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# AGENDA

# LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Monday, 26 September 2022 Time: 10.00 am Venue: Council Chamber, Swale House, East Street, Sittingbourne, Kent ME10 3HT\*

Membership:

Councillors Derek Carnell, Mike Whiting and Tony Winckless.

Quorum = 3

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### Part B Report for the Licensing Sub-Committee to decide

4. Review of Premises Licence

5.

To consider a review of the premises licence for The Warden Bay, Jetty

Road, Warden, Sheerness, Kent, ME13 4NF Exclusion of the Press and Public

To decide whether to pass the resolution set out below in respect of the following item:

That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting from the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 1 and 2.

- 1. Information relating to any individual.
- 2. Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual.
- 6. Exempt Appendices

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Licensing Sub-Committee Meeting				
Meeting Date	26 <sup>th</sup> September 2022			
Report Title	Application for a summary review full hearing and review of interim steps regarding a premises licence under the Licensing Act 2003			
Premises	The Warden Bay, Jetty Road, Warden, Sheerness, Kent ME12 4NF			
EMT Lead	Emma Wiggins, Director of Regeneration and Neighbourhoods			
Head of Service	Charlotte Hudson, Head of Housing and Community Services			
Lead Officer	Christina Hills, Licensing Team Leader			
Classification	Open			
Recommendations	<ol> <li>That the Licensing Sub-Committee consider the application for review by Kent Police and any relevant representations and take such steps as it considers necessary for the promotion of the licensing objectives.</li> </ol>			
	<ol> <li>Following the above determination, to consider whether the interim steps decision made at the Licensing Sub- Committee meeting of 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2022 are appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives and consider any relevant representations to decide whether to withdraw or modify the interim steps.</li> </ol>			

## **1** Purpose of Report and Executive Summary

- 1.1 The Licensing Sub-Committee is asked to determine an application for a summary review regarding a premises licence granted under the Licensing Act 2003 in respect of premises known as The Warden Bay
- 1.2 Summary reviews can be undertaken when the police consider that the premises concerned are associated with serious crime or serious disorder (or both). The summary review process allows interim conditions to be quickly attached to a licence and a fast track licence review, which will be held within 28 days from the day after receipt of the summary review application. The initial consideration of interim steps takes places within 48 hours of receipt of the summary review application.
- 1.3 A Superintendent of Police or above must provide a certificate that in their opinion the premises are associated with serious crime or serious disorder or both.
- 1.4 Where such an application for review is made the licensing authority must, within 48 hours of the time of its receipt, consider whether it is necessary to take interim

steps pending the determination of the review of the premises licence and, within 28 days after the day of its receipt, review the licence.

- 1.5 The licensing authority has the power to consider whether or not to take interim steps without giving the holder of the premises licence an opportunity to make representations. If the authority decides to take interim steps the decision takes effect immediately or as soon as after that as the authority directs but the authority must give immediate notice of its decision and of the reasons for making it to a) the holder/s of the premises licence and b) the Chief Officer of Police.
- 1.6 The holder of the premises licence may make representations against any interim steps and the authority must within 48 hours of receiving those representations hold a hearing to consider those.
- 1.7 The Policing and Crime Act 2017 sections 138 and 139 made amendments to the process of summary review and since 6<sup>th</sup> April 2017 any interim steps taken must be reviewed at the full review hearing to determine whether they are appropriate to promote the licensing objectives, considering any relevant representations and determine whether to withdraw or modify those steps. The interim steps then apply until the period for appealing the full review decision has passed, or if it is appealed until that appeal is disposed of or until the end of a period that the authority determine but no longer than the above
- 1.8 The Licensing Sub-Committee will be aware that it must carry out its functions under the 2003 Licensing Act with a view to promoting the licensing objectives. The Licensing objectives are: -
  - the prevention of crime and disorder
  - the protection of public safety
  - the prevention of public nuisance
  - the protection of children from harm.
- 1.9 The Licensing Sub-Committee must also have regard to its Statement of Licensing Policy and to the Guidance issued under section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003. The Guidance cannot anticipate every possible scenario or set of circumstances that may arise. Provided that the licensing authority has properly understood and considered the Guidance, it may depart from it when it has reason to do so. However, as the licensing authority is under a duty to have regard to the Guidance, it will need to give full reason for any departure from it. This would be a key consideration for the courts should departure from the Guidance result in a determination which gives rise to an appeal or judicial review.

## 2 Background

2.1 A premises licence was originally granted The Warden Bay, Jetty Road, Warden, Sheerness, Kent ME12 4NF on 26<sup>th</sup> September 2005. Until 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2022 the

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premises licence holder who was also the Designated Premises Supervisor is Mr. Christopher Prime. A copy of this premises licence showing the licensable activities, licensable hours and applicable conditions is attached as **Appendix I.** 

- 2.2 An application for a summary review of the premises licence was received on 31<sup>st</sup> August 2022 at 10:26 by Detective Superintendent Featherstone of Kent police. A copy of the summary review application and appropriate certificate detailing the circumstances for such an application are attached as exempt **Appendix II** and exempt **Appendix III**.
- 2.3 On 2nd September 2022 a meeting of the Licensing Sub-Committee was convened, and Members considered the options available to them and the interim step of suspension of the licence as requested by Kent police.
- 2.4 The determination of the Licensing Sub-Committee was:
  - 1. To remove Mr Christopher Prime as Designated Premises Supervisor from the premises licence.
  - 2. To add the following condition: In the event that an incident of violence occurs, or appears to have occurred on the premises it will be responsibility of management to immediately ensure that the police (and where appropriate, the Ambulance Service) are called without delay and the crime scene is preserved so as to enable a full forensic investigation to be carried out by the police.

The decision had immediate effect. The premises licence holder has not made representations against the interim steps.

- 2.5 On the same day i.e. 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2022 an application for the variation of the Designated Premises Supervisor (DPS) for the premises was received to take immediate effect. There were no objections to this variation received from Kent police and the DPS is now Yvonne O'Regan. The current premises licence remains the same in all other aspects, save for the addition of the interim step condition, and Mr. Christopher Prime is still the premises licence holder
- 2.6 Notice of the review application was advertised as required by legislation and there have been no representations from Responsible Authorities.
- 2.7 There have been six (6) representations from interested parties. These are shown as **Appendix IV.**
- 2.8 PC Ian Picket subsequently provided supplementary information within the consultation period in the form of the required notice and a witness statement which are shown as exempt **Appendix V** and **Appendix VI**

# 3 Options

- 3.1 The first decision to make is in respect of the review. Members can determine the review application from the following options:
  - (1) To consider no steps are appropriate
  - (2) The modification of the conditions of the premises licence.
  - (3) The exclusion of a licensable activity from the scope of the licence.
  - (4) The removal of the designated premises supervisor from the licence.
  - (5) The suspension of the licence for a period not exceeding three months
  - (6) The revocation of the licence

Modification of existing conditions can include the modification of an existing condition(s), or the omission or addition of any new conditions.

- 3.2 Following determination of the full review the Licensing Sub-Committee must review the interim steps taken on 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2022 and consider whether those steps are appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives, consider any relevant representations and determine whether to withdraw or modify the interim steps taken. Members can take any of the following interim steps:
  - (1) The modification of the conditions of the premises licence
  - (2) The exclusion by retail of alcohol from the scope of the licence
  - (3) The removal of the designated premises supervisor from the licence
  - (4) The suspension of the licence

Modification of existing conditions can include the modification of an existing condition(s), or the omission or addition of any new conditions.

- 3.3 Any interim steps taken at this stage apply until the end of the period given for appealing the full review decision, if there is an appeal until the appeal is disposed of or at the end of a period determined by the authority, which may not be longer than the above periods. At this stage, the previous interim steps imposed cease to have effect.
- 3.4 The full review determination can be appealed by all parties, within 21 days of the decision being given to the local Magistrates' Court.
- 3.5 The review of interim steps determination can be appealed by the Police or Licence Holder within the same period to Magistrates' Court. In respect of the review of interim steps determination the Court must hear the appeal within 28 days, beginning with the day when the appeal is lodged. The full review decision does not have any effect until the end of the appeal period or until its disposal and there is no time limit on the time for the hearing. If there are appeals against both the review of interim steps and the full review decision the Court may decide to hear both together.

# 4 Implications

Issue	Implications		
Corporate Plan	There are direct links to Priority 3 – 3.4 Ensure that the council plays a proactive role in reducing crime and antisocial behaviour		
Financial, Resource and Property	There are no direct financial requirements at this time. There is the possibility of a challenge by way of an appeal.		
Legal, Statutory and Procurement	The Licensing Sub-Committee is obliged to determine this application with a view to promoting the four licensing objectives. In making its decision, the Licensing Sub-Committee is also obliged to have regards to the S182 Guidance that accompanies the Licensing Act 2003 and the councils Statement of Licensing Policy.		
	The Licensing Sub-Committee must also have proper regard to the Human Rights Act 1998 in respect to the rights of an individual when making decisions that affect them. However, it also has to have regard to the safety and protection of the public and therefore to ensure that the right balance is found.		
Crime and Disorder	The council has a duty under section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 to consider the crime and disorder implications of their decisions and the Licensing Authority's responsibility to co-operate in the reduction of crime and disorder in the Borough. Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 states "Without prejudice to any other obligation imposed on it, it shall be the duty of each authority to which this section applies to exercise its various functions with due regard to the likely effect of the exercise of those functions on, and the need to do all that it reasonably can to prevent		
	crime and disorder it its area"		
Environment and Climate/Ecological Emergency	No implications		
Health and Wellbeing	No implications		
Safeguarding of Children, Young People and Vulnerable Adults	Premises Licence Holders must be 'fit and proper' to operate licensed premises responsibly and uphold the licensing objectives which include 'protection of children from harm'		
Risk Management and Health and Safety	Departure from the Guidance and Statement of Licensing Policy could lead to an increased risk of appeal. Similarly, if any decision made is not evidence based and proportionate		

Equality and Diversity	No implications
Privacy and Data Protection	Normal privacy and data protection rules apply.

# 7 Appendices

- 7.1 The following documents are to be published with this report and form part of the report:
  - **Appendix I** Premises Licence reference number SHE/SWALE/189/0289 relating to The Warden Bay, Jetty Road, Warden, Sheerness, Kent ME12 4NF applicable until 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2022.
  - Appendix II Summary review application received from Detective Superintendent Featherstone, Kent Police
  - **Appendix III –** Summary review certificate received from Detective Superintendent Featherstone, Kent Police
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  - **Appendix IV –** Representations from interested parties in support of Mr. Christopher Prime
  - Appendix V Notice of supplementary information received from PC Ian Pickett, Kent Police
  - Appendix VI Witness Statement received from PC Ian Pickeyy, Kent Police

## 8 Background Papers

None



### Swale Borough Council, Swale House, East Street, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME10 3HT

#### Premises licence number: SHE/SWALE/189/0289

#### Part 1 – Premises details

Postal address of premises, or if none, ordnance survey map reference or description:				
The Warden Bay Jetty Road, Warden				
Post town	Sheerne	ess, Kent Post cod	e ME12 4NF	
Telephone r	number			

Where the licence is time limited the dates:

No Limitation

#### Licensable activities authorised by the licence:

Sale of alcohol Indoor Sporting Events Live Music Recorded Music Dancing

#### The times the licence authorises the carrying out of licensable activities:

## All Licensable Activities:

Monday – Saturday	12:00 – 02:00
Sunday	12:00 – 23:00

#### The opening hours of the premises:

Monday – Saturday	12:00 - 02:00
Sunday	12:00 – 23:00

# Where the licence authorises supplies of alcohol whether these are on and/or off supplies:

Consumption of Alcohol both on and off the premises.

#### Part 2

# Name, (registered) address, telephone number and e-mail (where relevant) of holder of premises licence:

Christopher Prime 128 Appleford Drive Minster on Sea Kent ME12 2SR Tel: 07808072932 Email: chrisprime1@yahoo.com

Registered number of holder, for example company number, charity number (where applicable):

N/A

# Name, address and telephone number of designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises the supply of alcohol:

Christopher Prime 128 Appleford Drive Minster on Sea Kent ME12 2SR Tel: 07808072932

Personal licence number and issuing authority of personal licence held by designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises the supply of alcohol

Licence number: SWALE-PL-0477 Issued by: Swale Borough Council

#### Annex 1 – Mandatory Conditions

#### Condition 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/her personal licence is suspended.

Every retail sale or supply of alcohol made under this licence must be made or authorised by a person who holds a personal licence.

#### Condition 7

- (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).

#### Condition 8

The responsible person must ensure that free potable water is provided on request to customers where it is reasonably available.

#### Condition 9

- (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.

#### Condition 10

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:  $\frac{1}{2}$  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."

#### Condition 11

- (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 purpose of the condition set out in paragraph 1:-

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- (a) "duty" is to be construed in accordance with the Alcoholic Liquor Duties Act 1979(6);
- (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(7)
- (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.

#### Annex 2 - Conditions consistent with the Operating Schedule

#### Condition 1

Regular checks must continue as previously required by the Public Entertainment Licence.

#### Condition 2

Maximum occupancy at the premises is set at 240

#### Condition 3

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

- Equipment must be maintained in good working order, be correctly time and date stamped, recordings MUST be kept on the hard drive and kept for a period of 30 days and handed to Police upon reasonable request.
- The premises licence holder must ensure at all times a DPS or appointed member of staff is capable and competent at downloading CCTV footage in a recordable format to the Police and Local Authority upon reasonable request.
- The recording equipment and hard drive shall be kept in a secure environment under the control of the DPS or other responsible named individual.
- In the event of technical failure of the CCTV equipment the premises licence holder or DPS must report the failure to the Police Licensing Officer within 24 hours unless the CCTV will be repaired before that time (<u>licensing.north.division@kent.pnn.police.uk</u>)

#### Condition 4

The License Holder will maintain auditable refusal/incident records. These records will detail the following;

- a) Day, Date and Time of Refusal/Incident.
- **b)** Nature of Refusal/Incident and reason.
- c) Details of or description of the individual.

These records will be made available for inspection to any Police Officer, Police Licensing Officer, and Officer of the Local Authority upon reasonable request.

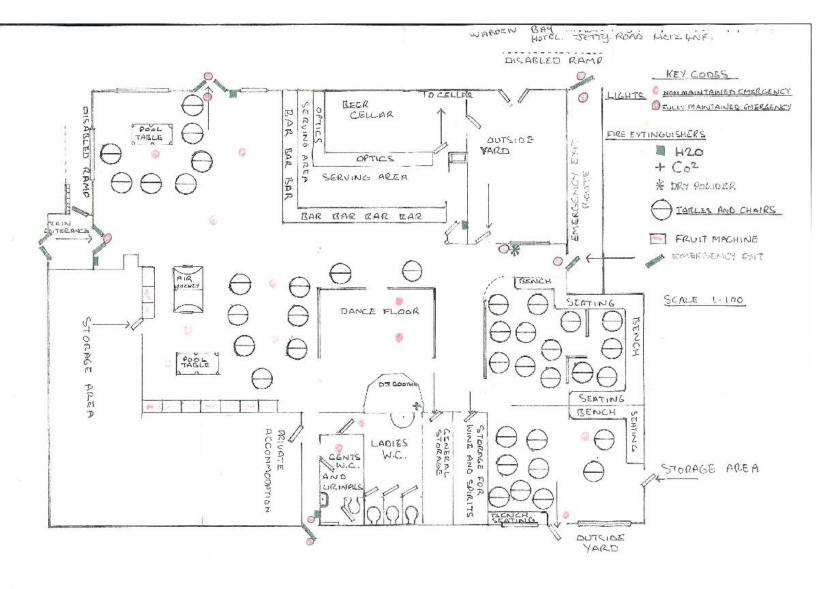
#### Condition 5

The Designated Premises Supervisor will undertake a risk assessment in respect of the provision of door supervisors for any unusual events and where deemed appropriate a minimum of 2 door supervisors will be employed.

Annex 3 - Conditions attached after a hearing by the licensing authority

N/A

Annex 4 – Plans



## **Chris Hills**

Subject:

RE: Warden bay pub

From: > Sent: 01 September 2022 20:59 To: Licensing (SBC) <Licensing@swale.gov.uk> Subject: Warden bay pub

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I am email as I see a sign in my local pub regarding its closure, I'm sad and disappointed that this will happen

The pub and it's landlord is apart of the community offering fun days, firework displays which are lacking in our area Chris prime is often there to help during times that is needed such as collecting water from leysdown and bringing back to the so people who weren't able to go to leysdown could collect water closer to home during the water shortage July 2022 I have always felt welcome and safe in the warden bay pub and my children enjoy playing pool or dancing on the dance floor, bar staff are friendly, if I didn't feel it was safe I wouldn't allow my family to go there where we enjoy a family night out I hope you could reconsider this application for closure as it will be a lose to warden bay

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### **Chris Hills**

Subject:

RE:

From: Sent: 01 September 2022 21:19 To: Licensing (SBC) <Licensing@swale.gov.uk> Subject:

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Hi I would like to represent myself for the warden bay pub I would just like to say on the night of the situation we did a festival to raise money for the boxing club we the pub earner a lot of money that night without that boxing club all them kids well be ok the streets getting into trouble and for the warden bay pub to raise as much money as they did is stopping them kids from getting into trouble and keeping the kids mentally active and off the streets the pub as done a lot of stuff for they got me a job when I needed it and they have always supported me when I'm feeling mentally down and have always supported me through that the owner has always looked after everyone in the pub his a hard working man his always busy and doing stuff for the pub his done so much for the kids aswell his done memorials for people that have passed away at the pub he does the fire work displays for the kids and the adults to celebrate fire work night and celebrating people birthdays his done a lot for my family aswell and other peoples family the man never gets a break thankyou

## **Chris Hills**

Subject:

**RE: Warden Bay Hotel** 

From: Sent: 10 September 2022 15:13 To: Licensing (SBC) <Licensing@swale.gov.uk> Subject: Warden Bay Hotel

Dear Sir/Madam,

With reference to the above Public House, I understand there was an incident there on 27th August 2022 in which the police were called, and because of this incident the police are now looking to withdraw Mr Chris Prime's premise license. I feel this is both unfair and unjustified.

Reading the notice I see a senior police officer, in his opinion, the pub is associated with serious crime or serious disorder or both. My husband, myself and family members have been using this establishment for many years and at no time have we witnessed any of the above, in fact, I would say the opposite is a more true reflection, the event that took place on the 27th August, was not only a music event but also a collection took place for our local boxing club, this is just one of many things that has taken place here. There is a regular Christmas party for children, which is free, fireworks, which are free. Many local people get involved in events that take place here.

I cannot remember the last time police had to be called out to an incident on these premises. I feel the reaction to this incident is a total overreaction and completely unjustified.

This is a family pub in a holiday resort and Mr Prime should be allowed to carry on with his good work.

Yours faithfully

.Sent from the all-new AOL app for iOS

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## **Chris Hills**

Subject:

RE: Warden Bay Hotel Public House

From: Sent: 10 Sent

Sent: 10 September 2022 17:49 To: Licensing (SBC) <Licensing@swale.gov.uk> Subject: Warden Bay Hotel Public House

To whom it may concern

Dear Sir/Madam

I writing to you because I disagree with the possible withdrawal of Mr C Prime premise license because of an incident on 27th August 2022.

We have used this pub ever since we moved to the area and have never seen any trouble in the pub. We go there on a regular basis and have no hesitation in taking family members or grandchildren in there with us. It is a family pub and they do many things free of charge for families and charities and this would be so unfair to be closed down for this one incident.

Out of the holiday season this pub is a meeting place for locals to have a chat, we also get to find out if anyone is unwell and needs any support or help. This place is a vital hub for our community.

I hope a fair decision is made regarding this.

Thank you for reading this

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## **Chris Hills**

Subject:

RE: The Warden Bay, Jetty Rd, Warden, Sheerness

#### From:

Sent: 11 September 2022 15:18 To: Licensing (SBC) <Licensing@swale.gov.uk> Subject: The Warden Bay, Jetty Rd, Warden, Sheerness

With reference to the above application, I would like to state that both myself and my husband have never encountered any disturbace in the pub.

We are elderly people and have always been made to feel very welcome and treated with the utmost respect here and the bar staff are second to none.

Mr Prime has done an enormous amount for the community by arranging fireworks and halloween for the children, Christmas meals for people who are on their own, birthday parties and a place to meet after funerals, laying on food mainly at his own expense.

In particular he was very kind and caring when my daughter passed away last year.

This us an amazing pub and we have made many friends here.

We sincerely hope that Mr Prime's licence will not be revoked, as we will truly be devastated.

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## **Chris Hills**

Subject:

RE: The Warden Bay

From: Sent: 11 September 2022 14:54 To: Licensing (SBC) <Licensing@swale.gov.uk> Subject: The Warden Bay

#### ME12 4NG

Dear Sir/Madam

#### The Warden Bay, Jetty Road, Warden, Sheerness, Kent ME12 4NF

I am writing in connection with the notice that has been displayed in the above Public House regarding an incident that happened on 27 August 2022 and because of this incident the police are looking to withdraw Mr Chris Prime's premises licence which I feel is completely undeserved. The notice mentions that the grounds for a review are that in the opinion of a Senior Police Officer the premises are associated with serious crime or serious disorder or both.

My family and I have been using the establishment for over 20 years and I feel the above statement is completely false and inaccurate. We, like everyone else who uses the pub, are always made to feel welcome with the friendly atmosphere as you walk through the doors. We have always held our family events at the Pub, including my parents wedding reception, special birthdays and all my eldest daughters birthday parties because of the friendly atmosphere.

Mr Prime holds various events during the year including Christmas, Fireworks, Halloween and Easter for the families in the community which are always such a success and free.

The Warden Bay is the heart of the community, it brings people together and somewhere for people to go and talk, even if you are on your own and lonely, you are never on your own or lonely in this place. I feel the above statement made by the Senior Officer is completely unjustified and Mr Prime should be able to continue his fantastic work and keep this community together. Yours faithfully

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# Agenda Item 6

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