

THAMES VALLEY POLICE

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Subject :

New Premise Application – Slough Food & Wine, 18 High Street, Slough, Berkshire, SL1 1EQ

Due to the history of problems at this premises, formerly known as Roshni, Food & Wine, Thames Valley Police **object** to the requested hours for the above premise licence and request the following hours for the sale of alcohol and the following conditions are added to the premise licence:

Sale of Alcohol to be from 0900 hours and 2300 hours each day of the week.

In the absence of the Designated Premises Supervisor, (DPS), a Personal Licence Holder to be on the premises during the sale of alcohol.

Two members of staff to be on the premises each evening from 6.00pm until close.

Challenge 21 policy to be in place.

CCTV to be installed and maintained to Thames Valley Police standard and CCTV images to be kept for 31 days and made available upon the request of Thames Valley Police employees, relevant Agencies and Local Authority Licensing Officers.

One of the CCTV cameras to cover the front door of the premises so as to give a full facial view of persons entering the premises.

DPS or nominated person to be trained on how to work the CCTV system to the standard where the nominated person can download any potential evidence required by Thames Valley Police employees or relevant Agencies.

Nominated person is responsible in supplying the necessary media (discs, data stick) containing any downloaded content.

Refusals Register to be on the premises and kept up to date and made available upon the request of Police, Trading Standards and Local Authority Licensing Officers.

All persons trained to sell alcohol shall be trained to the BIIAB level 1 award in Responsible Alcohol Retailing (ARAR).

The Premises Licence Holder or DPS shall ensure all staff receives training on a regular basis in relation to the four licensing objectives contained within the Licensing Act 2003 for those authorised to sell alcohol. Written training records will be kept and made available for inspection by Police, Trading Standards Officers and Local Authority Licensing Officers.

The applicant and their staff are able to converse with customers, the public, and representatives of Statutory Agencies to a level that satisfies Police, Trading Standards and Local Authority Licensing Officers, that they are able to meet the four licensing objectives.

The Designated Premises Supervisor or nominated person to attend the local Town Centre Pub watch scheme where in existence.

No single cans of any type of alcohol to be sold.

After meeting with the new proposed Designated Premises Supervisor today, Wednesday 19th March 2014, I do have concerns in relation to Mr Raghbir Singh Gulati becoming the DPS of these premises, a premises that has had a history of disregard for the Law and the licensing objectives. The concerns are as follows:

Mr Gulati has previous convictions for selling goods bearing false trade mark x 4 in December 2004 and Infringe Copyright x 2 in October 2004. Although these convictions are now spent convictions under the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974, they are Relevant Offences under Schedule 4 of the Licensing Act 2003. When Mr Gulati was asked if he had any previous convictions he stated he did not have any.

I believe that Mr Gulati still has an association with the previous Premises Licence Holder and Designated premises Supervisor, Mr Jagmohan Singh Chopra. Again, this is something that Mr Gulati denied when asked.

Mr Gulati did not converse well in English and was particularly hard to understand. This is of concern to Thames Valley Police and we would question how Mr Gulati could challenge under age persons or drunken persons?

I submit this report for your information and any necessary action.

Regards

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Police Licensing Officer