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## REF: G's Bicester PRM0661

On the 17<sup>th</sup> October 2015 an incident occurred at the premise in which the officers required a copy of the CCTV.

On the 23<sup>rd</sup> October I called George in order to provide him with the details of the offender and he stated that the CCTV was at the premise waiting to be collected.

On the 11<sup>th</sup> November I received an email from the officer in the case stating that they had attended the premise 6 times and the CCTV still had not been provided.

George stated when I spoke to him that he had done it but the USB must have been lost. He stated on the 13<sup>th</sup> November that he would provide another copy so I attended the premise to ensure that this was done as it was 27 days after the incident.

The premise licence has a condition stating:

- CCTV images shall be retained for a period of no less than 28 days.
- Recordings of incidents at the premises must be made secure for inspection by the police and provided on lawful request. This means that a member of staff shall be available within 24 hours who is capable of operating the CCTV system and providing recordings.

When I attended the premise at 15.00 on the 13<sup>th</sup> November George went to burn the CCTV and it was not available. We then looked at when the last image was available and discovered that the CCTV is only kept for 15 days. This is a breach of the above licensing conditions.

It has been decided that we will give you the opportunity to rectify this condition by the 27<sup>th</sup> November 2015 when I will attend the premise at 14.30 to ensure this has been done. Should this have not been rectified by this date I will have no option but to look at a prosecution and or a review of the licence as this is not the first time a breach of licensing conditions has occurred.

This letter has been issued as a tier 2 warning to the premise should this issue not be rectified by the agreed date then you could face a prosecution and or the premise could be facing a review of its licence.

If you have any questions or for advice and information please feel free to contact the licensing department or your local neighbourhood team.

Yours sincerely

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## REF: G's Wine Bar PRM0661

On the 19<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2015 meetings were held at G's to discuss reports received stating that the premise was trading without the correct numbers of doorstaff, breaching the conditions on the premises licence.

On the 14<sup>th</sup> February a report was received where by officers arrived at the venue and no doorstaff were seen on the door. 5 persons then entered after the last entry time breaching this condition on the licence as well. A member of doorstaff then appeared and ejected one of the late comers. This doorman then stated he had popped to the bar to hand in the clicker, later he told officers he had popped to the toilet and George stated he had told him he was clearing away glasses from the front area. George stated he should have still been on the door and has now requested that this doorman is not used at this venue in the future.

This doorman then decided to argue with officers about producing his SIA number for the report and was subsequently issued with an SIA warning for failure to produce his licence to a relevant authority. When asked how many doorstaff were working that evening the doorman stated two. When George was asked how many doorstaff were working and looking at the doorstaff logs it showed that 2 of the doorstaff were sent home at 2.15am on Friday and Saturday this weekend.

George stated that he knew his licensing condition stated four doorstaff after midnight but that he only had 32 customers in and could not afford to pay the doorstaff so at 2.15am he made the call to send two of them home. Advice was given that all conditions of the licence must be complied with at all times stated on the licence. That if he wanted to change his licence then this would have to be done officially through the correct channels. If he felt that the business was not viable to be open then he should have closed rather than breach his licensing conditions. Copies of the doorstaff log were taken.

Another meeting was held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> February as another report was received that on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> February there was only two doorstaff again at the premises. At 23.00 George received a call from the venue stating that 2 doorstaff had rung saying they were having car trouble. I saw Text messages to this effect and also messages to other doorstaff to see if they were able to cover. Eventually one extra doorstaff turned up at 1 am but still caused the premise to breach its licence. Again George was advised that he must comply with his licence and if unable to comply should have closed the premise until he was able to.

Due to the above a voluntary interview has been requested. The below dates were suggested at the meeting:

9<sup>th</sup> March 08.00 – 16.00 18<sup>th</sup> March 08.00 – 17.00 19<sup>th</sup> March 08.00 – 17.00

As discussed please could you let me know as soon as possible which of the following you are able to attend the interview should take approximately and hour.

This letter has been issued a Tier 2 warning to the premise and any further incidents of this nature could result in the premise facing a review of its licence. If you have any questions or for advice and information please feel free to contact the licensing department or your local neighbourhood team.

Yours sincerely

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