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Our reference: MD/21/065/22

Date: 6th May 2022

Dear Sir/Madam

Re: Bubble Bubble & Bar Limited 194 Old Kent Road SE1 5TY

Police are in receipt of an application from the above for a new premises licence. The premises is described as a Bubble Tea Bar, Restaurant & Karaoke Rooms. The opening hours and provision for licensable activities as follows.

Late Night Refreshment
Mon - Sun 2300 to 0100

Sale of Alcohol
Mon – Sun 1000 to 0100

Recorded Music
Mon – Sun 1000 to 0100

The premises being open to the public 30 minutes after the cessation of licensable activities.

It should be noted that this premises sits within a residential area as defined by Southwarks statement of licensing policy. The recommended closing time for restaurants and bars in this area is 2300 on each day of the week. This application seeks hours substantially greater than those recommended by our policy. All applicants should note sections 172, 173 & 174 of the licensing policy as detailed below.

172. Table 2 (following page) provides a guide for Applicants when preparing their operating schedules as to the hours of operation that this Authority might consider appropriate by type of premises and (planning) area classification. These hours are not pre-determined and each application will be considered upon its own merits.

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173. However, Applicants for licences incorporating hours that fall outside of the guidance offered are expected to explain fully within their application, the arrangements intended to be put in place to ensure that the premises does not add to cumulative impact, or to disturbance and / or disorder in the area late at night. Applicants who wish to provide licensable activities outside the hours specified should ensure that the operating schedule specifies detailed measures to mitigate against crime, disorder and public nuisance taking into account:

- The location of the premises and the character of the local area;**
- The proposed hours during which the licensable activities are proposed to take place;**
- The adequacy of the proposed control measures intended to promote the licensing objectives;**
- The availability of local public transport;**
- The proximity of the premises to other licensed premises of a similar nature and the hours of operation of those premises.**

174. Operating schedules with insufficient detail are more likely to be refused, have limitations in hours applied, or have additional conditions imposed upon them by the Licensing Sub-Committee. The Licensing Authority may impose further limitations in hours upon review of the licence, particularly where the premise is shown to be the focus or cause of nuisance or anti-social behaviour.

The applicant has offered a number of control measures within the operating schedule in relation to the provision of CCTV, staff training & challenge 25. Other than those we would expect from all applicants, the operating schedule lacks in any detail that would give me comfort this premises would operate as a restaurant with ancillary entertainment such as Karaoke.

The application as it stands would allow for the sale of alcohol, and regulated entertainment until 0100 each day of the week in a residential area. This is highly likely to have a negative impact on the licensing objectives, in particular the prevention of crime and disorder and public nuisance.

Further detail is required such as the accommodation limit, a breakdown of the proposed use of the premises, before I can fully assess the impact this premises could have on the licensing objectives.

I recommend that this application is refused

Respectfully submitted for consideration

PC Ian Clements 2362 AS

MEMO: Licensing Unit

To Licensing Unit Date 6 May 2022
From Jayne Tear
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Subject Re: Bubble Bubble & Bar, 194 Old Kent Road, London, SE1 5TY
– Application for a premises licence

I write with regards to the above application for a premises licence submitted Bubblebubble & Bar Limited under the Licensing Act 2003, which seeks the following licensable activities:

- Recorded music (indoors) on Monday to Sunday from 10:00 to 01:00 the following day
- Late night refreshment (indoors) on Monday to Sunday from 10:00 to 01:00 the following day
- Supply of alcohol (on the premises) on Monday to Sunday from 10:00 to 01:00 the following day
- Overall opening times shall be on Monday to Sunday from 10:00 to 01:30 the following day

The premises is described within the application as '*Bubble Tea Bar, Restaurant and Karaoke Rooms*'.

My representation is submitted under the prevention of crime and disorder and the prevention of public nuisance licensing objectives and has regard to the Southwark Statement of Licensing Policy 2021 – 2026.

The premises is situated in a residential area and under the Southwark Statement of Licensing policy 2021 - 2026 the appropriate closing times for restaurants; cafes, public houses, wine bars or other drinking establishments is 23:00 daily.

This application seeks in excess of the appropriate closing times within the licensing policy 2021 -2026 for this area therefore to promote the licensing objectives I ask the applicant to consider amending the opening hours applied for to bring them in line with the licensing policy, and in turn the licensable activities, allowing half an hour drinking up time for '*on sales*' of alcohol as follows:

- Recorded music (indoors) on Monday to Sunday to cease at 23:00
- Supply of alcohol (on the premises) on Monday to Sunday to cease at 22:30
- Overall opening times shall be on Monday to Sunday from 12:00 at 23:00

And to remove late night refreshment from the application.

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

- An accomodation limit for the premises. (to be conditioned).
- To provide a written dispersal policy for the premises. (to be conditioned).

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

Southward'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

Principal Licensing officer

In the capacity of Licensing Authority as a Responsible Authority