

Appendix A

Kathy Driver

From: Andy Grimsey [REDACTED]
Sent: 27 March 2019 09:09
To: Kathy Driver
Cc: Simmi Yesmin
Subject: The Queens Head, 8 Flamborough Street, Stepney, London, E14 7LS - Review of Premises Licence
Attachments: Letter to Mr Jefferies [Premises Address].doc

Dear Kathy and Simmi,

As you know, Poppleston Allen Solicitors act on behalf of both H Company 6 Limited and Max Barney Limited. H Company 6 Limited was the Premises Licence Holder for the above premises prior to the transfer application by Mr Thomas Jeffries and Max Barney Limited is the management company for H Company 6 Limited. Max Barney Limited has a registered interest under s178 of the Licensing Act 2003.

We are writing to inform you and the Members of the Licensing Sub-Committee that neither H Company 6 Limited nor Max Barney Limited, nor their representatives intend to attend the Review hearing at 6:30pm on Tuesday, 2nd April 2019. No courtesy is intended.

H Company 6 Limited is simply the landlord under a Lease for which Mr Jeffries is the tenant. Neither H Company 6 Limited nor Max Barney Limited have directly carried out licensable activities at the premises.

Nevertheless, when we were informed of the Review proceedings my client instructed me to write to Mr Jeffries and I attach a copy of that letter, dated 25th January 2019 for your information.

My clients believe Mr Jeffries has taken certain remedial actions since then and they support any action which promotes the licensing objectives. The Queens Head is and we hope always will be a community pub and we trust that any hours or restrictions placed upon the licence at the Review are not such as to restrict Mr Jeffries' or any other tenant's ability to run it as a commercially viable operation.

Yours faithfully

Andy Grimsey | Partner

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25th January 2019

FAO: Mr Thomas William John Jeffries
The Queens Head
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London
E14 7LS
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Dear Mr Jeffries,

Review of Premises Licence - No: 27053
Premises Licence Holder: H Company 6 Limited

We act for H Company 6 Limited, the Premises Licence Holder of the above premises and in respect of which you are the tenant under a Lease with our clients. On 22nd January 2019 we were sent a copy of the attached Review Papers issued by Corinne Holland on behalf of the Licensing Authority. As you know, our clients are the Lease Holders, and whilst they are the Premises Licence Holder as well, have no involvement in the day-to-day running of licensable activities at the premises. The responsibility for doing so rests with you as the Tenant and your Designated Premises Supervisor, presently, Valentina Thomas.

We understand a copy of this Review was also delivered to the premises on 22nd January 2019 by the Licensing Authority, but we enclose a full set of papers in any event.

The allegations in the Review papers are serious and relate to the failure to promote two of the four licensing objectives, namely the Prevention of Crime and Disorder and the Prevention of Public Nuisance. Our clients view these alleged breaches of the licence and failure to promote the licensing objectives with great concern and would ask you to reply in detail to all those allegations by close of business **Friday, 8th February 2019**. The allegations are dealt with from pages 5-13 of the Review papers but there are additional Appendices and witness statements attached. The Licensing Authority is requesting at the forthcoming hearing (date to be announced) that, amongst other things, the hours for the sale of alcohol are reduced by one hour Monday-Sunday from midnight until 11:00pm and that no live or recorded music can be provided at the premises. These, together with the other suggested conditions, if imposed will affect the commercial viability of the premises as a licensed premises.

Additionally, the Licensing Authority has requested that the present Designated Premises Supervisor should be removed as "they have a lack of control and no respect for upholding the licensing objectives".

In summary, the Review papers contain detailed allegations of alleged breaches of the existing premises licence conditions (including selling alcohol outside the permitted hours and using the beer garden after the permitted 22:00 hours) a refusal to co-operate with the enforcing Authorities when attempting to carry out their statutory obligations, and a failure to promote two of the licensing objectives.

As stated above, please may we have your detailed written comments by the above date.

Yours faithfully

Andy Grimsey
Poppleston Allen

Encs: Review Papers