

APPLICATION FOR GRANT / RENEWAL / VARIATION / TRANSFER* OF A SEX ESTABLISHMENT LICENCE

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LISA MARGARET RANSFORD		
(Insert name/s of applicant/s - please read gu	iidanc	ce note 1)
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a) an individual or individuals *b) a person other than an individual *	M	please complete section (A & C)
i. as a limited company		please complete al l sections

ii. as a partnership	☐ please complete all sections
iii as an unincorpor	ated association or Dease complete all sections
iv other (for examp corporation)	
(A) Individual Applican	t Details (Please read guidance note 3)
Mr Mrs M	iss
Family Name RANSFORD	First names LISA MARGARET
Date of birth	03 October 1967
Current postal address including post code	
Telephone number	
E-mail address	girls@shadesgentlemansclub.co.uk
National Insurance No.	
Telephone number	
E-mail address	
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(B) Other Applicants (Co	ompany, etc.)
Please provide name and appropriate please give a	I registered address of applicant in full. Where any registered number.
Name	
Address including post code	
Registered number	

Description of applicant (e.g. partnership, company, etc.)				-		
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(C) Description of Trading Activity

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To 03:00 HRS	To 03:00 HRS	To 03:00 HRS	To 03:00 HRS	To 04:00 HRS	To 04:00 HRS	To 01:00 HRS

(D) Licensing History

Has any person or the corporate or unincorporated body referred to in this application: -

Been disqualified from holding a licence for a sex establishment?	NO
Been refused the grant / renewal / transfer of a licence for a sex establishment?	NO
Been the holder of a sex establishment licence when that licence has been revoked?	NO
If 'Yes' to any of the above please provide details:	

Part 3 - Declaration

I/We:

Please tick yes

- Enclose the fee (Please make payable to Warwick District Council)
- Enclose evidence of identity containing a photograph in respect of each

X

individual applicant / partner / director, as applicable

- Enclose either a criminal conviction certificate or criminal record certificate or the results of a subject access search of the police national computer by the National Identification Service
- X
- Understand that if the above requirements have not been complied with my application will be rejected
- X
- Understand that the information given may be used in conjunction with other authorities for the prevention and detection of fraud, and will be held on computer, subject to the Data Protection Act 1998.
- X
- Confirm that the information supplied in this application is true to the best of my / our knowledge and belief.

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IT IS AN OFFENCE, LIABLE ON CONVICTION TO A FINE NOT EXCEEDING LEVEL 5 ON THE STANDARD SCALE, TO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT IN OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS APPLICATION

(C) Signatures (Please read guidance note 4)

Signature of applicant.

Signature/ s	LISA MARGARET RANSFORD
Date	21st December 2011.
Capacity	APPLICANT

(D) Contact Details (Please read guidance note 5)

Contact name	Mrs Lisa Ransford
Contact postal address including post code	
Telephone number (if any)	
E-mail address (optional)	girls@shadesgentlemansclub.co.uk

Having considered the application, the written representations, submissions from all parties at the hearing on 14 June 2011, the relevant legislation and Council policy the Committee were of the opinion that the application should be refused in line with the Council's Statement of Licensing Policy for "Premises to be licensed as sex establishments" paragraph 3.2 (A) and (D), in line with appendix f 3(d) i. and ii which reflects schedule 3 of the Act, the Committee considers that the granting of the SEL is inappropriate.

The Committee had regard particularly to schedule 3 12(d)(i) and (ii) in coming to this decision.

The Committee were mindful of the character of the area which includes, in close proximity to the establishment, residential and religious premises and the character of Wise street, being a cul-de-sac, means that residents of Wise Street have to pass the entrance to the premises.

The Committee found that the presence of flats in the locality, meant that it was to be characterised as a residential area, together with the WDC SEL policy at para 3.2, and schedule 3 12(d) (i) it was therefore inappropriate for the grant of the license.

Further, the presence of a place of worship (Shree Krishna Mandir temple) in close proximity means that the character of the area also makes it inappropriate for the SEL to be granted.

In considering (d)(ii), the committee further found that the presence of residential flats and a place of worship made the grant of an SEL so close to be inappropriate.

The committee, in considering to refuse the grant of the license has had regard to Article 1, protocol 1, and article 10 of ECHR, and do not find that they carry sufficient weight to overcome the objections to the grant of the SEL. The committee found that it was in the public interest not to grant the SEL.

The committee considered the applicant's submissions that the premises has been well run, (and indeed some objectors agreed that it was well run) and that the premises provide employment for some 28 people. The female entertainers are subject to strict working conditions, and the customers are similarly required to obey a set of rules. The club is successful, 50% of the clientele are regulars, and there is a strong social element, 15% of customers are women. The club is expensive and this defines the clientele. There were no objections from police or neighbours. The physical attributes of the club and the immediate proximity were discussed. The scale of the map was discussed, however there is nothing in that point as to "proximity". The applicant reminded the committee of the decision of Judge Collins in determining character without including moral arguments, and that the committee's decision should be on the facts, and not based on innuendo. The applicant pointed out that the premises would not be operating at the same time as many of the nearby premises. Article 10 – the freedom of expression – was also considered.

There were irregularities in the objections received. Several objections were emailed directly to councillors, and after the deadline for objections had closed. These have been ignored.

Several objections were made in terms of the four licensing objectives of the Licensing Act 2003. These have been ignored, unless they could be characterised in terms of Schedule 3.

Several objections which were based wholly on either religious or moral grounds have been ignored. It is important to note that while people may have strong objections to sexual entertainment venues, Parliament has already debated the moral and religious basis for SEV, and the resulting legislation provides that they are legal where licensed. Only those grounds permitted by Schedule 3 may be considered in rejecting the license.

Where possible, objections framed partly on Schedule 3 grounds, and partly on moral or religious grounds, have been considered, but only to the extent that they can be characterised in the grounds permitted by Schedule 3.

The broad scope of the remaining objections may be summarised as follows: the presence of an SEV in old town mitigates against the attempts by WDC and the community to regenerate the area; the presence of an SEV close to places of worship and charities is inappropriate; and the proximity of residential property makes the SEV inappropriate.

As the application was refused under the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 (As amended), Schedule 3, section 12 (3) (d), there is no right of appeal as laid down in section 27 (3) of that Act.

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Applicant: "Shades", 6a) High Street, Learnington Spa, CV34-3AN/Lisa Ransford@Hec "Applicant")

Application and date of application: Sex Establishment Licence, 5 January 2012 ("SEL application")

Representation made on behalf of The Leamington Society and the Central Leamington Residents' Association (CLARA)

Dated 23 January 2012

This objection has been approved by the committees of both of the amenity groups listed above. Email confirmation has been sent to David Davies, Licensing Manager, Warwick District Council.

This representation submits the following objections to the Applicant being granted a Sex Establishment Licence on the grounds of 'uses to which nearby premises are put' and 'character of the local area' (WDC Sex Establishment Policy (Appendix F para 3 (d)) / Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982).

1. PRIOR REFUSAL DECISION - JUNE 2011

The decision of the Regulatory Committee (the "Committee") in this SEL application affects the lives of many people who live, work and travel through the Old Town. The Applicant made an SEL application in December 2010, the outcome of which in June 2011 was negative. The objections made at the time, whilst together accepted under the grounds of 'nearby premises use' and 'character of the local area,' conveyed a wide range of concerns which showed strong opposition to an SEL being granted. They included:

- residents' unease over the inappropriate location of the sex industry close to their homes where families are raised and children live;
- economic interests of local businesses which depend on a favourable public image of the Old Town to attract visitors;
- nurseries and schools whose pupils (particularly girls) travel through the area;
- religious bodies whose places of worship cater to the local community including infants; and
- charitable organisations who have invested precious resources to improve the local area.

The decision signalled a positive commitment by the local authority to recognise the regeneration needs of the Old Town, particularly the enhancement of its public image after a sustained period of socio-economic decline. The refusal referenced the unsuitability of an SEL being granted on the grounds of the character of the local area and the uses of nearby premises, specifically in a residential area or close to a place of worship. It was not referred to judicial review and may be treated as unchallenged on grounds of illegality or procedural impropriety.

Since the December 2010 application, the factors which contributed to its refusal do not appear to have diminished in any way. On the contrary, they have magnified given the successful planning applications for further residential housing in the Wise Street / Wise Terrace location of the Applicant (see below).

SEL applications are decided on a case by case basis and the Committee is not bound to follow its prior decision, nor that of any other SEL application. Yet given the prior refusal, it would appear highly inconsistent on a public policy level if the Committee were to assume a U-turn and change its mind. Nor would it be procedurally correct if the Committee disregarded the prior decision (or the matters contained therein) as a relevant fact in its deliberation.

In addition, a decision to grant this SEL in the Old Town would broadcast a negative message that some residential areas and places of worship are unfairly afforded less recognition than others, such as those in more privileged or prominent areas of Leamington. Objections in the prior SEL application indicated that the very same Applicant/business owners had attempted to open a strip club opposite the Town Hall, which was refused under the 2003 Licensing Act regime. The Old Town is no more suitable a location for the sex industry than the Parade, nor is it less deserving of a positive public image.

A decision to grant the SEL would also leave stakeholders in an uncertain position, because SEL policy provisions which indicate a licence will not normally be granted in a residential area or close to a place of worship would be cast into doubt. If the policy is applied inconsistently it will be rendered redundant in practice. The public would lose confidence in the local authority's commitment to delivering the changes that the legislative reform of this branch of the sex industry was designed to achieve.

Applicant submissions

It is anticipated that the Applicant will state that a record of being 'well run' should weigh in favour of it being granted an SEL. However it will not escape the Committee's attention that it does not matter how 'well run' the sex industry is, it remains to be the sex industry. This is despite woefully transparent efforts by the Applicant in June 2011 to gloss over this cold fact and unsatisfactorily attempt to portray the club as serving an important "social" function for local people. This was presumably to distract attention from the reality that as a Sex Establishment it would provide sexual services in the form of stripping, lap and pole dancing by semi-naked women and girls, who could be as young as 18 years old.

If the "social function" it purports to provide is so important to the Applicant, it does not need sex workers to act as a host venue for this activity. All others types of bar, restaurant, public house, nightclub, coffee shop, religious group, working persons' club, youth club, sports club, community centre and so forth manage to provide this function without the need for a Sex Establishment Licence or the sale of sexual services. The June 2011 submission that the Applicant serves a "social function" is actually a factor which supports the refusal of an SEL, as this extra function is irrelevant and superfluous to the provision of sexual services by teenagers and young women.

It would also indicate that without an SEL the Applicant could function perfectly well as a normal nightclub, providing a vibrant social venue and employing people in the same

manner that other night time economy venues do. A refusal of an SEL does not equate to shutting the business down whatsoever; on the contrary it means the Applicant could continue to operate in a profitable, positive and responsible way which would not be part of the commercial sex industry. The economic benefits that flow from improving the character of the area would be reaped by the broader community. The venue has been used as a nightclub for many years before the Applicant decided to use it to sell sexual services, and can continue to operate as a regular nightclub for the future without any disruption to its mode of business.

It follows that a well run strip club is no more suitable for a residential area or near a place of worship than a poorly run strip club. The 1982 Act does not provide a lesser set of criteria to be considered for purportedly 'well run' sexual entertainment venues. Moreover, the factors noted above are not reduced in importance because the Applicant promises to 'run' its sex industry business 'well' close to people's homes where girls, women and children live. Last year the Committee was of the opinion that a weak claim to being 'well run' was clearly outweighed by the factors which led to the Applicant being refused an SEL.

2. USES TO WHICH NEARBY PREMISES ARE PUT

It is submitted that the Applicant's premises are situated in a locality which is highly inappropriate for a sexual entertainment venue because of the uses to which nearby premises are put. The WDC Sex Establishment policy 2010 provides that "...the council will not normally licence premises that are in close proximity to:

- a residential area
- a church or other religious place of worship' (at para 3.2 (a) (b) and (d)) - schools/nurseries

"Shades" position at 6a) High Street is located in very close proximity to residences situated on:

a) Crown Terrace - housing with between two and three storeys, with provision for over twenty residents' car parking bays;

b) Tachbrook Road - terrace housing a few metres away from the Applicant;

c) Gas Street - a large housing estate directly behind the Applicant's premises, which is substantial enough to accommodate a high volume of families with

d) first floor flats on the High Street which face the car dealership on the other side

- e) a large new housing development opposite the railway station which is close to completion called "Station House." It is designated as student housing and will therefore accommodate a high number of young women of university age; and
- f) Wise Street and Wise Terrace at the rear of the Applicant's premises in the prior refusal, the cul-de-sac structure of Wise Terrace and the need for its residents to pass by the Applicant were noted as grounds for refusal.

Photographs which illustrate the proximity of the Applicant to nearby housing are contained in the Appendix to this representation.

The Committee ought to be aware of planning applications in the immediate proximity of the Applicant which if carried through to development, will mean even more housing in the Wise St/Wise Terrace locality. Specifically, these are:

W/07/0621 (Granted) 7 Wise St., demolition of existing new buildings and i)

W/11/0955 (Decision not yet available) 4a) Wise Terrace, construction of 4 new apartments in multiple occupation and provision of 4 parking spaces; ii)

W/08/1438 (Granted) 16 Wise St/ 5&6 Wise Terrace, construction of 7 iii)

W/08/0878 (Granted) 14 Wise St, demolition of existing commercial premises and erection of three storey and basement building to provide 4 new iv) apartments and 4 parking spaces.

It is submitted that a lap dancing club sited in close proximity to a residential area is neither acceptable or appropriate for the reasons in the WDC Sex Establishment policy at para 3.1 which cites "...a potential fear of crime, anti-social behaviour, noise pollution and disturbance to residents...in such cases the amenity of local residents can be placed under severe pressure."

This concern is justified when considered in relation to the heightened statistical link to physical, verbal and sexual assaults against women who live or work in the vicinity of strip clubs. 1 It is acknowledged that the Applicant has not been officially connected with such incidents – yet. However, three points must be considered in relation this purported record.

Firstly, the absence of a formal connection between the Applicant and rape or assault to date does not justify placing the local residents at risk and only taking retrospective action when a serious assault has occurred. No young woman should have to pay the price of this risk being underestimated. If such an incident did ever occur then the decision of the Committee members to allow the sex industry to operate in a densely populated and growing residential area would be rapidly subjected to scrutiny.

Secondly, the Applicant appears to employ door staff which are positioned immediately outside the entrance of the premises in Wise St. However, these staff cannot provide security for members of the public in the Wise Terrace cul-de-sac, nor those who traverse on the broader area of the High St. past the club on their way to and from work, of which there are very high numbers given the Applicant's proximity to major transport hubs.

Finally, the Committee may recall what could be perceived as a highly questionable attitude exhibited by the Applicant's counsel in June 2011 in relation to the prospect of sexual assaults and harassment in the vicinity of strip clubs. Initially, she appeared to try to dismiss the academic weight of research which establishes the possibility of a link. Then, in relation to anecdotal reports of girls experiencing sexual harassment and intimation by patrons of the Applicant, she then appeared to dismiss these events as merely 'lewd' behaviour by 'lads on a night out.' Yet if the girls' experiences were true

Inappropriate Behaviour: Adult Venues and Licensing in London, Isabel Eaden, The Lilleth Project 2007

they could have constituted a hate crime² or a criminal assault in the form of behaviour which caused the victims to apprehend immediate unlawful personal violence.

It is very troubling that the Applicant's counsel appeared to present the prospect of illegal sexual harassment and intimidation by the Applicant's patrons in such a derisory way. This poses the question of exactly how seriously the Applicant's counsel takes violence against women: her comments appeared to suggest that misogynistic abuse in this context was not worthy of belief, or that if true then this behaviour was no more than a "boys will be boys" jape which was not serious enough to merit cause for concern or even be considered as criminal behaviour. It is hard to imagine that this attempt to make excuses for criminal behaviour would be extended to victims of racial or homophobic abuse as a "boys will be boys" jape. So why was the matter of violence against women given such disturbing treatment by the counsel for a would-be sex industry business?

In this vein, the Applicant's counsel then went so far as to question why the alleged victims had not publicly identified themselves, explained the detail of how they had been intimidated and exposed themselves to public enquiry. The shame, sense of powerlessness and humiliation produced by a form of sexual assault prevent victims from reporting such events.3 These fears are commonly accepted in the public domain and criminal justice system, and are recognised by the Metropolitan Police's Sapphire unit which specialises in sexual assault cases.⁴ Counsel's apparent insensitivity towards alleged victims of sexual harassment was astounding - but perfectly demonstrated why victims are so reluctant to make reports, because of the troubling prejudices they continue to face which prevent proper access to justice.

It is disconcerting, indeed offensive, that the representation for an Applicant which seeks to operate in the sex industry appeared to try and discredit, trivialise and make excuses for informal reports of sexual harassment and intimidation against local women. This tactic suggested that she had little concern for the impact of a strip club upon some of the most vulnerable people in the area, and reflected very poorly upon what the Applicant's attitude to violence against women in the community might be. Protecting the welfare of women in this community requires a great deal more than the provision of CCTV and a rape alarm in the dark corners of a strip club where sexual services are provided - a formal requirement which sadly reflects the grim reality of sex industry work.

(b) Nurseries / premises substantially used by or for children under 16

The Applicant is sited close by to a concentration of local premises dedicated to the care

a 'Wing-chun' martial arts class studio held for children of four years old and above or supervision of children: at 8 High Street, a building next door to the Applicant;

two nurseries situated on Spencer Street, respectively being "Head Start Day Nursery" at no.1 and "Banana Moon Day Nursery" at no. 5a);

http://www.met.police.uk/sapphire/advice.htm

² The Metropolitan Police Service defines a hate crime as "Any incident that is perceived by the victim or any other person to be racist, homophobic, transphobic, or due to a person's religion, belief, gender identity or disability." http://www.met.police.uk/csu/hatecrime.htm

³ http://www.victimsupport.org/Help-for-victims/Different-types-of-crime/Rape-sexual-assault-women

 "Surestart," a valuable nursery/breastfeeding resource centre is located around the corner on Clemens St.;

The Warwick and Leamington Dance Academy is located at 54 High St, which runs classes until 9-9.30pm on four nights a week. By taking into account the time it would take for pupils to change into outdoor clothes, they would need to make their way home at the time the Applicant is open; and

- Family housing nearby which accommodates infants, children and teenagers.

Parents and nursery staff ought to be entitled to a safe community environment which is not situated in close proximity to the sex industry.

At the June 2011 hearing it was submitted by the nearby Hindu Temple objectors that they hold religious festivals which run throughout the night whilst the Applicant would be in operation, and which draw worshippers of all ages (infants included) from the surrounding areas.

c) Churches or other religious place of worship

The applicant's premises are in very close proximity to the Lord Krishna Hindu Temple and Community Centre at 10b) High Street, CV31 3AN. The temple is not only a substantially sized venue for regular worship, but also hosts yoga classes several mornings a week which are attended by over 200 people, many of whom are women and the elderly. As noted above, religious festivals are open to people of all ages including children.

A strip club within close range of an important religious and social site for members of the local Hindu community is highly inappropriate. The refusal decision in June 2011 specifically referenced the presence of the temple close by as a relevant factor.

The applicant is also situated a short distance from All Saints Church located at the bottom of the Parade.

d) Other uses to which nearby premises are put

The location of important public amenities in the vicinity of the Applicant's premises exposes residents and commuters to the harms and disturbance associated with the sex industry. These include:

- Leamington Railway station, a major thoroughfare serviced by Chiltern Rail, CrossCountry and London Midland, used by 1.812 million passengers per year.⁵ In particular, female commuters from London and Birmingham who arrive at the station after dark are faced with having to pass the strip club and its patrons during operational hours on their way home, as the High Street is one of the main pedestrian routes into the town.
- A bus stop operated by Stagecoach and the West Midlands bus service is situated directly outside the premises and is used well into the night when the club is in

⁵ 2008/2009 figures derived from Office of Rail Regulation Statistics

operation. The bus services which operate from this location carry a high volume of young female students who attend Warwick University; schoolchildren who use the service to travel to other parts of Learnington as well as Coventry; elderly and vulnerable residents; and parents with small children who travel from Sydenham into the town.

- It is unacceptable that people who wish to use the bus service are forced to wait outside a strip club and are faced with the threat of patrons who could be under a state of intoxication and sexual excitement. In Vimac Leisure and Durham City Council the factor of local transport hubs was cited as a ground for the refusal of a premises licence with attached adult entertainment provisions given the high numbers of minors congregating in the region of a local bus and railway station.
- Local charities which provide essential services are located nearby such as the Alzheimer's Society situated beneath the applicant (at 10 Wise Street), Age Concern around the corner (at 8 Clemens Street) as well as Warwickshire Community and Voluntary Action (at 4/6 Clemens St). A short distance away is the Salvation Army which provides food and shelter for those of no fixed abode.
- The positive contribution of these charities to the community is undermined by the fact that they sited in close proximity to the Applicant. Those who both provide and receive these valuable services ought to be able to make the best use of the local premises without the harms associated with the sex industry on the doorstep, particular given the vulnerable attributes of those who need these services most.

3. CHARACTER OF THE RELEVANT LOCALITY

In the June 2011 prior refusal, the factors noted above in relation to the presence of a residential area and a place of worship were drawn upon to confer a particular character upon the area that made it inappropriate for an SEL to be granted.

The Old Town has historically suffered from stigmatised image that stems from economic and social decline. However, laudable efforts are being made by a number of local stakeholders to upgrade the character of Old Town in the hope of attracting more family, professional and couple trade. As well as the "Station House" development which is near completion opposite the railway station, a number of reputable retail/leisure operators have chosen Old Town to establish themselves (Majestic Wine plc., The Cooperative food market; Wetherspoon's "Jug and Jester;" "The Assembly" live entertainment venue). The Friends of Leamington Station has raised a significant sum of money to refurbish the railway station and restore it to its former glory. New businesses have recently opened on the High St, such as a home interiors shop (Willow) to attract the type of shoppers which are present in high numbers on the Parade.

The Old Town is the site of over five hundred local independent businesses, many of which depend on a positive image of the area to draw trade. A sex industry operator unfairly tarnishes the area with a sleazy image associated with prostitution, crime and anti-social behaviour. Visitors to the area and railway commuters are greeted by a large pink and black sign with the prostrate silhouette of presumably a sex worker on the side of the building, which is in very poor taste (see Appendix). The presence of a strip club undermines efforts to regenerate the area by driving away the couple, professional and

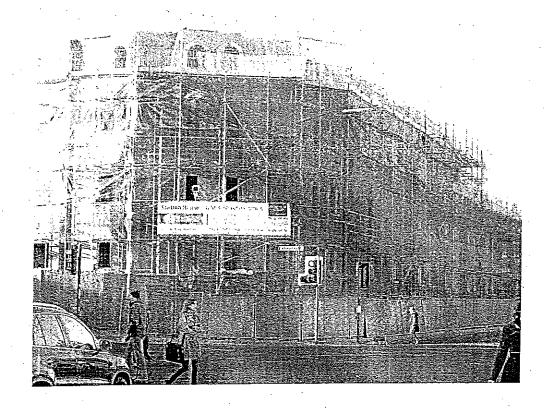
family trade. Few members of the public would want to dine or shop in the vicinity of a strip club, especially those with infant children – irrespective of the operational hours of the Applicant, it sets a low tone for the character of the area.

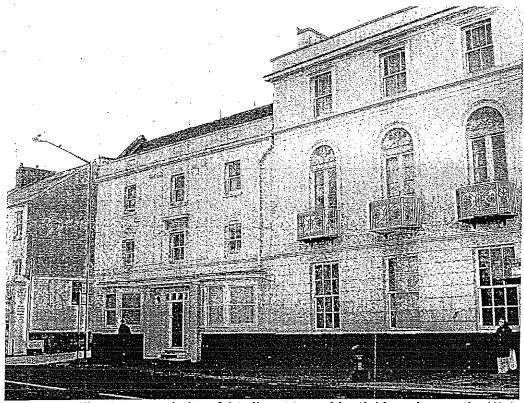
Efforts to upgrade the public image of the Old Town into a safe, welcoming and respectable place that attracts a broader segment of the retail market would be inhibited by the Applicant being granted an SEL. It was only a few months ago that the local authority took the positive step of helping the Old Town to improve its public image by shutting down the sex industry. To make a U-turn on this decision would convey a negative statement about the prospects of the area to the broader public and inflict a serious setback on the economic and social prosperity the locality truly needs.

APPENDIX



(Photos to illustrate proximity of Applicant to residential housing – Station House in the background)



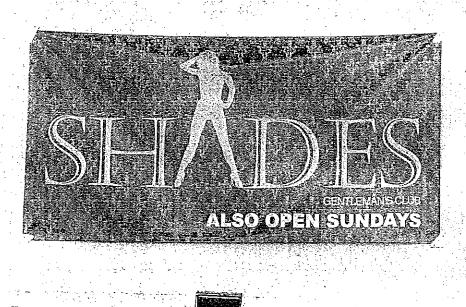


(Photos to illustrate proximity of Applicant to residential housing on the High Street above, and Tachbrook Road below)





(Above – photo to show proximity of Wise St. / Wise Terrace cul de sac to Applicant) (Below – Applicant sign facing High Street)





Warwick District Council Licensing Section Community Protection, Riverside House Milverton Hill Leamington Spa, CV32 5HZ

25th January 2012

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WARWICK DISTRICT

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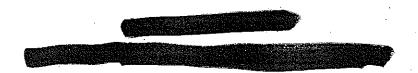
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APPONDIX 5



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Our objection is based on the following:

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Please attach supporting documents / further pages as necessary -

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Having spoken to local residents in Old Town, Brunswick, Milverton, Syndenham estate and elsewhere in Willes and adjacent wards people do not want this club to be a sex "entertainment" venue in or close to their communities. Women and girls in particular feel frightened that a sex "entertainment" venue attracts men who see women as sex objects for their instant gratification on demand and so is likely to lead to lewd comments, harassment or even sex attacks, not just on the doorstep but when these men travel home which may be some miles away. One international study found that 63% of lap-dancers had punters attempt to or actually have vaginally penetrated them. We need to prevent crime and disorder. The LOCALITY issues which I feel can help councillors conclude again that this is an inappropriate venue in our area include:-

- I believe that a woman complained to a local councillor about an incident in which she had received lewd comments close to the club and I am sorry I cannot obtain details
- Wise Street residents have no other access route than to pass by the club
- SCHOOLS are nearby
- It is a stone's throw from Leamington's only railway station
- Other residential housing on several streets is very close by
- A substantial student residence is <u>NOW</u> being built very close by
- The Hindu Temple is very close by and churches and the Sikh Gurdwara are not far away
- The fact that the license application is to start from 6.30pm is likely to increase visitors and is at a time of day when children and young people are even more likely to be around
- The only operating regularly open local youth club at Campion School has closed down in 2011 and those young people have nowhere to go but on the streets [PLEASESEE ADDITIONAL PAGE(2)]

There are issues of:- * public safety * prevention of public nuisance and * protecting children from narmy

- In a number of cases (e.g. Derby court case involving a number of males) men often groom girls and young women over a period of time and although they are then abused they do not always make complaints because they are frightened. When men have had their sexual arousal triggered by performances of women in a lap-dancing or similar type of club where do they then go and how do they behave? It is time bomb ticking for the community. Councillors work to reduce risks to the public and this is an example of such a case, such as not having flammable materials near to a fire exit. Please keep females safer by rejecting this application for a sex establishment license. Furthermore allowing it could open the floodgates for other applications nearby and I have heard there is already an application for another venue.
- I feel WDC should produce a separate Interested Party Representation form which clearly indicates that the in the case of sex establishment's the name and address of an objector will NOT be sent to the applicant and not be available publicly. I fear that some people might be apprehensive, rightly or wrongly, about objecting because they would not want the applicants to have their names and addresses. V DOLE 07/02/2012 1) (DAVIS DAVIES)

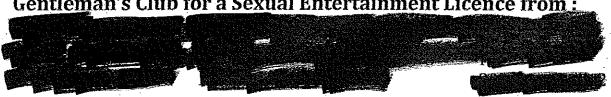
I believe WDC might have received more objections had such a different form been issued instead.

30/01/2012

RE: OBJECTION TO SHADES SEXESTABLISHMENT LICENCE



STATEMENT OF OBJECTION to the application from Shades Gentleman's Club for a Sexual Entertainment Licence from:



1. Shades application rejected after the Hearing on 14 June 2011

The licence was turned down on the basis that Shades is in a residential area and near a place of worship (the Hindu Mandir). There is no indication that the area has changed in any way such as could be expected to achieve a positive outcome from this application, indeed the opposite is true (see below). So it is unfortunate that the **owners of Shades have chosen to waste Officer, Councillor and public time** and therefore money on submitting this further application.

2. Their current licence (after the Hearing) is now for 11 live performances per year, but you would be hard pressed to know this from their website which looks remarkably little different from the one previously available: http://www.shadesgentlemansclub.co.uk/ I find this both disturbing and entirely unsatisfactory and appears to show a total disregard for both the letter and the thrust of the judgement.

3. Reasons for refusing the current application

• The applicants' premises are situated in a largely residential area, and despite the address being given as 6a High Street, the building covers Nos 2, 4, 6 and 8 Wise Street, with the only entrance on Wise Street. There is already a high density of people living in Wise Street and Wise Terrace and many more residential buildings are planned (see below and attached photos and plans); there are also many households just around the corner on Tachbrook Road and in Crown Terrace. Many of the families resident in the Bury Road estate (Kennan Avenue, Sargeaunt Street, Flavel Crescent etc) likewise those in the new Gas Street estate as well as those further up Tachbrook Road, all have to walk this way to get to their homes. There will be approximately 200 students living in the new Station House on Warwick New Road opposite the station from September 2012. See attached map for reference.



- The Shree Krishna Hindu Temple, and the very well attended Hindu Community Centre are only metres away with a significant number of people, often with young families, arriving on foot. The community has many religious festivals which go on through the night so that people are arriving for worship at times when the Shades Club is operating.
- There is now a new Kung Fu club for people of all ages, including children, in the building on the corner of High Street and Wise Street with the entrance directly opposite the entrance to Shades.
- At No 6 Wise Terrace there is a boxing club catering for both adults and children (starting at 7 years) www.clearysboxinggym.co.uk.
- New residential buildings have already started or are in plan: as listed below and shown in the attached photos and plans:

These two below are now in the same ownership and will form an imposing corner development: see attached photos and Plan 1

W/08/1438: 16 Wise Street/5 & 6 Wise Terrace, Learnington Spa, CV31 3AP: Construction of 7 apartments and 8 parking spaces

W/08/0878: 14 Wise Street, Learnington Spa, CV31 3AP: demolition of existing commercial premises and erection of a three storey (and basement) building to provide 4 no apartments with 4 no parking spaces

W/11/0955: 4a Wise Terrace, fronting onto Tachbrook Road, Leamington Spa, CV31 3AS, and backing onto the canal: construction of 4 new apartments in multiple occupation (3 x 3 bed 1 x 5 bed) and provision of 4 parking spaces: foundations already laid: see attached photos and Plan 2

4. Impact of the new legislation in other areas

Despite the reform being still in its infancy, several Councils have already adopted a "nil cap" on new SEL applications.

For example HACKNEY Borough:

"The Council's vision is to achieve balanced, sustainable communities and neighbourhoods to enable a good quality of life for all. In consultation with its partners it has developed and adopted a number of strategies, policies and plans that set out how we mean to achieve this vision and it is the Council's view that the granting of sex establishment licences would undermine the said vision."

"It is the Council's view that having regard to each ward and recognising that because of the mix of uses, the character, the strategic vision and the existing



locations of particular types of premises in those wards, it would be inappropriate for sex establishments to be located in its wards. The association that sex establishments have with a part of the "sex industry" and adult entertainment means that they are not suitable for location in those parts of the borough associated with commerce, family retail and entrepreneurship, nor are they appropriate for location in residential areas or areas frequented by families and children."

On this basis Hackney has gone for a total Nil policy in all wards except one where trading is to be allowed, but severe limitations have been imposed: "Sex establishments are not to be functionally visible to passers by on retail thoroughfares or pedestrian routes. Premises should be at basement level or with a main entrance away from such routes."

COVENTRY ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNITY SAFETY SCRUTINY BOARD meeting on 7th December 2011

41. Outcome of the Consultation on the draft Sexual Entertainment Venue Policy

The Scrutiny Board considered a report of the Director of Community Services which detailed the outcome of consultation in respect of the draft Sexual Entertainment Venue Policy. The report had previously been considered by the Cabinet Member (Community Services and Equalities) on 16th November 2011 (Minute 44/11 Refers) and Licensing and Regulatory Committee on 29th November 2011 (Minute 75/11 Refers).

RESOLVED:

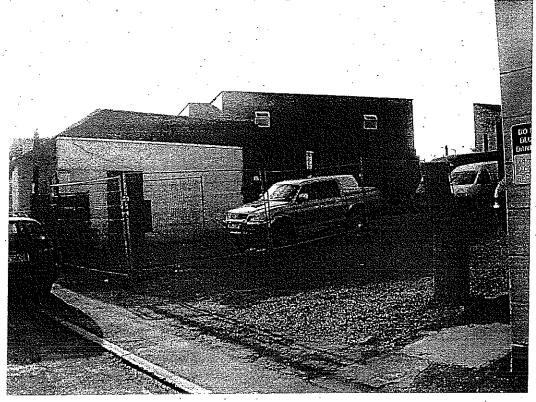
(1) That the Scrutiny Board unanimously agreed that the proposed number of Sexual Entertainment Venues for the whole of the City be nil.

Others areas are currently considering this approach.

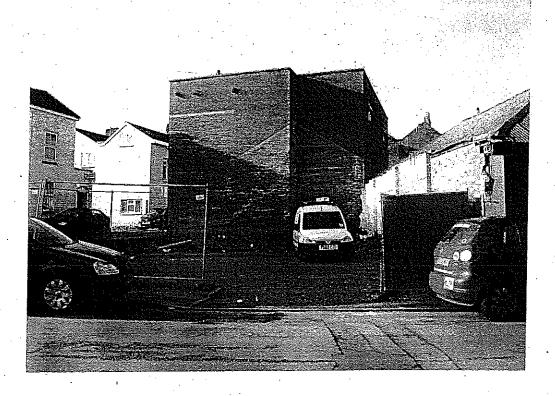
The removal of the sex industry from Brunswick Ward would certainly enhance the profile of Old Town, drawing more family and couple custom into the area, and thus boosting the very many Old Town businesses which depend on this type of trade. It would contribute significantly to the removal of the "seedy feeling" that many people complain about in this area.



14 Wise Street: due for demolition and replacement with housing: see Plan 1

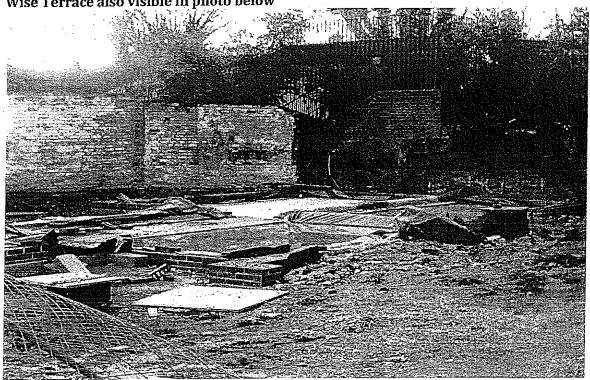


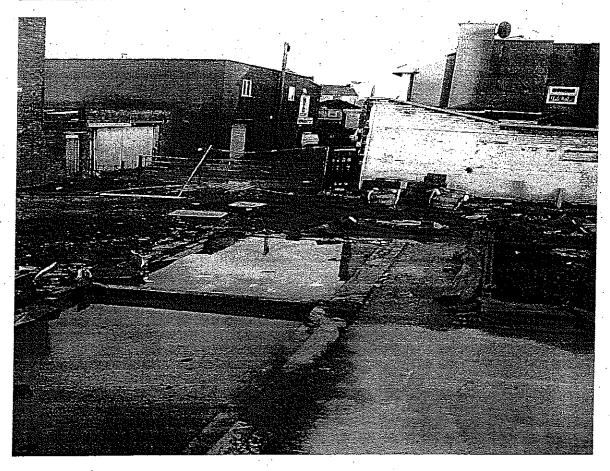
Showing where burnt out building at No 16 Wise Street has been demolished, with No 14 building on right as above to be demolished, with the brick building at Nos 5 and 6 Wise Terrace, (currently in use as Cleary's Boxing Gym) also to be demolished, so that the whole corner site will be rebuilt as in Plan 1



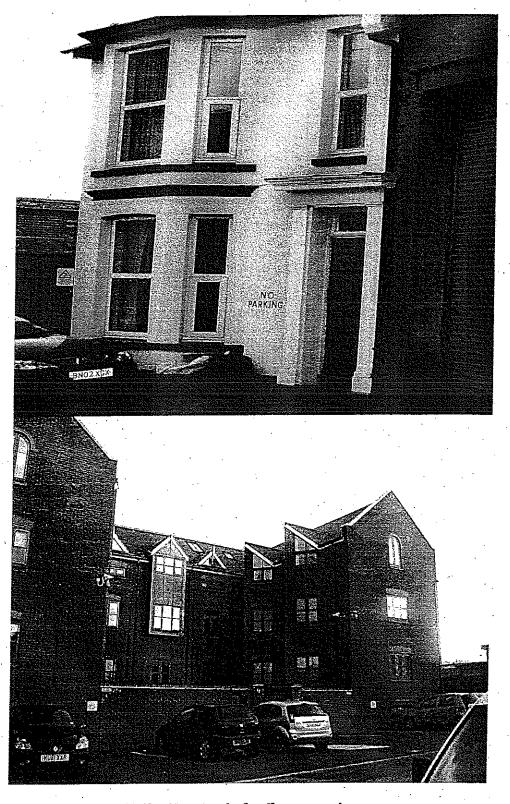


Showing the development at 4a Wise Terrace as per Plan 2 with brick built Nos 5&6
Wise Terrace also visible in photo below





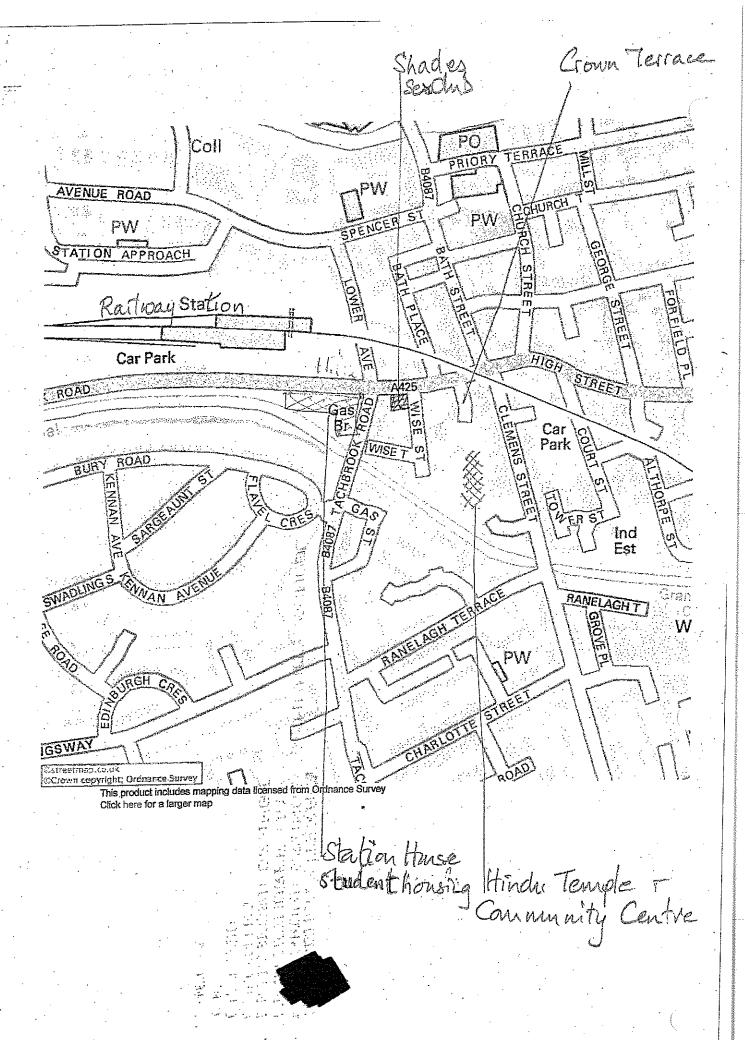


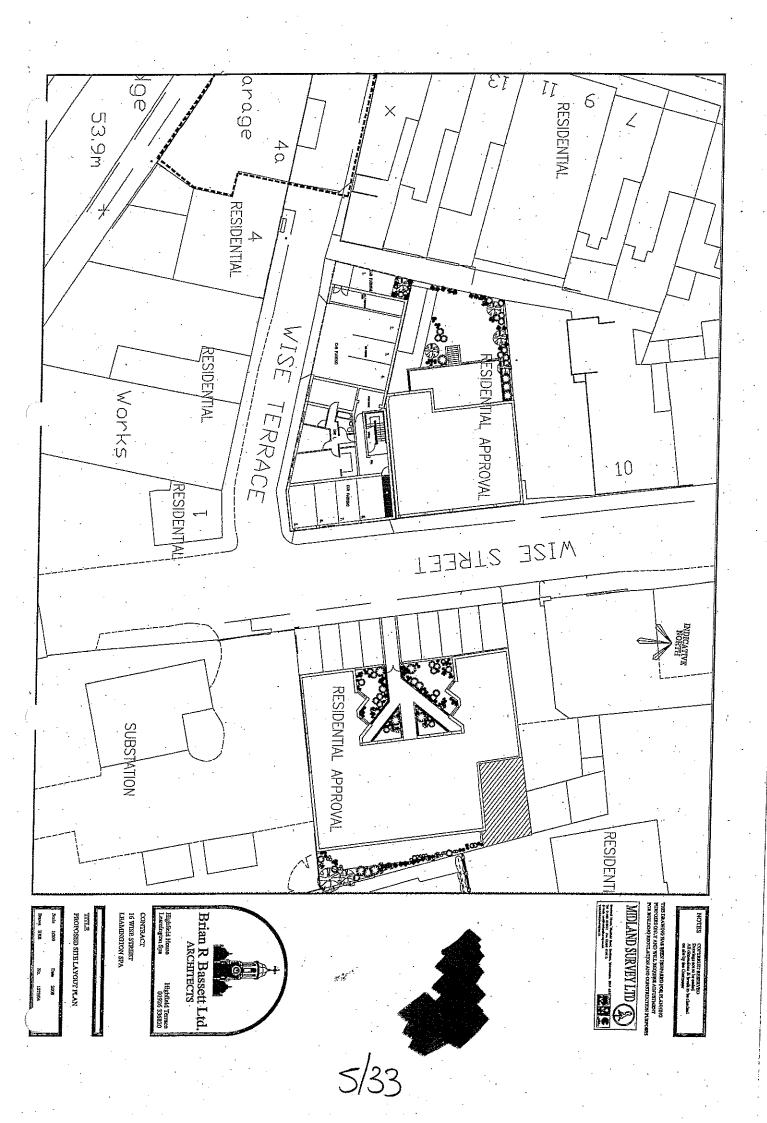


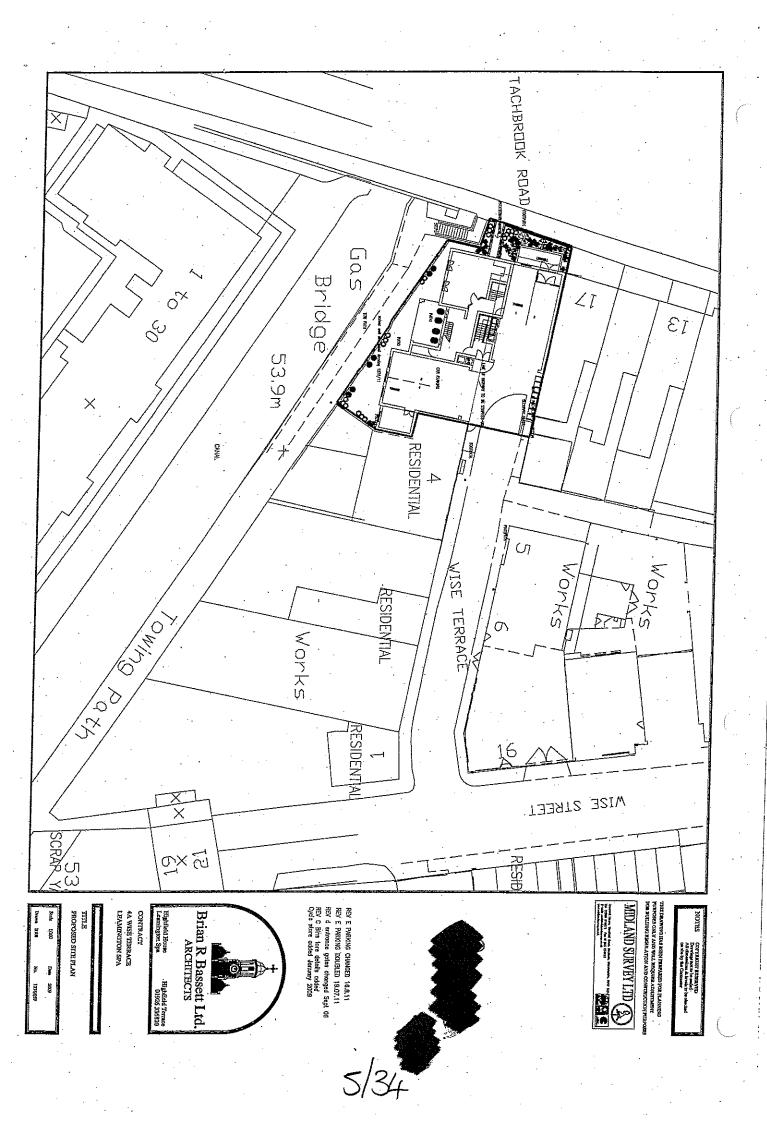
Above : house No 1 Wise Terrace in family occupation.

Below : new building at Nos 7 & 9 Wise St, housing a large number of students









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I object to the granting of a licence to Shades on Learnington High Street as it is situated in an area of the town where people live and worship. In particular the area is used by children and young people, particularly students who will be passing by late at night.

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The site is on the main road close to a major bus stop and the vailuan station and is highly visible to a large number of passers by. I do not want this image for the bottom of town, and I do not want to have to walk past it every day with my two young children (both girls).

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b) character of area

As a local resident, I welcome WDC's vision to improve the facilities and reputation of Old Town Ecanington. There has been some progress (re-development of ex-industrial states, improvements to railway station, supporting local businesses). Many organisations—public, private and voluntary—are working to improve the situation. To site a sex establishment where ar least half the insition to Uspa and residents will see it going to and from the station seems like a retrograde step to me and can only have a regative impact on the image of reamington in general and Old Town in particular, which may jeoparatise future inward investment.

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Shades sits on a main route into the bottom of town, particularly walking from the station—A route I walk often. The area is demographically diverse, including—students, children and vulnerable adults. There is a bus stop which I regularly used to use as a student at all hours right outside and I would feel vuncomfortable waiting there with people coming in and out of shades.

Shades is in a residential area, with some of the accommodation being used in Crown Terrace yards from Shades being used by organisations providing supported housing to particularly vulnerable people. For instance, one lady whom I know with learning disabilities who lives in this block is extremely susceptible to sexual exploitation as she struggles to understand when people mean her help or harm and has experienced lewd comments and worse in the area.

Leamington and South Leamington has many hard working independent businesses that contribute towards a positive, healthy image of the area. This is sullied by having a business (however well run!) in a prominent place that promotes the idea that women's primary purpose is to be lusted after rather than treated as people – the Shades banner and logo are a clear indication of this.

Learnington should be working to build a community character that people feel safe, valued and respected – A business providing sexual entertainment does the opposite and a licence should not be granted for this premises in Learnington.

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I live in the South Town area, where I am a parent to three daughters of primary school age and a youth group leader.

My objection to the granting of a Sexual Entertainment Venue (SEV) licence for Shades is based on the following:

- The granting of a license would further degrade and impoverish the South Town community and environment particularly for families, who already feel the effects of the increase in the student population and multiple occupancy housing.
- 2. A strip club with associations of prostitution, crime, and drug abuse adds to degradation of the area, which has previously been identified for regeneration and increases the fear of crime among residents.
- 3. I am concerned that as my daughters grow up in the South Town area, they will be more vulnerable to verbal, physical or sexual assault on account of the presence of a strip club in the same locality.
- 4. On account of the above I think that the council should set a cap for the number of SEVs in the area at nil.

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Shrubland Street School is a community school in the heart of the South Town area. Our objection to the granting of a Sexual Entertainment Venue (SEV) licence for Shades is based on the following:

1. Shades is within a half-mile radius of 4 primary schools (St Patrick's, Kingsway, Clapham Terrace and Shrubland Street Community) and so on the route that children and families use to travel through South Town to attend schools or clubs, shop and worship.

2. Schools take seriously their duty to promote Community Cohesion but strip clubs undermine it by promoting gender inequalities, with women as objects for purchase.

3. The presence of a strip club in South Town adds to the marginalisation of families, who already feel the effects of the increase in the student population and multiple occupancy housing.

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The Parochial Church Council of All Saints Parish Church believes that the location remains unswitable for a Sexual Extertainment Venue.

A previous application by this establishment for a licence covering these premises, on 14 June 2011, was refused by the Regulatory Committee. The Committee was mindful of the character of the area including the preximity of total residential accommodation and of a place of worship.

Our objection to the current application, based on the close proximity of residential accommodation, especially on Wise Street itself, is supported by WDC Licensing Policy 3.2a.

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Below are the 7 objections which we raised on 1 December 2010 concerning the previous application by the same sexual entertainment establishment. We ask you to continue to consider these important issues.

The application for a sexual entertainment licence in this location should be rejected for the following reasons:

- 1) The impact on local businesses and the reputation of Old Town would be negative. Old Town consists of many businesses, mostly small sole traders who provide a special service to their customers. Like all areas, some businesses are struggling. Several local traders have told us that a sexual entertainment venue here makes the reputation of Old Town more seedy, rundown and unpleasant. This does not encourage people to shop in or set up a business. This is something that the Warwick District Council Regeneration Scheme (Regenesis) worked for over seven years to overcome. For the benefit of other businesses in the area, we recommend the application is refused.
- 2) The venue is on a busy street used by many bus users, train travelers and students. In addition, it is a main pedestrian route from town to the train station and the Kingsway estate. It is busy late at night, especially at weekends, when the venue is most likely to be thriving; this puts pedestrians at risk as demonstrated in the following point.
- 3) Public safety, particularly safety of women. Brunswick ward in which the venue is located already has above average levels of violence and above average levels of antisocial behaviour compared with the rest of Warwick District (data from Warwickshire Police). Several local women have complained to us of lewd remarks and unwanted advances outside Shades.
- 4) Studies have shown that sexual violence increases as a direct result of sexual entertainment venues. Such venues increase the sexual desire of clients visiting without satisfying it. As a result a minority of men find other violent ways of satisfying their desire on leaving the club. Please refer to the following report, which shows sexual violence increases in the vicinity of sex entertainment venues:

http://www.childtrafficking.com/Docs/poppy_03_lap_dancing_0109.pdf

- 5) Given the partnership approach to reduce crime and antisocial behaviour in Warwickshire, we do not find it appropriate to license a venue that would motivate some clients to add to the already high crime levels in the area.
- 6) Warwick District should be aiming for equality in all areas, including that of gender equality. Sex entertainment venues portray women as sex objects. This is not appropriate in this day and age. Some women working in such venues are often driven to the work through poverty or drug dependency. The Coalition Government banned adverts for lap dancers in job centres in August 2010.
- 7) Warwick District Council has strengthened powers to limit the number of sexual entertainment venues even down to zero. Hackney Council is currently consulting on whether to have no sex entertainment venues and we believe Warwick District should do the same (see http://www.hackney.gov.uk/licensing).

Regarding our previous objection 4) above, please note the UK Royal Institute of Town Planning guidance that states "Evidence shows that in certain locations, lap dancing and exotic dancing clubs make women feel threatened or uncomfortable." This will apply to Shades as it is located where many children and young women walk late at night. Also, Somerset and Avon Police report that sexual and violent crime against women increased far more within 50m of SEVs than elsewhere see http://www.bristolfawcett.org.uk/Lapdancing.html.

Regarding objection 7), above, please note paragraph 1.5 of Hackney's policy: "The Council has considered the character of its wards and determined that the appropriate number of sex establishments for each ward is nil." Warwick District Council should use a similar approach.

It has been claimed that it would be 'anti-business' to stop this strip club operating. However, the club can still function as a well-run night club and it is definitely pro-business to support other local businesses by improving the image and reputation of this area by rejecting this application.

Since December 2010, there have been a number of local developments that mean it is even less appropriate to permit this strip club. Station House opposite the railway station is nearly completed and there are several new buildings in Wise Street/ Terrace. See planning permission W/07/1621 (the large student resident already built at No 7 Wise Street), W/11/0955 (at the top of Wise Terrace) W/08/1438 (the corner of Wise Street and Wise Terrace) and W/08/0878 (14 Wise Street). Therefore, the character of the area is very much more residential than before. As these residences are primarily intended for students, more young women will need to walk past the front door of this sexual entertainment venue.

There are several sports/ social clubs, including Khalsa, the Boxing Gym and Kung Fu near this venue, as well as nurseries and schools. It should be noted that the government is attempting to stop the increasing sexualisation of children; to support this aim, it is import to prevent this strip club operating near children's homes, close to sports clubs, nurseries etc and on their route into town.

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2. Learnington is too small a town to have a strip club, Strip clubs should belong to big cities & not small towns.

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our objection is based on the grounds that the establishment is too close to our building, which contains:

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The establishment is in a prominent position on the High Street, in a area frequented by pedestrians and passengers on buses. Its existence and the advertising of its business would give the impression that it is considered acceptable in Leamington (and Old Town in particular) to treat women as sexual objects. This has an adverse impact on all women and men(as well as children and young people who may come to see the objectification of women as the norm).

It contributes to the intrusion of the commercial sex industry into daily life. This is objectionable for the reason mentioned above and, in addition, because such an industry can exploit those who work in it and indeed its own customers as well as.

Research has indicated that sex establishments increase both the fear of sexual assault and attacks themselves. It has been reported that reports of rapes around lap dancing clubs are 3 times the national average.

As a local resident I would be apprehensive about walking in its vicinity. I would also be angered at having my peace of mind affected and mine and others' freedom to walk freely affected.

Old Town has a distinct and attractive character. Much effort in recent years has been put into enhancing its historical interest in an effort to attract visitors and improve the district for residents. It also benefits from a high proportion of small businesses across a wide range of goods and services (eg specialist bike shops, international delicatessens).

These attractive features would be overshadowed by the existence of a sex establishment. It would be detrimental to the area and reduce the number of visitors, tourists and shoppers with a resulting adverse impact on the local economy.

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Alboration 576

David Davies

From:

Sent:

14 January 2012 20:21

To:

Cc:

David Davies

Subject:

Shades

Dear Mr Davies.

I wish to object to SHADES, 6a) High Street, Learnington Spa, CV31 3AN, being granted a Sexual Entertainment Venue (SEV) licence on the following grounds for refusal as per WDC licensing policy / Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982, (Appendix F paras 3 (c) and 3(d)): -

3(c) That the number of sex establishments, or of sex establishments of a particular kind, in the relevant locality at the time the application is determined is equal to or exceeds the number which the council considers is appropriate for that locality

As far as I am aware WDC does not have a policy to license SEV's in Learnington Spa and therefore nil is an appropriate number for the purposes of paragraph (3)(c) above.

3(d) That the grant or renewal of the licence would be inappropriate having regard to: -

i. The character of the relevant locality;

ii. The use to which any premises in the vicinity are put;

It is clear that the applicant's premises are situated in a locality which is highly inappropriate for an SEV given the uses to which nearby premises are put. Three of these directly relate to specified uses which would provide grounds for the refusal of a licence as per WDC Sex Establishment policy para 3.2 (a) a residential area, b) schools/nurseries and (d) a church or other religious place of worship, including the Lord Krishna Hindu Temple and Community Centre in the High Street and All Saints' Church.

Best wishes.



Mr David Davies AlnstLM Licensing Services Manager Warwick District Council Riverside House, Milverton Hill, Royal Leamington Spa, Warwickshire CV32 5HZ

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WARWICK DISTRICT COUNCIL

20 January 2012

Dear Mr Davies,

Application by Shades for licence as Sexual Entertainment Venue

Please be informed that I am an interested party regarding the granting of an SEV licence to Shades Lapdancing Club.

Your stated aim when granting licences 'is to achieve a high standard of public safety and to prevent nuisance.' The purpose of a sexual entertainment venue is to provide entertainment of a sexual nature 'for financial gain' or to achieve the 'sexual stimulation of any member of the audience'. My objection is grounded in the fact that the granting of a licence to Shades would therefore be in direct contravention of your stated aim, and its function as a sexual entertainment establishment would put public safety at risk and cause nuisance to residents, shoppers, worshippers, diners, visitors to Leamington and audiences seeking family entertainment at the Assembly. See below:

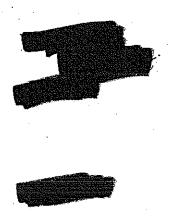
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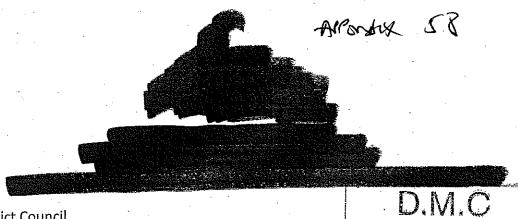
1 The uses to which premises in the local vicinity are put. Shades is situated in a residential area supported by two places of worship representing our culturally rich town, the Coop supermarket, the Assembly, two nurseries, family restaurants and our award winning railway station. All of these premises are lived in, used by or welcoming to people of all ages from little children to students to the elderly. Access to them inevitably passes by Shades and thus the residents, worshippers and customers are exposed to the sexual nature of the entertainment Shades provides and the behaviour and frame of mind of its clientele after having been sexually stimulated.

2 The character of the local area. I have lived in the centre of Leamington Spa for almost ten years and in that time have witnessed a distinct change in the atmosphere of the Old Town. It is shaking off its sleazy, threatening, no-go image and is becoming an artistic, inviting asset to Learnington Spa where one can take visitors without a sense of apprehension.

The granting of an SEV licence would be a distinctly retrograde step and the future of the district would be shaped insalubriously.

Finally: the sexualisation of children is a desperately worrying phenomenon taxing the government, schools, families and social and health services. As a responsible District Council your obligation is to head off this trend in this particular area. The rejection of Shades' application would be a significant step in gaining my confidence, and that of my fellow residents, in your desire to create a positive ethos in Leamington Spa.





26 JAN 2012

Warwick District Council Licensing Riverside House Milverton Hill Royal Leamington Spa CV32 5HZ

21 January 2012

Dear Sir/Madam

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Re: Shades, 6a) High Street, Leamington Spa, CV31 3AN

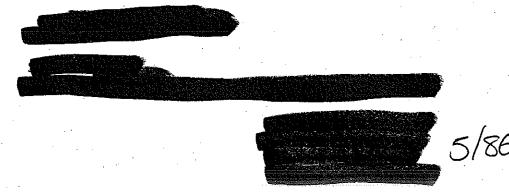
Further to the submission of the "Interested Party Representation" form, I would like to submit an objection for the reasons detailed below.

Firstly, we are concerned about the location of the premises and its proximity to a number of community based projects. For example, there are two nurseries in Spencer Street, an Academy of Dance in the High Street and Sure Start is based on Clemens Street. A number of local charities are also based in close proximity. The users of these child-care and support services are often the most vulnerable in our society and we are concerned about the impact of being located in such close proximity to a strip club. Also, there are places of worship for the Christian faith and other world faiths in the area.

Secondly, we are concerned about the impact of the strip club on the character of "Old Town". Given the amount of time, resources and attention to help "regenerate" this area of Leamington Spa in recent years, we are worried that the presence of a strip club will negate all this hard work to draw people, businesses and families back to this part of Leamington Spa. By refusing an SEV licence to Shades, then the aim to promote the character of this area can be achieved.

Finally, as a Christian Church, where we provide a place of worship for the people of Leamington Spa, we also seek to serve the community by meeting their needs. The negative impact of a strip club in the town extends primarily to those in the immediate vicinity, for the reasons stated above, but also to community based groups/charities who seek to meet the needs to the vulnerable in our society. We are concerned about difficulties which would be created, should this SEV licence be given to Shades.

Yours faithfully



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If you represent residents or businesses in the vicinity please complete the boxes below

Organisation name if applicable



Please state nature of representation see note 3



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Walking past patrons going into a sex club is not what I would want for my daughter.

- 3. To me, Old Town is always seen as 'second best' To add to this stigma by giving it an image of sleaze does not help our efforts to regenerate Old Town into a thriving community which is pleasant and safe to be in.
- 4. Finally, as a woman, think sex clubs demean women. We should be pursuing policies which help to engender equality between men and women in all areas, not encouraging an industry which undermines this across so many areas, especially sexual and economic.

Personally, I would be very reluctant to be on foot anywhere near such a club, whilst clients were going in and out. I would feel much more likely that I would be exposed to verbal or sexual assault by the kind of clientele that use such facilities – though I am sure that the industry would rush to say this is not so.

We don't need this in our town. Please listen to the people who have to live, work, shop, worship travel or walk near it

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My Objections to this application are based on the impact of the proposed club on The Character of the local area. It will foster a sense of 'sleaziness' in This part of The town which is highly detrimental to That area and more nilely, countering good attempts to promot The town as an attractive place in which to live and work. The nearby area around The stadon already how an unpleasant feel at evening time with poorly lit areas + attracts dublous characters. The proposed dub located nearby, will intensify local concerns about the unabtractiveness of the stockon's environs - in contrast to the excellent renovation work recently completed at The station itself.

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Section 2 Objection Details Our objection is based on the following:

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- This establishment is going to be in a residential area. Lap dancing clubs reflect an image of adult relationships where women are used/paid for sexual services; the presence, in this locality, of a facility where men exploit women for men's sexual pleasure carries the implication that such exploitation is at least tolerated if not encouraged by the local community. "Shades" is located in a residential area where families live. Children's perceptions of relationships may be influenced by the presence of such a facility in the neighbourhood. The image portrayed by clubs like this does not reflect what most parents would like for their daughters' career choice, or for their sons' choice of leisure activity or sexual gratification.
- Further, young women living in the area are likely to feel fearful when they pass these premises late at night; if their presence is drawn to the attention of drunken clients leaving the club, young girls and women may feel especially vulnerable.
- The character of the local area: these kinds of premises tarnish the reputation of the whole area; they are perceived as sleazy, tawdry, 'down-market'. This perception is unfortunate for local traders hoping to attract the custom of the wider community, most of whom are unlikely to visit such a club.

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The granting of permission to this club would be inappropriate and brig-threat to volverable people

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Date 24/2/12

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Our objection is based on the following:

I am a youth worker running a Christian club for primary school age children at Shrubland Street Community School in the South Town area, where I am also a regular shopper and user of Leamington Railway Station.

My objection to the granting of a Sexual Entertainment Venue (SEV) licence for Shades is based on the following:

- 1. Shades is in close proximity to nurseries (Spencer Street), places of worship (Lord Krishna Temple and All Saints Church), community centres (10b High Street) and primary schools (including Shrubland Street Community School) and so on the route that children and families use to travel through South Town to attend schools or clubs, shop and worship.
- 2. The after-school club has principles based on fairness and equality but strip clubs undermine this by promoting gender inequalities, 'commodifying' women as sexual objects for sale, rather than equal human beings.
- 3. In my role as youth worker I have a concern for the safety of those children and families within South Town who must pass by Shades in order to use the local facilities as they could be more vulnerable to verbal, physical or sexual assault on account of the presence of a strip club in the same locality. On a personal level, I feel less safe travelling through Old Town and using the Railways Station since Shades has been operating as a strip club.
- 4. A strip club with associations of prostitution, crime, and drug abuse increases the fear of crime among residents as well as actual crime.

I submitted an objection following Shades' previous, and unsuccessful, application for an SEV license. I believe that repeated applications by Shades are a waste of precious time and resources given the current economic climate and cuts to local authority budgets.

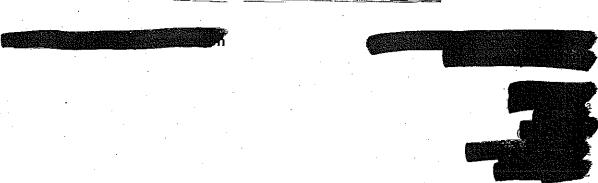
On account of the above I think that the council should set a cap for the number of SEVs in the area at nil.

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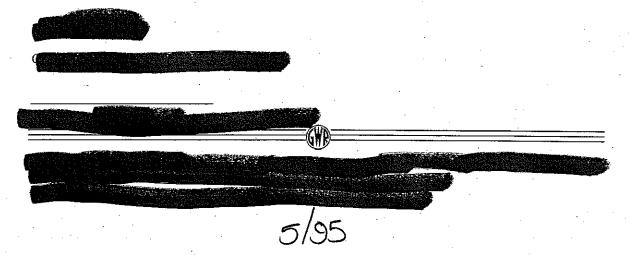
The opposition to this SEV by the Friends of Learnington Station is unchanged since we wrote in December 2010. Therefore, on behalf of the Friends of Learnington Station, I write to reiterate our objections to the Shades application for a SEV licence for the following reasons:

1. The venue is almost opposite Learnington Railway station used by an average of 5,000 passengers a day (data available from Office of Rail Regulator)¹. The advertising on the front of the building of a young woman above the words "GENTLEMANS CLUB" conveys clearly the purpose of the establishment.

We also object on the grounds that

- Shades is located directly opposite homes in Wise Street and very close to a terrace of more
 homes in Tachbrook Road. In addition a block of about 200 flats and rooms for students is
 currently under construction that is also very close by to Shades, in Tachbrook Road and opposite
 the Railway Station.
- 3. Shades is located immediately above a charity shop (Emmaus) raising funds for the homeless, and next to another charity helping patients with Alzheimer's disease.
- 4. The venue for Shades is close to a place of worship with associated social facilities (the Lord Krishna Temple and Community Centre).
- 5. The local business community is working hard, with WDC to regenerate Old Town. SEVs like Shades are not helpful to such efforts.

We trust the application by Shades will again be rejected.



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The Licensing Team Warwick District Council Riverside House Milverton Hill Royal Learnington Spa

8 January 2012

Dear Sir/Madam,

Objection to "Shades" Sexual Entertainment Venue (SEV) licence application (5 Jan 2012)

Further to my objection the last time Shades applied for an SEV licence and the sensible decision of the local authority to refuse the application, I notice in this week's Courier that another application has been made. It should be noted that I consider this secondary application as vexatious and an irresponsible waste of precious of local authority resources, especially given that we are in the midst of a recession. It also demonstrates a significant lack of respect for the Regulatory Committee's prior decision as none of the facts have changed from the last attempt.

My prior submission was made solely on business grounds, but this time I wish to object in an additional capacity as a concerned resident of the Old Town. I would like to lodge my objection to this application on grounds relating to the 'uses to which nearby premises are put' and 'character of the local area.'

For some time I have worked as an Assistant Manager of a wine retailer located in the Old Town. As a case seller of quality and fine wine brands, our business relies upon a high footfall of customers who are prepared to spend a relatively substantial sum in each transaction. We thrive on attracting what is described in the industry as the "John Lewis" customer. Since having opened a branch in the Old Town we have endeavoured to entice as much business as possible but given our location we face a challenge due to the comparatively low number of shoppers present. In addition, the Old Town area suffers from an economically and socially disadvantaged image which needs to be turned around.

Like many other businesses in the area, our store depends on the "family and couple" trade to thrive, as well as attracting professionals. Since my last objection in late 2010, I

have noticed more local units open which cater to this aspect of the retail market, such as a tailor's shop, a new jewellery shop and a home furnishings/ornaments shop. These are the types of businesses that the Old Town needs more of, not the sex industry.

For too long this part of town has been tarnished with an image of social decline, crime and sleaze. Even though the licence was refused to Shades in June last year, I notice the distasteful pink and black sign is still stuck to the side of the building which describes the venue as a "Gentleman's Club" – i.e. the marketer's spin for the sex industry. To the general passer by, nothing has changed and I question if the Regulatory Committee's decision achieved anything to enhance the image of the area as intended.

When I attended the prior SEV hearing in June 2011, I was asked whether customers commented on the presence of a strip club close by, as the club is open in the evening when we hold wine tastings. I replied that it would be an inappropriate topic of conversation – which aptly demonstrates the problem posed by Shades. It is so unseemly in what it represents to polite members of the public (and therefore our potential customers) that it would present an awkward and distasteful topic and would certainly not embellish our aspirations to cater to the John Lewis customer. Our business nor that of others should not be penalised because of irresponsible strip club owners who see no problem in bringing down the reputation of the entire area with an image of sleaze. The character of the area is key to our success and all the other struggling local businesses.

It would be economically advantageous to improve the public perception of Old Town as an attractive shopping and leisure destination. If the sex industry is permitted to establish itself as a permanent feature here, then the long term economic prospects of respectable and family-friendly stores such as ours are diminished. The permanent removal of operators of the sex industry such as Shades would work to clean up the image of Old Town to be a safe and welcoming place for everyone.

A good place to start in addition to refusing the application would be to require that the large pink and black sign is removed. This would send a clear message that the local authority understands the challenges faced by struggling businesses and that it is committed to taking steps to improve the character of the area.

I further noted at the June 2011 hearing that the legal representative for Shades commented upon an apparent lack of residents present at the hearing. Whilst the obvious reason for their absence at a meeting held at school closing time on a weekday would be work and family commitments, I feel the need to counter any suggestions made by Shades' legal counsel that residents are somehow not bothered by the presence of the sex industry metres away from their homes.

I am also a resident of the Old Town. The very last thing I want close to where I live is a strip club – it is the antithesis of a family friendly area for people to live in or relatives to visit. It devalues homes and reflects unfairly on residents who often do not know about such a place setting up next door until it is too late. Indeed, I wonder how many of the

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councillors on the Regulatory Committee would be content to live beside a strip club and experience that kind of life for their family. Old Town residents deserve better than this.

As for submissions that Shades has been a "well run" strip club in the past, this does absolutely nothing to change the fact that a lap dancing club remains to be part of the sex industry irrespective of how it is managed. The suggestion that the management of the club should be some kind of justification for its presence confounds belief – the law is clear on how the sex industry is defined, and it does not draw grey lines around parts of the industry which are purportedly "well run." No matter how hard the legal counsel for Shades may try, it cannot change the reality of what its client does to make money and the unsuitability of this "business" for such a densely populated residential area.

Whilst I do not have children yet, I greatly empathise with any father who is unfortunate enough to live close to the sex industry and it is certainly not something that any family with children should have to tolerate. The safety of young women and girls especially should be considered in this decision. The safety, welfare and wholesome upbringing that all children should have would be greatly threatened by the presence of a sex establishment — which is exactly the principle that the new law embodies. The prior refusal which referenced the proximity of a dense residential area should be upheld to protect the very under-represented, vulnerable child stakeholders the law envisaged as being most at risk from sex establishments.



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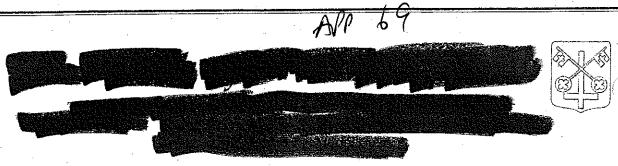
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Dear Sir or Madam,

25/1/2012

As a resident of Leamington Spa I wish to lodge an objection to the application for a Sex Establishment License at Shades, on the High Street. The bar backs onto a number of residential areas and, situated as it is on the corner of Tachbrook road and Old Warwick road, it lies directly on the main pedestrian access between these areas of residence and the town centre. This means that anyone walking to and from town from these residential areas would have to walk passed Shades, and may feel intimidated or threatened by the general ambiance and atmosphere generated by such an establishment and its clientele.

In particular, members of the Bizz health and fitness Gym, situated on the corner of Spencer Street and Lower Avenue, may be adversely affected. Bizz seems to target and cater especially for female membership (for example they have a ladies gym) and the club is open most evenings up until 9:30 in the evening.

I would also question the appropriateness of granting such a license to an establishment that is situated so close to the Shree Krishna Hindu temple.

More generally, I feel strongly that the establishment of such a venue within the town would have a negative impact on the perception of Leamington as a whole; which is to say, as being a fashionable and elegant regency town with a rich heritage and history, beautiful gardens and architecture, not to mention its "Royal" designation.

It would be a shame if, as virtually the first thing that a visitor to Leamington alighting at the train station is met with, is the sight of an adult entertainment bar.



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The Leamington Labour Councillors believe that a sex establishment is inappropriate in this area of South Leamington. Shades is in a busy area of the town, which many adults and children frequently and regularly use for access to the station, shops, schools, colleges and work. It is a residential area, and one where there are some very vulnerable people living. There is some new student accommodation about to be opened opposite the station, and it is completely inappropriate that students coming to live in Leamington from all parts of the UK and abroad, should have a sex establishment close by. It makes young students very vulnerable to those who might prey on visitors to such an establishment, and is an extremely bad and offensive sight to students and their families. It is not how we wish people to see our town when they visit, or arrive at the station.

It is a well used and highly populated area of Leamingon, through which residents from our various cultural and religious groups pass regularly. A sex establishment is abhorrent to all religions. It is unlikely that a proposal would be made to site such an establishment close to a Parish Church, and therefore should not be allowed close to a Hindu Temple. A number of charities are based in Clements Street, and users and staff of these agencies would find the presence of a sex establishment both threatening and offputting. This could have a very negative effect on their ability to attract volunteers.

Many organisations, funded by Local Councils, and by National Grants have worked hard over the last forty years to improve the reputation of the area. The proposed establishment would jeopardise this work. New businesses starting in the area, or considering starting in the area, are unlikely to see this as an enhancement of the area. We are very keen to continue to develop the South of the town, to be seen as both family friendly, and business friendly. A development as proposed would undoubtedly give the area of the town a dirty feel, and attract those who are undesirable to our area. The local police have worked hard to deal with drug users and dealers, and this development is likely to undo that progress. Allowing the proposal to go ahead would show a disregard for the respect and dignity the area needs, and is not welcomed by councillors or residents. The proposers clearly have no regard for the area, and must believe local people will not object. But they have chosen to focus on the poorer area of town, and we have no doubt they would not have proposed it in the north of the town. It is a demeaning prospect to all residents, and particularly to women, and we believe it should not be allowed.

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Date...16th January 2012......

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Please attach supporting documents / further pages as necessary -

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I am highly concerned that such activity is being planned for in the area in which I live.

The premises in question are close to a number of nurseries, a dance school, health services, places of worship and shops etc which young children access on a daily basis & above all it is in a densely populated residential area with a diverse population including families with young children and many potentially vulnerable residents.

As it is by a major bus stop and the town's railway station, many people including a large number of young women have to pass the premises at all hours: it surely raises the prospect of their possible harassment or worse (including violence) if having to passing an establishment hosting such activity.

In recent years the character of the area has made a number of steps towards improving its image & ambience including the closure of an unlicensed sex shop, the opening of an up market music venue and it would be a highly retrograde step if such a sleazy activity as is proposed was reintroduced after the previous application for a SEV at the premises was disallowed last year. I am often saddened by negative aspects of the area and when initiatives to regenerate it do not take root. It is therefore all the more vital at a time of some gains both to consolidate any progress and by preventing its sliding back into an area already stigmatised as one where "anything goes". This is an opportunity to send a clear signal to those wishing to set up anti-social businesses that Old Town is no longer a place where they are welcome. Equally one might take note of the progress in social attitudes whereby the dangers of the sexualisation of young women are being more & more widely recognised and the acceptance that participation in the sex industries is fundamentally exploitative in nature: issuing a licence such as the one being sought would unfortunately signal to the local & wider communities that such realisation was not accepted locally & further be of detriment to the local reputation. This of course would help drive away custom from the many decent local businesses which are already under pressure from the recession and which are dependent on family custom and on people from outside Old Town being prepared to enter the area.

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I am a female University student living in close proximity to Shades.

The bus stop directly outside Shades is my most convenient stop. Because of my extra-curricular activities I often arrive into Learnington at that stop after 10pm (within Shades operating hours). I have often felt vulnerable walking by the entrance to Shades because of the sex-establishment nature of the club.

I frequent the building opposite Shades as some close friends live there. After-dark, especially when the club is open, I call my male friend to come down to the bus stop to meet me before walking past Shades. I will always ask male friends to walk me to my house after 9.30pm because I feel very vulnerable in this area.

The recent sexual attacks in Leamington do not put me any more at ease. I have been assaulted once before (the details of which I do not wish to disclose), and so I am more alert and feel vulnerable to the potential type of customer Shades is likely to attract.

I feel very strongly that Shades should not be granted a license as a Sex Establishment.

Signed	 		
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Please return this form when completed to:

Warwick District Council Licensing, Riverside House, Milverton Hill, Royal Leamington Spa. CV32 5HZ

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I object to the grant of a Sex Establishment Licence for Shades at 6a High Street, Leamington Spa.

I consider that a sex industry establishment of the nature of Shades would be quite inappropriate in a part of Learnington Spa where private residential streets would be close by, Crown Terrace, Wise Street (which is a cul de sac with only one access, close by Shades), Tachbrook Road and Gas Street off Tachbrook Road are all in close proximity. So also will be the student accommodation being built opposite Learnington Spa railway station.

In the near vicinity are premises providing services for groups that should not be Submitted to the risks that inevitably are linked with establishments of the sex industry such as Shades. I am thinking of infants and toddlers accompanying their parents visiting Sure Start Drop In on Clemens Street, together with the two nurseries in Spencer Street. The nearby bus stop and railway station itself bring into the immediate area a very wide Range of people who would have to walk straight past Shades, a situation that is unacceptable.

Separately, there is the Hindu Temple and community centre, very close by Shades on the High Street, a place of worship which should be shown respect and not subjected to the presence of Shades virtually on its doorstep.

We should be making every effort to improve the area and encourage its use by as many people as possible, of all ages and backgrounds. The presence of the strip club Shades runs completely to this.

Signed....

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Leamington Spa is a town which needs to improve the profile and image of its centre as an up-market and refurbished area NOT by allowing "sleazy" businesses to create a bad first impression to visitors travelling by train.

Parts of the town centre already have a reputation for being unsavory at night and this needs to be addressed and cleaned up rather than escalated by attracting more unsavory characters. As well as being a residential area many school children come through town – including our town centre all-girls school – using rail and bus links and having a strip club close by is unnecessarily intimidating and irresponsibly makes them more vulnerable to attack.

Signed	
Date	

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Community Protection Roger Jewsbury – Head of Service

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Monday, 13 February 2012

Application for a Sex Entertainment Venue by Shades, Leamington Spa

Dear,

You have made an objection to the above application. A hearing to determine the application will be held at the Town Hall, Parade, Leamington Spa at 10:00am on the 15^{th} March 2012.

If you wish to attend the hearing, you will be able to speak, but not add any new evidence. You will be able to make a short statement to amplify your written objection.

The Committee will have had chance to read your objection before the hearing.

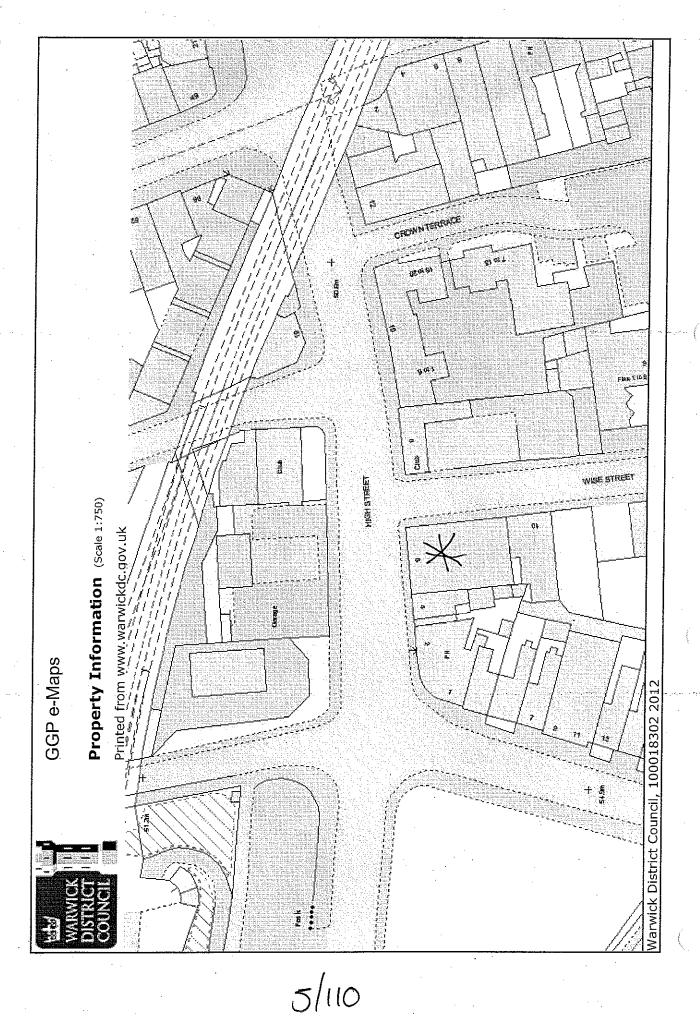
At the hearing, the applicant will outline their objection and answer questions from the Committee. You will then have your chance to speak, along with the other objectors and may be required to answer questions from the panel. The applicant will then sum up.

The Committee will then make their decision whether to grant the licence or not.

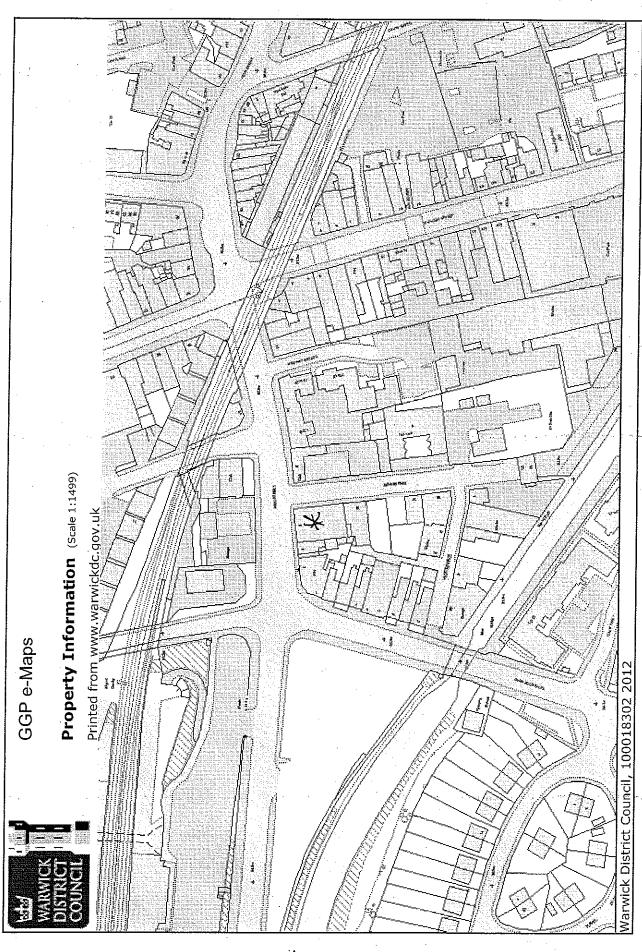
Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

David Davies FInstLM, MInstL, ABII Licensing Services Manager



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Statement of Licensing Policy for premises to be licensed as sex establishments

Background

This Statement of Licensing Policy sets out the council's requirements for premises to be licensed as sex establishments within the meaning of schedule 3 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 (as amended).

Section 2 of the Act provides that local authorities may resolve that schedule 3 will apply to their area, which has the effect of requiring premises operating as sex establishments in that authority's area to be licensed. Adoption of schedule 3 also allows the council to set terms and conditions and fees for the grant, renewal, transfer and variation of such licences and the number of licences that may be issued in the area, including nil.

Warwick District Council has not imposed any restriction on the number of licences to be issued. The fees have been published by the council since it adopted schedule 3 in July 1983.

The Policing and Crime Bill contained an amendment to schedule 3 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 replacing the existing definition of a 'sex establishment' with the definition of a 'sexual entertainment venue'. This amendment removes the exemption for premises to be licensed where a premises licence under the Licensing Act 2003, which authorises the provision of regulated entertainment, is in force.

Definitions of the different types of 'sex establishment' can be found in the Appendix A to this policy.

Warwick District Council will monitor the continuing expansion of the leisure industry, which provides an essential contribution to the local economy in jobs and revenue in the District, in order to maintain a balance between those interests and the interests of preserving the heritage of the area and protecting the interests of residents.

This 'Statement of Licensing Policy' sets out the policies that the council will generally apply when making decisions on applications. It also sets out information about the application process, what is expected of applicants and how people can make objections about applications. It also sets out the types of controls that are available to the Council when decisions are made about licence applications and explains what action can be taken if complaints are received.

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1 Introduction

- 1.1 Warwick District Council resolved to apply Schedule 3 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 in originally July 1982, and then resolved to apply the amended Schedule 3 in September 2010 ensuring that anyone wishing to operate a 'sex establishment' within the district must first obtain a licence from the council.
- 1.2 This Statement of Licensing Policy for Sex Establishments sets out the council's requirements for premises to be licensed as 'sex establishments' within the meaning of the Act (as amended).
- 1.3 The advice and guidance contained in the appendices attached to this Statement of Licensing Policy is intended only to assist readers in consulting the policy and should not be interpreted as legal advice or as constituent of Warwick District Council's Statement of Licensing Policy.
- 1.4 Readers are strongly advised to seek their own legal advice if they are unsure of the requirements of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 or schedules issued under the Act.

2 Definition of 'sex establishment'

- 2.1 A 'sex establishment' is defined under the Act as a 'sex shop', a 'sex cinema' or a 'sexual entertainment venue'. Full definitions of those terms can be found in Appendix A to this policy.
- 2.2 It includes any premises, vehicle, vessel or stall used as a sex establishment but does not apply to the sale, supply or demonstration of articles which are manufactured for use primarily for the purposes of birth control or primarily relate to birth control.

3 Location of Licensed Premises

- 3.1 The council acknowledges that a concentration of licensed premises in a particular area can result in a potential fear of crime, anti-social behaviour, noise pollution and other disturbance to residents. In such cases the amenity of local residents can be placed under severe pressure.
- 3.2 Whilst the council have not imposed a limit on the number of premises that may be licensed in any area, and whilst treating each application upon its own merits, the council will not normally licence premises that are in close proximity to: -
 - (a) a residential area;
 - (b) a school, nursery or any other premises substantially used by or for children under 16 years of age;
 - (c) a park or other recreational area used by or for children under 16 years of age;
 - (d)a church or other place of religious worship.

- 3.3 Applications in respect of premises must state the full address of the premises.

 Applications in respect of a vehicle, vessel or stall must state where it is to be used as a sex establishment.
- 3.4 The council would normally expect that applications for licences for permanent commercial premises should be from businesses with planning consent for the property concerned.

4 Making an application

- 4.1 An application for the grant, renewal, transfer or variation of a licence must be made in writing to the council in accordance with the requirements shown in Appendix B.
- 4.2 A specimen application form and notice for public advertisement is attached in Appendix C.

5 Fees

5.1 The application process involves paying a non-returnable application fee, which includes the costs for inspections of the premises and processing the application. The fees are reviewed annually against any rise in council costs of administering the licence regime.

6 Advice and Guidance

- 6.1 The council will seek to liaise with applicants and/or mediate between applicants and others who may make objections, to achieve a satisfactory outcome for all involved, wherever possible and where resources permit.
- 6.2 Where an applicant considers that mediation and liaison may be likely or probable, it is recommended that the applicant discuss his proposal with the licensing section and those from who they think objections are likely prior to submitting their application.

7 Grant, renewal or transfer of licences

- 7.1 The council may grant to any applicant and renew a licence for the use of any premises as a 'sex establishment' and will include the terms and conditions specified by the council in Appendix E, together with any other conditions that may be attached at a hearing. In the case of a 'sexual entertainment venue' any conditions attached to the premises licence issued under the Licensing Act 2003 will remain applicable to any licence issued for a 'sex establishment'
- 7.2 A licence will remain in force for one year, or such shorter period specified in the licence, unless previously cancelled or revoked.
- 7.3 Warwick District Council may, if they think fit, transfer a licence to any other person upon application by that person.

7.4 Where an application for renewal or transfer of a licence is made before the date of expiry of the existing licence, the licence shall remain in force until such time as the application has been determined.

8 Variation of licences

- 8.1 The holder of a licence may apply to the council to vary the terms, conditions or restrictions on or subject to which the licence is held.
- 8.2 The process will be similar to the application process whereby the variation requested must be advertised and consulted upon with a hearing to decide the outcome if necessary.

9 Objections

- 9.1 Objections may be made to an application by any person.
- 9.2 An objection must be in writing and state the grounds on which the objection is made.
- 9.3 Objections may only be made within the period of 28 days following the date on which the application was given to the council.
- 9.4 The council will not consider any objection that does not contain the name and address of the person making it.
- 9.5 Where objections are made the council will provide copies to the applicant. The council will not divulge the identity of the objector/s to the applicant without their permission to do so.
- 9.6 Where objections are made and not withdrawn, a hearing before the Council's Regulatory Committee will be held, unless all parties agree a hearing is unnecessary.
- 9.7 In all cases, applicants and those making objections that are genuinely aggrieved by a decision of the council are entitled to appeal to the Magistrates' Court within 21 days of receiving confirmation of the decision in writing.
- 9.8 Where no objections are made, the council will grant the licence subject to the terms and conditions shown at Appendix E

10 Determining applications

- 10.1 When considering applications, the council will have regard to:
 - (a) the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982
 - (b) any supporting regulations;
 - (c) this Statement of Licensing Policy.



- 10.2 This policy does not, however, undermine the rights of any person to apply for a licence and have the application considered on its individual merits, nor does it override the right of any person to make objections on any application where they are permitted to do so under the Act.
- 10.3 When determining applications, the council will take account of any comments made by the Chief Officer of Police as well as any other objections made. The police's comments may include, for example, the results of a community impact assessment undertaken by their architectural liaison team.
- 10.4 In all cases, the council will consider each application on its own merit.

11 Conditions

- 11.1 The council recognises that all applications should be considered on an individual basis and any condition attached to such a licence will be tailored to each individual premises.
- 11.2 No condition will be imposed that cannot be shown to be necessary.
- 11.3 The conditions that may be attached to a licence are shown in Appendix E, but this is not an exhaustive list and others may be added if thought relevant.

12 Refusal of licences

- 12.1 Except where the council are prohibited from granting, renewing, varying or transferring a licence, the council will not refuse a licence without first: -
 - Notifying the applicant or holder of the licence in writing of the reasons;
 - Giving the applicant or holder of the licence the opportunity of appearing and making representations before the council's Regulatory Committee.
- 12.2 The circumstances in which the council must or may refuse a licence are shown in Appendix F

13 Revocation of licences

- 13.1 The council may revoke a licence: -
 - on any of the grounds specified in paragraph 1 of Appendix F of this policy;
 - on either of the grounds specified in paragraph 3 (a) and (b) of Appendix F of this policy.
- 13.2 The council will not revoke a licence without first giving the holder of the licence the opportunity of appearing and making representations before the council's Regulatory Committee.

14 Cancellation of licences

- 14.1 The licence-holder may surrender the licence at any time and may request the council in writing to cancel the licence. No refund will be applicable.
- 14.2 In the event of the death of a licence-holder, the licence will be deemed to have been granted to his personal representatives and will remain in force for 3 months from the date of death, unless previously revoked.
- 14.3 Where the council are satisfied that it is necessary for the purpose of winding up the estate of the deceased licence-holder, it may extend or further extend the period in which the licence remains in force.

15 Complaints

15.1 Where possible and appropriate the council will give early warning to licence holders of any concerns about problems identified at premises and of the need for improvement.

16 Enforcement

- 16.1 Warwick District Council is responsible for the administration and enforcement of the licensing regime and will have regard to the Department of Business Enterprise & Regulatory Reform's Regulators' Compliance Code and council's own Enforcement Policy. The council will carry out its regulatory functions in a fair, open and consistent manner.
- 16.2 The council recognises the interests of both citizens and businesses and will work closely, with partners, to assist licence holders to comply with the law and the conditions attached to the licence.
- 16.3 However, proportionate but firm action will be taken against those who commit serious offences or consistently break the law or breach the conditions of the licence.

Definitions

'Sex Cinema'

- 1) A sex cinema is any premises, vehicle, vessel or stall used to a significant degree for the exhibition of moving pictures, by whatever means produced, which
 - a) are concerned primarily with the portrayal of, or primarily deal with or relate to, or are intended to stimulate or encourage
 - i) sexual activity; or
 - ii) acts of force or restraint which are associated with sexual activity; or
 - iii) are concerned primarily with the portrayal of, or primarily deal with or relate to, genital organs or urinary or excretory functions.

But does not include a dwelling-house to which the public is not admitted.

- 2) No premises shall be treated a sex cinema by reason only
 - a) If they may be used for an exhibition of a film (within the meaning of paragraph 15 of schedule 1 of the Licensing Act 2003) by virtue of an authorisation (within the meaning of section 136 of that Act), of their use in accordance with that authorisation; or
 - b) Of their use for an exhibition to which section 6 of that Act (certain non-commercial exhibitions) applies given by an exempted organisation within the meaning of section 6 (6) of the Cinemas Act 1985.

'Sex Shop'

- A sex shop means any premises, vehicle, vessel or stall used for a business which consists to a significant degree of selling, hiring, exchanging, lending, displaying or demonstrating
 - a) sex articles; or
 - b) other things intended for use in connection with, or for the purpose of stimulating or encouraging
 - i) sexual activity; or
 - ii) acts of force or restraint which are associated with sexual activity.
- 2) No premises shall be treated as a sex shop by reason only of their use for the exhibition of moving pictures by whatever means produced.

Sex Article

- 3) A sex article means—
 - a) anything made for use in connection with, or for the purpose of stimulating or encouraging—

- i) sexual activity; or
- ii) acts of force or restraint which are associated with sexual activity;
- b) anything to which sub-paragraph 4 below applies.
- 4) This sub-paragraph applies to-
 - a) any article containing or embodying matter to be read or looked at or anything intended to be used, either alone or as one of a set, for the reproduction or manufacture of any such article; and
 - b) any recording of vision or sound which-
 - is concerned primarily with the portrayal of, or primarily deals with or relates to, or
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 which are associated with sexual activity; or
 - ii) is concerned primarily with the portrayal of, or primarily deals with or relates to, genital organs, or urinary or excretory functions.

'Sexual Entertainment Venue'

A 'Sexual Entertainment Venue' is any premises at which relevant entertainment is provided before a live audience for the financial gain of the organiser or the entertainer.

- 1) In this paragraph relevant entertainment means
 - a) any live performance; or
 - b) any live display of nudity;

which is of such a nature that, ignoring financial gain, it must reasonably be assumed to be provided solely or principally for the purpose of sexually stimulating any member of the audience (whether by verbal or other means).

- 2) The following are not sex encounter venues:
 - a) sex cinemas and sex shops;
 - b) premises at which relevant entertainment is provided as mentioned in sub-paragraph
 (1) no more than eleven times within 12 months, not longer than 24 hours on each occasion and more than one month between each event; or
 - c) premises specified or described in an order made by the relevant national authority
- 3) The relevant national authority may by order amend or repeal paragraph 3(b) above
- 4) For the purposes of this Schedule references to the use of any premises as a sexual entertainment venue are to be read as references to their use by the organiser.
- 5) Other definitions:

'audience' includes an audience of one;

"relevant entertainment" means any live performance or any live display of nudity which is of such a nature that, ignoring financial gain, it must reasonably be assumed to be provided solely or principally for the purpose of sexually stimulating any member of the audience (whether by verbal or other means).

"display of nudity" means—

- (a) in the case of a woman, exposure of her nipples, pubic area, genitals or anus; and
- (b) in the case of a man, exposure of his pubic area, genitals or anus; "the organiser", in relation to the provision of relevant entertainment at premises, means
- any person who is responsible for the organisation or management of—
 - (a) the relevant entertainment; or
 - (b) the premises;

"premises" includes any vessel, vehicle or stall but does not include any private dwelling to which the public is not admitted;

"relevant national authority" means— in relation to England, the Secretary of State; and for the purposes of sub-paragraphs (1) and (2) it does not matter whether the financial gain arises directly or indirectly from the performance or display of nudity."

Requirements for applying for grant, variation, transfer or renewal of a sex establishment licence

Grant of a licence

- 1) To apply for the grant of a sex establishment licence an applicant must:
 - a) send the council:
 - i) a completed application form;
 - ii) a plan to the scale of 1:100 of the premises to which the application relates;
 - iii) the fee;
 - b) display a notice on or near the premises;
 - c) advertise the application in a local newspaper;
 - d) send a copy of the application and plan to the Chief Officer of Police, Warwickshire Police Licensing Team, Police Station, Priory Road, Warwick, CV34 4NA, at the same time as submitting the application to the council.

Plan requirements

- 2) The plan must show:
 - a) the extent of the boundary of the building, if relevant, and any external and internal walls of the building and, if different, the perimeter of the premises;
 - b) the location of points of access to and egress from the premises;
 - c) the location of escape routes from the premises;
 - d) fixed structures (including furniture) or similar objects temporarily in a fixed location (but not furniture) which may impact on the ability of individuals on the premises to use exits or escape routes without impediment;
 - e) in a case where the premises includes a stage or raised area, the location and height of each stage or area relative to the floor;
 - f) in a case where the premises includes any steps, stairs, elevators or lifts, the location of the steps, stairs, elevators or lifts;
 - g) in the case where the premises includes any room or rooms containing public conveniences, the location of the room or rooms;
 - h) the location and type of any fire safety and any other safety equipment including, if applicable, marine safety equipment; and
 - i) the location of a kitchen, if any, on the premises.
 - j) Any private rooms for adult entertainment
- 3) The plan may include a legend through which the matters mentioned or referred to above are sufficiently illustrated by the use of symbols on the plan.

Public notices

- 4) A notice must be displayed at or on the premises to which the application relates for a continuous period of not less than 28 consecutive days from the day following the day the application was given to the council, where it can be conveniently read from the exterior of the premises.
- 5) Where the premises cover an area of more than 50 square meters, a further identical notice must be displayed every 50 metres along the external perimeter of the premises abutting any highway.
- 6) The notice must be on pale pink paper sized A4 or larger and printed legibly in black ink or typed in black in a font size equal to or larger than 16.
- 7) The notice must state:
 - a) details of the application and activities that it is proposed will be carried on or from the premises,
 - b) the full name of the applicant,
 - the postal address of the premises, or in the case where there is no postal address, a
 description of the premises sufficient to enable the location and extent of the premises
 to be identified,
 - d) the date, which should be shown as the day after the application is submitted.
 - e) That it is an offence knowingly or recklessly to make a false statement in connection with an application and the maximum fine (£5000) for which a person is liable on summary conviction for the offence.
- 8) A similar notice must be published in a local newspaper or similar document within 7 days of giving the application to the council.
- 9) A sample public notice is show as Appendix D

Variation of a licence

- 10) The holder of a licence may apply at any time for any variation of the terms, conditions or restrictions on or subject to which the licence is held.
- 11) The process of applying for a variation is the same as that for applying for an initial grant except that a plan of the premises is not required unless the application involves structural alterations to the premises.

Renewal of a licence

- 12) The holder of a licence may apply for renewal of the licence. In order for the licence to continue to have effect during the renewal process, a valid application together with the appropriate fee must be submitted *before the current licence expires*.
- 13) The process of applying for renewal of a licence is the same as that for applying for an initial grant except that a plan of the premises is not required.

Transfer of a licence

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- 14) A person may apply for transfer of a licence at any time.
- 15) The process of applying for transfer of a licence is the same as that for applying for an initial grant except that a plan of the premises is not required.



APPLICATION FOR GRANT / RENEWAL / VARIATION / TRANSFER* OF A SEX ESTABLISHMENT LICENCE

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 fo	r your	records.
I/	We			
(Ins	sert r	name/s of applicant/s – please read guidance r	note 1)	
for sch	the	or the Grant / Renewal / Variation / Transpremises described in Part 1 below (the ple 3 of the Local Government (Miscellaneory)	remis	es) in accordance with
Par	t 1 -	Premises Details (Please read guidance not	te 2)	
Post	tal ac	ddress (including trading name, post code and	teleph	one number of premises)
Par	t 2 -	Applicant Details		,
Plea	se st	ate whether you are applying for a licence as		
,				ulana amulaha mentian (A.O.C.)
a)		individual or individuals *		please complete section (A & C)
b)	ар	erson other than an individual *		
	i.	as a limited company		please complete all sections
	ii.	as a partnership		please complete all sections
	iii	as an unincorporated association or		please complete all sections
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iv other (for exampl	e a statutory corpo	ration) 🗌 please	complete all sections			
(A) Individual Applicant Details (Please read guidance note 3)						
Mr Mrs	Miss 🗌 Ms	☐ Other Title				
Family Name		First names				
			•			
Date of birth						
Current postal address including post code						
	-					
Telephone number	·		· ·			
E-mail address						
National Insurance No.						
Telephone number						
E-mail address						
(Continue on separate page i	f necessary)					
(B) Other Applicants (Cor	mpany, etc.)					
Please provide name and registered address of applicant in full. Where appropriate please give any registered number.						
Name						
Address including post cod	de					
Registered number						
Description of applicant (e.g. partnership, company	γ,					

etc.)	
Telephone number	
E-mail address	

(C) Description of Trading Activity

The premises will trade as:							
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A Se	x Cinema		A Sex Shop		A Sexual entertainment venue		
I would like the premises will trade on the following days and between the following times:							
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	
From	From	From	From	From	From	From	
То	То	То	То	То	То	То	

(D) Licensing History

Has any person or the corporate or unincorporated body referred to in this application: ${\color{blue}\textbf{-}}$

Been disqualified from holding a licence for a sex establishment?	
Been refused the grant / renewal / transfer of a licence for a sex establishment?	
Been the holder of a sex establishment licence when that licence has been revoked?	
If 'Yes' to any of the above please provide details:	

Part 3 - Declaration

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I/We:						
Please tick yes						
•	Enclose the fee (Please make payable to Warwick District Council)					
•	Enclose evidence of identity containing a photograph in respect of each individual applicant / partner / director, as applicable					
•	Enclose either a criminal conviction certificate or criminal record certificate or the results of a subject access search of the police national computer by the National Identification Service					
	Understand that if the above requirements have not been complied with my application will be rejected					
9	Understand that the information given may be used in conjunction with other authorities for the prevention and detection of fraud, and will be held on computer, subject to the Data Protection Act 1998.					
9	Confirm that the information supplied in this application is true to the best of my / our knowledge and belief.					
IT IS AN OFFENCE, LIABLE ON CONVICTION TO A FINE NOT EXCEEDING LEVEL 5 ON THE STANDARD SCALE, TO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT IN OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS APPLICATION						
(C)	Signatures (Please read guidance note 4)					
Sign	ature of applicant.					
Signature/s						
Date						
Capa	city					

(D) Contact Details (Please read guidance note 5)

Contact name	·
Contact postal address including post code	
Telephone number (if any)	
E-mail address (optional)	

Notes for Guidance

- 1) Insert the name/s of individual applicant/s or partners or the trading name under which the business operates.
- 2) Include the postal address, including name by which the premises that is to be used as a sex establishment is to be known.
- 3) The full name, date of birth and home address of each individual applicant/partner/director must be supplied together with photographic evidence of identity, e.g. a certified copy of passport or driving licence, and either a criminal conviction certificate (issued under section 112 Police Act 1997), a criminal record certificate (issued under section 113A Police Act 1997) or the results of a subject access search under the Data Protection Act 1998 (b) of the Police National Computer by the National Identification Service.
- 4) The application form must be signed. Where there is more than one applicant, all applicants must sign the application form.
- 5) This is the address that we shall use to correspond with you about this application.
- 6) A plan of the premises must be submitted with the application, drawn to a scale of 1:100 showing all external and internal doors and windows and the position of counters, display stands, booths, video / tv / film screens, exhibition areas, dance / performance / stage areas fixed seating and tables, bars / counters from which refreshments are available and private rooms.
- 7) Copies of the application together with a plan of the premises must be submitted to: -
 - Community Protection, Licensing, Warwick District Council, Riverside House, Milverton Hill, Royal Leamington Spa, CV32 5HZ
 - Chief Officer of Police, Warwickshire Police Licensing Team, Police Station, Priory Road, Warwick, CV34 4NA
- 8) A notice containing details of the application must be advertised on the premises to which the application relates for a continuous period of not less than 28 days from the day following the day on which it was given to the licensing authority, in a position from which it can be conveniently read by members of the public.
- 9) A notice containing details of the application must be published in a newspaper circulating in the local vicinity of the premises within 7 days of the application be given to the licensing authority.
- 10) Fees can be obtained via the council's website or by contacting Licensing Services, Warwick District Council at licensing@warwickdc.gov.uk

Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982

Sex Establishment Licence

Public Notice

[Name of person applying for licence] is applying to Warwick District Council for a [sex cinema/sex shop/sexual entertainment venue] licence at [name and address of premises]

Any person wishing to make representations in relation to this application may do so by writing to:

Licensing Authority

Warwick District Council

Riverside House

Milverton Hill

Royal Leamington Spa

Warwickshire CV32 5HZ



Representations may be made for 28 consecutive days from the date of this Notice.

A copy of the application for the grant of the above licence is kept by the Licensing Authority at the above address. The application can be viewed Monday to Thursday 9.00 am to 5.00 pm, and 9.00 am to 4.30 pm on Fridays, except Bank Holidays.

It is an offence knowingly or recklessly to make a false statement in connection with an application. The maximum fine for which a person is liable on summary conviction for making a false statement is a Level 5 fine on the Standard Scale.

[Date] – This must show the day after the day that the application was received by the Licensing Authority

Appendix E

Conditions

Access to premises

1) Access must be afforded at all reasonable times to authorised officers of the council and the police and fire services.

Hours of Opening

- 2) The hours that a sex shop may open to the public are from 0930 1800hrs on weekdays (Monday to Saturday).
- 3) A Sex Shop shall not open on Sundays, Christmas Day or Good Friday.

Management and Staffing of the Licensed Premises

- 4) Where the licensee is a body corporate or an unincorporated body any change of director, company secretary or other person responsible for in the management of the body is to be notified in writing to the council within fourteen days of such change and such written details as the council may require in respect of any new director secretary or manager are to be furnished within fourteen days of a request in writing from the council.
- 5) A person shall only be approved for the purposes of the foregoing condition if the council considers him or her to be a suitable person to have control of the premises.
- 6) At all times during which the premises are open to the public, one or more approved persons shall be present on the premises and shall be responsible for their management.
- 7) No person under the age of 18 shall be admitted to the licensed premises or employed by the licensee to work at the licensed premises.
- 8) The licensee shall ensure that no part of the licensed premises shall be used by prostitutes (male or female) for soliciting or for any immoral purposes.
- 9) Neither the licensee nor any employee or other person shall seek to obtain custom for the licensed premises by means of personal solicitation, by means of flyers, handouts or any like thing, outside or in the vicinity of the licensed premises.
- 10) The copy of the licence and these conditions shall be displayed in accordance with paragraph 14(1) of Schedule 3 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 in a conspicuous position at the premises for the customers to see.

External Appearance



- 11) No advertisements or other notices or items shall be displayed so as to be visible from the exterior of the premises, subject to conditions 13 and 14.
- 12) The council shall approve the design of the front elevation of the establishment
- 13) As a general rule the name of the premises shall be of an uncontentious nature
- 14) The exterior and entrance to the licensed premises shall be suitably screened so as to prevent any part of the interior being visible from outside the shop.
- 15) On the external facing of the inner door, there shall be displayed a notice in accordance with the requirements of the Indecent Displays (Control) Act 1981 namely:

"WARNING

Persons passing beyond this notice will find material or activities on display which they may consider indecent. No admittance to persons under 18 years of age"

Maintenance and Repair

- 16) The licensee shall maintain the licensed premises in good order, repair and state of cleanliness at all times, which will include the need to maintain the front and rear of the premises in a clean and tidy condition
- 17) The licensee shall take appropriate measures to ensure that refuse and discarded sex articles or waste stock from the premises are kept secure from public accessibility pending removal from site.
- 18) The licensee shall comply with any fire prevention and safety measures that may be required by the Fire Authority.

General

- 19) No part of the premises shall be let
- 20) Any breach of the conditions above may result in the licence being revoked and the licensee being prosecuted, where appropriate.

Refusals and revocations of licences

- 1. The council must refuse to grant or transfer a licence to: -
 - (a) A person under the age of 18;
 - (b) A person who is for the time being disqualified from holding a licence;
 - (c) A person who is not resident in the United Kingdom or was not so resident throughout the period of 6 months immediately preceding the date upon which the application was made;
 - (d)A body corporate which is not incorporated in the United Kingdom;
 - (e) A person who has, within the period of 12 months immediately preceding the date upon which the application was made, been refused the grant or renewal of a licence for the premises, vehicle, vessel or stall in respect of which the application is made, unless the refusal has been reversed on appeal.
- 2. The council may refuse
 - (a) an application for grant or renewal of a licence on one or more of the grounds shown in paragraph 3 below;
 - (b) an application for transfer of a licence on either or both of the grounds shown in paragraph 3 (a) and (b) below.
- 3. The grounds for refusal are: -
 - (a) That the applicant is unsuitable the licence by reason of having been convicted of an offence or for any other reason;
 - (b) That if the licence were to be granted, renewed or transferred the business to which it relates would be managed by or carried on for the benefit of a person, other than the applicant, who would be refused the grant, renewal or transfer of such a licence if he made the application himself;
 - (c) That the number of sex establishments, or of sex establishments of a particular kind, in the relevant locality at the time the application is determined is equal to or exceeds the number which the council considers is appropriate for that locality;
 - (d) That the grant or renewal of the licence would be inappropriate having regard to:
 - i. The character of the relevant locality;
 - ii. The use to which any premises in the vicinity are put; or
 - iii. The layout, character or condition of the premises, vehicle, vessel or stall in respect of which the application is made.
- 4. Nil may be an appropriate number for the purposes of paragraph (3)(c) above.