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SOUTHWARK'S LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE HEARING - 02 JUNE 2010 RE: BANANA'S TAPAS BAR RESTAURANT, 374 WALWORTH ROAD SE17

APPLICANT'S SKELETON ARGUMENTS

1. Licensing Act 2003

- 1.1 It is implied within the Scheme and Policy of this legislation that Licensing Authorities will, in most circumstances, grant Licence applications rather than refuse them.
- 1.2 When granting Licences, and where it is necessary, Licensing Authorities will attach relevant and proportionate conditions to ensure the promotion of the Licensing Objectives.
- 1.3 The Licensing Sub-Committee is charged with considering each case on its merits.

2. Residents' Representations

- 2.1 There are a good many references to the historic difficulties which residents have apparently encountered with this premises in the past, when it was previously trading as 'Liam Ogs' or the former 'Banana's Bar' and was being operated by other Proprietors.
- 2.2 Minho Montalegre Limited ('the Company') acquired this premises in March 2010.
- 2.3 In our submission, said historic difficulties have no bearing on this application, and the Licensing Sub-Committee is respectfully requested to disregard all the information regarding the apparent shortcomings of former Proprietors.
- 2.4 The issues raised and concerns expressed by the local residents fall into two main categories namely Public Nuisance and Crime and Disorder (including Antisocial Behaviour). However, it should be noted that most of the references to the apparent/perceived difficulties lack specific evidential detail. For example, there are quite often no specific timeframes (e.g. a week, month or year) and no dates or times are given. Furthermore, some of the points raised should be regarded as speculative.

- 2.5 It should be noted that Walworth Road is a major road and very busy thoroughfare, both during the day and at night. Fielding Street, to the rear of this premises, is a cut-through. In our submission, both Walworth Road and Fielding Street are used by vehicles and pedestrians that have no connection whatsoever with the business operations of Banana's Tapas Bar Restaurant.
- 2.6 In general terms, the Residents' concerns come under three (3) specific headings:
 - Noise Nuisance from within and outside of the premises;
 - Crime and Disorder, the fear of same, and the perceived increase in criminal activities were this Licence to be granted;
 - Antisocial Behaviour, such as males exposing themselves and urinating in the Fielding Street area to the rear of the venue.
- 2.7 (a) Noise Nuisance From Within The Premises:

The applicant does not accept the claims that persons are now (since the new Proprietors took over this venue) being or will be adversely affected or disturbed by the musical entertainment that is already or is proposed to be provided at the venue. Many of the residents who have submitted a Representation reside quite some distance away from the premises.

The sound amplification equipment at the premises is fitted with and controlled by a Sound Limiting Device (SLD). The SLD has been set at an appropriate level to prevent noise breakout from the premises.

In any event, were it in fact the case that some local residents are being adversely affected by Noise Nuisance, the SLD could quite easily be set at a lower level and additional insulation measures such as the installation of Secondary Acoustic Double Glazing (as is proposed in the Operating Schedule) can be implemented.

In our submission, the aforementioned claims that certain persons are being or will be adversely affected by Noise Nuisance are not corroborated by Southwark Council's own expert in such matters. The Environmental Health Officer from the Environmental Protection Team (the relevant Responsible Authority), who deals with Noise and Nuisance issues, is not submitting a Representation opposing this application.

2.8 (b) Noise Nuisance from Outside Of The Premises:

The Company is proposing and implementing extensive Management Control measures to ensure that there is no unacceptable noise caused by patrons outside the premises. For example, there are a number of proposed conditions which have now been agreed with the Environmental Health Officer and Police which state:

- "a) No external sound systems shall be imported onto the premises; any imported musical instruments requiring amplification shall be amplified via the existing sound system (controlled by means of the Sound Limiting Device).
- b) There shall be no removal and loading of equipment from the premises between the terminal hour and 08.00 hours.
- c) After 22.00 hours, no more than ten (10) patrons shall be permitted to use the smoking area at any one time."
- "4. That suitable notices shall be displayed and announcements made requesting people to leave the premises in a quiet and orderly manner so as not to disturb local residents."
- "10. Customers shall use no outside area after 22.00 hours other than those who temporarily leave the premises to smoke a cigarette. Those who do temporarily leave for this reason shall be subjected to the requirement of a further search."

In our further submission, the aforementioned claims that certain persons are being or will be adversely affected by Noise Nuisance are not corroborated by Southwark Council's own expert in such matters, or indeed the Police. As previously stated, the Environmental Health Officer from the Environmental Protection Team (the relevant Responsible Authority), who deals with Noise and Nuisance issues, is not submitting a Representation opposing this application. In addition, the Police are satisfied with the measures proposed and have not submitted a Representation opposing this application.

2.9 (c) Crime & Disorder And The Fear Of Same:

The Company is proposing and implementing extensive Management Control measures to minimize and deal with Crime and Disorder matters. For example, there are a number of proposed conditions which have been agreed with Police. These include:

- "1. That on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays SIA registered Door Supervisors, shall be employed at all times after 22.00hrs until the terminal hour that the premises are in use under this licence and provided with hand held metal detection units in order to ensure that searches are carried out in respect of all admissions to the premises, whether members of the public or performers and their assistants and Mechanical counting devices to ensure that the maximum accommodation limit of the premises is not exceeded.
- 2. That signs shall be displayed in the entrance foyer to the premises that state 'Drugs Free Zone' and 'No Search No Entry', 'Management reserve the right to refuse entry'.
- 3. That all matters relating to drugs shall be in accordance with the Metropolitan Police Best Practice Guide on the handling of drugs in pubs and clubs.....
- 5. That the CCTV system be at the premises and be maintained in good working order and be continually recording at all times the premises are in use under the licence. The CCTV System must be capable of capturing an image of every person who enters the premises.
- 6. That all CCTV footage shall be kept for a period of thirty one (31) days and shall, upon request, be made immediately available to Officers of the Police and the Council.
- 7. That the Licence Holder shall require any regular and external promoters hiring the premises to complete the Venue Hire Agreement' provided by Southwark Council and, once completed, you shall ensure that a copy of the agreement is provided to the Police and Licensing Unit a minimum of fourteen days prior to the date of hire.
- 8. That a Personal Licence holder is on the premises and on duty at all times that intoxicating liquor is supplied.
- 9. That the Premises Licence holder and/or Designated Premises Supervisor join and support a local Pub Watch Scheme should there be one in existence for the area in which the premises is located......

11. There will be a 'cooling off/eating-up/drinking-up' period each night, with the premises closing 30 minutes after the cessation of all licensable activities."

In our submission, the aforementioned claims that certain persons are being or will be adversely affected by Crime and Disorder problems are not corroborated by the Walworth Police Licensing Officers (the relevant Responsible Authority), who are the experts in such matters. As previously stated, the Police, who deal with Crime and Disorder issues, are satisfied with the measures proposed and have not submitted a Representation opposing this application.

2.10 (d) Antisocial Behaviour:

Local residents are quite understandably disgusted by males who expose themselves when urinating in the Fielding Street area to the rear of the venue.

In our submission, said males are not customers of and are not associated with Banana's Tapas Bar Restaurant. It is not plausible that customers who are dining or drinking inside the premises would ignore the in-house toilet facilities, exit the building, and walk to the rear area in Fielding Street to relieve themselves.

3. The Applicant's Approach

- 3.1 Minho Montalegre Limited is a responsible Operator employing qualified and experienced staff. The Company and staff take their responsibilities seriously. They have liaised with the relevant Responsible Authorities, have engaged with the local residents, taken on board the concerns expressed and, where possible, are addressing those concerns.
- 3.2 Early meetings took place with the Council's Environmental Health Officer from the Environmental Protection Team who deals with Noise and Nuisance issues, and the Police.
- 3.3 The Environmental Health Officer did initially submit a Representation. However, the applicant addressed the concerns expressed by agreeing to three (3) additional conditions, which satisfied those concerns, and the Environmental Health Officer no longer has any issues and has withdrawn that Representation.
- 3.4 Agreement was reached with Police who are satisfied that the proposed measures will adequately deal with any Crime and Disorder matters, and they too have not submitted a Representation opposing this application.
- 3.5 Following the Representations from local residents, a Conciliation Statement was drawn up and a Conciliation Meeting was held at the premises on 11 May 2010. Unfortunately, it would appear that the Conciliation Statement was not circulated to all the Interested Parties. Most regrettably, although they had received the Statement some of the persons attending the Conciliation Meeting had not or were not prepared to read it. In any event, there was no agreement reached on the way forward. Please refer to said 'Conciliation Statement' attached as Appendix A.

- 3.6 It can be seen from the Conciliation Statement that the Company fully intends to change the nature and character of this outlet, operating primarily as a Restaurant and Cabaret venue. The new Restaurant, providing accommodation for fifty five (55) diners, was launched on 09 May 2010. Please refer to the Restaurant menu which is attached as Appendix B.
- 3.7 Since the Conciliation Meeting and in taking on board the concerns of local residents, the Company has voluntarily introduced a number of the control measures that are proposed in the Operating Schedule of the application. The Company Secretary, Susana Alves, will give evidence at the Hearing about the measures that have been voluntarily implemented.

4. Relevant Case Law

R (Daniel Thwaites plc) v Wirral Borough Magistrates' Court and Others [2008] EWHC 838 (Admin)

In the above case the High Court summarized it findings as follows:

'[55] It is clear from the Guidance that drawing on local knowledge, at least the local knowledge of local licensing authorities, is an important feature of the Act's approach. There can be little doubt that local magistrates are also entitled to take into account their own knowledge but, in my judgment, they must measure their own views against the evidence presented to them. In some cases, the evidence will require them to adjust their own impression. This is particularly likely to be so where it is given by a responsible authority such as the police. They must also scrutinise their own anxieties about matters such as noise and other types of public nuisance particularly carefully if the responsible authorities raise no objections on these grounds.'

A more detailed account of this case follows below:

In 2005 the Licensing Act 2003 introduced a new regime for the licensing of the sale of alcohol and the provision of various forms of entertainment. The new regime is controversial, in particular, because of the potential for extended opening hours and possibly even 24-hour opening. The case of Daniel Thwaites Plc v Wirral Borough Magistrates' Court [6 May 2008] looked at the approach licensing authorities should adopt towards the opening hours of licensed premises.

Daniel Thwaites PIc owned a hotel in the Wirral which it operated as licensed premises. It originally held a licence under the Licensing Act 1964. In June 2005, it applied to the licensing committee of Wirral Council, the licensing authority, for its existing licence to be converted to a "premises licence" under the Licensing Act 2003.

Thwaites wished to carry on its business under the new licence for longer hours than were allowed under its original licence. The licensing authority was asked by Thwaites to grant a licence that would allow music and dancing to 11pm and alcohol sales until midnight on all nights other than Friday and Saturday when opening hours would be an hour longer.

At the hearing of the licence application, there was opposition to Thwaites' proposals from Saughall Massie Conservation Society and local residents. Thwaites told the licensing authority that the new hours of operation would not vary significantly from its existing hours and the application for extended hours was to allow flexibility to open later "on special occasions". The authority took note of Thwaites' comments and granted the licence in the form requested by Thwaites.

The Conservation Society and others appealed against the licensing authority's decision to the magistrates' court on the basis that the decision was not made in accordance with the licensing objectives under the legislation. Some local residents were fearful of problems if the extended hours were allowed in the summer. The magistrates' court granted the appeal reducing the hours permitted for the sale of alcohol.

Thwaites applied for a judicial review of the magistrates' decision. Thwaites argued that the decision was unlawful because it was not in line with the philosophy of the 2003 Act and imposed restrictions on Thwaites' operation which were unnecessary to promote the Act's licensing objectives.

The Act was intended to provide a more efficient and flexible system of licensing which did not interfere unnecessarily. It aimed to provide greater choice for consumers while protecting local residents from disturbance and anti-social behaviour.

The High Court considered that the magistrates' approach did not take proper account of the changed approach to licensing introduced by the Act. According to that approach, the magistrates should have been more reluctant to impose regulation.

The fact that the police did not oppose the hours applied for by Thwaites should have weighed very heavily with the magistrates, but in fact they appeared to have dismissed the Police view because it did not concur with their own.

The magistrates proceeded without proper (empirical) evidence and gave their own views excessive weight. Their resulting decision limited the hours of operation of the premises without it having been established that it was necessary to do so to promote the licensing objectives. In all the circumstances, their decision was unlawful and had to be quashed.

5. Concluding Summary

- 5.1 The Proprietor of this new venture intends to comply with all the relevant licensing provisions, and is not in any way intending to operate the business in a manner that is detrimental to the quality of life of local residents.
- 5.2 The Company believes that this new Restaurant and Cabaret venue will prove to be of positive benefit to local residents and others.
- 5.3 The target customers for the later evening activities (who themselves work in the Leisure Sector) are responsible adults rather than 'binge-drinking' (under age) teenagers. They will not have consumed alcohol during their working hours and will not be intoxicated on their arrival at the venue. There is no evidence to support the allegation that they will not act in a civilized way, and will not arrive and depart in a quiet, orderly and respectful fashion.
- 5.4 In our assertion, for the most part the local residents who have submitted a Representation opposing this application have not supported their claims (fears) with proper evidence.

5.5 In Section 1.1 above reference was made to the emphasis that the Legislation (Licensing Act 2003) places on granting rather than refusing Licence applications. Quite apart from the Licensing Authorities ability to attach relevant and proportionate conditions to any Licence granted, there are numerous safeguards, remedies and sanctions available to Councils, Responsible Authorities and Interested Parties should problems arise.

Whilst it is not accepted that problems will in fact arise in this case, the safeguards, remedies and sanctions referred to include:

- Interested Parties or Responsible Authorities may seek a Review of the Licence – which may for example result in Removal of the Designated Premises Supervisor (DPS); Attaching additional conditions to the Licence; Removal or curtailment of one or more of the Licensing Activities; Suspension of the Licence for up to three (3) months; Revocation of the Licence.
- The Council, the Licensing Authority or Police may issue a Closure Notice.
- Police may seek an Expedited Review.
- Officers of the Licensing Authority or Police may prosecute where there are breaches of the conditions of the Licence – the maximum penalty being a £20,000 fine and/or six (6) months imprisonment.
- Environmental Health Officers may use their own legislation (Environmental Protection Act 1990) to deal with any cases of statutory Noise Nuisance.
- 5.6 In our submission, a Representation has to be based on more than what an interested party might think or fear may happen. There needs to be real (empirical) evidence to back up the Representation or clear evidence of actual problems relating to the licensing objectives in the Representation. Based on the decision in R (Daniel Thwaites plc) v Wirral Borough Magistrates' Court and Others, a Licensing Sub-Committee determining an opposed application will judge each case on its merits; but must make its decision on firm evidence or reasonable expectations based on specific facts and not on speculation.
- 5.7 Further, in our submission a compelling factor regarding this application is that neither the Environmental Health Officer nor the Police (both of whom are Responsible Authorities and experts in their respective fields) have seen fit to oppose it. This mirrors exactly the findings of the High Court in the Thwaites case quoted above.
- 5.8 The Licensing Sub-Committee is respectfully requested to grant this application in full.

BANANA'S TAPAS BAR RESTAURANT 374 WALWORTH ROAD, LONDON SE17 2NF CONCILIATION STATEMENT

<u>History</u>

For many years this premises traded as 'Liam Ogs', and was little more than a traditional pub which provided discotheque entertainment during the evening at weekends.

About a year ago, the venue changed hands and the trading name was changed to 'Banana's Bar'. The business became more of a bar than a pub and started to provide discotheque entertainment on most nights. It would appear that there were some problems regarding 'late-trading', excessive noise, as well as some crime and disorder issues. The aforementioned activities created difficulties for the Authorities and had a negative impact on the quality of life of some local residents.

In March 2010, the venue was acquired Minho Montalegre Limited ('the Company'). The Premises Licence is now held by the Company, who are re-branding it and re-launching the business in the new name of Banana's Tapas Bar Restaurant.

The Company's Proposals

- 1) Minho Montalegre Limited are proposing to remodel and re-launch the above venue, providing a new Leisure offer for Walworth, and helping to regenerate the area and local economy.
- 2) The Company is planning to convert the existing operation, creating a combined Restaurant and Cabaret venue.
- 3) It is proposed that the Restaurant will be open from lunchtime every day until midnight on weekdays, 03.00 am on Fridays and Saturdays and 01.30 am on Sundays. The Restaurant will provide 'Latin-American' and Continental cuisine of a very high standard. A family friendly restaurant which will suit all tastes and all ages.
- 4) The live, evening entertainment will include tasteful and laid-back Latin-style jazz, professional Tango and Salsa dancers, Latin bands, and the Disc Jockey will also provide Latin-style dance music such as Salsa and Samba.
- 5) This new Restaurant will benefit and appeal to the local community both during the day and in the evening for business lunches, dinners or social occasions.
- 6) The later evening entertainment and restaurant facilities will not only appeal to local people, but will also provide leisure facilities for people who themselves work in the Catering, Hotel and Leisure industries (those who do not finish work until 11.00 p.m. or later). These include persons from the Italian, Spanish, Colombian, Portuguese and Brazilian communities.

The Improvements To Date

- 1) The Company's Licensing Consultant has advised upon additional licence conditions and other measures which will more properly regulate the operation, and better address the four (4) Licensing Objectives.
- 2) The Company has appointed the Company Secretary (Susana Alves) to work at the venue as the General Manager and oversee both the Restaurant, Cabaret and Bar activities. Susana is an experienced Manager who has worked in the Leisure Sector for more than ten (10) years.
- 3) The Company has changed the Designated Premises Supervisor (DPS). Bartlomiej Gasior is a Personal Licence Holder and also an experienced Manager.
- 4) The Company also employs a second Personal Licence Holder, which will ensure that at least one Personal Licence Holder is available during the evening.
- 5) The Sound Limiting Device (SLD) has been set at an appropriate level. This device limits the volume levels of the sound equipment. In addition, the Company is perfectly willing to the add the following conditions to any new Licence that may be granted:
 - a) No external sound systems shall be imported onto the premises; any imported musical instruments requiring amplification shall be amplified via the existing sound system (controlled by means of the Sound Limiting Device).
 - b) There shall be no removal and loading of equipment from the premises between the terminal hour and 08.00 hours.
 - c) After 22.00 hours, no more than ten (10) patrons shall be permitted to use the smoking area at any one time.
 - Please Note Southwark's Environmental Protection Team advises that there have not been any complaints regarding Noise Nuisance since 01 November 2009; and, in any event, not since the Company took over the venue.
- 6) The Company intends to open the new Restaurant in May 2010, providing a new catering choice for local people and others.
- 7) In due course, the existing Door Security Company will be replaced by another Security provider that has been well established in the Southwark area for more than 10 years.
- 8) The crime and disorder issues referred to above have been and are being addressed.
 - Please Note Walworth Police advise that there have been no major issues since Christmas 2009; and, having considered the additional measures that are being implemented, have not made a Representation opposing the application to vary the Premises Licence.

Future Improvements

1) At some considerable cost, the Company will install acoustic secondary glazing – as an additional measure to obviate any sound breakout or noise nuisance.

Residents' Concerns

Given the history of this premises under its previous Proprietors, the concerns expressed and the issues raised by Residents are quite understandable. However, this is a new enterprise who are substantially changing this operation with the intention of providing a different type of Leisure Offer for Walworth. In addition to having proper regard to the Licensing Objectives, the Company wants to work with and serve the local community, take on-board Residents' concerns, and, wherever possible, take steps that will directly address and remedy those concerns.

The Company takes its responsibilities very seriously. Many of the residents who have expressed concerns will not be aware of the measures that the Company has already proposed to address those concerns and other issues raised. The Company's proposals are:

- " P Describe any additional steps you intend to take to promote the four licensing objectives as a result of the proposed variation:
- a) General all four licensing objectives (b,c,d,e) (please read guidance note 9)
 The Applicant is familiar with the requirements of the Licensing Act 2003 and with the provisions of the four Licensing Objectives. They are equipped to and fully intend to promote those objectives (as outlined below).

b) The prevention of crime and disorder

- 1. That SIA registered Door Supervisor, shall be employed at all times after 22.00hrs until the terminal hour that the premises are in use under this licence and provided with hand held metal detection units in order to ensure that searches are carried out in respect of all admissions to the premises, whether members of the public or performers and their assistants and Mechanical counting devices to ensure that the maximum accommodation limit of the premises is not exceeded.
- 2. That signs shall be displayed in the entrance foyer to the premises that state Drugs Free Zone and No Search No Entry', 'Management reserve the right to refuse entry'.
- 3. That all matters relating to drugs shall be in accordance with the Metropolitan Police Best Practice Guide on the handling of drugs in pubs and clubs.
- 4. That suitable notices shall be displayed and announcements made requesting people to leave the premises in a quiet and orderly manner so as not to disturb local residents.
- 5. That the CCTV system be at the premises and be maintained in good working order and be continually recording at all times the premises are in use under the licence. The CCTV System must be capable of capturing an image of every person who enters the premises.
- 6. That all CCTV footage shall be kept for a period of thirty one (31) days and shall, upon request, be made immediately available to Officers of the Police and the Council.
- 7. That the Licence Holder shall require any regular and external promoters hiring the premises to complete the Venue Hire Agreement' provided by Southwark Council and, once completed, you shall ensure that a copy of the agreement is provided to the Police and Licensing Unit a minimum of fourteen days prior to the date of hire.
- 8. That a Personal Licence holder is on the premises and on duty at all times that intoxicating liquor is supplied.
- 9. That the Premises Licence holder and/or Designated Premises Supervisor join and support a local Pub Watch Scheme should there be one in existence for the area in which the premises is located.

- 10. Customers shall use no outside area af ter 22.00hrs other than those who temporarily leave the premises to smoke a cigarette. Those who do temporarily leave for this reason shall be the subjected to the requirement of a further search.
- 12. There will be a 'cooling off/drinking-up' period each night, with the premises closing 30 minutes after the cessation of all licensable activities.
- 13. That there shall be no new admissions after 01.30 am.

c) Public safety

A First Aid Kit shall be available at the venue.

An Incident/Accident Book shall be kept and maintained.

The premises has an Emergency Lighting system.

d) The prevention of public nuisance

The Proprietor will minimize sound volumes to ensure that there is no sound breakout which might cause a noise nuisance to local residents or local businesses.

e) The protection of children from harm

Children will be welcomed but only when accompanied by a parent or responsible adult. Staff will remain vigilant and ensure that young persons are not able to purchase alcohol. In cases of doubt, staff request proof of age ID such as a Passport, Driving Licence (bearing a photograph) or the Southwark Proof of Age (SPA) Card. No person under 16 years of age is permitted to remain on the premises after 9.00 pm."

BANANA'S TAPAS BAR RESTAURANT - MENU

ANTIPASTO

ZUPPA DEL GIORNO Fresh soup of the day 2.75

INSALATA DI GAMBERETTI E L'AVOCADO Avocado and peeled prawn salad with marie rose sauce 4.75

L'AVOCADO GRATINATO Baked avocado, creamy tomato sauce & gratinated parmesan 4..50

ASPARAGI E PROSCIUTTO Asparagus, Parma ham, butter & parmesan qratin 4.75

FORMAGGIO DI CAPRA E FUNGHI Flat mushrooms & goat's cheese gratin 4.75

COZZE MARINARA Mussels, shallots, garlic, cream & white wine sauce 3.95

COZZE ALLA NAPOLETANA Mussels, tomato pomodoro, garlic & chilli sauce 3.95

GAMBERONI Butterfly king prawns, chilli, garlic butter & white wine sauce 5.75

CALAMARI FRITTI Deep fried squid & tartar sauce 4.75

SARDINE ALLA GRIGLIA Sardines, chopped garlic, parsley, chilli & extra virgin olive oil 3.75

CARPACCIO DI MANZO Raw beef, rocket salad, parmesan shavings & truffle oil 4.75

PROSCIUTTO DI PARMA CON MELONE Melon & layered parma ham 4.50

INSALATA DI GRANCHIO Fresh Crab infused avocado & a touch of mayonnaise 4.75

CAPRESE Buffalo mozzarella, vine tomatoes, basil & extra virgin olive oil 3.75

OSTRICHE FRESCHE Fresh Oysters (6) 5.00 (12) 12,00

SPAGHETTI BOLOGNESE Beef mince, finely chopped celery, carrots & tomato sauce 5.95

PENNE ARRABIATA Tomato pomodoro, garlic & chilli sauce 5.95

PENNE CON POLLO Diced Chicken breast, garlic & tomato sauce 5.95

PASTA & RISOTTO

SPAGHETTI BOLOGNESE Beef mince, finely chopped celery, carrots & tomato sauce 7.95

FETTUCCINE AL ALFREDO Asparagus, cream, parmesan cheese & a touch of butter 7.95

FETTUCCINE CON FUNGHI Wild mushrooms, garlic, fresh chilli & extra virgin olive oil 7.95

PENNE CON POLLO Diced Chicken breast, garlic & tomato sauce 7.75

GARGANELLI AL SALMONE Smoked Salmon, shallots, paprika, vodka & creamy sauce 8.75

SPAGHETTI BASILICO Cherry tomato, parmesan cheese & basil 7.75

PENNE ARRABIATA Tomato pomodoro, garlic & chilli sauce 8.95

LINGUINE GAMBEREONI King prawns, asparagus, cherry tomato, fresh chilli & brandy 9.85

BOSCAIOLA Paccheri pasta, smoked pancetta, wild mushrooms, asparagus & aurora sauce 9.25

RISOTTO FRUTTI DI MARE Arborio rice, fresh seafood, garlic, white wine & fresh tomato 8.75

LINGUINE FRUTTI DI MARE Fresh seafood, garlic, chilli, white wine & cherry tomatoe 8.75

RAVIOLI DI RICOTTA E SPINACI Ricotta and spinach & aurora sauce 6.75

SPAGHETTI CARBONARA Smoked Italian Panchetta, egg yolk & creamy sauce 6.75

PESCE

TORTA DI PESCE DI SALMONE Salmon fish cakes on a bed of creamy spinach 9.75

GAMBERONI Butterfly king prawns, chilli, garlic butter & white wine sauce 9.95

BRANZINO ALLA GRIGLIA Fillets of sea bass, grilled asparagus, roasted cherry tomato 10.95 & red pepper dressing

BRANZINO IN PADELLA Pan fried fillets of sea bass & spring onion mash potato 10.95

CARNE

FEGATO ALLA GRIGLIA Grilled calves liver, crispy pancetta, mash potato & jus 11.75

FEGATO BURRO E SALVIA Pan fried liver, butter & sage 11.95

POLLO ALLA PRINCESA Pan fried chicken breast, wild mushrooms, asparagus & creamy sauce 10.95

POLLO ALLA PROVENCIAL Pan fried chicken breast, onions, garlic, peppers, tomato & herbs 10.95

LA SPALLA DI AGNELLO Crispy lamb shoulder; garlic crushed new potatoes, pan fried courgettes & jus 9.75

AGNELLO Rack of lamb, red wine jus & dauphinoise potato ½ Rack 11.75

BISTECCA ALLA GRIGLIA Grilled prime rib eye steak (Plain grilled/pepper sauce) 9oz 12.95

FILETTO ALLA GRIGLIA Grilled prime fillet steak (Plain grilled/pepper sauce) 90z 12.75

LA GAMBA DI ANITRA Roasted leg of duck, braised red cabbage, dauphinoise potato & jus 9.50

VITELLO ALLA MILANESE Veal coated in bread crumbs & spaghetti basil mmn975