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Ask for: Licensing Partnership
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Date: 8th June 2022

Dear Mr Surucu

Licensing Act 2003

Offence : Section 136 - Unauthorised licensable activities
Ephesus, 57-59 High Street, Sevenoaks, Kent TN13 1JF

The Licensing Authority has undertaken out of hours monitoring of Ephesus, 57-59 High Street, Sevenoaks, Kent TN13 1JF and has seemingly witnessed unauthorised licensable activities. This is an offence under Section 136 of the Licensing Act 2003.

On Friday 27th May 2022 a Senior Licensing Officer entered your premises at 0005hrs and at 0007hrs purchased a gin and tonic. Whilst in your premises the Officer also witnessed a DJ with a 'set of decks' providing music for customers who were dancing. Your current Premises Licence (number 19/01981/LAPRE) authorises for the sale of alcohol up until 0000hrs on a Friday, with no authorisation for regulated entertainment (although recorded music is allowed under de-regulation for an on-licensed premises until 11pm).

I spoke with you on the telephone yesterday (7th June 2022) and you indicated to me that you have CCTV installed and working and would be able to retrieve footage of the night in question up to a month after the date of the monitoring visit (on Friday 27th May 2022). You also indicated, during our conversation, that you would be able to provide sales receipts of drinks served that night.

I would, therefore, ask you to ensure that this information is downloaded and available for the Local Authority to view, and to do this before the CCTV footage is overwritten. CCTV footage and bar receipts from 2355hrs until 0120hrs will be required.

I would be grateful if you can contact me to arrange a mutually convenient appointment in order to conduct a formal interview. The interview will be under caution and tape recorded in accordance with the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984. You may seek legal advice in advance and you may have legal representation at the interview. I have included guidance material containing further advice on this process.

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I trust you will give this matter your attention and I look forward to receiving a reply within the next 7 days.

If you have any queries, please feel free to contact me on 01732 227491.

Yours sincerely

SUSAN LINDSEY MIOL
SENIOR LICENSING OFFICER