Concerns regarding TENS application for Eureka Naturist Club July 15th-16th

Thank you for your prompt response regarding the application for the TENS submitted under reference "23/02418/LATEN" for the venue located at Eureka, Manor Lane, Fawkham. Allow me to express my apologies for the inadequate provision of information in the initial submission. Regrettably, during the application process, we encountered a limitation in uploading relevant files. Having reviewed your inquiries and obligations, I have compiled the following responses below, aiming to address the raised concerns effectively.

1. Concerns about the nature of the event and activities due to the limited information provided.

The festival will feature multiple stages with diverse music performances, including renowned artists, guest DJs, and talented bands. Efforts have been made to attract a broad range of music enthusiasts aged 21 to 45.

2. Previous issues of sexual offences at the venue. These were addressed through a membership format that TEN removes:

In order to address the concerns regarding the event being open to the general public and the potential rise in offences, we would like to emphasise that our event management process includes gathering information about every individual entering the site. Despite promoting the event to new customers and non-member attendees, we have implemented a thorough registration process. Prior to checkout, all ticket purchasers are required to provide their name, contact number, and basic information.

Furthermore, upon arrival at the event, every attendee will undergo an identification scanning procedure. In addition to this, all individuals will be asked to sign a waiver confirming their awareness of the venue's rules and regulations, as well as acknowledging the nature of the venue itself. This ensures that all attendees are fully informed about our policies and the specific characteristics of the event.

By implementing these measures, we aim to maintain a secure and controlled environment, where the safety and well-being of all attendees are of utmost importance.

3. Increased vulnerability and a potential rise in offences due to the event being open to the general public:

In response to the concern about increased vulnerability and the potential rise in offences due to the event being open to the general public, we would like to assure you that we have taken comprehensive security measures to mitigate these risks.

Our security measures include the deployment of licensed SIA staff and Marshalls who will be strategically stationed throughout the venue. Their primary responsibility is to ensure the safety and well-being of all attendees. They will actively monitor the event, promptly address any concerns or issues that may arise, and maintain a secure environment.

Furthermore, as previously mentioned, all attendees will be required to undergo identification scanning upon arrival, and they will be asked to sign a waiver confirming their understanding of the venue's rules and regulations. These measures not only enhance security but also serve to create awareness among attendees regarding the nature of the event and the expected code of conduct. By combining these security measures, which include the presence of licensed personnel and effective surveillance, we aim to provide a safe and controlled environment for all participants. Our priority is to ensure that the event is enjoyable for everyone while maintaining a strong focus on security and minimising any potential vulnerabilities or offences.

4. Safety concerns due to the size and location of the venue, with natural and man-made hazards.

In light of the size and location of the venue, we have given careful consideration to effectively manage attendee containment and prioritising safety throughout the event. To address these concerns, we have devised a comprehensive plan to guide attendees through different areas of the venue and ensure their well-being.

One of the key measures we have taken is the strategic implementation of fencing to demarcate specific locations within the venue. This will help streamline the flow of attendees, ensuring a controlled and organized environment. Additionally, we have placed a strong emphasis on lighting arrangements, particularly during the evening hours. Adequate lighting will be in place throughout the venue, enabling clear visibility for all attendees, thereby minimizing any potential hazards and ensuring they can navigate the premises with ease and confidence.

To further enhance safety, we will have licensed SIA staff and marshalls stationed strategically throughout the venue. These trained professionals will be dedicated to maintaining a secure environment, promptly addressing any concerns or issues that may arise, and ensuring the well-being of all attendees.

By implementing these measures, which include designated fencing, appropriate lighting, and the presence of licensed security personnel, we aim to create a safe and secure atmosphere that prioritizes the safety of all individuals in attendance. Our primary goal is to provide a comfortable and enjoyable experience while effectively managing any potential risks associated with the size and location of the venue.

5. Lack of information about the anticipated audience profile, particularly concerns for younger attendees.

The intended target demographic for this event encompasses both male and female individuals within the age range of 21-45 and beyond. While this slightly deviates from our typical customer demographic, it is important to emphasise that we will rigorously enforce a strict policy prohibiting entry to individuals under the age of 21.

Our commitment to maintaining a safe and appropriate environment for all attendees necessitates this age restriction. By adhering to this policy, we aim to ensure that the event is tailored to the expectations and preferences of our target demographic, while also upholding legal requirements and promoting responsible event management.

6. Unclear description of the event as a "Festival Launch Party" without details of entertainment and facilities.

The event in question is indeed a festival launch party scheduled to take place from Saturday, July 15th, at 12:00 PM, until Sunday, July 16th, at 3:00 AM. As part of our collaboration, we are organizing this pre-party event to promote "The Good Vibrations Society" Festival, which is a separate and larger festival happening at a different location on another date. Our event serves as a pre-launch mini festival affiliated with the aforementioned larger festival, and our collaboration aims to generate excitement for both events.

During the festival launch party, attendees can expect a range of captivating performances and entertainment. The main stage will feature renowned artists such as the EMG Soundsystem, along with guest DJs and talented bands, providing a high-energy experience from 12:00 PM to 6:00 PM. Additionally, the woodland stage will offer unique musical experiences presented by The Utopia Project, spanning from 4:00 PM to 11:00 PM. To ensure continuous enjoyment, the talented EMG Soundsystem will return to the indoor evening stage, performing from 9:00 PM to 3:00 AM. In order to address concerns about attendee accommodation and prevent any inconvenience due to the venue's location, we are making arrangements to provide a range of options. This includes the rental of cabins and designated spaces for camping. Adequate security measures will be in place throughout the night to facilitate these accommodations and ensure the safety and well-being of all attendees.