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Brighton & Hove Licensing Unit

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3rd August 2021

The Licensing Technical Support Officers
Environmental Health, Brighton & Hove City Council
Bartholomew House, Bartholomew Square
Brighton, East Sussex
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RE: TEMPORARY EVENT NOTICES (TENS) X4 FOR BRAZEN WINE CO, UNIT 5, HANNINGTON LANE, BRIGHTON, BN1 1GS TO COVER THE FOLLOWING DATES: 18TH – 22ND AUGUST 2021; 25TH – 30TH AUGUST 2021; 1ST – 5TH SEPTEMBER 2021; 8TH – 12TH SEPTEMBER 2021

NOTICE OF OBJECTION under Section 104 (2) of the Licensing Act 2003

To whom it may concern,

Notice of objection is hereby given on behalf of the Chief Officer of Police for Sussex for the above Temporary Event Notices (TENS) on the grounds of the licensing objectives of prevention of crime and disorder and protection of children against harm are not being promoted.

All four of the TENS seek to licence the sale by retail of alcohol between the hours of 11:00 – 20:00 (12:00 – 20:00 on the Sundays covered) between the following dates:

18th – 22nd August 2021
25th – 30th August 2021
1st – 5th September 2021
8th – 12th September 2021

The TENS are asking for the sale of alcohol 'off' the premises of 'wines sourced from small artisan

producers'. The location of the TEN is a shopfront in the centre of town, based within the Brighton & Hove City Council Cumulative Impact Zone (as defined by the BHCC Statement of Licensing Policy 2021). This is an area of concern due to the increased risk of crime and disorder as well as the saturation of licensed premises.

While they have mentioned some measures to manage the risk including sealed containers for consumption 'off' the premises as well as no tastings or consumption on site, on reading the application we do not feel adequate provisions have been made or outlined to prevent the potential for disorder or sufficiently promote the protection of children from harm throughout the duration of the event. There is no mention of an age verification policy e.g. Challenge 25.

Sussex Police has made the applicant aware of the above concerns as the applicant and his business partner are currently in the consultation process for a time limited premises licence to run at this address. Therefore, Sussex Police are still raising an objection over the concerns around the lack of any proposed measures around age verification, intoxication or vulnerability. We do not have confidence that the above licensing objectives will be promoted by allowing this TEN.

Therefore, the Chief Officer of Police contends that permitting TEN to be used in accordance with the notice is likely to undermine the licensing objectives of the prevention of crime and disorder and protection of children from harm. For these reasons, we ask that a Counter Notice is issued by the Licensing Authority Committee.

I confirm that a copy of this objection letter has been sent by email to the applicant and every other 'relevant person'.

Yours faithfully,

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