

APPENDIX 7

Good Afternoon

I have been requested to send these comments below in respect of the review of the licence of the above premises. Please acknowledge receipt of these comments.

Kind Regards
Sharon

Review of Licence for The Olive Lounge, Bawtry Road, Wickersley

Wickersley Parish Council is pleased that the licensing authority is seeking a review of the licence for the Olive Lounge on the grounds of public safety as a result of breaches of the covid 19 regulations during the summer period 2020.

The Parish Council received reports from residents and experienced first hand serious breaches including the following:

- *Lack of social distancing or provision for one way pedestrian flow*
- *Not recording customer names and contact details*
- *Customers being asked to share tables with people they did not know*

It is understood two fixed penalty notices were issued which demonstrates the serious nature of the breaches and the disregard that the management had for the safety of both its staff and customers.

In these circumstances, it is considered that the licence should be revoked unless the management can clearly demonstrate the measures they will take to operate their bar and restaurant business in a safe manner that fully complies with the current and any future covid regulations. This is very important for a business such as this which historically has accommodated large numbers of customers at weekends in particular, and into the early hours of the morning with vertical drinking as well as people seated at tables. Many of its customers are young people, many of whom will not yet have been vaccinated. If safety standards are not complied with, then there is a real risk of significant numbers of customers catching and then spreading covid into the wider community.

The Parish Council would like to be informed of when this matter is to be considered by the Licensing sub committee.

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