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Re:-We Are The Fair Ltd burgess park Albany road SE5 0AL

Dear Sir/Madam

Police are in receipt of an application from the above for a new premises licence for regulated entertainment and the supply of alcohol. The premises as per the application refer to Burgess Park . The licence will cover the entire area with the specific location of events to be agreed.

The applicant describes the premises as follows:

A park Featuring a lake ,sports facilities,gardens and café all set in spacious parklands created in the 1940s. This application will apply to the entire park , however the specific area of the park or common to be used will be identified on a site plan to be agreed with the Local Authority in advance.

This application will permit one event consisting of a two days music,dance,funfair,comedy festival of a concert type (consisting of live and recorded music).

The operating hours are as follows

Open to the public Sat -1100 to 2330
Sun-1100 to 2300

Supply Alcohol Sat-1100 to 2200
Sun-1100 to 2130

Regulated entertainment Sat-1100 to 2200
Sun- 1100 to 2200

The applicant has provided an operating schedule with a number of control measures to promote the licensing objectives and Police welcome this approach. I do however have some concerns that these measures do not go far enough at this stage , My concerns lay with the fact I have not seen any defined event management policy , the event is to be ticketed but does not say how these tickets will be sold ie ,internet or at a box office on site, timings and capacity is likely to have a negative impact on the prevention of crime and disorder licensing objective for the following reasons.

One of the control measures offered by the applicant is that the premises will be operated in line with the event management plan(13) as submitted. At the time of writing this report I have not had sight of the proposed management plan. It is therefore difficult to establish if the conditions on the premises licence application are sufficient to promote the licensing objectives.

The applicant also refers to a written dispersal plan (14) within the operating schedule, this is something I have yet to have sight of.

The operating schedule refers to all events being for ticket holders only (48) Clarification is required as to whether all tickets are purchased in advance or can be purchased on the gate. This could have a significant impact on the queuing of patrons awaiting entry to the premises. This could have a knock on effect with regard to public nuisance and the prevention of crime and disorder and potentially engage all of the licensing objectives.

This application includes the provision for the sale of alcohol on the premises only. Clarification is needed as to how the applicant intends to prevent patrons from leaving or the premises with alcohol purchased on sight. Patrons leaving with alcohol is highly likely to impact on the prevention of crime and disorder and/or public nuisance licensing objectives.

In conclusion, I have concerns that the licensing objectives have not sufficiently been addressed. The terminal hour for these events is outside of those recommended by Southwark's statement of licensing policy for outside areas. Without the dispersal policy or event management plan is it difficult to assess if the control measures within this application are sufficient. It is for this reason that I recommend that this application is refused.

Submitted for consideration.

Yours Sincerely

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MEMO: Licensing Unit

To Licensing Unit Date 11 April 2022
From Jayne Tear
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Subject Re: We are the Fair Limited, Burgess Park, London, SE5 0AL
- Application for a premises licence

I write with regards to the above application for a premises licence submitted by We Are The Fair Limited under the Licensing Act 2003, which seeks the following licensable activities:

- Films, (indoors and outdoors) on Saturday from 11:00 to 22:30 and on Sunday from 11:00 to 22:00
- Live music (indoors and outdoors) on Saturday from 11:00 to 22:30 and on Sunday from 11:00 to 22:00
- Recorded music (indoors and outdoors) on Saturday from 11:00 to 22:30 and on Sunday from 11:00 to 22:00
- Performance of dance on Saturday from 11:00 to 22:30 and on Sunday from 11:00 to 22:00
- Anything of a similar description to live music, recorded music and performance of dance (indoors and outdoors) on Saturday from 11:00 to 22:30 and on Sunday from 11:00 to 22:00
- Supply of alcohol (on the premises) on Saturday from 11:00 to 22:00 and on Sunday from 11:00 to 21:30
- Opening times on Saturday from 11:00 to 23:30 and on Sunday from 11:00 to 23:00
- **Non standards timings requested:**
Licensable activities - Any Sundays prior to Bank Holiday Mondays will cease at 22:30
Opening times - Any Sundays prior to Bank Holiday Mondays will close at 23:30.

The premises is described within the application as a *'A park featuring a lake, sports facilities, gardens and cafe all set in spacious parklands created in the 1940's. This application will apply to the area defined on the attached plan. This application will permit 1 event per year, lasting for a maximum of 2 days'*.

My representation is based on the Southwark Statement of Licensing policy 2021 – 2026 and relates to the licensing objectives for the prevention of crime and disorder and the prevention of public nuisance.

The premises is situated in a residential area and under the Southwark Statement of Licensing policy 2021 - 2026 the appropriate closing times for events in outdoor premises is 22:00. Section 10 Paragraph 278 states: *'Date /hours of operation. It is suggested a finishing time of 22:00hrs is appropriate; however an earlier finish time may be requested subject to local circumstances'*.

Based on the information provided with this application and to promote the licensing objectives I recommend to the licensing sub- committee to consider bringing the closing times in line with the appropriate hours in the licensing policy for this outside premises, and as such to also reduce the licensable activities to finish an hour before the closing times (this will allow an hour for dispersal of a possible 9999 patrons) as follows:

- Opening times on Saturday and Sunday from 11:00 to 22:00
- All licensable activities to cease at 21:00 daily

Further to this I recommend to the licensing sub- committee that the non-standard timings are refused as they are past 22:00 for an outside area.

As there is no event management plan or dispersal policy provided with the application and it is difficult to suggest appropriate control measures to reduce the impact of crime and disorder or public nuisance that could affect the local residential area. The operating schedule is therefore vague and suggests that changes could take place without any further consultation with the licensing responsible authority, other responsible authority's and other persons. (For any conditions/times to be added or changed a new application would need to be submitted).

The application states also that the event will be a ticketed 18+ music festival. I asked the applicant to clarify whether the tickets will be available to purchase upon entry or by pre-booked tickets only.

Due to the limited information provided with the application and to promote the licensing objectives I ask the applicant to provide the following information:

- A copy of the event management plan (to be conditioned)
- A written dispersal policy for the premises (to be conditioned)

I may submit further comments once all of the information is received.

I therefore submit this representation and welcome any discussion with the applicant.

Southwark's Statement of Licensing Policy 2021 – 2026 can be found on the following link:
<https://www.southwark.gov.uk/business/licences/business-premises-licensing/licensing-and-gambling-act-policy>

Jayne Tear
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In the capacity of Licensing Authority as a Responsible Authority