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Dear Sir

**Re:- Application for a Premises Licence under the Licensing Act 2003 -  
Balcanic Taste Ltd, 19 Abbotsbury Road, Morden. SM4 5LJ**

On 18th February 2015 an application was received from Balcanic Taste Ltd for a premises licence under the Licensing Act 2003. The application seeks the following:-

Supply of Alcohol                      Monday to Sunday 1000 - 2100

Hours open to the Public   Monday to Sunday 1000 - 2100

Christmas Eve and Good Friday 1000-2300

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

**The Prevention of Crime and Disorder**  
**Public Nuisance**

A search of police indices between 10th March 2014 and 10th March 2015 has revealed sixty-seven (67) incidents where alcohol has been seized from persons in the Morden Town Centre area. These seizures are predominantly from "Street Drinkers".

A search of crime reports in relation to the premises postcode for the same period revealed twelve allegations of crimes which can be broken down as follows:- four(4) Assaults, three(3) Burglaries, three(3) Thefts, one(1) Harassment offence and one(1) Public Order offence.

**Conclusion**

These premises are untested, however unless appropriately conditioned and managed they will contribute to problems in and around Morden Town Centre. A number of conditions are suggested as follows:-

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. No super-strength beer, lagers or ciders of 5.5% ABV (alcohol by volume) or above shall be sold at the premises.

4. No single cans or bottles of beer, lager or cider shall be sold at the premises.

5. A proof of age scheme, such as Challenge (21/25), shall be operated at the premises where the only acceptable forms of identification are (recognised photographic identification cards, such as a driving licence or passport / Holographically marked PASS scheme identification cards).

6. A log shall be kept detailing all refused sales of alcohol. The log should include the date and time of the refused sale and the name of the member of staff who refused the sale. The log shall be available for inspection at the premises by the police or an authorised officer of the Council at all times whilst the premise is open.

7. 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.

Yours faithfully,



Peter Sparham