ON THE APPLICATION OF SUNIL VIDHANI TO REVIEW PREMISES LICENCE 21/00583/PREM UNDER LICENSING ACT 2003 FOR THE PREMISES AT B2B EVENTS LTD LIME LANE WOODS LIME LANE ARNOLD

LICENSING ACT PANEL HEARING: Thursday 26th OCTOBER 2023 AT 2:15PM

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LICENSING PANEL & COMMITTEE HEARING PROCEDURE

- 1. Upon notification that a matter is to be put before a Licensing Panel or the Committee, the applicant, interested parties and the responsible authorities shall within the time period provided for in the relevant regulations give notice to the Licensing Office stating
 - i. Whether they intend to be represented at the hearing
 - ii. The names and addresses of any witnesses that they intend to call
 - iii. The time estimate for their presentation/representations to the Committee
 - iv. Whether they consider a hearing to be unnecessary
- 2. Where a large number of interested parties are involved they will be encouraged to appoint a spokesperson or spokespersons so as to avoid duplication of evidence in so far as is possible.
- 3. Anyone invited to attend before a Panel or the Committee may bring legal or other professional representatives with them if they so wish. Advocates are, however, reminded that these are civil proceedings and inquisitorial rather than adversarial in nature. Aggressive advocacy is not encouraged and will not be tolerated.
- 4. Copies of the application and representations made by the parties will have been circulated to members prior to the hearing. However in appropriate cases, where a matter is to proceed to a hearing the applicant will be expected to supply a further 6 copies of the plan accompanying the application for use at the hearing. The hearing will concentrate solely on those areas of the application which are in dispute. The Authority is under an obligation to disregard information which is not relevant to the application, representation, or notice or to the licensing objectives. Advocates are therefore asked to be as succinct as possible and should be aware that the Chair may impose a time limit within which parties are to present their case.
- 5. Whilst additional material in support of the application, representation or notice may be taken into account by the Authority, such material should be provided and circulated by the producer to all parties concerned (including the Authority) as soon as possible before the hearing. Material produced at the hearing can only be admitted with the consent of all the other parties. The late production of material may lead to a hearing having to be adjourned and is discouraged. Additional material which reveals a new ground of representation or which is not relevant to the application, representation or notice lodged will be disregarded
- 6. Any party who intends to put additional written material before the Panel or the

Committee should provide 18 copies of that material to the licensing Office if the application is to go to the full Committee and 6 copies if the matter is to go before the Panel. Applicants should note that changes to application plans during the application process should be notified to the licensing Office as soon as possible and are likely to result in a new application having to be submitted. All relevant documentation received by the Authority will be sent to Members of the Panel/Committee and interested parties before the hearing if at all possible. Any failure to adhere to the requirements listed above may result in a case having to be adjourned and therefore delay the decision.

- 7. Where a party does not attend the hearing and is not represented the Authority may either adjourn the hearing if it is in the public interest to do so, or may continue with the hearing in the party's absence. If the latter option is followed the Committee/Panel will still consider any application, representation, or notice submitted by the absent party in so far as it is relevant.
- 8. The following procedure will ordinarily be followed at the Panel/Committee hearing:
 - i. The Chair will introduce themselves, other members and relevant officers. The Chair will also ask the applicant, interested parties and the responsible authorities to introduce themselves and any witnesses they wish to call. The Chair will then outline the procedure to be followed by the Panel/Committee and any time limits to be imposed on the presentation of cases.
 - ii. The applicant will be asked to present their case. Where a general presentation is made interested parties and the responsible authorities may ask questions at the end of that presentation. However, where witnesses are called, it is expected that each witness will give their evidence and then be open for questioning once their evidence has finished. The next witness will then give evidence. The order for asking questions will be:
 - Responsible Authorities
 - Interested parties
 - Panel/Committee Members
 - Legal advisor to the Panel/Committee (where appropriate)
 - iii. Responsible authorities, and interested parties will then be given an opportunity to present their representations. Once the representation has been presented and any evidence given, there will be an opportunity for questions to be asked firstly, by the applicant and then by other responsible authorities and interested parties, members and the legal advisor to the Panel/Committee. Where there is more than one body making representations to an application the order for the hearing of representations will normally be the responsible authorities followed by interested parties

- iv. Once all the evidence has been given responsible authorities, and interested parties will be given an opportunity to sum up their representations in the same order as they presented their case. The applicant will then be given an opportunity to sum up their case and have the final word.
- v. Whilst Hearings will normally be conducted in Public the Panel/Committee does have powers of exclusion (which cover the public, the press, and even applicants, parties and their representatives) in appropriate circumstances. The Panel/Committee will however always discuss and make its decision on the application in private.
- vi. The decision will normally be announced in public and transmitted in writing in accordance with the relevant rules and guidance. The decision may however be notified where applicable to the parties in writing at a subsequent date following the conclusion of the hearing.
- 9. If all parties agree and the Authority considers is appropriate, a hearing may be dispensed with. In some circumstances (where representations are not withdrawn), the Panel/Committee may still have to determine the application but will do so having considered the papers previously submitted. In such circumstances the Authority would also consider the terms of any "consent order" drawn up by the parties indicating terms upon which all of the relevant parties would be content that the application be granted.
- 10. Adjournments
 - i. Due to the time constraints upon the Panels/Committee, applications for adjournments will only be granted where absolutely necessary
 - ii. Once a hearing date has been set it is for the parties to ensure that they attend or are represented. Hearings may proceed in the absence of a party and in such circumstances the party's original representations will be taken into account together with any further material in support of that representation which has been served on all parties before the day of the hearing.
 - iii. If it is not possible for a party or their witness to attend a hearing the Authority's preference would be for their representation to proceed by way of written evidence
 - iv. If it is necessary to make an application for an adjournment the party seeking the adjournment should seek the consent of all other parties to the application and notify the Licensing Office as soon as possible that an adjournment may be sought. If all parties agree the matter may be adjourned administratively.
 - v. If not agreed administratively the matter will remain listed before the Panel/ Committee to hear the application and determine whether to agree the adjournment or proceed.
 - vi. The Authority may adjourn proceedings of its own motion where it considers it necessary for it's consideration of any application, representations or notice made or where it considers it to be in the interests of natural justice.
 - vii. Where an adjournment is granted all parties will be given notice of the adjournment and the new hearing date.

- 11. Applications to Extend Time Limits
 - i. These may be dealt with administratively but will only be granted where it is necessary in the public interest.
 - ii. Applications should be made to the Licensing Officer identifying:
 - i. the licensing application and premises concerned,
 - ii. the person making the application for the time limit to be extended
 - iii. the time limit concerned,
 - iv. the reasons why that time limit cannot be complied with,
 - v. the extension sought,
 - vi. why it is believed that it would be in the interests of justice to grant the application, and
 - vii. whether all other parties have agreed to an extension of time.
 - iii. Where an extension is granted all parties will be given notice of the extension.



THE PANEL'S CONSIDERATIONS

The Panel will disregard any information given or evidence produced, which is not relevant to the application or the promotion of the licensing objectives.

The Objectives are: -

- The prevention of crime and disorder;
- Public safety;
- The prevention of public nuisance, and
- The protection of children from harm.

Each objective is of equal importance.

The Panel will have regard to the national Guidance issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 and the Borough Council's own Statement of Licensing Policy.

The Panel has a duty to act in a manner which is compatible with the Human Rights Act 1998.

A Licence is regarded as property for the purposes of the Human Rights Act 1998. Article 1 of the First Protocol states that:

"Every natural or legal person is entitled to the peaceful enjoyment of his possessions. No one shall be deprived of his possessions except in the public interest and subject to the conditions provided for by law and by the general principles of international law.

The preceding provisions shall not, however, in any way impair the right of a State to enforce such laws as it deems necessary to control the use of property in accordance with the general interest or to secure the payment of taxes or other contributions or penalties."

The Panel must also take into account the effect on local residents. Article 8 states:

"1. Everyone has the right to respect for his private and family life, his home and his correspondence.

2. There shall be no interference by a public authority with the exercise of this right except such as is in accordance with the law and is necessary in a democratic society in the interests of national security, public safety or the economic well-being of the country, for the prevention of disorder or crime, for the protection of health or morals, or for the protection of the rights and freedoms of others."

Three stage test to be applied: -

- 1. Is the interference in accordance with the law?
- 2. Is the interference necessary in a democratic society in pursuit of one of the legitimate aims set out above?
- 3. Is the decision proportionate i.e. striking a fair balance between the demands of the general interests of the community and the requirement to protect the individual's fundamental rights?



Application for the review of a premises licence or club premises certificate under the Licensing Act 2003

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Before completing this form please read the guidance notes at the end of the form. If you are completing this form by hand please write legibly in block capitals. In all cases ensure that your answers are inside the boxes and written in black ink. Use additional sheets if necessary. You may wish to keep a copy of the completed form for your records.

I SUNIL VIDI (Insert name of applicant)

apply for the review of a premises licence under section 51 / apply for the review of a club premises certificate under section 87 of the Licensing Act 2003 for the premises described in Part 1 below (delete as applicable)

Part 1 - Premises or club premises details 1

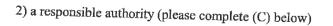
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LIME LANE W	0005	
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ARNOLD, NOTTIN	aHAM NG5 8PW	
Post town	1045 510	
NOTTINGSIA	Post code (if known)	
NOTTINGHAM	NG5 SPW	
Name of promises lines 1 11		
Name of premises licence holder or club holding club premises certificate (if known)		
B2B EVENTS AARON LOWLEY		
LIANNE SEBASTIAN/LIANNE JONES		
Number of premises licence or club premises certificate (if known)		
21/005831PREM		

Part 2 - Applicant details

I am

Please tick ✓ yes

1) an individual, body or business which is not a responsible authority (please read guidance note 1, and complete (A) or (B) below)



3) a member of the club to which this application relates (please complete (A) below)

(A) DETAILS OF INDIVIDUAL APPLICANT (fill in as applicable)

Please tick yes				
Mr 🔽 Mrs	Miss	[] M	s 🗌	Other title (for example, Rev)
Surname			First nam	les
VIDH	×N1		ک	SUNIL
I am 18 years old o	r over			Please tick ✓ yes
Current postal address if different from premises address CAZV			0001	HOUSE D LANE
Post town	Vott NG H	AM	Post Code	NG14 6NA
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E-mail address (optional)				

(B) DETAILS OF OTHER APPLICANT

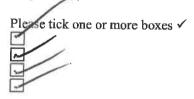
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Telephone number (if any)		
E-mail address (optional)		

(C) DETAILS OF RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY APPLICANT

Name and address	
Telephone number (if any)	
E-mail address (optional)	

This application to review relates to the following licensing objective(s)

- 1) the prevention of crime and disorder
- 2) public safety
- 3) the prevention of public nuisance
- 4) the protection of children from harm



Please see below the reasons why we wish for a review of the license no. 21/00583/PREM dated 23/07/21.

- As a result of objections to planning application 2022/1316, Gedling Borough Council issued an enforcement order no. 0212/2022 to close the premises and revert back to its original rural condition. This was because a breach of planning control occurred concerning unauthorised material change of use. It is wholly wrong that a license allowing films, live music, and the sale of alcohol 7 days /week should still be valid to operate on premises where the 28 day rule has been constantly and repeatedly abused and no planning permission granted for operation of the activities granted in the License.
- 2. The license permits premises opening hours of between 09.00 until midnight on a daily basis, 365 days/year. This is wholly unsuitable when there are neighbours nearby in a rural, green belt location. In particular, re: the Maize, Maze, they have erected two brand new bright blue fixed signs advising that they are open 24/7 dusk to dawn and say that they are opening until end of October in direct contravention of the license agreement. A neighbour close to the premises reports that noise levels are yet again currently increasing.....
- 3. In particular, the license grants the Sale of Alcohol, Monday to Sunday 09.00 hrs until midnight. Music Festivals were held at the premises selling alcohol which were subsequently stopped by Gedling Borough Council due to numerous complaints from neighbours and breaches of planning regulations. As per the license ruling, we suspect that the organisers did not apply for approval at least 3 months before each event since there were over 1000 attendees ? (Please advise ?) We also suspect that risk assessments were not carried out for the music festivals and were not submitted to the Police at least 6 weeks prior as large numbers of drunk youngsters were found wandering on the highway outside of the premises i.e. it would seem that the conditions to which the licensee should be adhering to were blatantly ignored or abused and should therefore be reviewed (eg training and refresher records/induction training/CCTV records, incident book, check for Challenge25 signs, refusal records , door supervisor records all required as conditions of the license).

Currently, "family" activities of Axe throwing, knife throwing, maize maze etc are being undertaken at the premises (whilst with an enforcement order to shut the premises down is in place). The selling of alcohol seems wholly inappropriate for such "family" events with plenty of children around.

The sale of alcohol from 09.00 until midnight Monday to Sunday is wholly inappropriate for premises in a rural, quiet, greenbelt location.

The track record and general behaviour of the licensee re: the sale of alcohol during the music festivals and cinema evenings is very poor. It is time therefore that their license is reviewed in light of their previous poor behaviour and a check is now necessary that all conditions have and are being met with many children attending the maize events when a licensed bar has been advertised !

- 4. The license grants the provision of regulated entertainment re: Films and Live music. Noise levels were deemed unacceptable by neighbours during both the music festivals and films evenings. This was confirmed by Gedling Borough Council's environmental officer, William Langston when taking noise readings close to the premises during these events. We consider that the noise emanating from films on consecutive weekends during summer/autumn is wholly unacceptable - especially as the license actually allows for Monday to Sunday from 09.00 until midnight (or 23.00 for films). The premises are in a rural, green belt location....totally unsuitable for such extensive noise intrusion on a daily basis ! Noise levels at the boundary we therefore presume were not recorded every 30 mins as required by the license requirements since these should have been submitted (and, we believe were not) to the Council when the noise complaints were received. Such noise levels obviously exceeded the 15dBA over a 15 minute period as per the license agreement as a more stringent noise abatement order was subsequently issued by the Council to the organisers. The music festivals were subsequently stopped by the Council and, whilst there are no films currently planned, in light of the licensees general poor behaviour and abuse of license rules, a review should now be carried out.
- 5. For the music festivals, the license requires "access will be maintained for emergency vehicles on property under our ownership There has been a dispute regarding use of property for access not owned by the licensee. A review of emergency access should be carried out and the license reviewed. Further details can be obtained from your planning dept...Mr Mike Avery.

We would like to know whether any checks were carried out by the Council re: (for example) suitable signage advising customers to be respectful to residents and to leave the area in a quiet and orderly manner"? Were any other checks carried out by GBC re: use of glass on the premises and has the Designated Premises Supervisor kept a book of Door supervisors details or has the record of all disorder, injury etc been inspected ? – especially in light of the Police being called to one of the Festivals ?? Have CCTV records been kept and checked as required by the license ?

It can be seen from the above that the licensee has a long track record of misdemeanours since the license was issued in contravention of the license's various conditions. The license is not fit for purpose, is not fair on neighbours, and ideally should be totally revoked. A review should therefore urgently be carried out. Please state the ground(s) for review (please read guidance note 2)

see endosed

Please provide as much information as possible to support the application (please read guidance note 3)

Please refer to all objections previously raised re: planning application 2022/1316.

Please tick ✓ yes

Have you made an application for review relating to the premises before

If yes please state the date of that application

Day	Month	Year	

If you have made representations before relating to the premises please state what they were and when you made them Please refer to Mike Avery, UBC and planning application / decision 2022/1316. Please also refer to William Longston GBC Please also refer to Engeneent no. 0212/2022

- yes
- I have sent copies of this form and enclosures to the responsible authorities and the premises licence holder or club holding the club premises certificate, as appropriate
- I understand that if I do not comply with the above requirements my application will be rejected

IT IS AN OFFENCE, LIABLE ON CONVICTION TO A FINE UP TO LEVEL 5 ON THE STANDARD SCALE, UNDER SECTION 158 OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003 TO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT IN OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS APPLICATION

Part 3 – Signatures (please read guidance note 4)

Signature of applicant or applicant's solicitor or other duly authorised agent (please read guidance note 5). If signing on behalf of the applicant please state in what capacity.

Signature 5-62		
Date 31-08-	23	
Capacity NEIGH	BOUR	
Contact name (where not previously given) an associated with this application (please read gu		
Post town	Post Code	
Telephone number (if any)		
If you would prefer us to correspond with you using an e-mail address your e-mail address (optional)		

Notes for Guidance

- 1. A responsible authority includes the local police, fire and rescue authority and other statutory bodies which exercise specific functions in the local area.
- 2. The ground(s) for review must be based on one of the licensing objectives.
- 3. Please list any additional information or details for example dates of problems which are included in the grounds for review if available.
- 4. The application form must be signed.
- 5. An applicant's agent (for example solicitor) may sign the form on their behalf provided that they have actual authority to do so.
- 6. This is the address which we shall use to correspond with you about this application.



PREMISES LICENCE

LICENSING ACT 2003 Schedule 12 Part A Regulation 33,34

Premises Licence	21/00583/PREM
Number	
Date of Grant	23 July 2021
Address	B2B Events Ltd
	Lime Lane Woods
	Lime Lane
	Arnold
	Nottingham
Postcode	NG5 8PW
Telephone number	N/A
Licensable activities	Sale of alcohol
authorised by the	Provision of regulated entertainment: Films and Live
licence	Music
Times the licence	Sale of alcohol:
authorises the	Monday to Sunday: 09:00hrs until midnight
carrying out of the	Provision of regulated entertainment:
licensable activities	Films
	Monday to Sunday: 09:00hrs until 23:00hrs
	Live Music
	Monday to Sunday 09:00hrs until midnight
Opening hours of	Monday to Sunday: 09:00hrs until midnight
the premises	
Whether the	On the premises
supplies of alcohol	
are on and/ off the	
premises	
Name (registered)	B2B Events Ltd
address, telephone	Lime Lane Woods
number and e mail of	Lime Lane
the holder of the	Arnold
premises licence	Nottingham
	NG5 8PW
	aaron@b2bevents.co.uk
Registered number	10670406
of company if	
Applicable	
Name, address and	Aaron Cowley
telephone number of	
the designated	
premises supervisor	

Personal licence	10/00497/PERS
number and issuing	Gedling Borough Council
authority of the	
personal licence	
held by the	
designated premises	
supervisor	

Licensing Act 2003

Supply of alcohol:

- 1. No supply of alcohol may be made under this licence
 - a. At a time when there is no Designated Premises Supervisor in respect of it or,
 - b. At a time when the Designated Premises Supervisor does not hold a personal licence or his personal licence is suspended
- 2. Every sale or supply of alcohol made under this premises licence must be made or authorised by a person who holds a personal licence.
- 3. Door supervisors must be licensed by the Security Industry Authority.

In force from 28th May 2014

1. A relevant person shall ensure that no alcohol is sold or supplied for consumption on or off the premises for a price which is less than the permitted price.

2. For the purposes of the condition set out in paragraph 1—

(a) "duty" is to be construed in accordance with the Alcoholic Liquor Duties Act 1979;

(b) "permitted price" is the price found by applying the formula— P = D + (D \times V)

where---

(i) P is the permitted price,

(ii) D is the amount of duty chargeable in relation to the alcohol as if the duty were charged on the date of the sale or supply of the alcohol, and
(iii) V is the rate of value added tax chargeable in relation to the alcohol as if the value added tax were charged on the date of the sale or supply of the alcohol;

(c) "relevant person" means, in relation to premises in respect of which there is in force a premises licence—

(i) the holder of the premises licence,

(ii) the designated premises supervisor (if any) in respect of such a licence, or (iii) the personal licence holder who makes or authorises a supply of alcohol under such a licence;

(d) "relevant person" means, in relation to premises in respect of which there is in force a club premises certificate, any member or officer of the club

present on the premises in a capacity which enables the member or officer to prevent the supply in question; and

(e) "value added tax" means value added tax charged in accordance with the Value Added Tax Act 1994.

3. Where the permitted price given by Paragraph (b) of paragraph 2 would (apart from this paragraph) not be a whole number of pennies, the price given by that sub-paragraph shall be taken to be the price actually given by that sub-paragraph rounded up to the nearest penny.

4. (1) Sub-paragraph (2) applies where the permitted price given by Paragraph (b) of paragraph 2 on a day ("the first day") would be different from the permitted price on the next day("the second day") as a result of a change to the rate of duty or value added tax.

(2) The permitted price which would apply on the first day applies to sales or supplies of alcohol which take place before the expiry of the period of 14 days beginning on the second day."

In force from 1st October 2014

1. (1) The responsible person must ensure that staff on relevant premises do not carry out, arrange or participate in any irresponsible promotions in relation to the premises.

(2) In this paragraph, an irresponsible promotion means any one or more of the following activities, or substantially similar activities, carried on for the purpose of encouraging the sale or supply of alcohol for consumption on the premises—

(a) games or other activities which require or encourage, or are designed to require or encourage, individuals to—

(i) drink a quantity of alcohol within a time limit (other than to drink alcohol sold or supplied on the premises before the cessation of the period in which the responsible person is authorised to sell or supply alcohol), or

(ii) drink as much alcohol as possible (whether within a time limit or otherwise);

(b) provision of unlimited or unspecified quantities of alcohol free or for a fixed or discounted fee to the public or to a group defined by a particular characteristic in a manner which carries a significant risk of undermining a licensing objective;

(c) provision of free or discounted alcohol or any other thing as a prize to encourage or reward the purchase and consumption of alcohol over a period of 24 hours or less in a manner which carries a significant risk of undermining a licensing objective; (d) selling or supplying alcohol in association with promotional posters or flyers on, or in the vicinity of, the premises which can reasonably be considered to condone, encourage or glamorise anti-social behaviour or to refer to the effects of drunkenness in any favourable manner;

(e) dispensing alcohol directly by one person into the mouth of another (other than where that other person is unable to drink without assistance by reason of disability).

- 2. The responsible person must ensure that free potable water is provided on request to customers where it is reasonably available.
- 3. (1) The premises licence holder or club premises certificate holder must ensure that an age verification policy is adopted in respect of the premises in relation to the sale or supply of alcohol.

(2) The designated premises supervisor in relation to the premises licence must ensure that the supply of alcohol at the premises is carried on in accordance with the age verification policy.

(3) The policy must require individuals who appear to the responsible person to be under 18 years of age (or such older age as may be specified in the policy) to produce on request, before being served alcohol, identification bearing their photograph, date of birth and either—

(a) a holographic mark, or

(b) an ultraviolet feature.

4. The responsible person must ensure that-

(a) where any of the following alcoholic drinks is sold or supplied for consumption on the premises (other than alcoholic drinks sold or supplied having been made up in advance ready for sale or supply in a securely closed container) it is available to customers in the following measures—

(i) beer or cider: 1/2 pint;

(ii) gin, rum, vodka or whisky: 25 ml or 35 ml; and

(iii) still wine in a glass: 125 ml;

(b) these measures are displayed in a menu, price list or other printed material which is available to customers on the premises; and

(c) where a customer does not in relation to a sale of alcohol specify the quantity of alcohol to be sold, the customer is made aware that these measures are available."

Films

The admission of children under the age of 18 to film exhibitions permitted under the terms of this licence shall be restricted in accordance with any recommendations made by:

(a) The British Board of Film classification (BBFC), where the film has been classified by that Board or

(b) The Licensing Authority where no classification certificate has been granted by the BBFC, or, where the Licensing Authority has notified the licence holder that section 20 (3) (b) applies to the film in question and the admission of children must be in accordance with any recommendation made by the Licensing Authority.

Annex 2 – Conditions consistent with the Operating Schedule

- 1. A CCTV system shall be installed and operative in the premises when licensable activities are taking place. All recordings used in conjunction with CCTV shall:
 - be of evidential quality
 - shall display accurate time and date stamps all year round to account for day light savings.
 - be retained for a period of 31 days
 - Cover the point of sale, and entrance and exit
 - The CCTV System should be installed in a location that is safe and accessible.
 - Recordings to be made available for inspection to the Police or any other authorised person when requested.
 - At least one person trained and authorised to access the CCTV system shall be present during opening hours. They shall be able perform basic operations such as reviewing recordings and download recordings to removable media (USB) if required for Police or other authorised officers.
- 2. All staff who are engaged or to be engaged in the sale of alcohol on the premises shall receive the following training in age restricted sales:
 - Induction training which must be completed and documented prior to the sale of alcohol by the staff member.
 - Refresher/reinforcement training at intervals of no more than 6 months.

Training records will be retained at the premises for a minimum period of 12 months and available for inspection upon request by a Police Officer and/or authorised person

- 3. A bound and sequentially paginated incident book or electronic record shall be kept to record all instances of disorder, damage to property and personal injury at the premises. This book shall be made available for inspection and copying by the Police or any other authorised person upon request and all such books shall be retained at the premises for at least 12 months
- 4. There will be no glass permitted on the whole event site.
- 5. All drinks shall be dispensed in non-glass containers. Any contents in glass bottles shall also be decanted into non glass containers
- 6. No persons shall be permitted to remove open vessels from the premises
- 7. No person under the age of 18 years old shall be permitted on the premises without an appropriate person aged over 18 years old or a parent or guardian.
- 8. A Challenge 25 scheme shall operate at the premises. Any person who appears to be under 25 years of age shall not be allowed to purchase alcohol unless they produce an acceptable form of photo identification. (e.g. passport, driving licence, Military ID or PASS accredited card).
- Challenge 25 signs shall be displayed in prominent positions throughout where any point of sale of alcohol takes place, stating that it is an offence to (a) sell alcohol to an individual under the age of 18 years; (b) for an individual under 18 years to purchase alcohol; (c) for a person to buy alcohol on behalf of an individual under 18 years.
- 10. A bound and sequentially paginated refusals book or electronic record shall be kept at the premises to record all instances where admission or service is refused.

Such records shall show:

- The basis for the refusal;
- The person making the decision to refuse; and
- The date and time of the refusal.

Such records shall be retained at the Premises for at least 12 months, and shall be made available for inspection and copying by the Police or any other authorised person upon request.

For the purpose of these conditions, an event by definition will be a preplanned date with an expected attendance of more than 1000 customers at any one time.

The following conditions 11 to 21 become enforceable when a defined special event takes place.

These conditions will be applied to any special event taking place and any external organisation responsible for hosting an event at this venue will be subject to these conditions.

- 11. Where possible, staff carrying out security duties will be contactable via two way radio.
- 12. Any licensable activity which has an audience of more than 1000 persons at any one time, shall not take place without a written notification being provided to, and receiving the full approval within three months of the date of the event from the following authorities;
 - Gedling Borough Council Licensing Department
 - Gedling Borough Council Building Control
 - Gedling Borough Council Environmental Health
 - Nottinghamshire Police County Licensing Department Mansfield
 - Nottinghamshire Police Operational Planning Force H/Q
 - Nottinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service

The organiser or representative for any special event taking place with more than 1000 attendees at any one time, will request a Safety Advisory Group meeting to take place with the responsible authorities listed above within a period up to 3 months before the proposed special event. To consider any proposed reviews by the group for the on-going management of the event management plans/ safety plans.

- 13. Prior to each special event involving more than 1000 attendees at any one time, a written Risk Assessment including and any other relevant documents requested by the Safety Advisory Group shall be submitted six weeks to police prior. Should a Safety Advisory Group meeting not be necessary, a written risk assessment shall still be carried out.
- 14. A minimum of six SIA licensed door supervisors shall be employed on site when events are taking place with more than 1000 attendees at any one time. They will be in attendance prior to the event start time and for the duration of the event. They will remain on site to assist in dispersal until all customers have exited.
- 15. A bound and sequentially paginated book or electronic record shall be kept and updated daily, containing the names, addresses, dates of birth, SIA registration number and hours worked of Door Supervisors employed on any particular day. This book shall be kept by the Designated Premises Supervisor for at least 12 months and shall be made available for inspection and copying by the Police or other authorities immediately upon request
- 16. All personnel carrying out the duties of a steward/marshal/door supervisor to be easily identifiable to members of the public and responsible authorities
- 17. There will be no glass used for any refreshments on days when events are taking place. Any bottled products will be decanted into non glass ware.
- 18. All entrances and exits to main areas shall be well lit

- 19. Adequate lighting will be maintained at all times to a level that will facilitate emergency egress from any licensed area
- 20. Access will be maintained for emergency vehicles on property under our ownership and control whilst the premises are open to the public
- 21. A personal licence holder will be on site at all times when licensable activities are taking place.
- 22. The music noise levels from regulated entertainment should not exceed the background noise level by more than 15dBA over a 15 minute period at 1M from the façade of any noise sensitive premises as outlined in The Noise Council 1995: Code of Practice on Environmental Noise Control at Concerts.
- 23. Noise levels shall be monitored at the boundary of the premises every 30 minutes whilst regulated entertainment takes place to ensure that no vibration or noise nuisance is caused to any residential premises.

The results of all monitoring shall be recorded in either a bound and sequentially paginated book or as an electronic record, which shall be kept at the premises and be available at all times for inspection by an authorised officer of the Council or Police Officer. A record of all actions taken as a result of the monitoring shall also be kept.

24. Signage shall be displayed advising customers to be respectful to residents and to leave the area in a quiet and orderly manner.

Annex 3 – Conditions attached after a hearing by the Licensing Authority

None

Annex 4 – Plans

See attached

From:

Sent: 12 September 2023 14:26 To: Enquiries <<u>Enquiries@gedling.gov.uk</u>>; <u>bookings@b2b-events.co.uk</u> Subject: B2B Events Licence

I wanted to express my strong support for B2B Events Ltd as they undergo their liquor license review.

One aspect of B2B Events that I find particularly commendable is their positive impact on our community. Through events like the maize maze, they consistently create a safe and enjoyable environment for residents and visitors alike.

Their commitment to enhancing the community experience through responsible alcohol service and engaging events is evident in their continued efforts.

I believe this positive impact is a compelling reason to grant B2B Events the renewal of their liquor license.

I would also like to add that I have been to many events held over the years and have NEVER seen or heard of any type of any crime and disorder on this site and all staff are well trained and responsible. Its ludicrous that these few individuals have such a problem with a local site that offer so much.

Carolyn



@t2bnottingham www.top2bot.co.uk

Becky Clow



19/9/23

To whom it may concern,

Re: Review of Premises Licence at Lime Lane

I am penning this letter not only as a resident of Arnold, but as a devoted patron of B2B Events. Over the years, I have had the pleasure of frequenting this upscale event site and felt compelled to share my observations in light of their Premises Licence review.

Prevention of Crime and Disorder:

As a customer, I have always been impressed by the establishment's diligent commitment to creating an environment that discourages any form of crime and disorder. The management has taken the initiative to instil a sense of order and safety within the bar, making it a preferred choice for mature and respectful clientele like myself. Every visit reaffirms the sentiment that B2B Events is not merely a place for recreation, but also an epitome of responsible and orderly operation within the hospitality sector.

Prevention of Public Nuisance:

The behaviour of patrons, upon exiting the bar/site, stands testament to the establishment's emphasis on community harmony. Time and again, I have noticed that customers leave the premises in a quiet and orderly manner, ensuring that they do not intrude upon or cause a disturbance in the neighbouring residential areas. As someone who often engages with fellow patrons, I can vouch for the collective sense of responsibility we feel, a testament to the standards set by the bar.

In summation, I firmly believe that B2B Events has successfully fostered an environment that not only provides an exceptional service but also places a strong emphasis on adhering to the Licensing Objectives. I humbly urge the licensing authority to take these personal observations into account while considering the application.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Warm regards, Becky Clow From: claire.wh < Sent: 06 September 2023 20:01 To: Enquiries <<u>Enquiries@gedling.gov.uk</u>> Cc: <u>bookings@b2b-events.co.uk</u> Subject: Licence review

Good evening,

I hope this email finds you well. I am writing to put forward my unwavering support towards B2B Events Ltd as they undergo their license review.

As you evaluate the circumstances surrounding B2B Events, I would like to draw attention to other similar venues within our local area, such as all the local rugby, football clubs along with golf courses. These venues, like B2B Events, feature bars on their premises and often host events that involve alcohol service.

It is worth considering whether the same local individual who raises concerns about B2B Events would argue that these venues are also unsafe merely because they have a bar on their premises. Notably, a lot of these clubs are also situated in the green belt area as well.

This comparison highlights the importance of a fair and consistent approach in evaluating license renewals. It's essential to recognize that responsible alcohol service can be successfully maintained at venues like B2B Events and the others mentioned, which contribute to our local community.

I believe it is crucial to apply the same standards and considerations to all similar venues when reviewing liquor license renewals. B2B Events has demonstrated a commitment to responsible alcohol service, and I wholeheartedly support the renewal of their license.

Kind regards,

Claire

Local resident

Arnold NG5

From: Adam Smith < Sent: 06 September 2023 13:28 To: Enquiries <<u>Enquiries@gedling.gov.uk</u>> Cc: <u>aaron@b2b-events.co.uk</u> Subject: Licence review at Lime Lane

Good afternoon,

I am writing to wholeheartedly endorse B2B Events Ltd in their liquor license review.

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The B2B Events team places a paramount emphasis on responsible alcohol service, fostering an environment where everyone can unwind and have a good time while feeling secure.

Their staff diligently carry out strict ID verification procedures and are exceptionally well-trained in best practices for alcohol service. This includes their ability to effectively recognise and address signs of intoxication.

I extend my best wishes for continued success to B2B Events and earnestly request that they maintain their premises license, serving as responsible and exemplary stewards within the industry.

In my opinion this is blatant attack from a few locals who aren't happy the company has taken the planning decision to an appeal process.

Warm regards,

Adam

Calverton NG14

From: Aaron cowley
Sent: 18 September 2023 15:24
To: Enquiries <<u>Enquiries@gedling.gov.uk</u>>
Subject: Licence review Notts Maze

Good afternoon,

I'd like to express my support for B2B Events retaining their premises license.

I've been a resident of Wansbeck Close, just around the corner, for three years now, and I've never encountered any issues with this site. This includes the four festivals and cinemas that took place last year. Throughout all these events, I never experienced any sound disturbances, and I find this review to be entirely unjust. This review has been made from a local nimbee who has a bee in his bonnet.

This establishment has been a responsible and integral part of our community. It embarked on a new venture that drew thousands of people to enjoy these events, and as far as my family and I are concerned, it has had no adverse effects on us or our neighbors. We have two young children who have not been disturbed by any noise since the license was issued two years ago. Additionally, I've spoken with friends residing on Pegswood Drive/Ashington Drive, and they too have reported no issues with the cinema or festivals held last year.

In conclusion, this site has been a positive addition to our community, and I firmly support the continuation of their premises license.

Yours Sincerely,

Alen

From: Mark Butcher < Sent: 06 September 2023 10:44 To: Enquiries <<u>Enquiries@gedling.gov.uk</u>> Cc: Aaron Cowley <<u>aaron@b2b-events.co.uk</u>> Subject: Licensing At B2B Events

Morning Gedling Borough Council,

Having experienced several B2B Events firsthand. I'd like to express my strong support for their liquor license review. The team prioritises responsible alcohol service creating an environment where all can relax and enjoy themselves whilst feeling safe. Staff undertake Strict ID Verification and are well-trained in alcohol service best practices, including identifying and addressing signs of intoxication.

On behalf of Mellish RFU we wish every success to B2B Events and request that they keep their liquor license being responsible stewards of the industry.

Please feel free to contact me.

Regards,

- Mark Butcher Managing Director



From: Jenny Higgins Sent: Thursday, September 28, 2023 2:10 PM To: Enquiries <<u>Enquiries@gedling.gov.uk</u>> Cc: <u>bookings@b2b-events.co.uk</u> Subject: LICENSING REVIEW - B2B EVENTS LIMITED - LIME LANE/NOTTS MAZE To Whom It May Concern,

It has been brought to my attention that a request for a review of the Premises' Licence for B2B Events Limited has been submitted. I have to admit that I am astonished that someone has initiated such a request.

Over the last 5 years as a local resident I have spent many hours visiting the site at Lime Lane, both exploring the maze with my family and enjoying the refreshments and facilities available on the site. Additionally I have also provided ad hoc support for the Halloween events provided for families over the half term week each year.

The main activities on site take place between the hours 10.00 am in the morning and 5.00pm in the afternoon, with the exception of the month of October when there are activities in the evening in the Maze on the run up to Halloween. During 2021 and 2022 there were also a handful of cinema nights run mainly during the months of August and September with the site being vacated shortly after 10.00pm. I attending several of these nights and never witnessed any issues with either the sale of alcohol or peoples behaviour. At the end of the film people quickly and quietly vacated the site with plenty of staff available to help guide people back to their cars.

So both from a customer of B2B Events Limited and an occasional member of staff, I have witnessed at close hand the professionalism and expertise of the owner and members of staff at this site. The owner Aaron Cowley ensures that all regular and causal staff are well-trained in all aspects of health and safety and the rules and regulations that govern the provision of the services provided on site. He takes personal and professional pride in maintaining a safe environment for all his customers and employees, which includes conducting a visual safety check of the site each morning before opening up.

I have regularly witnessed the joy and satisfaction of customers as they leave the site and the positive feedback given by visitors who have repeatedly visited over the last 5 years, with their children and friends.

The busiest time of the year for the site is between mid July and October, whilst the rest of the year there is limited activity mainly consisting of children's parties and children's forestry education. I have never witnessed or heard of any issue with the selling of alcohol on site, or indeed any activity that has created any concern for public safety, put any children at risk or resulted in any nuisance, crime or disorder, and therefore in my view to suggest that the license should be reviewed seems to be a vicious and fabricated time wasting exercise, with no evidential substance to support such a review.

If every owner of a Premises Licence took the same level of care, attention and personal commitment to ensuring the safety of their customers that B2B Events Limited takes there would be a much reduced requirement for any Licensing Reviews to ever be submitted. It is clear to me that this request has been submitted in a poorly disguised attempt to create hyperbole to undermine B2B Events Limited in their pursuit of a change of use for the site and obstruct the lawful operation of the business.

Yours sincerely Jenny Higgins MBA From: Raymond Butler < Sent: 19 September 2023 08:43 To: Enquiries <<u>Enquiries@gedling.gov.uk</u>> Subject: Licensing review Notts Maze Importance: High

To Whom It May Concern,

As one of the closest residents to the site, I have been a regular visitor for many years now. I find it quite perplexing that B2B Events Ltd's license is under review.

In the two years since B2B Events Ltd obtained their premise license, there have been no reported incidents on-site, and there's been no evidence of crime and disorder. It's worth noting that all staff are well-trained to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all visitors.

Furthermore, while the business may be open throughout the year, the main events happen over a three-month period in the summer. During this time, I have not observed any disturbances or issues related to alcohol service.

It seems somewhat unjust that their license is now facing scrutiny due to concerns raised by a few disgruntled neighbours. It's essential to keep in mind that the presence of a premise license is common for nearly every club throughout the country. To suggest that the safety of children is compromised because alcohol is served on-site appears to be an exaggeration, in my view.

Would someone from the local community similarly contend that all rugby, football, or golf clubs are inherently unsafe solely because they include a bar within their premises? It strikes me as somewhat coincidental that a license review has been solicited by one of the primary objectors to the business's planning application. This individual appears to be resorting to various measures, including fabricating outlandish claims, in an attempt to impede the ongoing operations of this establishment.

I've never encountered any issues with this site. This includes the four festivals and cinemas that ran last year. Throughout all these events, I never experienced any sound disturbances, and I find this review to be entirely unjust.

Sincerely,

Ray Butler

Stockings Farm, Arch Hill, Arnold, NG58PF

From: Sent: 07 September 2023 13:59 To: Enquiries <<u>Enquiries@gedling.gov.uk</u>>; <u>bookings@b2b-events.co.uk</u> Subject: Lime Lane, Arnold

I hope this email finds you well.

As a local parent and an active member of our community, I wanted to voice my strong support for B2B Events Ltd as they undergo their license review.

Over the years, I've had the pleasure of attending events hosted by B2B Events, including their renowned maize maze. What has impressed me most is their steadfast commitment to responsible alcohol service. Here's why I believe B2B Events deserves to continue serving our community:

- Trained Staff: B2B Events' staff members are trained professionals who prioritize responsible alcohol service, ensuring a safe environment for families like mine.
- Age Verification: They rigorously verify the age of all guests to prevent underage drinking, adhering to the strictest legal standards.
- Collaboration with Authorities: B2B Events maintains open lines of communication with local law enforcement and the licensing department, addressing any concerns promptly.
- Community Engagement: B2B actively seeks feedback from our community, continuously improving their alcohol service practices.

As a parent, I greatly appreciate the safe and enjoyable experiences that B2B Events provides. They have proven themselves to be responsible stewards in the service of alcohol, and I wholeheartedly endorse the renewal of their liquor license. You will also be receiving an Email from Carolyn from our company along with parents from our local school who have visited over the years.

Kind regards,

Diane James



The Maize Maze Letter/email of Support

I would like to support this local business for the following reasons:

Play and Family Time is an extremely valuable asset to children of all ages and abilities and through play they learn social skills, how to interact with children and their peers, how to share and help other children who might be struggling. Play is vital for the development of all children and this activity provider offers all these facilities local to Nottingham City and Nottinghamshire County.

The contract with the events company responsible for the outdoor concerts has been terminated and this line of entertainment will no longer be pursued.

The site offers overnight camping for groups, team building, the maze, laser tag, archery, axe throwing, Bush Craft and Forest Schools -4,640 people did these activities last year and are predominately adult and family led with around 35% being children.

Over 6,000 people attended the Maize Maze last year of which 1,458 were concessions. 1,895 tickets were for children and 983 family tickets (2 adults & 2 children).

11 sessions of Bush Craft/Forest School saw 345 children attending last year alone from the local area and 5 out of area schools. These ran over 11 days and included fire workshops, shelter building, bug house building and tree identification. All with a strong environmental theme.

Carlton Academy has attended both day and night visits with 150 students and a further 40+ doing their DofE Bronze Award. They have already booked again for this year with 216 children for the maze, laser tag, archery, axe throwing, airs and crossbow activities.

1,312 attended the Children's Halloween activity which included the maze, arts/crafts and spooky walkabout characters. A total of 1,500 attended Laser tag which was predominately children's parties, corporate events and schools.

They are a Member of the Alternative (Education) Provision Nottinghamshire since 2018 and hosted a NCC World book day in the camping area with 30+ children.

A lot of the activities are discounted for uniformed groups and Key Workers.

They are also working closely with Maggie's Cancer charity raising money for them each year.

Arnold fire station will be running training exercises on site in late October early November

Guide Dogs Nottingham, are attending with trainers and young guide dogs to train/exercise alongside a team building day.

I whole heartedly support this business venture and would recommend keeping the premises licence as is without change and would urge fellow Councillors and the Council to follow suit by helping it grow into a successful family/childrens activity centre.

Councillor Lorraine Brown Calverton Ward From: Lorna Pratt
Sent: 06 September 2023 08:57
To: Enquiries <<u>Enquiries@gedling.gov.uk</u>>
Cc: Aaron Cowley <<u>bookings@b2b-events.co.uk</u>>
Subject: Outdoor cinema - B2B Events Ltd

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to you with regards to the potential license issue for the outdoor cinema held in nottingham.

I have previously emailed with regards to the outrage both myself, friends and others who have previously attended the events, have felt.

The outdoor cinema in Nottingham has to be one of THE MOST well organised events I have attending within the area. Clear entry points, directions, sanitary facilities, alongside well conducted organised local drinks/food stands.

The atmosphere during previous years of the outdoor cinema are unrivalled. The surroundings, the staff, the fellow attendees, it really is something special!! And taking away the privilege of being able to experience this would be an absolute shame!

I would also like to add that I fully support B2B events LTD in keeping their premise license and to reiterate, they are a responsible and safe estab lishment.

Kind regards. Lorna. From: Chris Hatton Sent: 06 September 2023 13:44 To: Enquiries <<u>Enquiries@gedling.gov.uk</u>> Cc: <u>bookings@b2b-events.co.uk</u> Subject: Review at Lime Lane Arnold

To Whom It May Concern,

I've been a regular visitor to this site for over two years now, and I find it quite perplexing that their license is under review.

During the two years of B2B Events Ltd's premise license, there have been no reported incidents on-site. It seems somewhat unjust that their license is now facing scrutiny due to concerns raised by a few disgruntled neighbors. It's essential to keep in mind that the presence of a liquor license is common for nearly every club throughout the country. To suggest that the safety of children is compromised because alcohol is served on-site appears to be an exaggeration, in my view.

Consider venues like Arnold Football Club, Ramsdale Golf Course, Mellish Rugby Club, and Paviors Rugby Club. Would the same local individual argue that these venues are also unsafe merely because they have a bar on their premises? It's worth noting that all the clubs I've mentioned are situated in the green belt area as well.

Sincerely,

Chris Hatton

Cllr Jane Walker Ward Councillor for Calverton

26th September 2023

RE:

Aaron Cowley

Venue address: Lime Lane Woods, Lime Lane, Arnold, Nottingham, NG5 8PW

www.back2basics.org.uk

www.maize-maze.co.uk

www.the-labyrinth.co.uk

www.laser-days.co.uk

I am writing in support of the above constituent who resides and works in the Calverton Ward.

I am writing this letter of recommendation from myself with regards to this family-run business, Back 2 Basics Events Limited, which has had continuing success since opening in 2016.

Back 2 Basic Events Limited provides a wide range of activities with many people travelling far and wide to visit.

Back 2 Basics Events Limited provides residents varying activities of this business and to provide the experience of

bushcraft sessions which teaches visitors outdoor survival techniques, shelter building and nature trails.

This takes place surrounded by wildlife, and away from technology with an on-site bushcraft expert, who teaches the survival way of life. I feel this is a great opportunity for families to come together and a fascinating experience in the surrounding beautiful woodlands which promotes positive mental and physical health.

I fully support small and local businesses and entrepreneurs and I am happy to write this letter of recommendation for Back 2 Basics Events Limited.

If you require anything further from me, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards

TM waller.

Cllr Jane Walker Calverton Ward Gedling Borough Council Hi Aaron,

I have discussed at length with Insp Stanley (policing Inspector for Gedling) the series of 4 events held at your site in June/September 2022 and have also looked at calls to service we received during those events.

The majority of calls were regarding noise (not a police matter) with some reporting badly parked vehicles – I'm aware that you adapted your traffic management plans, in conjunction with Chevron, to try and facilitate better ingress/egress from site each time you held large scale events and that you offered taxi drop of/pick up and shuttle bus services.

Myself and Insp Stanley conducted a site visit at your first event in July 2022 and, aside from the traffic management issues (being addressed for subsequent events) we had no concerns.

Initial notification for the July 2022 events was made in November 2021 and for the September 2022 events, in March 2022.

We are not aware of any crime and disorder on site at your events and currently have no concerns with future events, providing the usual documentation submissions/SAG process is followed.

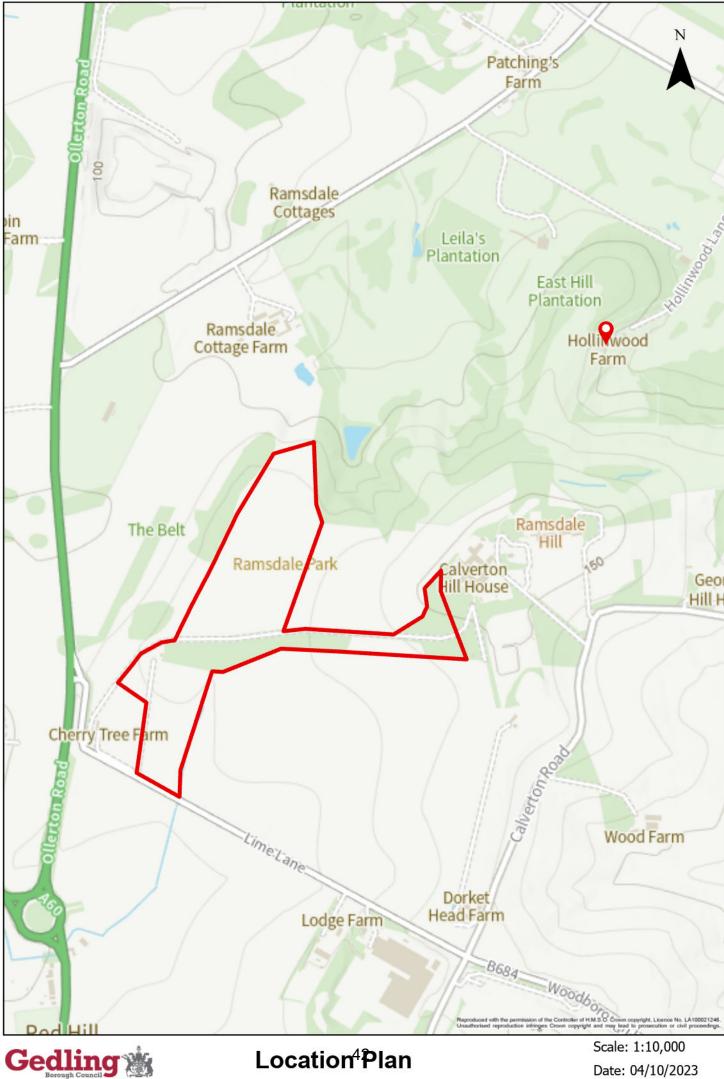
We consider we have a good working relationship with your site and look forward to working with you in future.

Kind regards and take care, Jayne.

PC 432 Jayne Walters Operational Planning Team Nottinghamshire Police Force Headquarters Sherwood Lodge Arnold Nottingham NG5 8PP



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