

Licensing Committee

Agenda

Date: Thursday, 7th January, 2010

Time: 10.00 am

Venue: The Assembly Room - Town Hall, Macclesfield SK10 1DX

The agenda is divided into 2 parts. Part 1 is taken in the presence of the public and press. Part 2 items will be considered in the absence of the public and press for the reasons indicated on the agenda and at the foot of each report.

PART 1 - MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED WITH THE PUBLIC AND PRESS PRESENT

1. **Apologies for Absence**

2. **Declarations of Interest**

To provide an opportunity for Members and Officers to declare any personal and/or prejudicial interests in any item on the agenda

3. **Application for a Premises Licence Variation - Repent Nightclub, 84B Mill Street, Macclesfield, Cheshire** (Pages 5 - 64)

To consider an application to vary the Premises Licence for Repent Nightclub, 84B Mill Street, Macclesfield, Cheshire.

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CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

PROCEDURE FOR HEARINGS – LICENSING ACT 2003

The Licensing Committee

The full Licensing Committee consists of fifteen elected Members of the Council. From this full Committee will be drawn sub-committees of three members to deal with licensing functions under the Licensing Act 2003. The Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Licensing Committee shall have the discretion to refer a matter up to a hearing of the full Licensing Committee.

Officers at Hearings

- **The Committee Officer** introduces all parties and records the proceedings
- **The Legal Adviser** provides independent advice to the Members on legal matters and procedure.
- **The Licensing Officer** will introduce the matter and outline the application; the officer will also answer any questions Members may have.

PROCEDURE

NOTE: If the Sub-Committee has not already elected a Chairman, that will be the first item of business.

1	Chairman	The Chairman will: (i) call the matter to be considered; (ii) call for any declarations of interest; (iii) ask all parties to introduce themselves; (iv) summarise the procedure to be followed at the hearing; (v) will consider any request made by a party for another person to appear at the hearing; (v) will advise the parties of any maximum period of time in which it has to present its case (if a maximum is imposed this shall be equal for all parties).
2	Licensing Officer	Will introduce and summarise the application, highlighting areas of contention or dispute.
3	Committee Members	May ask questions of the Licensing Officer
4	Applicant	Will present his/her case, calling witnesses, as appropriate. <i>(If necessary, applicant will produce any notices required by law. Legal Adviser will draw attention to this if required.)</i>
5	Responsible Authorities (who have made representations)	Each in turn may ask <u>questions</u> of the applicant, by way of clarification.

6	Local residents (ie. defined as “interested parties”)	To be invited to ask <u>questions</u> of the applicant, by way of clarification. <i>It is normal practice for a spokesperson only to speak on behalf of a group of residents.</i>
7	Committee Members	Each in turn may ask <u>questions</u> of the applicant.
8	Applicant	May make a <u>statement</u> or ask his witnesses to clarify any matters which he feels are unclear, or may have been misunderstood.
9	Responsible Authorities	Will make their representations.
10	Applicant	Or his representative or witnesses to ask <u>questions</u> of Responsible Authorities represented at the meeting, by way of clarification.
11	Local residents (ie. defined as “interested parties”)	May ask <u>questions</u> of the Responsible Authorities represented at the meeting, by way of clarification. (Note: This is not the point at which local residents should be stating their objections.)
12	Committee Members	May ask <u>questions</u> of the Responsible Authorities represented at the meeting
13	Local residents (ie. defined as “interested parties”)	The local residents who are objecting to the application will be invited <u>to make observations on the application</u> and present the bases of their objections.
15	Applicant	Or his representative or witnesses may ask <u>questions</u> of the Local Residents, by way of clarification.
16	Committee Members	May ask <u>questions</u> of the Local Residents.
17	Chairman	To invite both Responsible Authorities and Local Residents to make their closing addresses.
18	Applicant	Or his representative will <u>briefly summarise the application</u> and comment on the observations and any suggested conditions.
19	Committee	<u>Will retire</u> to consider the application. The Committee may request the Legal Advisor to advise on legal issues.
20	Committee	Will return to <u>give its decision</u> , with reasons, which will be announced by the Chairman and subsequently confirmed in writing to the applicant and to all the parties that made representations.

		In cases where a decision cannot be given at the end of the hearing, parties will be advised of the decision within five working days.
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Notes

1. The hearing shall normally be held in public. There may be occasions on which the Committee find it necessary to exclude members of the press and public; any such decision will be taken on the basis that the public interest in doing so outweighs the public interest in the hearing, or that part of the hearing taking place in public.
2. The Chairman may require any person behaving in a disruptive manner to leave the hearing and may (a) refuse to permit that person to return, or (b) permit him/her to return only on such conditions as the authority may specify, but any such person may submit in writing any information which they would have been entitled to provide orally if they had not been required to leave.
3. Prior to the hearing each party shall have given notification and served documentation (eg statements of witnesses or reports of experts) as required. Late representations and evidence will only be considered with the agreement of all parties.
4. Anyone entitled to be heard may be represented by any person, whether or not that person is legally qualified.
5. Hearsay will be permitted but the Sub-Committee will be reminded to give it appropriate weight.
6. Due note shall be taken of the provisions of the Hearings Regulations 2005.
7. The Chair may, in the interests of expediency or convenience of the parties, vary the procedure from time to time, provided notice is given to the parties and the rules of natural justice are observed.

SUMMARY OF PROCEDURE

- 1 Chairman appointed (if this has not been done previously).
- 2 Chairman to call for declarations of interest and request that all parties introduce themselves.
- 3 Chairman summarises the procedure for the hearing
- 4 The Licensing Officer summarises the application
- 5 Applicant to present his/her case.
- 6 Applicant to be questioned by all parties (to clarify points only) following which, he/she can clarify any other matters which he/she feels may have been misunderstood when the application was presented.
- 7 Applicant to be questioned by the Committee.
- 8 Responsible Authorities to make their representations following which they can be questioned by all parties by way of clarification.
- 9 **Local residents** (defined as interested parties) will be invited to present the bases of their objections, following which they can be questioned by all parties by way of clarification.
- 10 The applicant will be invited to sum up his/her case
- 11 Committee/Sub-Committee withdraws to make its decision
- 12 Committee/Sub-Committee returns to announce its decision to all present.

CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

REPORT TO: LICENSING COMMITTEE

Date of Meeting: Thursday 7th January 2010 at 10.00am
Report of: Mrs N Cadman, Licensing Officer
Subject/Title: Application for a Premises Licence Variation – Repent Nightclub, 84B Mill Street, Macclesfield, Cheshire.

1.0 Report Summary

- 1.1 The report provides details of an application for the variation of a Premises Licence together with information as to representations received in relation to the application.

2.0 Recommendations

The Licensing Committee is requested to determine the application to vary a Premises Licence made by Mrs Laura Jayne Hatton-Garside in respect of Repent Nightclub, 84B Mill Street, Macclesfield, Cheshire.

3.0 Reasons for Recommendations

- 3.1 The Licensing Committee has the power to determine this application in accordance with the provisions of the Licensing Act 2003.

4.0 Wards Affected

- 4.1 Macclesfield Town

5.0 Local Ward Members

Cllr S Broadhurst
Cllr D A Neilson
Cllr Mrs E C Tomlinson

6.0 Policy Implications

- 6.1 The Licensing Authority has adopted a Statement of Licensing Policy in accordance with section 5 of the Licensing Act 2003 and Guidance issued under section 182 of the Act.

7.0 Financial Implications for Transition Costs (Authorised by the Borough Treasurer)

- 7.1 Not applicable.

8.0 Financial Implications 2009/10 and beyond (Authorised by the Borough Treasurer)

- 8.1 Not applicable.

9.0 Legal Implications (Authorised by the Borough Solicitor)

9.1 Section 35(5) of the 2003 Act states that for the purposes of an application to vary a Premises Licence under section 34, 'relevant representations' means representations which -

(a) are about the likely effects on the grant of the application on the promotion of the licensing objectives (i.e. the prevention of crime and disorder, public safety, the prevention of public nuisance, and the protection of children from harm), and

(b) meet the requirements of sub-section (6)

Sub-section 35(6)(a) provides that the requirements include "that the representations are made by an interested party or a responsible authority within the period prescribed under section 17(5)(c) by virtue of section 34(5)" (the prescribed period for these purposes is the period of twenty-eight consecutive days starting on the day after the day on which the application was given to the licensing authority).

An 'interested party' for the purpose of the Act (as defined by section 13(3)) means:

(a) a person living in the vicinity of the premises; (b) a body representing persons who live in that vicinity; (c) a person involved in a business in that vicinity; and (d) a body representing persons involved in such businesses.

9.2 In accordance with the provisions of section 35 of the Licensing Act 2003, in determining the application the Licensing Authority must, having regard to the representations, take such steps (if any) as it considers necessary for the promotion of the licensing objectives. Section 35(4) provides that the authority may (a) modify the conditions of the licence; or (b) reject the whole or part of the application.

10.0 Risk Management

10.1 Section 181 and Schedule 5 of the Licensing Act 2003 make provision for appeal to the Magistrates' Court of any decision made by the Licensing Authority.

11.0 Background and Options

11.1 The application is for the variation of a Premises Licence under section 34 of the Licensing Act 2003.

11.2 The operating schedule indicates that the application is to vary the Premises Licence in order to authorise the provision of "lapdancing, full strip."

11.3 The hours applied for are as per the existing licence (a copy of the Premises Licence Summary is attached to this report as Appendix 38).

11.3.1 The Designated Premises Supervisor is Mr Roy Garside

The operating schedule indicates that the steps to promote the licensing objectives will be as shown on the existing Premises Licence (see Appendix 38).

11.6 Relevant Representations

Responsible Authorities

11.6.1 The Police state in their response: Application received 10th November 2009 for the variation of the Premises Licence to include Lap Dancing at Repent, 84B Mill Street, Macclesfield.

The premises have been run by the current Proprietors since August 2008, during that period there have been a high number of reports of underage drinking taking place, several assaults involving underage persons, drug abuse witnessed where arrests were made and irresponsible drinks promotions offered where customers could drink all they wanted for £6, as a result the current Designated Premises Supervisor Roy Garside was given an Action Plan on the 10th September 2009, since then there has been no reports of drug abuse or underage drinking, however, there have been issues with them operating under 18's nights although very few incidents have occurred inside the premises, Public Order issues have been cause for concern outside the premises.

This application is a substantial change in operating conditions and to exasperate matters, current conditions have been ignored despite several reminders, for example:

Condition 4:

There shall be an ID Scan System in operation at the premises. (The Proprietors have indicated that this will be in place soon).

Condition 13:

Challenge 21 shall be fully embraced and to enforce this the operator shall install a Scanner Identification System before any new Premises Licence becomes effective. (This simply helps to reinforce Condition 4).

On recent Police visits a copy of the Licence Summary has been not been on display and unavailable when Officers have asked for it.

Police would ask that these be made a priority, it is of the utmost importance that should the application be approved Challenge 21 is fully adopted and although they have no objections to the application they would ask that prior to the premises opening as a lap dancing establishment, detailed plans be submitted showing changing facilities and areas open to performance. Current proposals are for the changing room to be positioned in an upstairs office to the right of reception, which means performers having to be escorted past customers entering and leaving, also private areas whilst proposed are not yet readily defined causing concerns for public safety and the welfare and safety of performers.

In addition, the following conditions should be attached to the licence before they are allowed lap dancing at the premises:

1. No irresponsible sales promotions of alcoholic beverages shall be offered to customers.
2. No customers carrying open or sealed bottles shall be admitted to the premises at any time that the premises are open to the public.
3. A sign will be located on the premises indicating that the standard hours during which the sale of alcohol is permitted.

4. There shall be provided at the premises Door Supervisors who are registered with the Security Industry Authority from opening hours until the close of business. Door Supervisors are to be employed to such a number as the management of the premises consider are sufficient to control the entry to the premises and for the keeping of order in the premises when they are used for a licensable activity. At least one Door Supervisor shall be positioned at the entrance(s) in use at all times when adult entertainment is taking place. At least one Door Supervisor should be female.

A written record shall be kept on the premises by the Designated Premises Supervisor of every person employed on the premises as a Door Supervisor in a register kept for that purpose; that record shall contain the following details:

- (i) The Door Supervisor's name, date of birth and home address;
 - (ii) His/her security authority number;
 - (iii) The time and date he/she starts and finishes duty;
 - (iv) The time of any breaks taken whilst on duty;
 - (v) Each entry shall be signed by the Door Supervisor, that register shall be available for inspection on demand by an Authorised Officer of the Council, the Security Industry Authority or a Police Constable.
5. Signs requesting that customers leave the premises quietly shall be displayed at the exits.
6. No person under the age of 18 will be allowed on the premises at any time when licensable activities are taking place. Clear notice will be displayed at each entrance to the premises, in a prominent position, so that it can be easily read by people entering the premises saying: "NO PERSONS UNDER 18 WILL BE ADMITTED".
7. Striptease, lap dancing, pole dancing and similar performances involving nudity, partial nudity or simulated sexual acts to take place at the premises in accordance with the following:
 - (a) Safe Access to Dressing Room - safe and controlled access to the dressing room for performers shall be maintained at all times when the performance is taking place and immediately afterwards. Members of the public will not be allowed to access the dressing rooms. Dancers not performing shall not be in the licensed area in a state of undress. This includes making their way to and from the point of performance.
 - (b) Performers must be a minimum of 18 years old and a register shall be kept with their name, date of birth and home address, the time and date he/she starts and finishes; each entry shall be signed by the person concerned and that register shall be available for inspection on demand by an Authorised Officer of the Council or a Police Constable.

- (c) No Physical Contact or Information Exchange - There shall be no touching of performers by customers before, during or after the performance, other than the placing of banknotes by the customer in a garter worn by the performer for that purpose.
 - (d) There shall be no exchange of personal information between the performers and customers. Notices to this effect shall be clearly displayed at each entrance to the premises.
 - (e) Performance Area - The performance area/s shall be supervised by a member of staff at all times when performances are taking place. The management at the premises shall take all reasonable steps to ensure that customers remain seated whilst the adult entertainment is taking place.
 - (f) No Nudity Visible Outside - Entertainment, including dancing, which involve nudity or sexual performance of any kind shall not be visible from outside the premises.
 - (g) No External Adverts - There shall be no display outside the premises of photographs or other images which indicate that entertainment involving nudity or sexual performance takes place on the premises.
 - (h) CCTV system shall be extended to cover all private areas excluding the toilets and maintained to ensure quality of images with all recordings being kept for one month and made available to Police and other responsible agencies for evidential purposes.
 - (i) Where performers who are not being collected from the door of the premises by taxi or other transport, they will be chaperoned back to their vehicles by escorts provided by the licence holder. This is necessary for the safety of the persons performing in the premises.
8. A Refusal / Incident Book to be kept on the premises at all times to record refusals of entry, all age related challenges and incidents of crime to be available for examination by a Constable or relevant Authority for a minimum of 12 months.

11.6.2 Environmental Health – no response received.

11.6.3 Cheshire Fire Service – no response received.

11.6.4 Local Planning Authority – no response received.

11.6.5 Local Safeguarding Children Board – covered by Police response.

11.6.5 Health and Safety Officer –no response received.

11.6.6 Trading Standards – no response received.

Interested Parties

The Licensing Authority has received representations from a number of interested parties, copies of these representations are appended to this report.

The Licensing Authority has received a high volume of additional representations relating to this application, however, as set out within the legal implications at paragraph 9, only representations from 'interested parties' as defined within the Act are deemed to be relevant.

12.0 Overview of Year One and Term One Issues

12.1 Not applicable

13.0 Access to Information

The background papers relating to this report can be inspected by contacting the report writer:

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Designation: Licensing Officer
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Email: nikki.cadman@cheshireeast.gov.uk

APPENDICES

Appendices 1 – 35 & 39 Representations from interested parties.

Appendix 36 – Additional information relating to requested conditions to be attached to the Licence from the Police and agreement from applicants.

Appendix 37 – Plan of area

Appendix 38 – Copy of existing Premises Licence Summary & Conditions.

7th December 2009

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Park Green, Macclesfield, SK11 7NA

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We often leave the shop late; I would be feel very
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Park Green

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Dear Sirs

OBJECTION TO PLANNING APPLICATION

PREMISES: REPENT, 84B MILL STREET, MACCLESFIELD SK11 6NR
PURPOSE: TO PROVIDE FOR LAP DANCING – FULL STRIP

I write as the manager of a local business to object to the application dated 10th November 2009, for a Variation to a Premises Licence under the Licensing Act 2003, to provide for "Lap Dancing – Full Strip" at Repent, 84B Mill Street, Macclesfield SK11 6NR.

The grounds for objection are as follows:

Public Safety

Activity of the kind described in the application is demeaning both to the women who perform and to the men who spectate. Men who attend such performances do so not to admire the quality of the dancing, but for sexual stimulation. Such stimulation will not be satisfied within the licensed premises, and in consequence there will be an increased risk to women in the area (including those who perform) of sexual assault.

Local Heritage

The premises which are the subject of the application were once a Quaker Meeting House and later the location of the Macclesfield Christian Mission. It is difficult to imagine a more inappropriate activity than "Lap Dancing – Full Strip" taking place in a building with such a heritage.

Impact on Town Centre Businesses

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I call upon the Cheshire East Licensing Committee to reject this application.

Yours faithfully

Date: 5th December 2009

SK 21 6 NR

To: Licensing Committee
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Licensing Section
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SK10 1DX

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My premises are approx 100 yds from proposed site.
We already experience nuisance from drunks hanging around outside.
Doorways are used as toilets, vomit covers the windows & people sleep on left over takeaway food, discarded on the pavement.
Yours faithfully,

This type of establishment increases this type of behaviour. You usually don't bother listening to people's objections. How about listening this time for a change?

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At These Premises.

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From:**Sent:****To:****Cc:**

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Subject:

Repent - Application for variation to premises license

To whom it may concern

I manage the day to day operation of Macclesfield Bus Station including the Information Kiosk and Inspector. The reason for this email is to log my concern over the recent request for a 'Lap Dancing' license at the premises 'Repent'.

I believe the above premises currently hold "under 18 nights". On a number of occasions security staff working at the bus station and bus drivers experience problems with youths attending these nights.

Most recently we had an issue on Friday 30 October 09 where a number of young lads chased some girls through the bus station and the security guard and a bus driver had to try and hold them back so that the girls could get to safety.

My concern is mainly with the behavioral problems the license may create especially if the premises intend to continue to hold these "under 18 nights" should their application for the lap dancing license be approved?

The Police Licensing Officer Jeff Alan is also fully aware of the above incident and problems we encounter with youths who loiter around the bus station following the "under 18 nights".

I recognise that a successful application might, by reducing the number of "under 18 nights", make the situation described above easier.

However I would appreciate it if the Licensing Committee took this issue into account in its deliberations.

Regards

Date: 3, December 2009

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George Street
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Cheshire
SK11 6HS

Tuesday 2 December 2009

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- the prevention of crime and disorder
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Licensing Office

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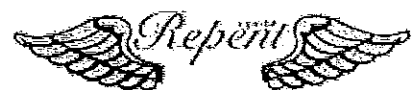
Dear Sir/Madam

RE: Repent Nightclub, 84B Mill Street, Macclesfield

I would like to confirm that I have read and fully understand the proposed additional conditions for our premises licence. This is to confirm that I agree to the conditions and will ensure that they are adhered to as stated in the enclosed document.

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Mrs Laura J Hatton-Garside



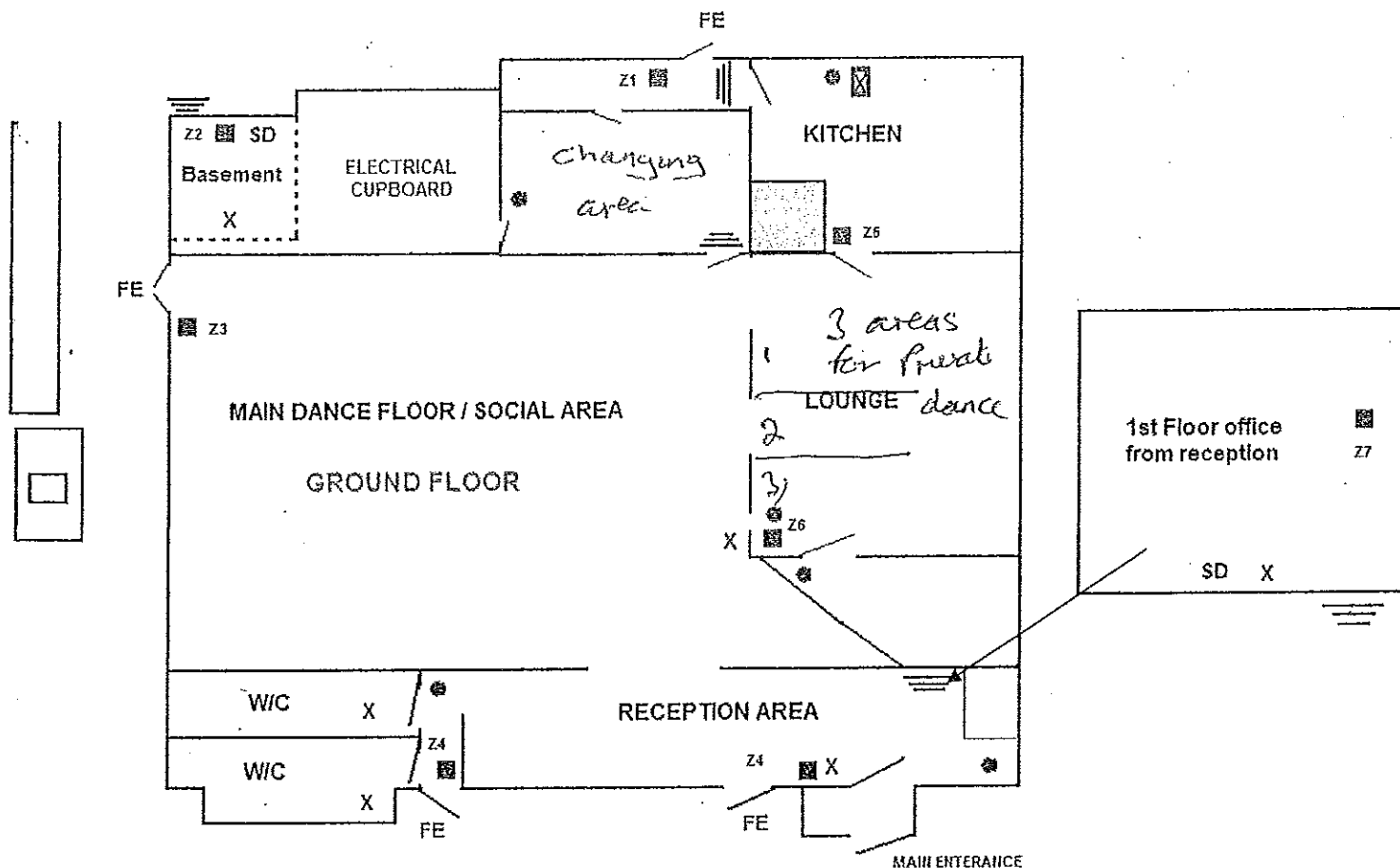
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Building Plan

Insert plan of your building here or if you do not possess one, use this space to draw your building floor plan (this does not have to be to scale). Further guidance can be found in part 1 Section 4.1 of the appropriate guide. Mark on all fire precautions equipment e.g. Fire doors, Extinguishers, Emergency Lighting, Fire alarm and any fire detection.

Does the premises appear to meet the necessary requirements that are defined in Part 2 of the appropriate guide?

If the answer is NO, then as a significant finding, document the deficiency and any remedial actions necessary in order to comply with the requirements.



KEY

BREAK GLASS (MCP)

X SOUNDER / BELL

FIRE BLANKET

WATER EXTINGUISHER

CO2 EXTINGUISHER

POWDER EXTINGUISHER

FE FIRE EXIT

SD SMOKE DETECTOR

Z1 ZONE NUMBER

STEPS / STAIRCASE

FLAMMABLE GAS

CURRENT CONDITIONS

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(This is currently breached)
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(This is currently breached)

Prevention of Public Nuisance

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General – All Licensing Objectives

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(This is currently breached)

17. The premises shall be maintained to a high standard.

PROPOSED ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS

Prevention of Crime and Disorder

1. No irresponsible sales promotions of alcoholic beverages shall be offered to customers.
2. No customers carrying open or sealed bottles shall be admitted to the premises at any time that the premises are open to the public.
3. A sign will be located on the premises indicating that the standard hours during which the sale of alcohol is permitted.
4. There shall be provided at the premises Door Supervisors who are registered with the security industry authority from **opening hours until the close of business**. Door Supervisors are to be employed to such a number as the management of the premises consider are sufficient to control the entry to the premises and for the keeping of order in the premises when they are used for a licensable activity. A written record shall be kept on the premises by the designated premises supervisor of every person employed on the premises as a door supervisor in a register kept for that purpose. that record shall contain the following details:-
 - (i) The door supervisors name, date of birth and home address; (ii) his/her security authority number; (iii) the time and date he/she starts and finishes duty; (iv) the time of any breaks taken whilst on duty; (v) each entry shall be signed by the door supervisor, that register shall be available for inspection on demand by an authorised officer of the Council, The Security Industry Authority or a police constable.
5. Signs requesting that customers leave the premises quietly shall be displayed at the exits.
6. No person under the age of 18 will be allowed on the premises at any time when licensable activities are taking place. Clear notice will be displayed at each entrance to the premises, in a prominent, so that it can be easily read by people entering the premises saying: "NO PERSONS UNDER 18 WILL BE ADMITTED".
7. Striptease, lap dancing, pole dancing, and similar performances involving nudity, partial nudity or simulated sexual acts to take place at the premises in accordance with the following:-
 - (a) Safe Access to Dressing Room - safe and controlled access to the dressing room for performers shall be maintained at all times when the performance is taking place and immediately afterwards. members of the public will not be allowed to access the dressing rooms. Dancers not performing shall not be in the licensed area in a state of undress.

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- (c) No physical contact or information exchange - There shall be no touching of performers by customers before, during or after the performance, other than the placing of banknotes by the customer in a garter worn by the performer for that purpose.
 - (d) There shall be no exchange of personal information between the performers and customers. Notices to this effect shall be clearly displayed at each entrance to the premises.
 - (e) Performance Area - The performance area shall be supervised by a member of staff at all times when performances are taking place. The management at the premises shall take all reasonable steps to ensure that customers remain seated whilst the adult entertainment is taking place.
 - (f) Door Supervisors - There shall be an adequate number of registered door supervisors on the premises when the authorised entertainment is taking place to ensure good order and safety of performers and customers. At least one door supervisor shall be positioned at the entrance(s) in use at all times when adult entertainment is taking place.
 - (g) No nudity Visible Outside - Entertainment, including dancing, which involve nudity or sexual performance of any kind shall not be visible from outside the premises.
 - (h) No External Adverts - There shall be no display outside the premises of photographs or other images which indicate that entertainment involving nudity or sexual performance takes place on the premises.
8. Where performers who are not being collected from the door of the premises by taxi or other transport, they will be chaperoned back to their vehicles by escorts provided by the licence holder. This is necessary for the safety of the persons performing in the premises.

Detailed Plans to be submitted prior to the premises opening as Lap Dancing, establishment, showing changing facilities and areas open to performance.

Once these are agreed you
will need to let the council
know formally in writing
Laura to Sign

From: Anthony.Whitney@cheshire.pnn.police.uk on behalf of
macclesfield.licensing@cheshire.pnn.police.uk
Sent: 10 December 2009 12:44
To: Cadman, Nikki; R Garside
Subject: Repent <NOT PROTECTIVELY MARKED>

Nikki/Roy

As Discussed I have amended the proposed condition slightly to include the following

Condition 4 add **At least one Door Supervisor should be female.**

Condition 7 (b) **Performers must be a minimum of 18 years old and a register shall be kept with thier name, date of birth and home address, the time and date he/she starts and finishes; each entry shall be signed by the person concerned and that register shall be available for inspection on demand by an Authorised Officer of the Council or a Police Constable.**

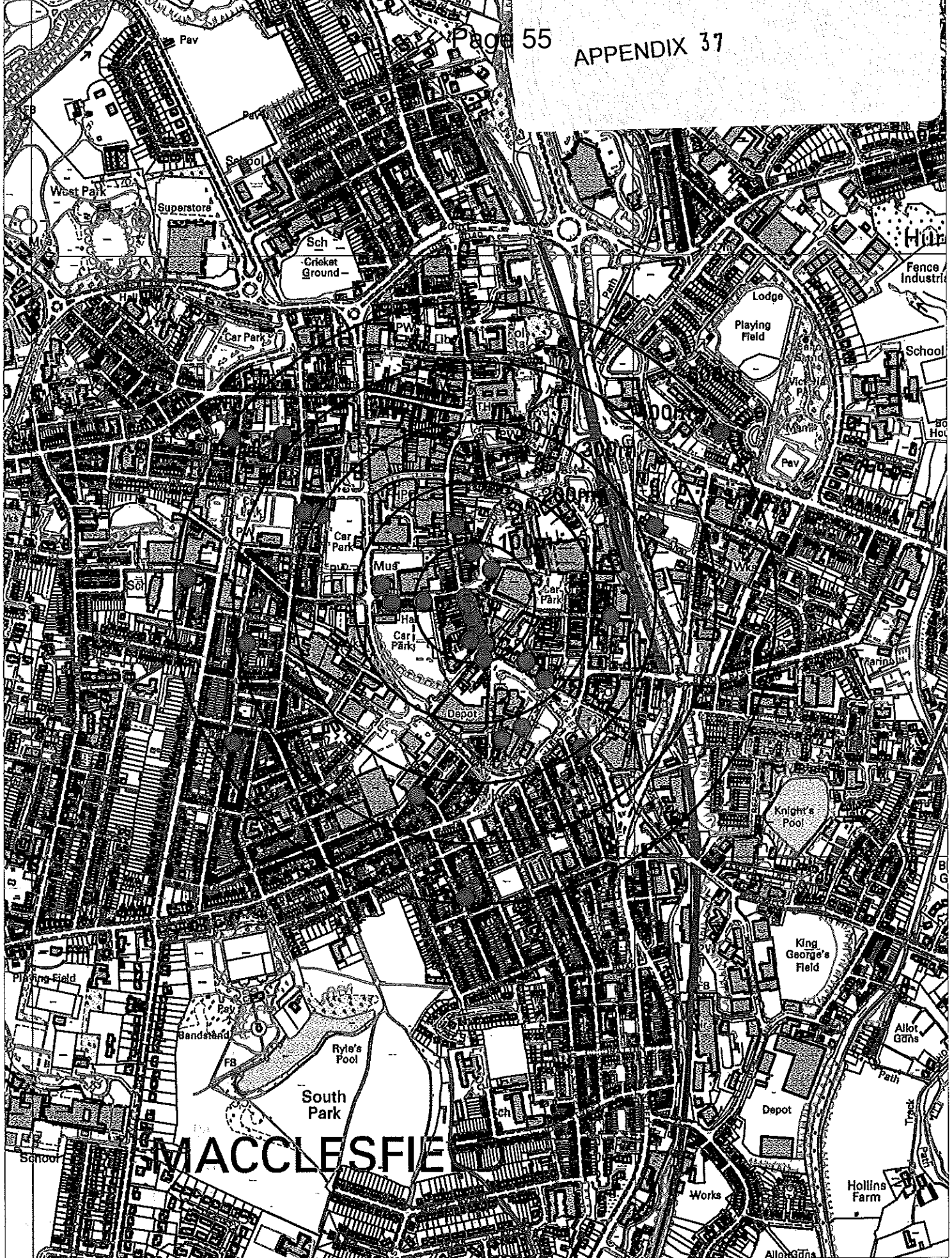
(h) add **CCTV system shall be extended to cover all private areas excluding the toilets and maintained to ensure quality of images with all recordings being kept for one month and made available to Police and other responsible agencies for evidential purposes.**

Condition 8 **A Refusal / Incident Book to be kept on the premises at all times to record refusals of entry, all age related challenges and incidents of crime to be available for examination by a Constable or relevant Authority for a minimum of 12 months.**

Licensing Officer A Whitney/Geoff Allen

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REPENT NIGHTCLUB, 84B MILL STREET, MACCLESFIELD, SK11 6NR



YOUR COUNCIL YOUR SERVICES

Premises Licence Summary

Premises Licence Number:

MBC/PR/0659

Premises Details

Postal address of Premises or, if none, ordnance survey map reference or description:

Preachers Re-Loaded
84B Mill Street
Macclesfield
Cheshire

Post Town: Macclesfield

Post Code: SK11 6NR

Telephone Number: 01625 619255

Where the Licence is time limited, the dates:

Not applicable.

Licensable activities authorised by the Licence:

Live Music
Recorded Music
Performance of Dance
Sale and supply of alcohol
Boxing or wrestling entertainment
Anything of a similar description to live music, recorded music and dance
Provision of facilities for making music
Provision of facilities for dancing
Provision of facilities for entertainment similar to music and dance
Late Night Refreshment

The time the Licence authorises the carrying out of licensable activities:

Live Music (to take place indoors only)
Monday to Wednesday 19.00 to 02.00
Thursday to Saturday 19.00 to 04.00
Sunday 14.00 to 02.00

Recorded Music (to take place indoors only)
Monday to Wednesday 19.00 to 02.00
Thursday to Saturday 19.00 to 04.00
Sunday 14.00 to 02.00

Performance of Dance (to take place indoors only)

Monday to Wednesday 19.00 to 02.00

Thursday to Saturday 19.00 to 04.00

Sunday 14.00 to 02.00

Sale and supply of alcohol

Monday to Wednesday 19.00 to 02.00

Thursday to Saturday 19.00 to 03.00

Sunday 14.00 to 02.00

Boxing or wrestling entertainment (to take place indoors only)

Monday to Saturday 19.00 to 24.00

Sunday 14.00 to 24.00

Anything of a similar description to live music, recorded music and dance (to take place indoors only)

Monday to Wednesday 19.00 to 02.00

Thursday to Saturday 19.00 to 04.00

Sunday 14.00 to 02.00

Provision of facilities for making music (to take place indoors only)

Monday to Wednesday 19.00 to 02.00

Thursday to Saturday 19.00 to 04.00

Sunday 14.00 to 02.00

Provision of facilities for dancing (to take place indoors only)

Monday to Wednesday 19.00 to 02.00

Thursday to Saturday 19.00 to 04.00

Sunday 14.00 to 02.00

Provision of facilities to entertainment similar to music and dance (to take place indoors only)

Monday to Wednesday 19.00 to 02.00

Thursday to Saturday 19.00 to 04.00

Sunday 14.00 to 02.00

Late Night Refreshment (to take place both indoors and outdoors)

Monday to Wednesday 23.00 to 02.00

Thursday to Saturday 23.00 to 04.00

Sunday 23.00 to 02.00

The opening hours of the Premises:

Monday to Wednesday 19.00 to 03.00

Thursday to Saturday 19.00 to 04.00

Sunday 14.00 to 03.00

Where the Licence authorises supplies of alcohol, whether these are on and/or off supplies:

for consumption on the premises only

Name, (registered) address of holder of Premises Licence:

Miss Laura Jayne Hatton

Registered number of holder, for example company number, charity number (where applicable):

Not applicable.

Name of designated Premises Supervisor where the Premises Licence authorises for the supply of alcohol:

Mr Roy Frederick Garside

State whether access to the Premises by children is restricted or prohibited:

None.

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Corporate Manager (Legal & Democratic Services)

1. No supply of alcohol may be made under this Premises Licence –
 - (a) at a time when there is no designated premises supervisor in respect of the Premises Licence, or
 - (b) at a time when the designated premises supervisor does not hold a Personal Licence or his Personal Licence is suspended.
2. Every supply of alcohol under this Premises Licence must be made or authorised by a person who holds a Personal Licence.
3. Each individual engaged in security activities at the premises must either:
 - a) be authorised to carry out that activity by a licence granted under the Private Security Industry Act 2001; or
 - b) be entitled to carry out that activity by virtue of Section 4 of the Private Security Industry Act 2001.

Annex 2 - Conditions consistent with the Operating Schedule**Prevention of Crime and Disorder**

1. CCTV shall be maintained in good order at the premises.
2. A nominated member of staff shall attend the local Pubwatch.
3. SIA Registered Door staff shall be employed at the premises.
4. There shall be an ID Scan System in operation at the premises.

Public Safety

5. Fire Safety and Health and Safety requirements shall be complied with.
6. Staff shall be fully trained regarding the fire drill procedure.
7. A nominated member of staff shall be appointed in charge of fire and health and safety matters for the premises.
8. There shall be a record kept of all safety checks.

Prevention of Public Nuisance

9. Staff shall maintain good methods of dispersal to aid with minimum disruption and disturbance to the immediate vicinity.

Protection of Children from Harm

10. The Challenge 21 system shall be in operation at the premises.

General – All Licensing Objectives

11. A CCTV system shall be installed in the premises and maintained to ensure quality of images with all recordings being kept for one month and made available to Police and other responsible agencies evidential purposes.
12. Challenge 21 shall be fully embraced and to enforce this the operator shall install a Scanner Identification System before any new Premises Licence becomes effective.

13. There shall be no admission to the premises after 1.30.am. on Thursday, Friday & Saturday.
14. SIA Registered Door Security Staff to be employed at the premises with a minimum of 2 on Thursday, Friday & Saturday and other times at the discretion of the DPS.
15. The Designated Premises Supervisor or in his/her absence a nominated deputy shall represent the premises at Macclesfield Pub Watch Meetings.
16. All staff shall be fully trained relating to the licensing objectives and the Licence Holder shall keep in contact with the Licensing Authority regarding any new legislation.
17. The premises shall be maintained to a high standard.

Annex 3 - Conditions attached after a hearing by the Licensing Authority

None.

Annex 4 - Plans

See attached.

Georg St West
Maulsfield
8K1 6ES

9th December 2009

Re: Application by Repent / Preachers, Mill St
for Adult Entertainment licence.

Dear Sir / Madam

I am objecting to the application for an adult entertainment licence at a town centre venue. Maulsfield's town centre development and economic regeneration plans, although disrupted and somewhat stalled, all depend on enhancing the town centre landscape. Crucial to this is encouraging a richer and more family friendly night time economy. There has always been a dearth of venues for the provision of an enticing range of cultural and social activities, but this is being discussed and addressed by public bodies and concerned individuals. All are agreed that more

reasons for people to come into town of an evening or stay in town beyond 5 pm would make Macc a more enticing and vibrant place to live, work and shop - as well as socialise. Currently, the majority of people on the streets of an evening are within a narrow age range and the entertainment is based around pubs, clubs and music. On a Friday and Saturday night there are many residents who would be cautious of going near Mill Street - it's considered by some a no-go area, ^{they} ~~who~~ fear raucous or even violent behaviour. The provision of an adult entertainment licence for a lap dancing club would confirm Macc's reputation and define its night time offering as one aimed predominantly at single men in 20's-30's (this may not be the reality, but this is how it would be seen). As a crucial time of reconsidering and shaping the town's commercial centre it would seem

at best pre-emptive and at worst foolish to allow this development at this time. I call on the council to show leadership and judgement and turn down this application. There is a responsibility on our public servants to encourage the development of entertainment venues to serve ^{those} parts of population which are currently neglected, rather than "super-serve" those which are already well catered for.

Yours faithfully

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