

WATFORD LICENSING AUTHORITY
Licensing Act 2003.

REPRESENTATION FORM FROM RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITIES

Responsible Authority (please delete as applicable):
Police - On behalf of The Chief Constable

Your Name	Sgt Rachel Brown
Job Title	Licensing Sergeant 2006
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Name of the premises you are making a representation about	Circus
Address of the premises you are making a representation about	46 The Parade, High Street, Watford WD171AY

<i>Which of the four licensing Objectives does your representation relate to?</i>	<i>Yes Or No</i>	<i>Please detail the evidence supporting your representation. Or the reason for your representation. Please use separate sheets if necessary</i>
To prevent crime and disorder	Yes	<p>An application has been received for a Variation Premises Licence for CIRCUS NIGHTCLUB (previously Cameo/Area) Gade House, The Parade, High Street, Watford for a licence to provide the sale of alcohol, late night refreshment and regulated entertainment later than is currently available.</p> <p>The venue is to operate as a nightclub and is connected / affiliated to the newly opened TWISTED MONKEY next door.</p> <p><u>CIRCUS new proposals:</u></p> <p>Regulated Entertainment –</p> <p>Monday – Saturday 12:00- 03.00 (currently 2.30am) Sunday closed for all Licensable activities.</p> <p>Late Night Refreshment –</p> <p>Monday – Saturday 23:00-03:00 (currently 2.30am)</p> <p>Alcohol -</p> <p>Monday- Saturday 12:00- 02.30hours (currently 2.00am)</p> <p>Opening Times -</p> <p>Monday- Sunday 12:00- 03:30hours (currently 2.30am)</p> <p><u>The police licensing proposals are that the venue remains the same as the current licence which is:</u></p> <p>Regulated Entertainment –</p>
Public Safety	Yes	
Prevention of Public nuisance	Yes	
Protecting children from harm	No	

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Crime and disorder prevention, public safety, public nuisance.

Hertfordshire Police in partnership with Watford Borough Council, their Licensing Policy 2013-2018 and the Constabulary Licensing Policy endeavour to promote Watford Night Time Economy as a safe and family friendly environment.

Hertfordshire Constabulary make representation regards to this application in respect of opening times in consideration of both policies.

The day time operation of the venue 'CIRCUS' causes no concern and our representation is based on the later trading hours.

This is an alcohol led venue in a TOWN CENTRE location.

Statistics show that during the early hours of the morning when intoxication levels are higher crime and disorder does occur and this can and has resulted in injury to patrons visiting our town and venue staff. In order to seek to prevent any potential increase in crime in the early hours, provide a safe environment for the public and residents in the area and prevent any public nuisance we request the hours remain as previously stated.

It is recognised that Police resources locally and nationally are below capacity in order to police drunk and disorderly and negative public order related behaviour. The displacement of resources is detrimental to the wider community.

Watford Night Time Economy is already resourced additionally by officers from across the county. This reduces the capability and impacts on the wider police community patrols and crime reduction strategies throughout Hertfordshire.

We recommend the amended times in order to prevent an increase in crime and disorder by supporting earlier staggered dispersal from our venues.

This will be assisted and supported by the terminal hour to allow patrons to leave the premises in an orderly and staggered manner.

In summary we feel if the applicants proposed hours were to be granted it would be detrimental to policing in Watford and the

	<p>Night Time Economy and wider community in terms of increased Anti-Social Behaviour and Crime and Disorder.</p> <p>The Constabulary have concerns regarding this application and accordingly on behalf of the Chief Constable I represent against it.</p>
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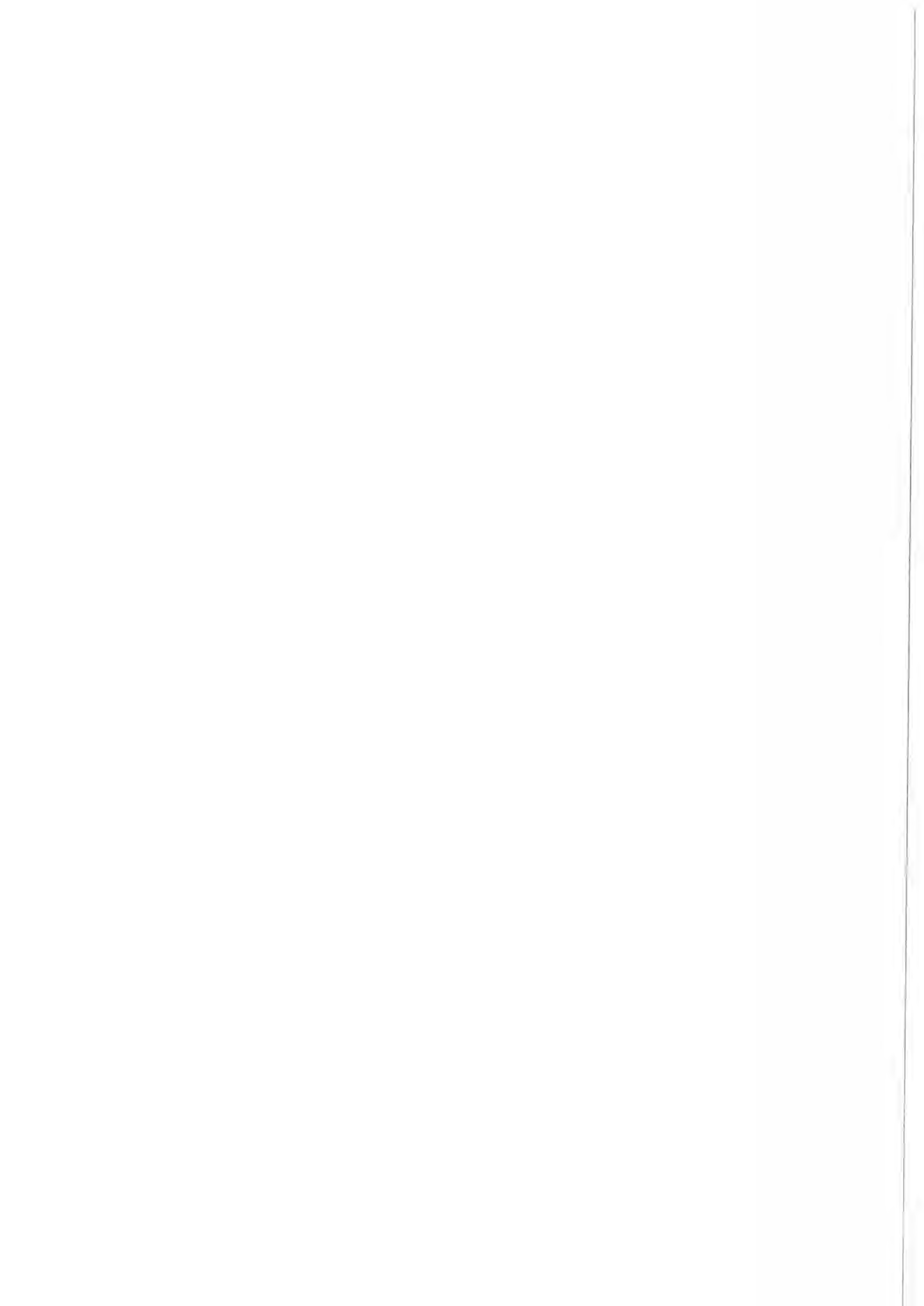
<p>Suggested conditions that could be added to the licence to remedy your representation or other suggestions you would like the Licensing Sub Committee to take into account. Please use separate sheets where necessary and refer to checklist.</p>	<p>See additional sheet- titled ' <u>Circus amended considerations</u>'</p> <p><i>Anything in italic is a police suggestion / addition</i></p>
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Signed: DS 2006 Brown

Date: 03/08/2015

Please return this form along with any additional sheets to: Watford Licensing Authority, Town Hall, Watford, Herts WD17 3EX, or email to envhealth@watford.gov.uk

This form must be returned within the Statutory Period.
For more details please check with the Licensing Unit on 01923 278503 .



Circus amended considerations:

Below is taken from the applicants request to remove the following:

1- At all significant events the premises must employ the Scannet electronic ID system (or alternative electronic ID system) if agreed in writing with the Police Licensing Officer in advance. All customers will be subject to this system before entry.

Police Proposal:

The premise licence holder and or DPS must employ the Scannet electronic identification system or an alternative electronic identification scheme compatible with local Night Time Economy premises. Any scanning system will be used from 9pm onwards for all patrons wishing to enter the venue (whilst the venue is carrying out any licensable activity). (This is an amendment to the current conditions Annex 2/ number 11 which are being kept by the applicants)

Forms of accepted ID will be compatible with current government policy.

Scanned data will be made available on request of the Constabulary and kept for a minimum of 31 days.

Fake ID's will be seized and handed to police.

Taken from the applicants request to add conditions

1 – All significant faults / defects resulting in CCTV camera being unable to record in any public place or communal area, entrance / exit will be logged on site and reported to Hertfordshire Constabulary via email as soon as reasonably practicable, once the fault is discovered, via email.

Police addition: Every effort will be made to rectify CCTV as soon as possible and an audible trail available on request. In the total absence of CCTV personal body cam are to be worn and operated by all SIA staff during late trading hours (11pm- closing)

4- At any time that doorstaff are employed, the smoking area is to be monitored by SIA registered door supervisor during the time the premises is open for licensable activity.

Police addition- There will be at least one door supervisor per 25 customers within the smoking area during 11pm- closing)

5 Any serious assault resulting in physical injury to a customer or member of staff must be reported immediately to the police (numbers provided)

Police change: remove word 'serious'

Police respectfully request consideration of further conditions to support Licensing objectives:

Any person attempting to enter the venue with any weapon is to be reported to Hertfordshire Constabulary at the time of being detained.

Any person attempting to enter the venue with any amount of drugs is to be reported to Hertfordshire Constabulary at the time. Should the Constabulary not have available resources a record of the seizure and offender details are to be recorded and kept.

If any 'legal highs' are identified from searches the premises will be expected to refuse patrons and issue an appropriate ban on local venues.

At the request of a Hertfordshire Constabulary Police Inspector all patrons will be searched on entry if a request is made on any evening. A written record will be kept by both parties.

Management and staff to engage positively with police training to recognise vulnerability and safeguard patrons both on and off the premises. (There is no charge for training and is estimated to take approximately one hour and will always be arranged in advance and at a time suitable for premises staff)

A member of the management team or delegated team member is to engage positively with PUBWATCH and intelligence / information sharing.

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