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To: [Licensing Unit](#)
Cc: ["Whitear, Colin 13058"](#); [Gary Durrant](#)
Subject: Licensing Act 2003 - Objection to Application for Variation to GUPLA0296 - THE CANNON [UNC]
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Dear Sir/Madam,

Notification has been received by Environmental Health that Punch Taverns Limited has submitted an application to vary the licence GUPLA0296 for The Cannon, 3 Portsmouth Road, Guildford, GU2 4BL. The application is to change the layout of the premises, to permit the installation of a temporary, pop up bar, and to remove and replace the existing conditions.

Environmental Health object to this application on the grounds that it would undermine the licensing objective of 'The prevention of public nuisance'.

The evidence to support this objection is that:

- On 15/03/2017 a complaint was received related to noise outbreak from amplified music from the rear of the premises, from 'Soul & Funk' nights in March, April & May. The premises was added to the Out of Hours noise patrol and noise breakout from the internal area was identified to the rear of the premises when the rear doors were opened to allow ingress & egress of customers to the balcony/smoking area on multiple occasions when officers were on duty. In addition, officers identified there was noise generated from people using the balcony area for drinking and smoking.
- On 10/07/2017 a further complaint was received related to noise outbreak from amplified music and patrons shouting to the front of the premises between 9pm and 1am. The complainant advised that the issue was significant since The Keystone became The Cannon. The premises was again added to the Out of Hours noise patrol.
- Addition of a pop-up bar would add to the number of patrons on the external balcony area and necessarily increase the noise from this area.

The variation to the conditions also removes the requirement to not have external speakers to be installed in the rear terrace area, removes the requirement to not have live music outside the buildings of the premises after 10.30pm, removes the limit of number of performers of live music and also removes the requirement to have doors fitted with self-closers and for these to be maintained in proper working order. Finally the variation to the conditions removes the requirement to not use any external part of the premises for any purpose after 11.30pm, except for access to and from the premises. Explicitly the new conditions would permit consumption of food and drink and smoking on the balcony area until 1.30am on Friday and Saturdays and 12.30am on other days of the week.

For these reasons, Environmental Health are satisfied that the granting of this variation would undermine the licensing objective of preventing public nuisance. A copy of this objection notice will be served on Surrey Police Licensing, in accordance with the legislation.

Yours faithfully,

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