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Subject: SEV application for Flirtz ,Friary Chambers, 26a Friary lane , Nottingham

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## Good Afternoon

The police note that there is no provision within the Act to make comments in respect of a variation application. However, there is provision to comment/object in respect of a renewal application. As this application is for both, the police are of the opinion that it is appropriate to make comments/object.

In view of the above, the police make the following comments/objections in response to the SEV renewal and variation application in respect of Flirtz, Friary Chambers, 26A Friar Lane, Nottingham NG1 6DQ.

- The police do not object to the extension of hours and have supported a 05:30 hours terminal hours for licensable activities (06:00 hours close) in relation to the Licensing Act 2003 variation application.
- The police do not support the amendment to Condition 2 (Special Conditions) as it is the opinion of the police that minimum levels of door supervisors should be stipulated on this licence, particularly if the Council is considering relaxing the age of entry and nudity conditions. The police have also proposed that the condition attached to the premises licence issued under the Licensing Act 2003 is varied to mirror this licence (and not SEV to mirror LA03 as applied for)
- The police consider that the change to policy in allowing under 21's into a premises and allowing full nudity are matters for the Council. However, the police have carefully considered the relaxation of the age entry condition in relation to the variation of the LA03 premises licence and are of the opinion that the 18-to-20-year age range would potentially attract the high number of students that reside within the city. For some of these students, university life is the first time away from their 'family' home, and as such they can often be socially immature. Permitting these individuals access to a premises that will potentially offer 'full nudity' adult entertainment, causes the Police concern. The Police concerns would be somewhat allayed, however, if this age range were not permitted access to the area of the premises where this entertainment took place i.e., they were not exposed to the full nudity entertainment. As the applicant proposes that this entertainment will only take place on the first floor, it would be both an appropriate and a

proportionate response for the 18-to-20-year age range not to be permitted access to this floor.

- Should the Council consider the relaxation in the entry age appropriate, the police would request that they also consider:
  - Standard Condition 2.2 (Challenge 21) and amend this to Challenge 25. This will result in a higher proportion of people seeking entry having their age verified. This will help prevent any persons under the age of 18 years from gaining entry to the premises. This also reinforces the need to keep Special Condition 2 (door supervisors) unchanged, to facilitate the increase in age verification at the point of entry and to ensure that only customers over the age of 20 years gain access to the first floor.
  - an additional condition which states: 'Persons aged between 18 and 20 years are only permitted on the ground floor of the premises'.

The police would be willing to attend any regulatory hearing, if required, to answer any questions the committee/sub-committee may have.

This response is made for, and on behalf of the Chief Constable, by Helen Guest-High, Senior Licensing Enforcement Officer.

Kind Regards John

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