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LICENSING ACT 2003 – Sections 35 and 36

Notice of determination of application for variation of premises licence

To: The Wonderlounge

Of: 138A - 138B High Street, Sevenoaks, Kent. TN13 1XE

Ref: 11/02544/LAPRE

Sevenoaks District Council being the licensing authority, on the 13 September 2011 received an application to vary the premises licence in respect of premises known as The Wonderlounge, 138A – 138B High Street, Sevenoaks, Kent, TN13 1XE.

On the 8 November 2011 there being valid representations which were received and had not been withdrawn, a hearing was held to consider these representations, and having considered them the Licensing Sub-Committee determined as follows:

To grant the variation to the Premises Licence:

Section B	To allow the exhibition of films indoors from 08:00 hours (existing, no change) until 01:00 hours on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays only. This may include entertainment programs, sport, music videos and entertainment of a like kind.	
Section E	To allow live music indoors on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays only from 08:00 hours (existing, no change) until 01:00 hours. This may be unamplified or amplified. May be via artists singing, Karaoke, DJ or other of a similar nature.	
Section F	To allow recorded music indoors on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays only from 08:00 hours (existing, no change) until 01:00 hours. This will be played through an in-house system and/or during live entertainment events.	
Section G	To allow performances of dance on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays only indoors from 08:00 hours (existing, no change) until 01:00 hours. Dancing by staff and/or performers.	

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Section H	To allow anything of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g) on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays only indoors from 08:00 hours (existing, no change) until 01:00 hours as per the existing licence – entertainment of a similar nature to E, For G.	
Section I	To allow the provision of facilities for making music on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays only indoors from 08:00 hours until 01:00 hours, on Sunday from 08:00 until 22:45 hours and on Monday to Wednesday from 08:00 until 23:45 hours. Facilities may include in-house sound system, musical instruments, Karaoke equipment, video/TV screens.	
Section J	To allow the provision of facilities for dancing on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays only indoors from 08:00 hours until 01:00 hours, on Sunday from 08:00 until 22:45 hours and on Monday to Wednesday from 08:00 until 23:45 hours. Provision of permanent/temporary dance floor.	
Section L	To allow late night refreshment on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays only indoors from 23:00 hours (existing, no change) until 01:00 hours. Hot food and drink.	
Section M	To allow sale of alcohol on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays only both on and off the premises from 10:00 hours (existing, no change) until 01:00 hours.	
Section O	Hours premises are open to the public on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays only from 08:00 hours (existing, no change) until 01:30 hours.	

To add the conditions on the Licence as follows:

- CCTV to be fitted to a standard agreed to by the Police that complies with the current CCTV Code of Practice produced by the Information Commissioners Office, with all public areas, including the access and egress points covered. This is to also include any exit doorways, alleyways or any other area used for the ejection of customers.
- 2. The CCTV system will be maintained and serviced on a regular basis and records kept to take that effect.
- 3. CCTV shall be operational at all times that members of the public and/or staff are on the premises.

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- 4. Images shall be retained for a period of at least one calendar month by whatever means the licence holder deems appropriate.
- 5. The Police, Local Authority and Trading Standards will have access to these images at any reasonable time.
- 6. The Police, Local Authority and Trading Standards will be provided with a recording by way of tape, CD Rom or nay other means of the image immediately upon request.
- Staff will be fully trained in the CCTV system and there will be at least one
 member of staff on duty during trading hours who is able to provide a
 recording of any incident at the request of police or local authority.
- 8. Door supervisors will be employed at the premises from 21:00 hours until close of trading Friday and Saturday nights as a minimum.
- A sufficient number of door staff will be employed at the premises to provide sufficient safety and security for the capacity. This will be at a ratio of 1:100 customers with a minimum of two at all times they are to be required.
- 10. All instances of crime and disorder will be reported to the police as soon as reasonably practicable via CCTV or radio.
- 11. A drugs policy will be produced by the premises licence holder and agreed with the Police.
- 12. Premises to be a member, and actively participate in, the Sevenoaks Pubwatch scheme.
- 13. In order to control noise from queuing patrons and smokers at the front of the premises appropriate staff should be employed on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 2100 hrs, and adequate signage displayed reminding patrons to consider noise impact on neighbouring residential properties.
- 14. Before any regulated entertainment takes place a noise limiter shall be installed and set in consultation with members of the Environmental Protection team. Any such condition should enable the noise limit to be adjusted as necessary to mitigate sound intrusion at nearby residential properties.
- 15. During the playing of regulated entertainment the fire exit to the garden shall not be opened (except in an emergency) unless a suitable sound lobby has been provided. Should the applicant wish to install a noise lobby details of the scheme shall be submitted to the District Council for written approval.
- 16. When regulated entertainment occurs access and egress to the property shall be through the sound lobby only (except in emergency).

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17. The premises Licence holder shall invite the local residents (including the inhabitants of 142A High Street and the Chairman for the time being of the Acorns Residents' Association) to a meeting no less than each quarter to discuss issues relating to this licence.

To add the following informative on the Licence as follows:

The Applicant is encouraged to discuss issues relating to the 'garden' area with local residents with a view to reaching a satisfactory resolution.

All parties are reminded that should such a solution not be reached, or should the conditions of the licence not be complied with, it is possible at any stage for a responsible authority or an interested person to ask the licensing authority to review the licence.

This licence granted at the Hearing is effective from the 8 November 2011.

Dated: 11 November 2011	Signed
	Chair – Licensing Hearing Signed
	Designation – Assistant Licensing Manager

Please address any communications to:

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Note: Pursuant to Part 1 of Schedule 5 of the Licensing Act 2003 as amended, any party eligible to appeal must appeal to a magistrates' court within 21 days beginning with the day on which the appellant was notified by the licensing authority of the decision appealed against.