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Dear Mrs Holland,

Ref: Contantine Leisure – Karma 17a Station Hill Chippenham

The Wiltshire Police have received an application from Constantine Leisure to vary the licence at Karma Nightclub by changing the Designated Premises Supervisor from Mr. Jack Frost to Mr. Thomas Wickham.

The Police are aware that the previous DPS has moved on since the recent Licensing Review hearing and understand that the premises would wish to continue trading throughout the period pending any appeal process.

Police are also aware that exceptional and compelling circumstances are required when making a formal objection to the variation of a licence to change the Designated Premises Supervisor. In this case those circumstances are:

The police at the recent hearing provided a significant amount of evidence relating to heavy intoxication and consequent crime and disorder. Mr. Wickham has held the position of Bar Manager at the premise during the period in which evidence was provided. There is a concern that should Mr. Wickham take on the role of Designated Premises Supervisor the prevention of crime and disorder will be undermined.

Evidence was also provided that showed the management infrastructure in terms of policy and procedure to maintain public safety was insufficient. The police do not have confidence that Mr. Wickham holds the necessary knowledge and experience to enable public safety to be promoted.

During the recent hearing Mr. Wickham appears to have misled the Committee. He advised the hearing that he was a personal licence holder. This was in fact not the case.



Mr. Wickham held the position of Bar Manager at his previous place of employment, The Weir Lounge in Bath. This premise was also taken to Licensing review for issues of concern by the police in relation to crime and disorder.

In view of these matters the police object to Mr. Wickham's application to become the Designated Premises Supervisor at Karma Nightclub.

Yours sincerely,

JG Jacqueline Gallimore

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