded and live music will occur. The noise limiting device once installed by a competent electrician is to be set and sealed by officers from the Environmental Health Service." The loudness of music we experience within our flat varies, with live music generally being louder than recorded music. This begs the question as whether the live performers use the electrical circuit controlled by the noise limiting device as the evidence suggests that they do not. This would be breach of the condition and I would ask that this matter be clarified.

Romford Investments Limited are required, by virtue of Condition 9, to take reasonable endeavours to ensure that noise emanating from the Edge does not cause me disturbance:

"9 The premises licence holder shall make reasonable endeavours to ensure music and noise emanating from the premises is not audible to cause disturbance to neighbouring residential properties."

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John Wade

By virtue of the points I raise above, Romford Investments Limited are not complying with this Condition and I would ask that this be borne in mind when considering this variation application.

Yours sincerely

Tou had

John Wade



Representations from Responsible Authorities

Licensing Authority
London Borough Havering
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RM1 3SL

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Date: 6th February 2012

EDGE 80 - 84 Market Place, Romford, RM1 3ER

Police wish to make representation <u>against</u> the application to vary the premises licence.

- The premises falls within the saturation area full details of the policy can be found on the Havering website.
- The town centre is still experiencing high volumes of crime and I have attached some recent data.
- Police are tasked to this area Thursday through to Saturday evenings in order to prevent disorder, which is associated with the night time economy.

Thursday and Sunday evenings the applicant states that they would like to be licensed until 0200 hours.

Police feel that allowing this application would have a **cumulative impact** on the area. At present this area of the town centre the Market place seizes licensable activity involving the sale alcohol at mid night in most premises.

 Allowing these premises to remain open, police feel would create further crime and disorder at the location.

The crime figures over the last 12 months show an increase in violent offences allowing further premises to be open would have negative impact on the prevention of crime and disorder within the saturation zone.

The chart on the last page of the representation shows the crime statistics by time and days for ABH and GBH offences the most serious within the town centre ward.

• This is far from all reported crimes in the town centre but gives an indication of the violence police are presented with.

The main peak days are Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

THE MARKET PLACE

- Premises that are open within the close proximately of the area are currently licensed until mid night and 2300 hours.
- The current licence allows the applicant to trade up until mid night, which is current with other premises within the proximity.
- The premises which I have taken into account include, The Lamb, The Bitter end, The golden lion, The bull.

The premises EDGE is slightly unusual compared to others in the town centre, due to substantial amount of flats opposite.

Police often deal with public nuisance in the market place area and, I have witness Anti social behaviour at this location, involving shouting in the streets, groups that appear to be play fighting, most appear under the influence of alcohol and create a feeling of a anti social environment. I can only suggest that accommodating more people in the area would lead to more incidents.

- There have been logged calls to the police regarding the premises location, incidents of rowdy or inconsiderate behaviour, disputes and most of the calls over the last two years were between the hours of mid night and 0330 hours.
- This would further support that allowing the premises to operate longer on a permanent basis would contribute to further crime and disorder, Public nuisance and annoyance to residents.

There have been reported offences of crime and disorder at or linked to the premises but not of a substantial amount to raise my concerns at present.

This could be due to the premises not being licensed at the peak activity on all days.

The times requested for variation in this application would fit into the peak activity of violence in the town centre on a Thursday night.

The premises also requested to be licensed on a Sunday night until 0200 hours and close by 0230 hours. I would not support this and feel that after a weekend of

crime and disorder and public nuisance this is unacceptable for quality of life to the residents opposite.

I notice that this application involves the removal of a condition that was never enforced. I can not comment on why this was never enforced. I would also like to state that I have not been consulted regarding the matter either.

In my opinion any attempt in sound proofing should be tested and if this was not a permanent wall could this be a partitioned wall? a flexi door system that could be used during the night time events. The local environmental health should really advise on such matters.

The noise risk from the premises should be minimised to prevent further concerns of disgruntled residents, which often call the police at first and are then advised to contact the local authority.

The saturation zone is in place to assist the local authority and police to control the growth of licensed premises and in turn violence and crime, associated in this town with alcohol.

I ask the committee <u>not to grant</u> the variation of licensable hours and to seek advice on the noise issues before any condition is removed.

The grounds for objection are the police believe this will generate further crime and disorder along with public nuisance through cumulative impact. This application will therefore not promote the licensing objectives.

If I can be of any further assistance in this matter please do not hesitate to contact me in the licensing office.

Yours sincerely

PC David Fern Metropolitan police - Havering Licensing officer This page is intentionally left blank