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Dear Ciaran,

Thank you for taking the time to meet me today to discuss the current issues that have been brought to the attention of Northamptonshire Police. I have brought the issues to your attention in the interests of transparency to highlight the serious concerns that I have with the number of incidents of crime and disorder and public safety that have been directly linked to your premises.

I have left you a copy of the summary of incidents that are directly attributable to your premises.

During the visit, we discussed the environmental issues with your venue with the toilets having a lot of graffiti on the walls and the general state of repair and tidiness in the garden area. Crime prevention advice was given in respect to the disrepair of the venue leading to further acts of damage and a general lack of respect from customers. Consideration also needs to be given for members of staff to regularly collect the empty bottles and glassware throughout the venue as this has the potential to be a danger to public safety and could contribute to crime and disorder in the event of a violent incident.

Also discussed was the number of door staff that are currently employed to work at the venue during the peak hours of Friday and Saturday nights between 00:00hrs and 06:00hrs. Given the current issues with the premises, I have requested that you write a door staff risk assessment to cover the numbers and deployment of door staff within the venue during the peak hours as mentioned. This needs to be completed within the calendar month of the date of this letter and implemented as soon as reasonably practicable.

There have also been a number of incidents of crime and disorder that have occurred immediately outside the venue. To address this, I have requested that you write a dispersal policy for customers leaving your venue that the door staff can adhere to and implement.

CCTV camera placement throughout your venue was also discussed with the entry points to the toilets and the gardens needing better monitoring in the interests of crime detection and prevention.

One of the licensing conditions for the venue is listed as maintaining a register which records the incidents that have taken place in the venue which undermine the licensing objectives. This register is not being maintained and is something that needs to be rectified with immediate effect. A register will be provided to you and the expectation will be that you complete this diligently.

The Pubwatch Scheme was discussed with you as a final point with the benefits of the digital radio system and other support that comes with membership. This was recommended to you.

I am bringing all of these issues to your attention at this time as I feel it is important to work with you to bring the venue into line with the spirit of the licensing objectives. If incidents of this nature do continue to occur without

any significant attempts at addressing the issues on your part, I will have to seriously consider a review of the premises licence.

I look forward to working with you in relation to this matter and will provide what help and support I can.

For your information, I will also be forwarding a copy of this letter to Trust Inns in order that they are fully sighted on my position at this time.

Regards
Constable 1432 Stevens
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