



APPENDIX B

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Our reference: MD/21/035/2021

Date: 12th February 2021

Dear Sir/Madam

Re:- Eurotraveller Hotel 194-202 Old Kent Road SE15TY (824870)

Police are in possession of an application from Ray Moore, representing Southwark's Trading Standards service, for an application to review the premises licence 824870 held by Mr Jayesh Patel.

Police make the following representations under the prevention of crime and disorder, public safety and the prevention of public nuisance.

1. Following the outbreak of the Covid-19 virus pandemic in the UK, which has to date led to the deaths of over 115,000 people, the government has announced a series of lockdown measures and restrictions on licensed premises and those that operate in the hospitality industry. These restrictions are primarily contained in the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions).
2. Covid-19 is a potentially fatal infectious disease which is spread as a result of activities carried out by people, and in particular those in close contact.
3. For this reason it is essential for the regulations to be abided by and social-distancing measures to be implemented by licensed operators. At the time of writing this report the regulations are so severe that all licensed premises are closed to the public. A breach of recommended guidelines and regulations risks human health and can constitute a criminal offence.

4. On the 28th November 2020 Police and officers from Southwark Councils licensing team attended the Eurotraveller Hotel 194-202 Old Kent Road SE1 5TY. On entering the premises it was found to be operating as an illegal casino with patrons consuming alcohol on the premises, in contravention of the then coronavirus regulations.

5. The Eurotraveller Hotel chose to operate in deliberate and flagrant breach of regulations. A vast majority of the licensed premises in Southwark have been doing their very best in these difficult times to keep the nation as safe as they can. This operator has chosen to do the complete opposite and has created the perfect environment for the virus to spread throughout the community, putting people's lives and health at risk. It should be noted that this premises licence holder also holds the premises licence for the Eurotraveller Hotel 18 Amelia Street, this premises licence is also being reviewed for operating in breach of Covid Regulations therefore committing a criminal offence.

In my opinion this is not a matter that can be resolved by the addition of any further control measures or any modifications to the current premises licence.

Taking into consideration all the evidence provided by Ray Moore I am in full support of the recommendation that the premises licence is revoked.

Submitted for your consideration.

Yours Sincerely

PC Ian Clements 2362AS

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MEMO: Licensing Unit

To Licensing Unit Date 15 February 2021
From Jayne Tear
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Subject Re: Eurotraveller Hotel, 194 -202 Old Kent Road, London, SE1 5TY
- Application to review the premises licence

I write with regards to the above application to review the premises licence under the Licensing Act 2003, submitted by Southwark trading standards unit as a responsible authority.

The application is concerned with the prevention of crime and disorder, the prevention of public nuisance and public safety licensing objectives and the grounds for the review are concerned with breaches of the Coronavirus Regulations; the Gambling Act 2005 (operating an unlicensed casino) during lockdown and further breaches of the Licensing Act 2003 breaches of the premises licence conditions.

My representation is submitted with regards to promoting the prevention of crime and disorder, the prevention of public nuisance, public safety and protection of children from harm licensing objectives and also has regard to the Southwark Statement of Licensing Policy 2021 – 2026.

The premises is a Hotel. The current licence holder and designated premises supervisor (DPS) is Jay Patel.

Following the breaches witnessed by trading standards, licensing and the police as mentioned within the application, the licensing unit are currently seeking further enforcement action.

I have no confidence in the current management, licensee or DPS Mr Jay Patel to adhere to any of the licensed conditions or any other existing legislation in order to promote the objectives.

I therefore submit this representation and fully support the trading standards responsible authority in asking for the premises licence to be revoked.

I may submit further supporting information at a later stage.

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