MEMORANDUM TO PUBLIC HEALTH AND LICENSING – PLANNING CONSULTATION

Application No: DC/26/1485 Case Officer: Alice Johnson

Address: 19 Piries Place Horsham West Sussex RH12 1EH
Proposal: Variation of Condition 4 of previously approved application DC/25/0562 ((Variation of Condition 3 of previously approved application DC/16/2506 (Partial redevelopment of Piries Place for mixed uses), as amended by DC/17/1522, relating to Unit 19 (trading as The M Bar) to allow opening between 8am and 2am Fridays, Saturdays, and Bank Holidays (retaining permitted opening hours on other days)) to allow use of the outdoor seating until 01.45(am) on Friday and Saturdays)) permanently allow use of outside seating area.

Date comments required by: 11/11/26

Details of the application can be viewed at
https://www.horsham.gov.uk/planning/planningapplications/view-and-comment-on-planning-applications

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A temporary planning permission was granted for a period of 12 months to allow for assessment of impact on neighbouring amenity.

1. My colleagues in the Councils Licensing Team have confirmed the following:

- One complaint in February of this year, however this was from an attendee of the premises not a local resident. The complaint was because of an assault that occurred in Piries Place. The Councils Licensing Team investigated alongside Sussex Police Licensing, M Bar was held not to be responsible, but the opportunity was taken to give their staff Licencing Act refresher training.

2. Colleagues in the Councils Environmental Health Team monitored the trial run and have reported no issues. They believe this was due to the M Bar adhering strictly to their 'Noise Management Plan'.

3. We note the comments made by the Parish Council questioning the application that appears to be asking for opening on Sundays until 01:45am on Monday mornings and we agree that the extended hours should apply only on Sundays preceding a Bank Holiday Monday.

4. Providing that the applicants continue to strictly adhere to the Noise Management Plan submitted with this application this Department have no objections

Should you wish to discuss this matter further please do not hesitate to contact me

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Paul Hobbs
Principal Environmental Health Officer