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Dear Licensing Team,

Application under the Licensing Act 2003

Premises: Watton Sports & Social Club, Dereham Road, Watton. IP25 6EZ

Name of applicant: Watton Sports Association

Type of application: New Premises Licence

I have to inform you that the Police have no objection to the above application(s).

I have liaised with the local policing team and checked police records for reports of noise and anti-social behaviour reported to the police over the last 10 years. It would appear that the police are unaware of any such issues since 2011 which in that year generated 3 incident reports, one in November, one in October and one in May. The report in May had nothing to do with the running of the sports centre concerning their licence in that the report concerned a group of male teenagers who had brought some cans of lager into one of the dugouts on the football pitch but were swiftly removed from the grounds by attending police officers. The other two incidents were minor in nature concerning persons who had been intoxicated inside the venue and caused a problem. Both incidents were attended by police officers and words of advice were given to the manager at the time.

I have spoken to two local residents, who are concerned about alleged historical noise issues and possible effect that the lateness of the hours applied for may cause. Their concerns do not appear to have generated any complaints that have been reported to the police. I understand that several residents have made representations to the Licensing Authority concerning this application and that a hearing may follow.

I understand that the Environmental Health Noise Team have been consulted and made recommendations concerning potential noise issues and have agreed Conditions with the applicant to be placed on the licence if it is granted.

From speaking to the centre manager it would seem that there is no intention to use the hours

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applied for on a regular basis. The late timings have been applied for to allow occasional flexibility and to avoid the need to apply for TEN's. I also understand that the venue will continue to be run as a 'members club' with rules for members to adhere to. It would not appear to be a venue that will be open to the general public. Risk assessments and booking conditions will apply when private functions are permitted to take place.

I have advised the centre manager that public concerns are to be given due consideration and that if there are any issues referred to police concerning the management of the premises or any other detrimental effect to the community, their current or future premises licence could be put at risk of review.

Please forward a copy of the Premises Licence for our records if the licence is granted.

Yours Faithfully

Tony Grover

Tony Grover
Licensing Officer