



## APPENDIX B

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**Our reference:** MD/21/ 2957/17

**Date:** 9th May 2017

Dear Sir/Madam

**Re:- Bridge Walk Food & Wine, 3 London Bridge Walk, London**

Police are in possession of an application from the above for a new premise licence. The application is to allow off sales for the following times.

Opening Hours

Mon – Wed 07.00hrs – 23.00hrs  
Thurs – Fri 07.00hrs – 00.00hrs  
Sat – Sun 07.00hrs – 22.00hrs

Supply of Alcohol.

Mon – Wed 07.00hrs – 23.00hrs  
Thurs – Fri 07.00hrs – 00.00hrs  
Sat – Sun 07.00hrs – 22.00hrs

Police object to the granting of the licence as we believe it would be prejudicial to the prevention of illegal working and immigration crime.

On Wednesday the 19<sup>th</sup> April 2017 Police officers from the Night Time economy team, Police Licensing and Southwark Council Trading Standards did a joint visit at the applicant's premises. No licence was in operation but the applicant had been granted Temporary event notices for the sale of alcohol but not on the day of the visit.

The applicant was not present and the only member of staff was Mr [REDACTED]. During the visit it was discovered that Mr [REDACTED] was wanted by UK Border force for being an absconder and over stayer with no entitlement to work. He was arrested and taken to Lewisham Police station.

The venue is situated within the Borough & bankside Cumulative impact zone and the presumption is to refuse unless satisfied that it will not have an adverse effect on licensing objectives. The police believe it will, and as such have offered no conditions or conciliation.

Police believe the granting of the licence would not promote the licensing objectives and further immigration offences would occur.

The Following is submitted for your consideration.

Yours Sincerely

**PC Graham White 288MD**

Southwark Police Licensing Unit

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From: Sharpe, Carolyn On Behalf Of Public Health Licensing  
Sent: Friday, May 05, 2017 2:44 PM  
To: Regen, Licensing  
Cc: Public Health Licensing  
Subject: RE: New Premises Licence for 3 London Bridge Walk

To whom it may concern:

Re: 3 London Bridge Walk, London SE1 2SX

On behalf of the Director of Health and Wellbeing (incorporating the role of Director of Public Health) for Southwark (a responsible authority under the Licensing Act 2003) I wish to make representation in respect of the above.

The representation is made in respect of the following licensing objective(s):

- The prevention of crime and disorder
- Prevention of public nuisance
- Public safety

#### General Comments

The applicant requests a new licence for the sale of alcohol off the premise between the hours of 08:00 and 23:00 Mondays – Wednesdays, 08:00 – 00:00 Thursday – Fridays and 09:00 – 22:00 Saturdays – Sundays. I have concerns regarding the hours of alcohol sales requested. Early-morning alcohol purchasers are more likely to be alcohol misusers and may thereby contribute to antisocial behaviour such as street drinking.

Additionally, the applicant has made no mention of the types of alcohol that will be stocked. I would like some restriction on high- strength beers, lagers, and ciders, given that many purchasers of these drinks are alcohol misusers, and that one of these drinks exceeds the NHS's Safer Drinking Guidelines.

#### Recommendations

- I recommend the start time for alcohol sales be changed to 11am daily
- I recommend that no beers, lagers, ciders or similar alcohols to be sold in cans with an Alcohol By Volume (ABV) in excess of 6.5% or in bottles larger than 750ml with an ABV in excess of 6.5%.

Carolyn Sharpe

*on behalf of Professor Kevin Fenton, Director of Health and Wellbeing (incorporating the role of Director of Public Health)*

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## Heron, Andrew

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**From:** Sharpe, Carolyn  
**Sent:** 19 July 2017 12:51  
**To:** Heron, Andrew  
**Subject:** FW: Bridge Walk Food

**Sensitivity:** Confidential

Hi Andrew,

See below.

Many thanks,  
Carolyn

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**From:** Sharpe, Carolyn  
**Sent:** 15 June 2017 16:35  
**To:** Baiju Thittala  
**Cc:** Mills, Dorcas  
**Subject:** RE: Bridge Walk Food  
**Sensitivity:** Confidential

Dear Baiju,

Thank you for your email. Given you have accepted the conditions recommended in my representation (below), I am happy to withdraw my representation.

- The start time for alcohol sales be changed to 11am daily
- No beers, lagers, ciders or similar alcohols to be sold in cans with an Alcohol By Volume (ABV) in excess of 6.5% or in bottles larger than 750ml with an ABV in excess of 6.5%

Thanks and best wishes,  
Carolyn

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**From:** Baiju Thittala [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 15, 2017 1:21 PM  
**To:** Sharpe, Carolyn  
**Subject:** Bridge Walk Food  
**Importance:** High  
**Sensitivity:** Confidential

Dear Ms Carolyn Sharpe,

Kindly find attached letter, as per our telephone conversation.

Please feel free to contact us if you have any queries in this matter.

Yours Faithfully,

B. Thittala LLB (Hons), Grad. NALP

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From: Masini, Bill [bill.mansini@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:bill.mansini@southwark.gov.uk)  
Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 11:13 PM  
To: Regen, Licensing  
Cc: Tear, Jayne  
Subject: Application for premises licence - Bridge Walk Food & Wine 3  
London Bridge Walk SE1 2SX

As a Responsible Authority under The Licensing Act, Trading Standards are in receipt of an application for a Premises Licence for Bridge Walk Food and Wine at 3 London Bridge Walk London SE1 2SX and respond accordingly under the Licensing Objectives.

The premise is situated within the Borough and Bankside Cumulative Impact Zone where there is a presumption to refuse unless the Licensing Authority is satisfied the premise will not have an adverse effect on the licensing objectives.

In April 2017 Trading Standards visited the premise because it had received a complaint that tobacco products offered for sale were on display contrary to The Tobacco Advertising and Promotion Display (England) Regulations 2010. The complaint was validated and the business was issued with advice and a warning. Enquiries were made about the premises licence that was apparently operational. Alcohol was being sold. The Premises Licence had been in a company name, Bridge Walk Food and Wine Limited (company number – 05792224). A quick on-line check with Companies House showed that the company had been dissolved on 24 July 2012- nearly 5 years ago. The First Gazette Notice for Compulsory Strike off was published on 23 August 2011.

It is understood the current owners, and applicant here, bought the business after the company had been dissolved some 3 years ago. It is further understood no attempt to transfer the Premise Licence was made.

Since the Premises Licence lapsed in this case where the body corporate ceased to exist , alcohol has been sold by the current owners for the whole time they have operated a business at this premise. This is a “basic” but serious criminal offence under the Act.

The current owners have applied and operated under TENS whilst their application was made and being processed.

A visit was made by Trading Standards and Licensing Police on 19 April to see if alcohol was being sold. A standard “person check” was carried out on the only person working in the shop, Mr Jafar Thottungal. Those checks showed he was wanted by UK Border Force because he was an absconder and overstayer, and as such not permitted to work. He was duly arrested and the Police locked the shop behind him in order to secure the premise.

Trading standards express their concerns that alcohol had been sold by the applicant for a considerable period of time without a valid Premises Licence being operational and that even during the application process they had employed one or more illegal workers.

Dealing with the application itself, the applicant has not properly addressed the issue of preventing the sale of alcohol to children.

In view of the events leading to date, Trading Standards do not offer any conditions or conciliation here because it has little confidence that the licensing objectives will be adhered to if a Premises Licence was issued. Refusal to grant a licence is therefore recommended.

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