

The Licensing Department

London Borough of Merton

Territorial Policing

**Civic Centre** 

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Dear Sir

## Re:- Application for a Premises Licence under the Licensing Act 2003 - The RS Snooker & Social Club Ltd, Upper Floor, 1- 9 Abbotsbury Road, Morden. SM4 5LH

On 13th January 2015 an application was received from Robert Frost to vary the premises licence for the above address under the Licensing Act 2003. The application seeks the following:-

An alteration to the floor plan

Late Night Refreshment Supply of Alcohol	Sunday 2300 - 0000 Monday to Saturday 1000 - 0130 Sunday 1000 - 2300
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Hours open to the Public Monday to Saturday 1000 - 0200 Sunday 1000 - 0000

Police wish to make representations to this application on two of the four licensing objectives namely:-

## The Prevention of Crime and Disorder Public Nuisance

These premises are situated in Morden Town Centre and cover the first and second floor above another "pub" type premises. The first floor consists of the bar area and the second floor is occupied by a number of snooker tables.

A search of Police crime reports between 30th January 2014 and 30th January 2015 reveals only one report of theft connected with the venue. In the past 13 months the premises have been served with two(2) Closure Notices under Section 19 Criminal Justice and Police Acct 2001 following breaches of conditions of the licence.

I am further aware of a number of complaints made to the Licensing Department of the London Borough of Merton regarding gambling, in particular poker, over a period of some years, this has resulted in a number of joint visits.

The applicant has asked for a substantial change in licensing hours, which, if granted would make it one of the later licences in Morden Town Centre if not the Borough. There is therefore likely to be an increase in the Public Nuisance experienced in the area by customers leaving the premises into the local area.

## Conclusion

The premises currently operates until 2300 but is permitted Late Night refreshment until 0200. This application therefore represents a substantial increase in operating hours. It is therefore asked that the Licensing sub-committee gives consideration to the following conditions to assist in the prevention of future issues:-

1. The premises shall install and maintain a comprehensive CCTV system as per the minimum requirements of a Metropolitan Police Crime Prevention Officer. All entry and exit points will be covered enabling frontal identification of every person entering in any light condition. The CCTV system shall continually record whilst the premises is open for licensable activities and during all times when customers remain on the premises. All recordings shall be stored for a minimum period of 31 days with date and time stamping. Recordings shall be made available immediately upon the request of Police or authorized officer throughout the preceding 31 day period. The CCTV system should be updated and maintained according to police recommendations.

2. A staff member from the premises who is conversant with the operation of the CCTV system shall be on the premises at all times when the premise is open to the public. This staff member must be able to show a Police or authorized council officer recent data or footage with the absolute minimum of delay when requested.

3. A minimum of two SIA licensed door supervisors shall be on duty from 2000 at all times whilst it is open for business beyond midnight.

4. No card games shall be permitted at the premises

5. An incident log shall be kept at the premises, and made available on request to an authorised officer of the Council or the Police, which will record the following:

- (a) all crimes reported to the venue
- (b) all ejections of patrons
- (c) any complaints received
- (d) any incidents of disorder
- (e) any faults in the CCTV system or searching equipment or scanning equipment
- (f) any refusal of the sale of alcohol
- (g) any visit by a relevant authority or emergency service.

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Yours sincerely,

Peter Sparham

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