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Subject: HENNESSEY SPORTS BAR AND HENNESSEY LATE LOUNGE, BRIXHAM

Good afternoon

I refer to the below applications received by the police on 18 May 2021:

Hennessey Late Lounge, Brixham

1. Transfer to Hennessey Late Lounge Ltd – Sole director Ross Mark Hennessey
2. Vary DPS to Ross Mark Hennessey

Hennessey Sports Bar, Brixham

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2. Vary DPS to Ross Mark Hennessey

The police object to all four of these applications due to exceptional circumstances that would undermine the crime prevention objective. Our grounds for objection are that Mr Hennessey is currently the sole director of Hennessey Cocktails Ltd, which has premises located at 2 King Street, Brixham, TQ5 9TF. Premises Licence number PL1116 refers. The licence at that premises was transferred to Hennessey Cocktails Ltd on 6 November 2018 at which point Mr Hennessey was also appointed as DPS. Hennessey Cocktails Ltd is authorised for the sale of alcohol from 10.00 am to midnight every day of the week.

Since Mr Hennessey took over at Hennessey Cocktails Ltd the premises has come to police attention on numerous occasions in relation to noise complaints, carrying out licensable activities after the permitted time, failure to comply with the conditions on the licence in relation to the provision of glass bottles, door stewards not wearing high visibility jackets and provision of CCTV. Mr Hennessey has also failed to comply with the Coronavirus Regulations and guidance, for which both his company and himself have been served with Fixed Penalty Notices by Torbay Council.

Due to police concerns regarding Mr Hennessey's management of the premises, the police consider that he has failed to adequately promote the licensing objectives the prevention of crime and disorder and the prevention of public nuisance. As a result of police concerns, on Tuesday 4 May 2021, Sergeant Dave Curtis applied for a Review of the Premises Licence in respect of Hennessey Cocktails Ltd. A copy of the review application and supporting documents are attached and we request that these are considered to support our objections. At the review hearing, the police will invite the Licensing Authority to assess Mr Hennessey's suitability to manage Hennessey Cocktails Ltd.

As Hennessey Cocktails Ltd is only authorised for the sale of alcohol until midnight, and we have numerous concerns in relation to Mr Hennessey's management of that premises, it is of serious concern to the police that Mr Hennessey is now seeking to manage a further two licensed premises, both of which are classed as high risk due to them being late night premises where the sale of alcohol is authorised until 2.00 am every day of the week, with the premises closing at 3.00 am each day.

Kind regards

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