

Representation in relation to application made under the Licensing Act 2003

I, Alan Steven Pogorzelec, acting as a representative of the Licensing Authority hereby make a representation in relation to an application for the grant of a premises licence in relation to Platinum Lounge and Bar, Unit 5 Imperial Buildings, High Street, Rotherham, S60 1PA.

In making this representation the Licensing Authority is acting in the role of a Responsible Authority as described in and permitted by the Licensing Act 2003.

I am making this representation for the following reasons:

- The general condition of the premises exposes individuals to risks to their safety – this undermines the Public Safety licensing objective. Issues include absence of emergency lighting, trip hazards, holes in the floor, exposed electrical wiring, risk of falls from height and inoperative fire detection / alarm system.
- The applicant has not complied with advice / guidance provided by South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue, South Yorkshire Police and Rotherham MBC – this includes a failure to mitigate against the risks presented by an absence of fire detection / warning equipment and emergency lighting, and a failure to provide adequate levels of door supervision. This undermines the Public Safety and Prevention of Crime and Disorder licensing objectives.
- The applicant has failed to appropriately engage with the Responsible Authorities under the Licensing Act 2003. South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue, South Yorkshire Police, Rotherham MBC Food, Health & Safety and Rotherham MBC Licensing Officers have all reported that the applicant has demonstrated behaviour that has been described as challenging – and even obstructive / aggressive. This has included a refusal to initially allow officers access to the premises and ejection of other officers from the premises part way through their visit. These reports cause me concern in relation to the management of the premises, and I feel that it is necessary for the Licensing Sub-Committee to consider whether it is appropriate that the applicant is specified as the Designated Premises Supervisor in relation to the premises.

It is my intention to develop these matters further during the hearing.

Yours sincerely,



Alan Pogorzelec
Licensing Manager