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Your Ref: Mrs K Tuckey- Licensing Unit  
Date: 23 February 2010

Epping Forest District Council  
Licensing Unit  
Civic Offices  
High Street  
Epping  
Essex  
CM16 4BZ

Dear Sirs,

**Our Client: Savvas Antonis Kounnis**  
**Re: 10 Torrington House, Torrington Drive, Essex IG10 3SZ**  
**Proposed Business: Debden Pool & Snooker Sports Bar**

We act on behalf of the above mentioned client in the respect of her formal application to Epping Forest District Council in regards to our client's formal Premises Club Licence Application under the Licensing Act 2003.

We enclose a copy of the formal application along with copy of the annexed plan of the premises enclosed within the application.

We look forward to hearing from you with any comments which you may have.

Yours faithfully,

  
Hoffman-Bokaei Solicitors

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# Epping Forest District Council

## Part B

### Application for a club premises certificate to be granted under the Licensing Act 2003

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE COMPLETING APPLICATION  
 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.

DEBDEN POOL & SNOOKER SPORTS BAR club applies for a club premises certificate  
 (Insert name of club)  
 under section 71 of the Licensing Act 2003 for the premises described in Part 1  
 below (the club premises)

The club is making this application to you as the relevant licensing authority in  
 accordance with section 68 of the Licensing Act 2003

#### Part 1 – Club premises details

Name of club <b>DEBDEN POOL AND SNOOKER SPORTS BAR</b>	
Postal address of premises or, if none, Ordnance Survey map reference or description <b>10 TORRINGTON HOUSE TORRINGTON DRIVE</b>	
Post Town <b>ESSEX</b>	Postcode <b>IG10 3SZ</b>
Telephone number (if any)	
E-mail address (optional)	

Name of person performing duties of a secretary to the club <b>SAVVAS ANTONIS KOUNNIS</b>	
Address of person performing duties of a secretary to the club <b>3 NURSERY CLOSE</b>	
Post Town <b>ENFIELD</b>	Postcode <b>EN3 5JZ</b>
Daytime contact telephone number (if any) <b>07989 102 882</b>	
E-mail address (optional) <b>KOUNNISAVVA@YAHOO.CO.UK,</b>	

Non-domestic rateable value of club premises.

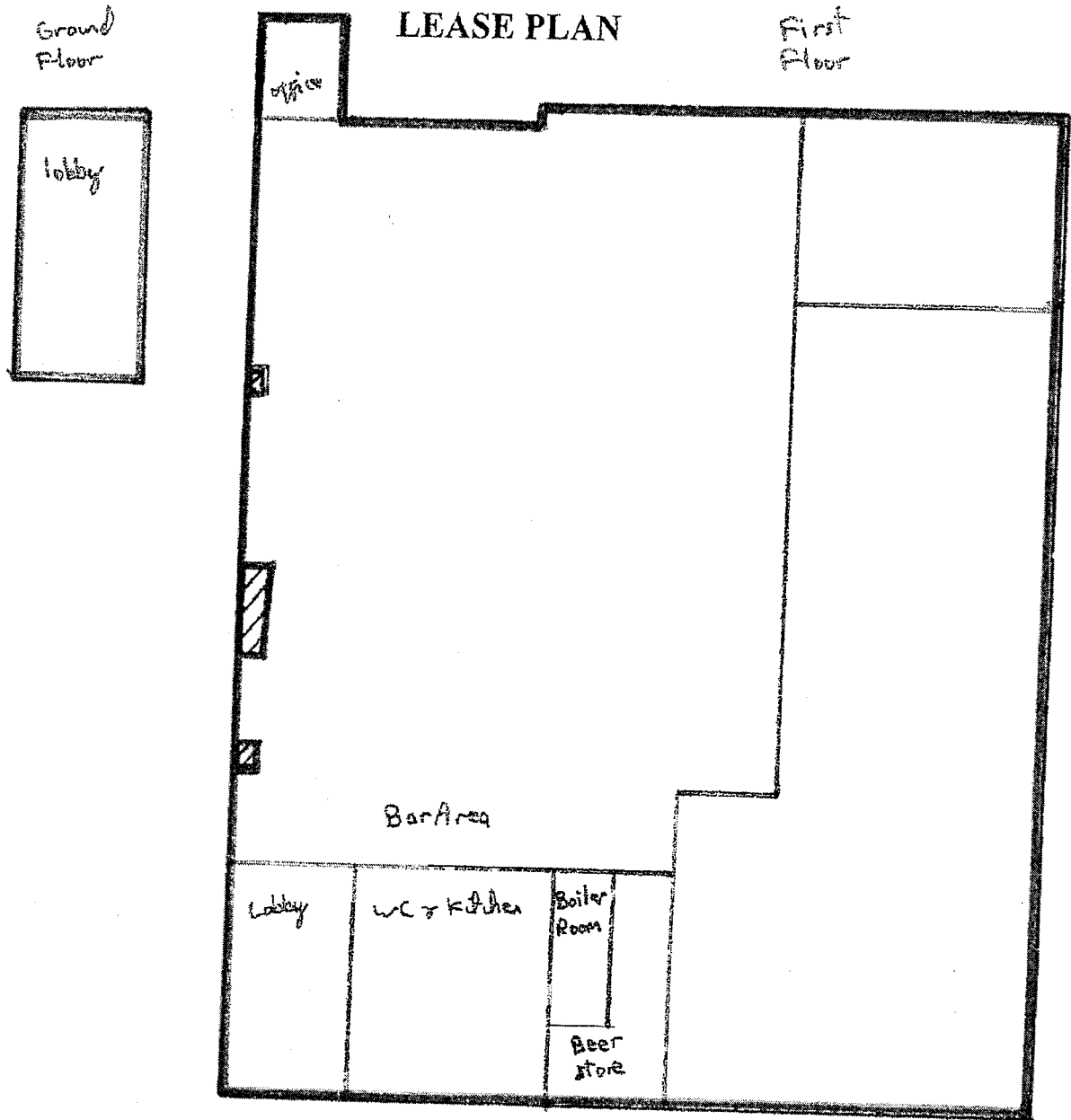
**£ 14,009.17**

Are the club premises occupied and habitually used by the club

Yes

No

THE FIRST FLOOR, 10 TORRINGTON HOUSE,  
TORRINGTON DRIVE, DEBDEN, ESSEX, IG10



Scale 1:200

Part 2 - Club Operating Schedule

When do you want the club premises certificate to start? Day Month Year  
1 8 0 3 | 2 0 1 0

If you wish the certificate to be valid only for a limited period, when do you want it to end? Day Month Year  
| | | | | | | |

If 5,000 or more people are expected to attend the premises at any one time, please state the number expected to attend

General description of club (please read guidance note 1)

THE PREMISES ARE SITUATED CLOSE TO THE SAINSBURY'S SUPERMARKET. THE PREMISES WERE ORIGINALLY USED AS A SNOOKER CLUB AND THE CURRENT APPLICATION IS FOR THE PREMISES TO BE USED ONCE AGAIN AS A SNOOKER CLUB.

THE PREMISES ARE SITUATED ON THE FIRST FLOOR WITH THE BAR POSITIONED ON THE OPPOSITE END OF THE ENTRANCE. ALL ALCOHOL WILL BE SERVED AT THE BAR AND ALL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES WILL BE STORED BEHIND THE BAR. PLEASE FIND ENCLOSED COPY PLAN OF PREMISES.

ALCOHOL CAN BE CONSUMED WHILST PLAYING POOL OR SNOOKER OR AT THE BAR.

OTHER THAN ALCOHOL, A RANGE OF NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND LIGHT FOOD WILL BE SERVED.

What qualifying club activities do you intend to conduct on the club premises? Please tick Y yes

**Provision of regulated entertainment:**

- a) plays (if ticking yes, fill in box A)
- b) films (if ticking yes, fill in box B)
- c) indoor sporting events (if ticking yes, fill in box C)
- d) boxing or wrestling entertainments (if ticking yes, fill in box D)
- e) live music (if ticking yes, fill in box E)
- f) recorded music (if ticking yes, fill in box F)
- g) performances of dance (if ticking yes, fill in box G)
- h) anything of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g)  
(if ticking yes, fill in box H)

**Provision of entertainment facilities for:**

- i) making music (if ticking yes, fill in box I)
- j) dancing (if ticking yes, fill in box J)
- k) entertainment of a similar description to that falling within (i) or (j)  
(if ticking yes, fill in box K)

**The supply of alcohol by or on behalf of a club to, or to the order of, a member of the club**   
(if ticking yes, fill in box L)

**The sale by retail of alcohol by or on behalf of a club to a guest of a member of the club for consumption on the premises where the sale takes place**   
(if ticking yes, fill in box L)

**In all cases complete boxes M, N, and O**

**A**

<b>Plays</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			Will the performance of a play take place <u>indoors or outdoors or both</u> – please tick [Y] (please read guidance note 2)	Indoors		
Day	Start	Finish		Outdoors		
Mon			Please give further details here (please read guidance note 3).	Both		
Tue						
Wed				State any seasonal variations for performing plays (please read guidance note 4)		
Thur						
Fri						
Sat				Non standard timings. Where the club intends to use the <u>premises for the performance of a play at different times from those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 5)		
Sun						

**B**

<b>Films</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			Will the exhibition of films take place <u>indoors or outdoors or both</u> – please tick [Y] (please read guidance note 2)	Indoors	
Day	Start	Finish		Outdoors	
Mon			Please give further details here (please read guidance note 3)	Both	
Tue					
Wed			State any seasonal variations for the exhibition of film (please read guidance note 4)		
Thur					
Fri			Non standard timings. Where the club intends to use the <u>premises for the exhibition of film at different times from those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 5)		
Sat					
Sun					

C

Indoor sporting events Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			Please give further details here (please read guidance note 3) ESTABLISHMENT WILL BE USED AS A SNOOKER CLUB WITH FOUR SLOT MACHINES FOR GAMBLING	
Day	Start	Finish		
Mon	10 AM	5 AM	State any seasonal variations for indoor sporting events (please read guidance note 4) ALL ENTERTAINMENT WILL BE HELD WITHIN THE PREMISES ALL YOUNG PEOPLE	
Tue	10 AM	5 AM		
Wed	10 AM	5 AM		
Thur	10 AM	5 AM		Non-standard timings. Where the club intends to use the premises for indoor sporting events at different times from those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 5)
Fri	10 AM	5 AM		
Sat	10 AM	5 AM		
Sun	10 AM	5 AM		

D

Boxing or wrestling entertainments Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			Will the boxing or wrestling entertainment take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick [Y] (please read guidance note 2)	
Day	Start	Finish	Indoors	Outdoors
Mon				
Tue				
Wed				
Thur				
Fri				
Sat				
Sun				

Please give further details here (please read guidance note 3)

State any seasonal variations for boxing and wrestling  
entertainment (please read guidance note 4)

Non-standard timings. Where the club intends to use the  
premises for the boxing or wrestling entertainment at  
different times from those listed in the column on the left,  
please list (please read guidance note 5)

**E**

Live music Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			Will the performance of live music take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick [Y] (please read guidance note 2)	Indoors		
Day	Start	Finish		Outdoors		
Mon			Please give further details here (please read guidance note 3)	Both		
Tue						
Wed				State any seasonal variations for the performance of live music (please read guidance note 4)		
Thur						
Fri				Non-standard timings. Where the club intends to use the premises for the performance of live music at different times from those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 5)		
Sat						
Sun						

**F**

Recorded music Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			Will the playing of recorded music take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick [Y] (please read guidance note 2)	Indoors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Day	Start	Finish		Outdoors		
Mon	10 AM	5 PM	Please give further details here (please read guidance note 3) UNAMPLIFIED MUSIC, THE PLAYING OF FM RADIO AND CD'S. THE VOLUME BE CONTAINED WITHIN THE PREMISES	Both		
Tue	10 AM	5 PM				
Wed	10 AM	5 PM		State any seasonal variations for playing recorded music (please read guidance note 4)		
Thur	10 AM	5 PM				
Fri	10 AM	5 PM		Non-standard timings. Where the club intends to use the premises for the playing of recorded music at different times from those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 5)		
Sat	10 AM	5 PM				
Sun	10 AM	5 PM				



**G**

Performances of dance Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			Will the performance of dance take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick [Y] (please read guidance note 2)	Indoors		
Day	Start	Finish		Outdoors		
Mon			Please give further details here (please read guidance note 3)	Both		
Tue						
Wed				State any seasonal variations for the performance of dance (please read guidance note 4)		
Thur						
Fri				Non-standard timings. Where the club intends to use the premises for the performance of dance at different times from those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 5)		
Sat						
Sun						

**H**

Anything of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g) Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			Please give a description of the type of entertainment that the club will be providing	Will this entertainment take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick [Y](please read guidance note 2)		
Day	Start	Finish		Indoor	Outdoor	
Mon	10 AM	5 AM	THE PLAYING OF LOCAL RADIO AND CD'S. THE VOLUME OF MUSIC WILL BE CONTAINED WITHIN THE PREMISES AND WILL BE PLAYED AT A REASONABLE VOLUME	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Tue	10 AM	5 AM		Both		
Wed	10 AM	5 AM		Please give further details here (please read guidance note 3)		
Thur	10 AM	5 AM				
Fri	10 AM	5 AM		State any seasonal variations for entertainment (please read guidance note 4)		

Sat	10 AM	5 AM	<b>Non-standard timings. Where the club intends to use the premises for entertainment at different times from those listed in the column on the left, please list</b> (please read guidance note 5)
Sun	10 AM	5 AM	

<b>Provision of facilities for making music</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			<b>Please give a description of the type of facilities for making music that the club will be providing</b>								
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Day	Start	Finish	<b>Please give further details here</b> (please read guidance note 3)								
Mon											
Tue											
Wed			<b>State any seasonal variations for the provision of facilities for making music</b> (please read guidance note 4)								
Thur											
Fri											
Sat											
Sun			<b>Non-standard timings. Where the club intends to use the premises for the provision of facilities for making music at different times from those listed in the column on the left, please list</b> (please read guidance note 5)								

<b>Provision of facilities for dancing</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			<b>Please give a description of the type of facilities for dancing that the club will be providing</b>								
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Day	Start	Finish	<b>Please give further details here</b> (please read guidance note 3)								
Mon											
Tue											

Wed			State any seasonal variations for the provision of dancing facilities (please read guidance note 4)
Thur			
Fri			Non-standard timings. Where the club intends to use the premises for the provision of dancing facilities at different times from those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 5)
Sat			
Sun			

**K**

<b>Provision of facilities for entertainment of a similar description to that falling within (i) or (j)</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			Please give a description of the type of entertainment facility the club will be providing	
Day	Start	Finish	Will the entertainment facility be indoors or outdoors or both – please tick [Y](please read guidance note 2)	Indoor
Mon				Outdoor
				Both
Tue			Please give further details here (please read guidance note 3)	
Wed				
Thur			State any seasonal variations for the provision of this entertainment facility (please read guidance note 4)	
Fri				
Sat			Non-standard timings. Where the club intends to use the premises for the provision of facilities of this entertainment facilities at different times from those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 5)	
Sun				

L

Supply of alcohol Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			Will the supply of alcohol be for consumption (Please tick box Y) (please read guidance note 7)	On the premises	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish		Off the premises	<input type="checkbox"/>
			YES	Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mon	11 AM	4 AM	State any seasonal variations (please read guidance note 4)		
Tue	11 AM	4 AM			
Wed	11 AM	4 AM			
Thur	11 AM	4 AM	Non-standard timings. Where the club intends to use the premises for the supply of alcohol at different times from those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 5)		
Fri	11 AM	4 AM			
Sat	11 AM	4 AM			
Sun	11 AM	4 AM			

M

Hours club premises are open to the members and guests Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			State any seasonal variations (please read guidance note 4)
Day	Start	Finish	
Mon	10 AM	5 AM	Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises to be open to the members and guests at different times from those listed in the column on the left, please list. (please read guidance note 5)
Tue	10 AM	5 AM	
Wed	10 AM	5 AM	
Thur	10 AM	5 AM	
Fri	10 AM	5 AM	
Sat	10 AM	5 AM	

Sun	10 AM	5 AM	
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Please highlight any adult entertainment or services, activities, or other entertainment or matters ancillary to the use of the club premises that may give rise to concern in respect of children (please read guidance note 8)

THE ESTABLISHMENT WILL BE SOLELY FOR SNOOKER AND POOL. HOWEVER, THE CLUB WILL CONTAIN FOUR GAMBLING SLOT MACHINES. CHILDREN WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO USE THE SLOT MACHINES AT ANY TIME, OR PURCHASE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ON BEHALF OF ADULTS.

## **Safety Procedures**

### **Licensing Objectives**

The premises will be used as a Snooker Club. It is important to have property policies to ensure the smooth running of business and even more important that public safety is involved. Policies such as the admission of children, serving alcoholic drinks, gaming, dress code or the general behaviour of the customers. Procedures will be put into place to give guidance to staff will be clearly written in a way that can be understood. Each member of staff shall be given a personal copy and there will be a central up to date file available for access to all staff. The type of procedures will be staff sickness, money handling, customer care, staff duties and usage of CCTV cameras. The Designated Premises Supervisor will be responsible for the management of the premises on a day to day basis. Staff meetings and review of staff procedure will be a regular agenda. Notification will be displayed at the entrance and in appropriate areas within the premises. The notification will deal with guidelines to customers and will include notice of no service to underage persons.

### **The prevention of Crime and Disorder**

The premises will keep a daily register showing the names, addresses of all members and non members that enter the premises. In addition, if staff become suspicious with regards to members usage of drugs, the staff will inform the police of any drugs or weapons found or suspected of being carried. An incident book will be kept to record any problems, particularly where customers are ejected. CCTV cameras will be positioned where they are most useful and tapes will be kept for a minimum of 31 days.

### **Public Safety**

The establishment has a general duty of public safety. Amongst other things, entrances and exits will always be kept free of obstruction. Emergency lighting will be provided with clear markings. We will provide suitable and sufficient toilets sufficient for disabled persons. Toughened glass will be used for drinks and the usage of bottles will be prohibited to avoid being used as weapons. Fire fighting equipment particularly in areas where there is greater risk will be put in place. Equipment will be regularly checked and maintained and a record will be kept. Staff will be trained to usher customers out of the building safely.

### **The prevention of Public Nuisance**

The playing of radio and CD's is proposed by the club. The intention is to play music at a reasonable volume only to be heard by customers playing pool or snooker. The volume will not escape and will not be audible outside the premises. A noise limiter preventing music from being played too loud will be fitted. The establishment will arrange or taxi firms to pick up customers. A waiting area will be provided for customers waiting for a taxi. Staff will be at hand to provide supervision for customers to leave if necessary. The club will ensure sufficient lighting will be installed outside the premises (angled at 70 degrees) to avoid nuisance to neighbours and cancel out any public nuisance. Equally customers will be warned about noise from in – car entertainment.

## **The protection of Children**

Clear policies will be put in place to staff and all customers for the provisions of safety to children. Staff will be trained and made aware of all procedures. No single staff member will be alone with a child at any time. A proof of age scheme that will ensure not to serve underage individuals. Identification that includes a photograph such as a driving licence or passport that has a 'pass' hologram will only be acceptable. Children will not be able to purchase drinks on behalf of adults and will neither be permitted to use or act on behalf of other customers in the usage of slot machines. All policies for the protection of children will be covered in the staff operating schedule and reviewed as a regular agenda at staff meetings.

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Describe the steps you intend to take to promote the four licensing objectives:

a) General – all four licensing objectives (b,c,d,e) (please read guidance note 9)

PLEASE SEE ATTACHED RIDER

b) The prevention of crime and disorder

PLEASE SEE ATTACHED RIDER

c) Public safety

PLEASE SEE ATTACHED RIDER

d) The prevention of public nuisance

PLEASE SEE ATTACHED RIDER

e) The protection of children from harm

PLEASE SEE ATTACHED RIDER




- Please tick ✓ yes
- I have made or enclosed payment of the fee
  - I have enclosed the plan of the premises
  - I have sent copies of this application and the plan to responsible authorities and others where applicable
  - I have enclosed the consent form completed by the individual I wish to be premises supervisor, if applicable
  - I understand that I must now advertise my application
  - 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 4 – Signatures** (please read guidance note 10)

Signature of applicant or applicant's solicitor or other duly authorised agent. (See guidance note 11) If signing on behalf of the applicant please state in what capacity.

Signature  *Gohar Bokaei*

Date *23.2.2010*

Capacity *Solicitor*

For joint applications signature of 2<sup>nd</sup> applicant or 2<sup>nd</sup> applicant's solicitor or other authorised agent. (please read guidance note 12) If signing on behalf of the applicant please state in what capacity.

Signature 

Date .....

Capacity *OWNER*

Contact name (where not previously given) and postal address for correspondence associated with this application (please read guidance note 13)	
<i>HOFFMAN - BOKAEI SOLICITORS</i> <i>4 - 6 CANFIELD PLACE</i>	
Post town <i>LONDON</i>	Post code <i>NW 6 3BT</i>
Telephone number (if any) <i>020 7604 2600</i>	
If you would prefer us to correspond with you by e-mail your e-mail address (optional) <i>GB@HOFFMAN-BOKAEI.CO.UK</i>	

## Notes for Guidance

1. Describe the premises. For example the type of premises, its general situation and layout and any other information which could be relevant to the licensing objectives. Where your application includes off-supplies of alcohol and you intend to provide a place for consumption of these off-supplies you must include a description of where the place will be and its proximity to the premises.
2. Where taking place in a building or other structure please tick as appropriate. Indoors may include a tent.
3. Please state type of activity to be authorised, if not already stated, and give relevant further details, for example (but not exclusively) whether or not music will be amplified or unamplified.
4. For example (but not exclusively) where the activity will occur on additional days during the summer months.
5. For example (but not exclusively), where you wish the activity to go on longer on a particular day e.g. Christmas Eve.
6. Please give timings in 24 hour clock. (eg 16:00) and only give details for the days of the week when you intend the premises to be used for the activity.
7. If the club wishes members and their guests to be able to consume alcohol on the premises please tick on, if the club wishes people to be able to purchase alcohol to consume away from the premises please tick off. If the club wishes people to be able to do both please tick both.
8. Please give information about anything intended to occur at the premises or ancillary to the use of the premises which may give rise to concern in respect of children, regardless of whether you intend children to have access to the premises, for example (but not exclusively) nudity or semi-nudity, films for restricted age groups etc gambling machines etc.
9. Please list here steps you will take to promote all four licensing objectives together.
10. The application form must be signed.
11. This is the address which we will use to correspond with the club about this application.

Epping Forest District Council

Consent of individual to being specified as premises supervisor

I RACHEL ELIZABETH.....(insert name of prospective premises supervisor) ROBERTS LOIS

Of GLASTONBURY AVENUE  
WOODFORD GREEN  
ESSEX IG8 7LW  
(home address of prospective premises supervisor)

hereby confirm that I give my consent to be specified as the designated premises supervisor in relation to the application for variation of designated premises supervisor

by SAVVAS KOUNNIS.....(name of applicant)

relating to premises licence N/A.....(number of existing licence if any)

for Deben Pool and Snooker Sports Bar  
10 Torrington House  
Torrington Drive Essex IG10 352  
(name and address of premises to which application relates)

and any premises licence to be granted or varied in respect of this application made by the above applicant concerning the supply of alcohol at the above named premises.

I also confirm that I am applying for, intend to apply or currently hold a personal licence, details of which I set out below.

Personal Licence Number.....N/A.....(insert personal licence number, if any)

Personal licence issuing authority LONDON BOROUGH OF RICHMOND  
(insert name, address and telephone number of issuing authority, if any)

Signed [Signature]

Print Name RACHEL LOIS

Dated 23 2 2010

Kingsley Road  
Loughton  
Essex  
IG10 3TY

Environmental Services  
Epping Forest District Council  
Civic Offices  
High Street  
Epping  
CM16 4BY

EPING FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL  
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES  
19 APR 2010

16<sup>th</sup> April 2010

Dear Sirs,

**Re: Debden Pool & Snooker Sports Bar  
10 Torrington House, Torrington Drive**

I was horrified to learn that an application had been made to you for a Club Premises licence, to play snooker and pool **and for the sale of alcohol**, Indoor Sporting Events and recorded music with opening hours of 7 days a week, 10am to 5am and the sale of alcohol: **7 days a week 11am - 4am.**

The Broadway is one of the worst places for the sale of alcohol until that time in the morning. I think that 12:30 is late enough.


I have lived in Debden since I was 4 years old there have always been children hanging around the area at night but recently the College has attracted more young people from out of the borough. They tend to hang around in the evenings and even when I come home from work there is frequently police cars and vans waiting outside the station to deal with disturbances. We are all aware of the children coming in from London on their free passes to Loughton, Debden and Epping, I have heard them talking about it when I have been on a bus from Mile End. The last thing we want is for them to come to Debden as we have a club that is open until 4am.

If this club was open until the early hours of the morning I would not like to go out at night. As you can see I live in Kingsley Road which is not far from the Broadway and in order to come home at night from work I need to pass this Club. There is no way I would go out after work on dark evenings, unless I got a cab home. This would be very unfair as my house is only a 10 minute walk from the station. You may say that there was no trouble when it was open until 12:30 which is true but if people think they can stay until 4pm we would have heavy drinkers being attracted there. These would also clash with the youngsters who are already attracted to the area.

I feel very strongly about this and will be asking Loughton Residents Association to represent my views to you.

I really do hope you understand.

Yours faithfully,

  
J.D. Clemow (Mrs).

c.c. Loughton Resident Association.

[REDACTED] Torrington Drive,  
Loughton,  
Essex,  
IG10 3TA.

11th. April 2010

Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Application to extend the licence at the Debden Pool & Snooker Club.

We totally oppose any increase in licencing hours at the above club. Wether it be 0200 or 0500 in the morning, people will have been drinking alcohol for a long period of time they will not respect the local residents, they WILL BE noisy and rowdy. When it becomes knowledge that the club has a late licence it will attract the wrong type of people.

Mr. Kounnis, the new owner, says people will not leave all together, how does he know that?

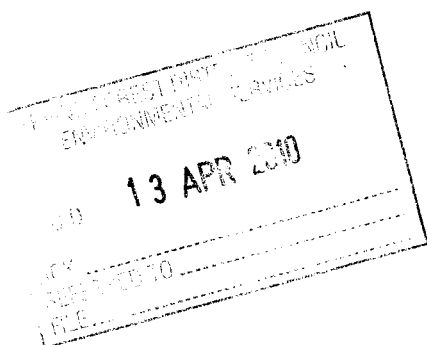
He also states he will limit the number of people in the club, if the licence is approved he might turn a blind eye to that, remember, he does not want an extension for love, its about money.

The residents of Torrington Drive and other roads close to Debden Station have to suffer commuter parking by day, and if granted noisy people late at night and early morning. As stated we do oppose this application, 12.30am is quite late enough for residents in this area.

Yours Faithfully,

[REDACTED SIGNATURE]

Barry & Julia Johnston.



# Loughton Residents Association



contact@loughtonresidents.co.uk  
020 8508 2932

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Loughton,  
Essex IG10 1AN  
18/04/2010

Environmental Services,  
Epping Forest District Council,  
Civic Offices, High Street,  
Epping, CM16 4BZ

19 APR 2010

Dear Sirs

**Debden Pool & Snooker Sports Bar, 10 Torrington House, Torrington Drive**

## **Background**

An application has been made to the District Council for a Club Premises licence, to play snooker & pool and for the sale of alcohol, Indoor Sporting Events and Recorded Music. Opening hours: 7 days a week, 10am – 5am. Sale of alcohol: 7 days a week 11am – 4am.

The premises used to be occupied by Riley Leisure, who had a license up to 12.30 am.

## **Request by residents for LRA to represent their views**

We have been asked by several local residents\* to make representations on the application.

## **Objection to the hours specified in the application**

We object to the application in so far as it relates to opening after midnight and the provision of alcohol after midnight.

Even if customers are well-behaved, a closing time of after midnight inevitably means late-night noise and disturbance for local residents (including children) on nearby roads. We note that any-one coming to or leaving the premises along The Broadway or Torrington Drive will be passing along residential roads.

We have seen attempts in other licensing applications to justify early-morning closing as part of town-centre life, and on the grounds that residents should know what to expect. However, this area is not a town-centre of the type solely occupied by shops and offices, but is a residential area.

I have discussed the licence application with the new operator, Mr Kounnis. He tells me that the aim is to run a snooker and pool membership club, with occasional events such as televised football matches in the evenings. Mr Kounnis expects snooker and pool players to be there in small numbers after midnight, and to leave in small groups (2 or 4) rather than all together.

We wish him well in his new venture. However, LRA Plans Group's concerns are that the licence, if granted, would permit music or televised events after midnight which could attract a significant number of members, who would all leave at roughly the same time, causing noise and disturbance for local residents on The Broadway and other roads nearby.

Even if the bar is used solely by limited numbers of snooker and pool players, the position of the premises and the parking spaces means that any members leaving in the quiet of the small hours and heading along The Broadway or Torrington Drive will disturb residents. The licence applied for relates to weekdays as well as weekends; children will be among those disturbed, causing loss of sleep and consequential harm to their education the following day.

#### **Possible precedent for other applications**

Furthermore, there are currently no premises with late night licences nearby; if this sort of licence was granted to Mr Kounnis, other pubs and takeaways nearby might well use it as a precedent, and apply for similar after-midnight licences (we currently have 4 premises with licences to 2am at the south end of Loughton High Road, which have caused significant disturbance to residents).

#### **Possible compromise rejected by residents and LRA Plans Group**

However, Mr Kounnis has said that he would be prepared to consider restricting the alcohol licence to 2am, and I also discussed with him limiting the number of customers on the premises at any time after midnight to say 30. The responses we have received from residents are wholly against any such compromise as equally unacceptable, and the LRA Plans Group agrees with their conclusions.

#### **Comments on effect of premises being a Members' Club**

It has been suggested to us that a private members club is in a different category to ordinary licensed premises, in that membership would be tightly controlled. However, as far as nearby residents are concerned, the disturbance caused by people leaving the premises in the small hours is equally unacceptable whether the premises is a private club or not.

Furthermore, in the hour I spent with Mr Kounnis on the premises, I saw youths come into the club without their membership being checked by the duty manager (Mr Kounnis had to instruct him to do so), which gives me little confidence in the protection given by membership provisions.

### **Conclusion**

The LRA Plans Group therefore object on behalf of residents\* to the approval of the licence in so far as the application relates to the club opening after midnight and serving alcohol after midnight, on the grounds of the licensing objectives:

- the prevention of public nuisance as instanced above
- the protection of children from harm.

We therefore urge the sub-committee to apply conditions relating to the control of customers on leaving, and also to limit opening hours (both normally and for special occasions) to midnight at the very latest.

Yours sincerely

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David Linnell, for LRA Plans Group.

\* The following residents have asked us to make representations: we are happy to provide evidence of this if required

- Ms V Griggs 1 Torrington Drive
- J Fynamore 3 Torrington Drive
- J. Figgins 35 Torrington Drive (writing on his own behalf and that of the residents at numbers 33, 37 and 39 Torrington Drive)
- Valerie Briggs 31 Torrington Drive
- Mrs J D Clemow, 62 Kingsley Road