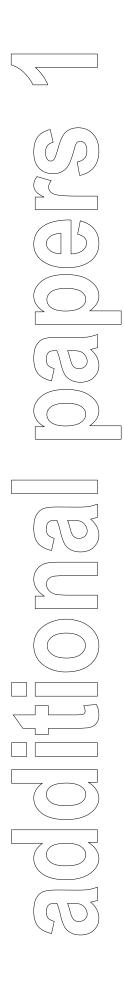
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Licensing Sub-Committee Committee

Wed 7 Nov 2018 10.00 am

Council Chamber Town Hall Redditch



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COMMITTEE PROTOCOL – LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

Each application that comes before this Sub-Committee will be treated on its own merits. This licensing authority will make its decision based on the merits of the application and the promotion of the four licensing objectives, namely:

- The prevention of crime and disorder;
- Public safety;
- The prevention of public nuisance; and
- The protection of children from harm,

and will also have regard to the Guidance issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 and the Redditch Borough Council Statement of Licensing Policy.

Members of the Sub-Committee will meet prior to the hearing to note matters to be presented, assisted by the legal and administrative support Officers only. The actual application will not be discussed.

LICENSING HEARING PROCEDURE

The Hearing

- 1. The Chair will open the meeting, outlining the nature of the decision to be taken, and will identify the members of the Sub-Committee and Council Officers present.
- 2. The Chair will then ask all parties present for that agenda item to introduce themselves.
- 3. The Chair will give a brief outline of the procedure to be followed at the hearing.
- 4. The Licensing Officer will present the report, outlining any relevant representations and relevancies to the Redditch Borough Council Statement of Licensing Policy and Guidance issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003.
- 5. The Licensing Officer may be questioned by members of the Sub-Committee and, if given permission by the Sub-Committee, the other parties present.

(Similar rights of questioning will apply, with the Sub-Committee's permission, in relation to paragraphs 7, 9 and 11 below.)

- 6. The Applicant / Licence Holder and / or his / her representative will speak in support of the application.
- 7. The Applicant / Licence Holder and / or his / her representative may be questioned by members of the Sub-Committee.
- 8. Any witnesses called, with due notice, by the applicant will, with the permission of the Sub-Committee, then make representations to the Sub-Committee.

(Similar rights will apply in relation to witnesses called by other parties.)

9. The witnesses may be questioned by members of the Sub-Committee.

- Any person who has given notice that they wish to make representations to the Sub-Committee will be invited to do so, having stated the nature of his / her interest in the matter.
 - (a) In the case of any person who has made representations but fails to attend, the hearing will normally proceed, taking into consideration the written representations, but ensuring appropriate weight is given to the representations.
 - (b) No person wishing to make representations may raise any ground or objection at the hearing not previously referred to in the written submission, unless all parties give their consent to this.
- 11. Once a person making representations has concluded their case, he / she may be questioned by the members of the Sub-Committee Committee.
- 12. The Licensing Officer will be invited to make a closing statement.
- 13. Any persons who have made representations will be invited to sum up.
- 14. The Applicant / Licence Holder and / or his / her representative will be invited to sum up.
- 15. The Chair will announce an adjournment of the hearing in order for the Sub-Committee to make its decision. The decision will be made in private and the Chair will, in accordance with the legal framework given in Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006, move to exclude all parties present, with the exception of the members of the Sub-Committee and the legal and administrative support Officers, from the Sub-Committee's deliberations. Normally the Sub-Committee, legal adviser and committee administrator will withdraw from the room.
- 16. The Sub-Committee may return to the meeting room to seek clarification on any point. The Sub-Committee, legal advisor and committee administrator will then withdraw again.
- 17. The Chair may depart from the above procedure if he / she considers it is in the interests of natural justice to do so, either of his / her own volition or upon application by any party. Before doing so he / she shall invite the views of the parties present and consider any representations that may be made.

Decision

- 18. The hearing will reconvene, all parties being recalled.
- 19. The Chair will announce the decision, together with reasons for it in public at the conclusion of the hearing, together with any conditions placed upon the licence and the licensing objective they relate to.
- 20. The decision will be confirmed in writing to the Applicant / Licence Holder and his / her representative (if appropriate), and to the other parties to the hearing, and also to the Chief Officer of Police, as soon as is practicable after the hearing.

<u>Notes</u>

- 1. Any changes in Sub-Committee membership will be given at the beginning of the meeting.
- 2. Each party will be limited to a maximum time of ten minutes in which to make representations to the Sub-Committee. This period may be extended at the discretion of the Chair. If an extension is agreed, all parties are to be allowed the same time to make representations. Where appropriate, if several parties wish to make the same representation, a spokesperson may, by consent, be appointed, in which case the spokesperson is to be allowed the same period of time as other representatives. If a spokesperson is not appointed, the amount of time must be shared between the persons wishing to make the same representation.
- 3. Any person wishing to make representations and Applicants / Licence Holders can be represented by a legal representative (at their own expense) or by a Councillor.
- 4. Late representations and evidence will only be considered with the agreement of all parties present.
- 5. Parties to the hearing will not normally be entitled to cross-examine any other party unless given permission by the Sub-Committee to do so.
- 6. The Sub-Committee may require any person attending the hearing, who in its opinion is behaving in a disruptive manner, to leave the hearing and may:
 - refuse to permit that person to return; or
 - permit that person to return only on such conditions as the Sub-Committee specify,

but such person may, before the end of the hearing, submit in writing any such information which they would have given orally had they not been required to leave.

- 7. Decisions will generally be taken regardless of whether the applicant is present.
- 8. In cases where a decision cannot be given at the end of the hearing, the Sub-Committee will make its decision within 5 working days beginning with the day or the last day on which the hearing was held, and will inform the applicant as soon as is practicable thereafter of its decision.
- 9. Applicants have a right to appeal, details of which can be obtained via the Licensing Officer.
- 10. It is not the general policy of the Council to enter into discussions or correspondence on matters relating to the hearing or any decision made at the hearing.
- 11. Any irregularity resulting from any failure to comply with any provision of the relevant Regulations before the Sub-Committee has made a determination shall not of itself render the proceedings void. In the case of such irregularity, the Sub-Committee shall, if it considers that any person may have been prejudiced as a result of such irregularity, take such steps as it thinks fit to cure the irregularity prior to determination.
- 12. Clerical errors in any document recording a determination of the Sub-Committee or errors arising in such document from accidental slip or omission may be corrected by the Sub-Committee.
- 13. Parties are not normally permitted to cross-examine or question other parties at Licensing Sub-Committee hearings except with the permission of the Sub-Committee. It is important that questions should not be hostile or seek to unfairly undermine the position of any party.



Agenda

Licensing Sub-

Committee

Wednesday, 7th November, 2018 10.00 am Council Chamber Town Hall

Membership:

Cllrs:

Julian Grubb Pattie Hill

Jennifer Wheeler Pat Witherspoon

5. Review of Premises Licence for Easemore Road Social Club (Pages 1 - 34)

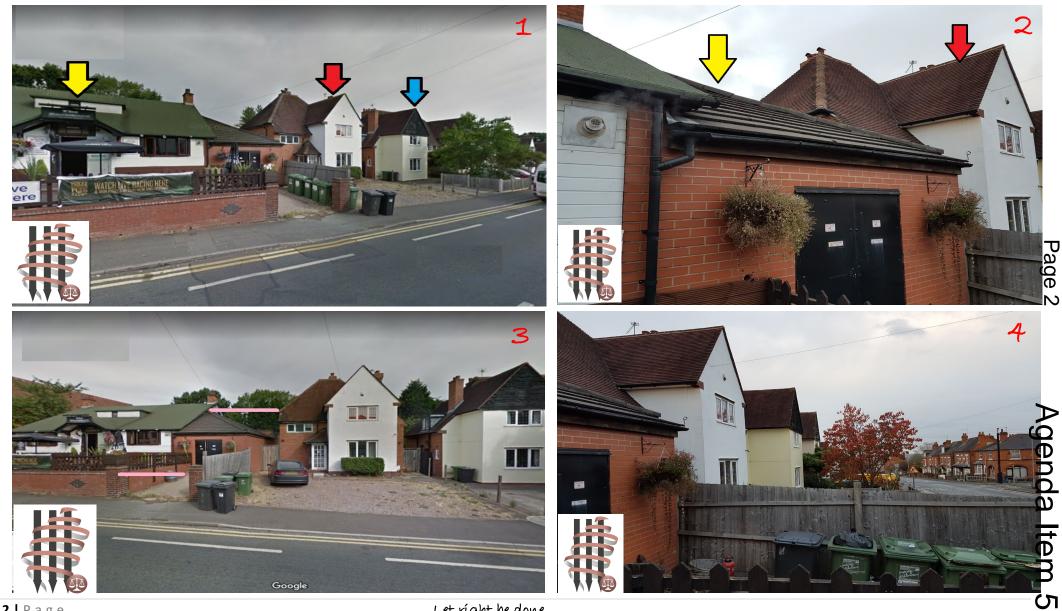
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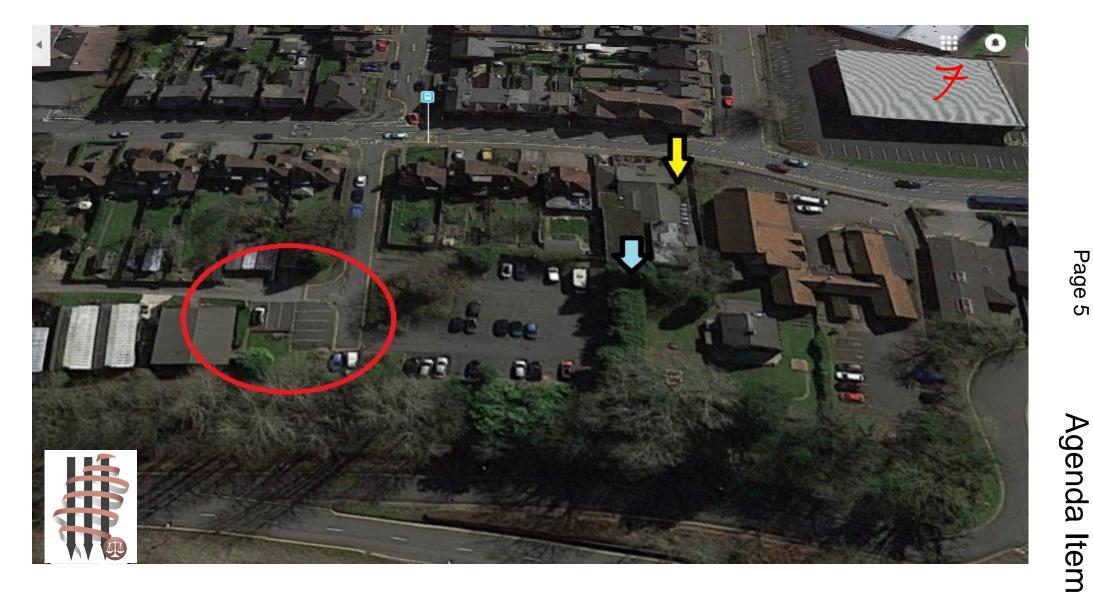


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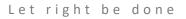






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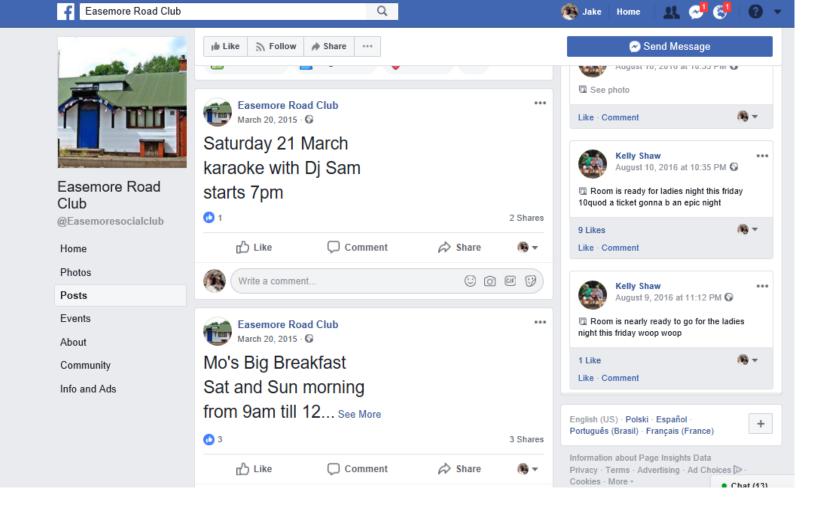


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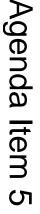




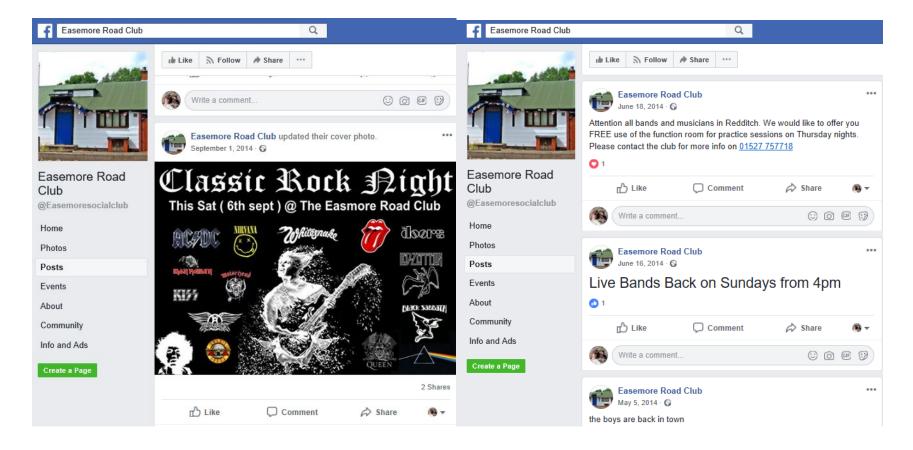




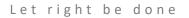












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Vission Statement

parks and providing a truly unique service. Gemini's mission is to add value to each of our members, by maximising the potential within their car

expected. Gemini Parking Solutions vision is very different. We intend to push the boundaries of creativity becoming pioneers within the parking from that of our competitors. Whilst many car park management companies tend to pigeon hole themselves offering only what is already From our many years' experience within both business and the parking industry we have gained an unrivalled knowledge that separates us industry, growing a company that delivers the highest quality of service which in turn maximises the assets of each of our members.

Building a Successful Team

employees, we aim to help them recognise their true ability and the limitless possibilities that can be achieved by adopting the right mind set. who we feel have the right attitude, motivation and understanding of what is expected from them as an employee of Gemini Parking Solutions. Our belief is that if we can assist our employees to become the best versions of them, it can only enhance the quality of Gemini Parking The development of our staff is also a key principle to our success. By holding weekly personal development sessions with each of our Here at Gemini we understand the importance of the mind set of each of our employees. Within our recruitment process we identify candidates Solutions

Our accreditations:

Gemini Parking Solutions London Ltd is:



- A member of the British Parking Association (BPA)
- Have signed and fully support The Hospital Parking Charter
- A member of the BPA's Approved Operator Scheme (currently the only form of regulation for the industry)
- Registered with the Information Commissioner under the Data Protection Act





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Proposed Management

Premier ANPR & Pay and Display Combined System:

social club from abusing the car park facilities. We understand that you wish to install a car park management system in order to generate income from car park and deter non users of the

negative impact on the amount of parking spaces available for genuine users of the social club. Currently there is no method of parking control within the car park and subsequently there is a high level of parking abuse. This is then having a

compliance 24 hours per day, encouraging all visitors to abide by the set terms and conditions. The system also allows additional payments methods, allowing visitors to make card payments by phone in cases where members may not be carrying change. The Gemini Premier Pay and Display & Combined ANPR System is fully automated and is able to manage both payments for parking and

One of the major benefits of the ANPR Combined system is that it totally removes the initial financial outlay and the burden of annual maintenance agreements, which can be very costly especially within high volume car parks. The ANPR Combined System is managed and maintained by Gemini totally removing the stress and work load away from you.

simplicity makes light work of tasks that would normally require you to dedicate numerous hours, saving you time and money! to simply upload the details of staff and company vehicles making them exempt from receiving a parking charge notice. The system also allows Authorising permits for staff and visitors couldn't be easier. We will provide you with web access to your own unique permit system allowing you you to create daily permits for less frequent visitors and contractors. The beauty of The Premier Pay and Display & ANPR system is that its

of quality and offers a reliability that has made us one of the leading operators in the parking industry today. This package provides you with a one stop shop for all your Car Park Management needs. The Gemini Parking Systems guarantee a standard

The Solution

The Premier System:

When a vehicle enters your car park, our automated camera captures the registration plate along with a full colour photograph of the vehicle.

Pay on Arrival

and authorises the vehicle to park for the permitted time period. immediately synchronises this information with the images captured from the ANPR cameras alpha numeric payment terminal and then make payment for their stay. The payment terminal When having parked their vehicle, drivers simply enter their vehicle registration details onto the

Signage:

clear understanding of the parking charges and where motorists can park. Signage will be placed at the entrance to the car park and throughout. We will provide and install signage detailing the terms of the parking area which will provide a

Our customer friendly approach:

standards enabling them to operate effectively yet fairly. This ensures that motorists and with a service that enhances the visitor experience. Gemini operatives are trained to the highest We understand the importance of customer relations and are committed to providing our clients members of the public receive the kind of service they expect







The key advantages of the Pay & Display and ANPR Combined System:

- The increased revenue on a typical 50 space car park can increase up to 30% within a year
- 24/7 monitoring of the car park offering increased security
- There are no requirement for entry/exit barriers, which are expensive to install and maintain in conjunction with Pay on Foot machines
- Queuing traffic and congestion on access roads are eliminated unlike that of barrier systems
- Ongoing increased revenues through improved customer compliance with payment terms
- No need to return to the car with a ticket to display in the window

Manned Patrols

is displayed. Any vehicle parked within this are not displaying a valid permit will then be issued with a Parking charge notice disabled areas and Permit Holder Only areas if any. A visual inspection of each vehicle will be carried out to ensure that a valid badge or permit Gemini would also recommend incorporating a Gemini Operative to attend site on an infrequent basis to monitor all vehicles parked within

Failure to make payment

£100.00, discounted to £60.00 if paid within 14 days. would advise the registered keeper that the driver of the vehicle failed to comply with the set terms and conditions of the site, and by parking at would flag up on our system as a non payer and a Notice to Owner would then be sent to the registered keepers address. The notice to owner Should a motorist park their vehicle within your car park and leave failing to pay for their stay, or exceed the time allowance they paid for, this the location they accepted all prevailing terms and conditions set out, therefore a parking charge would be due. This would be a level of

Enforcement would be carried out after the following contraventions:

- Non payment of parking tarifi

- Non display of a valid permit
- Exceeded duration to which vehicle was permitted to park
- Not parked within a marked bay
- Non display of a blue badge





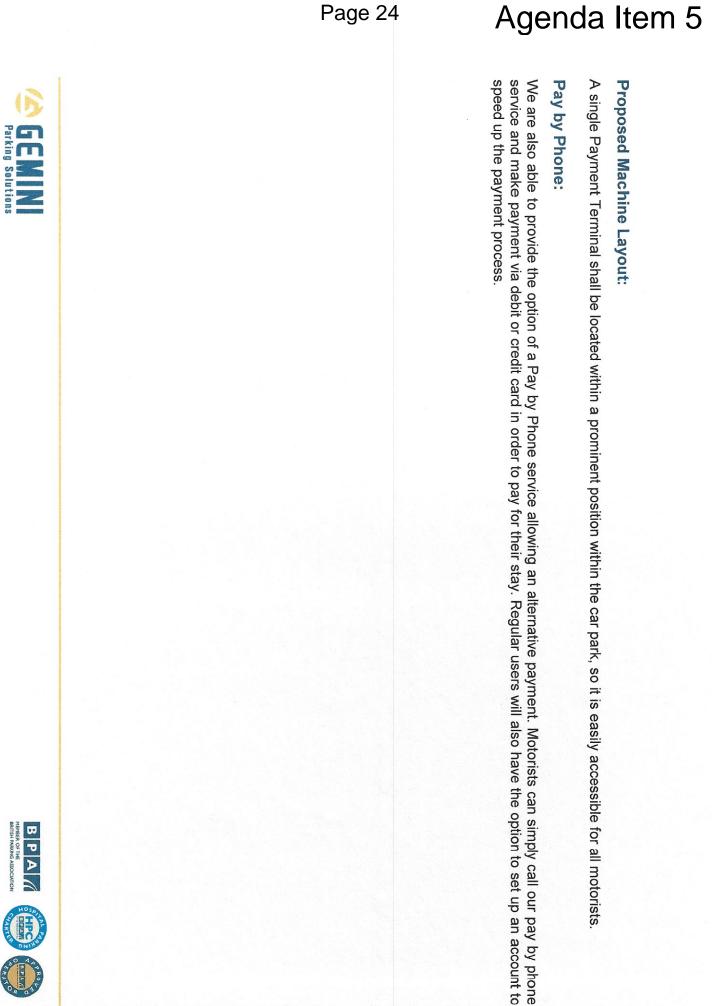






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Signage









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simplicity makes light work of tasks that would normally require you to dedicate numerous hours, saving you time! The System also allows you to create daily permits for less frequent visitors and contractors. The beauty of Gemini ANPR system is that its

saving you time and money to manage this process This system is fully automated and removes the need to provide authorised users with permits to display in their windscreen, automatically

abused You can add or remove vehicles from this White List at any time; it provides you full transparency and control of your car park to ensure it is not

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proposal is based on a 36 month agreement term. maintenance of the Gemini Premier ANPR & Pay and Display Combined System, signage and related equipment. The below The below financial breakdown is based upon Gemini Parking Solutions meeting the cost of the supply, installation and

Description	Cost	Quantity	Total
Supply of Gemini Premier ANPR and Pay and Display Combined System	1		~
Design, supply and installation of signage			
24 hour system maintenance	1		~
Administration including appeals / debt recovery / POPLA	•		•
DVLA requests	1		~
Monthly usage reports	-		
Reconciliation reports			~

The Gemini Premier ANPR System

will be at an added cost to which the client must meet. financial commitment from the client. The Gemini ANPR System includes the supply of a single payment machine any additional requirements signage, enforcement equipment and the relevant consumables. Gemini offer to provide this service on a cost neutral basis removing any Gemini Parking Solutions propose to provide you with the Gemini Premier ANPR System including supply and installation of the system,

*Percentage and contract term stated for indication purposes only and is dependent upon final agreed operational hours, parking charge and exemptions etc.





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Relevant Experience Parking Solutions. Case Study





exceeded our expectations, as they have a professional team who understood what was needed and helped us "I would highly recommend their services to others in the industry. Everything Gemini has done so far has Kevin Leech - Harvester Restaurant Group to exceed our goals, whilst maintain a customer friendly approach"

Problem

Harvester is a national brand which has customer parking facilities within a high percentage of their restaurants. Many of their car parks were being abused by non customers, that meant parking for genuine users was limited and often the car parks were full before the restaurant had even opened.

Solution

After meeting with Kevin and carrying out detailed site surveys to establish the correct solutions, we installed the Gemini Premier Pay & Display System at twelve Harvester restaurant sites within the South East of England. All twelve sites were operational within 6 weeks of our initial meeting.

Results

Within just a matter of days from the Gemini Premier Pay & Display System being installed, each restaurant reported a massive improvement in the availability of parking spaces for their customers. The installation of the system also provided the Harvesters with additional income boosting their profits!





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BUNDLE DOCUMENT NUMBER 5

- Example petition letter regarding the Easmore Club
- Letter from the Where Next Association

The Licensing Authority has received from the Licence Holder copies of the attached petition letter signed by 55 different individuals.

The 55 pages have not been reproduced in full as they contain personal information regarding the signatories.

There are 2 additional comments included in the letters as follows:-

- 1. "As a single woman I find it a safe place to go on my own. Graham, staff and customers have always made me feel safe. Yes there has been trouble in the past but it is dealt with quickly".
- 2. "As a registered blind person Graham and staff have always made sure I am always safe on my own. The Easemore is the only place I have found this to happen. If the Easmore closes I would lose my independence to socialise on my own with confidence. This has been written for me in my word".

Easemore Social Club 25 Easemore Road Redditch 898 8ER

Easemore Social Club is subject to a review of its premises license after a number of complaints have been made by neighbours in respect to anti-social behaviour associated with the club. The action is brought by West Mercia Police.

A formal hearing will take place at Redditch Council before the Licensing sub-committee who have the power to; revoke the premises license, suspend the premises license and to remove Graham Alcott as the Designated Premises Supervisor.

As a patron of the club or as a local resident, if you feel strongly that you would wish to support this shop and Graham Alcott as the DPS, you are invited to put your personal information below.

If you feel that you agree with and wish to support West Mercia Police in their case, you may make representations directly to Redditch Council (Licensing Department).

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By signing below I agree that my information may be used to <u>SUPPORT</u> the Easemore Social Club and Graham Alcott as the DPS who has my full confidence in his ability to run a safe premises.

Signed

Date 2-11.2018



To whom it may concern,

I have been Nursery Manager for many years.

In my time here I have never experienced any noise or disturbance or trouble of any kind from Easemore Road Social Club.

During working hours or weekends, you wouldn't even know they were there.

N.F Houghton (Nursery Manager)







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Disclosure Bundle 6

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