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Date: 25/02/2022

Ref:

Dear Mr TURGUT

RE: Social Chill, Maidstone

On Sunday 30^{th} of January 2022, I sent an email to review footage in relation to an assault allegation at the venue (20/01/22 - 02:00 to 03:15). I was unable to attend that day to review footage.

On Tuesday 1st of February 2022, I was informed by you that CCTV had been copied and was ready to be collected.

On Friday 11th of February 2022, I attended the venue and uploaded footage from the USB provided. I then emailed you as there was only footage for the outside area. I then requested internal cameras for the incident.

On Sunday 13th of February 2022, I received an email from you stating that CCTV system had failed to save and that you would try to recover the data.

On Thursday 17th of February 2022, I sent an email to you to see how you had got on with recovering the footage.

I received an email from you confirming that a technician had attended and that the quality image on the cameras had been increased and therefore reduced recording time. I sent you a further email informing you to rectify the issue and that this was a breach of the premises licence.

The following conditions are present and **must be complied with at all times** that licensable activities are taking place authorised by the premises licence.

• CCTV will be provided in the form of a recordable system, capable of providing pictures of evidential quality in all lighting conditions particularly facial recognition.

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- a. Cameras shall encompass all ingress, egress and include all areas to which the public have access, including fire escapes, stairwells and where the supply of alcohol occurs (with the exception of areas agreed by the Police, for example toilet cubicles).
- b. The CCTV shall be recording at all times that the premises are open to the public.
- c. Equipment must be maintained in good working order, be correctly time and date stamped, recordings MUST be kept on the hard drive and kept for a period of 31 days and handed to Police upon reasonable request.
- d. The Premises Licence Holder must ensure at all times a DPS or appointed members of staff is capable and competent at downloading CCTV footage in a recordable format to the Police and Local Authority upon reasonable request.

Section 136 of the Licensing Act 2003 details unauthorised licensable activities.

On this occasion a record will be made and should this occur again a form of prosecution and/ or review may take place.

If you have any further questions in relation to this visit please do not hesitate in contacting myself.

Yours sincerely

PC 11187 James WILLIAMS Licensing Officer