

Licensing Office,  
South Ribble Borough Council,  
West Paddock,  
Leyland  
3/12/18

Ref Indigo, 1 Fleewood St, Leyland PR25 3NL

Dear Sirs,

Given the level of objection and the benefit of hindsight I would like to make the following comments.

1. We will be happy with a midnight licence on Friday and Saturday and 11pm the rest of the week
2. We will not be having live bands performing with the possible exception of acoustic music early Sunday evenings, there will also be no karaoke

I would also like to address the issues raised by the various authorities

#### Licensing

1. We will be getting an acoustic test done, but regardless of this the recorded music will be set at a level which is acceptable to the residents and it will never exceed this
2. No windows or doors will ever be left open, we have blocked off 3 windows to the side and installed a brand new air conditioning system, meaning no windows ever need to be opened. The door to the top of the fire escape will never be opened either as there is no access to the yard for customers.
3. There will be no chairs or tables externally, no external speakers, no artificial lighting and no heaters.
4. There will be no deliveries after 7pm and glass will only be disposed of during daytime hours
5. With regards to children on the premises this will only happen when families come out to watch the football and they will have to be accompanied by an adult.
6. With regards to taxis, although I cannot physically stop them entering Fleetwood St we will be in touch with all local firms to instruct them that any drop offs or collections must be done on Chapel Brow.
7. With regard to capacity, I can agree with licensing that 150 is probably too many and would be happy with a capacity of 120

#### Police

1. I note the police comment about dancing, we are having a DJ but there is no section on the application for dancing apart from "performance of dance" which I presume is not dancing.
2. 2 door staff will be employed on Friday and Saturday nights from 9pm to 12.30am or until the bar is cleared and the street empty. There will also be a barrier system in place those nights to direct people towards Chapel Brow and discourage them from going down Fleetwood St
3. Our smoking area will be located towards the end of Fleetwood St where it meets Chapel Brow and a smoking bin will be provided at this point. Door staff will prevent anyone taking a drink outside on nights they are working at other times there will be a sign asking customers not to take drinks outside, cameras will monitor the area and all staff will be instructed to be vigilant.

#### Residents Concerns

I can only say that from the residents complaints about the previous operators I have genuine sympathy for their plight, however we are new operators and will take every measure possible to ensure the situation is much improved and will liaise with a nominated resident to resolve any issues, this is my business and I am directly responsible not a faceless committee.

Our target demographic is primarily 25-45 years of age and we are not a cheap drinking establishment, we are creating a nice bar for decent people to socialise in.

In response to individual concerns I would like to add the following

1. Our cleaner will be instructed to clean the street outside our premises as soon as she arrives at 7am
2. During the week I will personally be on site to ensure customers vacate the street immediately
3. With regard to parking there is not much I can do as there are no restrictions on the street, however I will say I'm quite surprised that the street is not residents only parking as this would alleviate a lot of their problems.
4. When deliveries are due we will do our best to cone off the delivery area to make sure they don't block the road and will strive to make the delivery as quick as possible.
5. I have no other businesses licensed or otherwise, this will be my only source of income and is extremely important to me.
6. Fast food owners parking on the street, again this is out of my control but residents parking would stop this
7. Racial Hatred! Not quite sure how to respond to this but I would like to think we will attract a more urbane crowd and not knuckle dragging neanderthals.

I think the responses to the authorities address all the other issues, I can only stress that this will be a responsibly operated business and we want to exist side by side with the residents with as little disruption as possible to their daily lives.

Regards

Daniel Hindle