

LICENSING SUB – COMMITTEE

10 September 2007

Report of the Head of Legal Services

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Application **Provisional statement (Gambling Act 2005):**

57 Stoney Lane, Weeke, Winchester

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Part A.**1. Application**

Applicant: Coral Racing Ltd

Premises: 57 Stoney Lane, Weeke, Winchester

- 1.1 This application is for the grant of a Provisional Statement under Section 204 of the Gambling Act 2005.
- 1.2 The purpose of the application is for the premises to be converted from a video shop into a betting shop, and allow the applicant to apply for a Premises Licence after the work is completed.
- 1.3 Notice of the application was displayed outside of the premises for a period of 28 days until 27 June 2007, and advertised in the Hampshire Chronicle on 5 July 2007.
- 1.4 Coral Racing Ltd has applied to the Gambling Commission for an Operator's Licence under the Act.
- 1.5 There have been no representations from the Responsible Authorities, however there have been a large number of representations from Interested Parties relating to the objective concerning the protection of children and other vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling. These representations are shown at Appendix 2.
- 1.6 In light of the representations, Coral Racing wrote to the Interested Parties on 29 August 2007. A copy of this letter is shown at Appendix 1 with the application.
- 1.7 Some of the representations have been discounted as they were not relevant, or the party does not reside in the vicinity of the premises. There are eight relevant representations attached to this report.
- 1.8 A Provisional Statement ensures that a Premises Licence will be granted with the mandatory and default conditions, and any additional conditions. Representations for such a grant can not be considered unless they could not have been made at the time of the application for the provisional statement.
- 1.9 Notices of hearing were sent to all parties on 23 August 2007.

Relevant Representations**2. Responsible Authorities**

All of the Responsible Authorities have been served with a copy of the application and make the following representations:

Director of Communities

No representations received.

Hampshire Constabulary

No representations received.

Hampshire Fire and Rescue Service

No representations received.

Child Protection Team

No representations received.

Director of Development

No representations received.

H M Revenue and Customs

No representations received.

Gambling Commission

No representations received

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No representations received.

3. Interested Parties

Rev	Kate	Cambridge
Ms	Sarah	Coulbeck
Revd	Terry	Roberts
Mrs	Stella	Roberts
Ms	Katy	Warr
Mr	Andy	Coulbeck
Ms	Sarah	Mitchell
Ms	Phrynette	Dickens

4. Observations

The Sub-Committee is obliged to determine this application with a view to promoting the Licensing Objectives:

- Preventing gambling from being a source of crime or disorder, being associated with crime or disorder or being used to support crime,
- ensuring that gambling is conducted in a fair and open way, and
- protecting children and other vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling.

In making its decision, the Sub-Committee is also obliged to have regard to the National Guidance and the Council's Statement of Principles.

The Sub-Committee must have regard to all of the representations.

The Sub-Committee must take such of the following steps it considers necessary to promote the Licensing Objectives:

1. Grant the application.
2. Reject the application.

Human Rights

It is considered that Articles 6 (right to a fair trial) 8 (right to respect for private and family life) and Article 1 of the First Protocol (right to peaceable enjoyment of possessions) may be relevant. As there is a right of appeal to the Magistrates' Court, it is considered that there would be no infringement of Article 6. Article 8 is relevant, insofar as the nearby residents could claim that this right would be infringed by disturbance from customers. This should be balanced against the applicants' right to use of their premises under Article 1 of the First Protocol. Interference with these rights is permitted, where this interference is lawful, necessary in a democratic society, and proportionate. Likewise, the residents may argue that their rights under Article 1 of the First Protocol would be infringed. If conditions are imposed, there should be no interference with any convention rights. To the extent that any interference may occur, it would be justifiable in a democratic society, and proportionate.

5. Conditions

Mandatory and default conditions are attached to a Provisional Statement, and transferred to the Premises Licence when granted.

These conditions are shown at Appendix 4.

The Sub Committee may also attach further conditions to address the Licensing Objectives, or exclude a default condition if requested to do so.

6. Other Considerations

Corporate Strategy (Relevance To:)

This report covers issues which affect the principles of “safer and more inclusive communities” and “safeguarding our high quality environment for the future.”

Resource Implications

A licence fee of £780 has been received. It is anticipated that an appropriate level of officer attendance will be provided within the existing budget.

Appendices

1. Application by Coral Racing Ltd.
2. Representations by Interested Parties
3. Map of premises location.
4. Mandatory and default conditions.

Application for a provisional statement under the Gambling Act 2005

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

If you are completing this form by hand, please write legibly in block capitals using ink. Use additional sheets if necessary (marked with the number of the relevant question). You may wish to keep a copy of the completed form for your records.

Where the application is in respect of a vessel the application should be made on the relevant form for that type of premises

Part 1 – Type of premises to which the application relates

- Regional Casino Large Casino Small Casino
- Bingo Adult Gaming Centre Family Entertainment Centre
- Betting (Track) Betting (Other)

Part 2 – Applicant Details

If you are an individual, please fill in Section A. If the application is being made on behalf of an organisation (such as a company or partnership), please fill in Section B.

Section A

Individual applicant

1. Title: Mr Mrs Miss Ms Dr Other (please specify)

2. Surname: _____ Other name(s): _____
[Use the names given in the applicant's operating licence or, if the applicant does not hold an operating licence, as given in any application for an operating licence]

3. Applicant's address (home or business – *[delete as appropriate]*):
 Postcode: _____

4(a) The number of the applicant's operating licence (as set out in the operating licence):

4(b) If the applicant does not hold an operating licence but is in the process of applying for one, give the date on which the application was made:

5. Tick the box if the application is being made by more than one person.

[Where there are further applicants, the information required in questions 1 to 4 should be included on additional sheets attached to this form, and those sheets should be clearly marked "Details of further applicants".]

Section B

Application on behalf of an organisation

6. Name of applicant business or organisation: **Coral Racing Ltd**
[Use the names given in the applicant's operating licence or, if the applicant does not hold an operating licence, as given in any application for an operating licence.]

7. The applicant's registered or principal address:

**Glebe House
Vicarage Drive
Barking
Essex**

Postcode: **IG11 7NS**

8(a) The number of the applicant's operating licence (as given in the operating licence):

8(b) If the applicant does not hold an operating licence but is in the process of applying for one, give the date on which the application was made: **27th April 2007**
APPLICATION NUMBER: OL - 00002360

9. Tick the box if the application is being made by more than one organisation.

[Where there are further applicants, the information required in questions 6 to 8 should be included on additional sheets attached to this form, and those sheets should be clearly marked "Details of further applicants".]

Part 3 – Premises Details

10. Proposed trading name to be used at the premises (if known): **Coral**

11. Address of the premises (or, if none, give a description of the premises and their location):

**57 Stoney Lane
Weeke
Winchester
Hampshire
Postcode: SO22 6EW**

12. Telephone number at premises (if known): **Not known**

13. If the premises are in only a part of a building, please describe the nature of the building (for example, a shopping centre or office block). The description should include the number of floors within the building and the floor(s) on which the premises are located.

A local centre with a variety of convenience shopping outlets. The property has three floors and the betting (other) premises will occupy the ground floor only. The residential accommodation has a completely separate access.

14(a) Are the premises or proposed premises situated in more than one licensing authority area? **No**

14(b). If the answer to question 14(a) is yes, please give the names of all the licensing authorities within whose area the premises are partly located, **other than the licensing authority to which this application is made:**

Part 4 – Times of operation

15(a). Do you want the licensing authority to exclude a default condition so that the premises may be used for longer periods than would otherwise be the case? **No**

[Where the relevant kind of premises licence is not subject to any default conditions, the answer to this question will be no.]

15(b). If the answer to question 15(a) is yes, please complete the table below to indicate the times when you want the premises to be available for use under the premises licence.

	<i>Start</i>	<i>Finish</i>	<i>Details of any seasonal variation</i>
Mon			
Tue			
Wed			
Thurs			
Fri			
Sat			
Sun			

16. If you want the premises licence to have a condition restricting gambling to specific periods of the year, please state the periods below using calendar dates:

Part 5 – Miscellaneous

17(a) Does the application relate to premises or proposed premises which are part of a track or other sporting venue which already has a premises licence: **No**

17(b) If the answer to question 17(a) is yes, please confirm by ticking the box that an application to vary the main track premises licence has been submitted with this application.

18(a) Do you hold any other premises licences that have been issued by this licensing authority?

Yes
(delete as appropriate)

18 (b) If the answer question 18(a) is yes, please provide full details:

We currently trade one betting (other) premises within the boundaries of Winchester City Licensing Authority, it is located at 160 High Street Winchester.

19. Please set out any other matters which you consider to be relevant to your application:

Part 6 – Declarations and Checklist (Please tick)

I / We confirm that, to the best of my/ our knowledge, the information contained in this application is true. I/ We understand that it is an offence under section 342 of the Gambling Act 2005 to give information which is false or misleading in, or in relation to, this application. **X**

Checklist:

- Payment of the appropriate fee has been made/is enclosed **X**
- A plan of the premises or proposed premises is enclosed **X**
- I/ we understand that if the above requirements are not complied with the application may be rejected **X**
- I/ we understand that it is now necessary to advertise the application and give the appropriate notice to the responsible authorities **X**

Part 7 – Signatures

20. Signature of applicant or applicant's solicitor or other duly authorised agent. If signing on behalf of the applicant, please state in what capacity:
Signature:

Print name: B.J. Magee

Date: 27/06/2007

Capacity: Senior Development Manager

21. For joint applications, signature of 2nd applicant, or 2nd applicant's solicitor or other authorised agent. If signing on behalf of the applicant, please state in what capacity:

Signature:

Print name:

Date:

Capacity:

Where there are more than two applicants, please use an additional sheet clearly marked "Signature(s) of further applicant(s)". The sheet should include all the information requested in paragraphs 20 and 21.]

[Where the application is to be submitted in an electronic form, the signature should be generated electronically and should be a copy of the person's written signature.]

Part 8 – Contact Details

22(a) Please give the name of a person who can be contacted about the application:

John Magee

22(b) Please give one or more telephone numbers at which the person identified in question 22(a) can be contacted:

01252 350321 or 07711 460784

23. Postal address for correspondence associated with this application:

46 Station Road
Aldershot
Hampshire

Postcode: GU11 1HT

24. If you are happy for correspondence in relation to your application to be sent via e-mail, please give the e-mail address to which you would like correspondence to be sent:

John.magee@galacoral.com

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A PROVISIONAL STATEMENT (Form A)

This notice is issued in accordance with regulations made under section 160 of the Gambling Act 2005

Notice is hereby given that:

Coral Racing Ltd

of the following address:

Glebe House
Vicarage Drive
Barking
Essex

Postcode:

IG11 7NS

who applied for an operating licence on

27.04.2007 – APPLICATION NUMBER – OL- 00002360

has made an application for a provisional statement in respect of the following type of premises:

Betting (Other)

The application relates to the following premises or proposed premises:

Coral
57 Stoney Lane
Weeke
Winchester
Hampshire
SO22 6EW

The application has been made to the following licensing authority:

Winchester City Council
Licensing
City Offices
Colebrook Street
Winchester

Postcode: SO23 9LJ

Website: www.winchester.gov.uk

Information about the application is available from the licensing authority, including the arrangements for viewing the details of the application.

The following person connected with the applicant is able to give further information about the application.

John Magee – Telephone - 07711 460784

E-mail - john.magee@galacoral.com

Any representations under section 161 of the Gambling Act 2005 must be made no later than the following date: 26/07/2007

**Notice of application for a Provisional Statement
under the Gambling Act 2005**

Notice is hereby given that:

Coral Racing Ltd

of the following address:

**Glebe House
Vicarage Drive
Barking
Essex
IG11 7NS**

is applying for a provisional statement under section 204 of the Gambling Act 2005. The application relates to the following type of premises:

Betting (Other)

The application relates to the following premises:

**Coral
57 Stoney Lane
Weeke
Winchester
Hampshire
SO22 6EW**

The application has been made to: **Winchester City Council, Licensing,
City Offices, Colebrook Street, Winchester. SO23 9LJ**

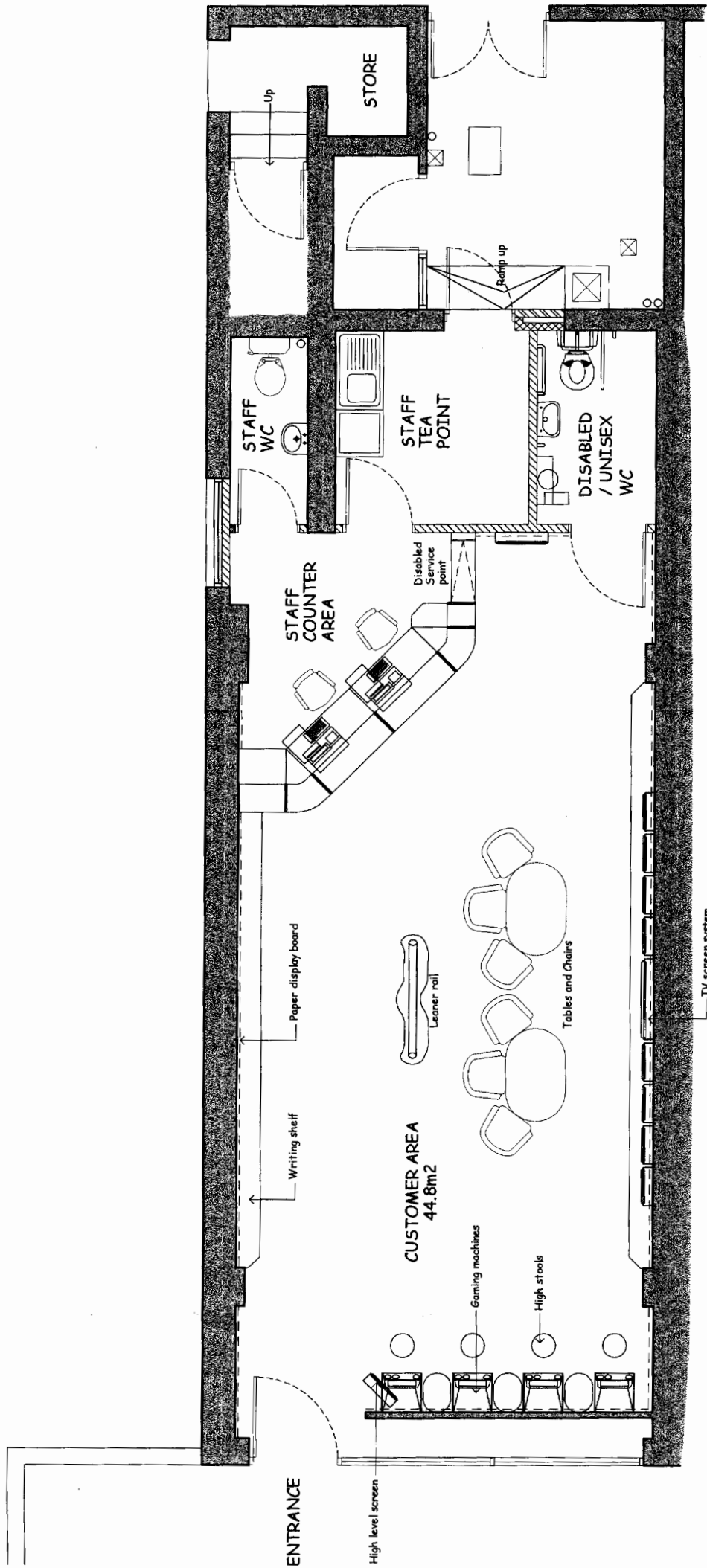
Information about the application is available from the licensing authority, including the arrangements for viewing the details of the application.

Any of the following persons may make representations in writing to the licensing authority about the application:

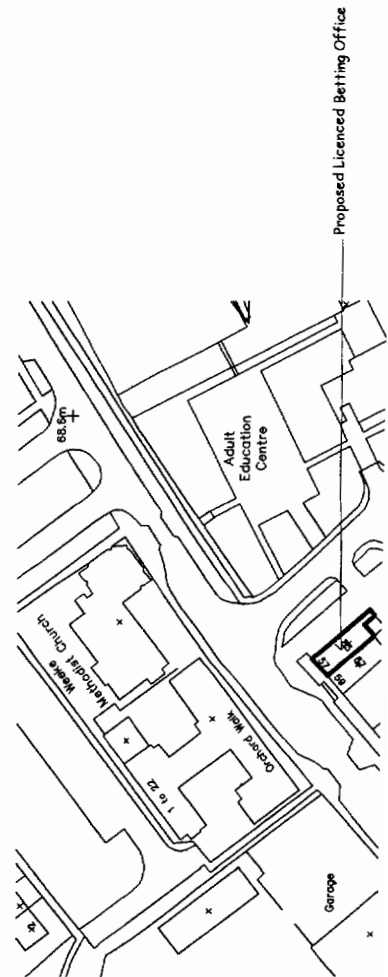
- A person who lives sufficiently close to the premises to be likely to be affected by the authorised activities
- A person who has business interests that might be affected by the authorised activities
- A person who represents someone in any of the above two categories.

Any representations must be made by the following date: **26/07/2007**

It is an offence under section 342 of the Gambling Act 2005 if a person, without reasonable excuse, gives to a licensing authority for a purpose connected with that Act information which is false or misleading.



GROUND FLOOR LAYOUT



BJM/kep

29th August 2007

**Re Application for a Provisional Statement in respect of 57 Stoney Lane
Winchester by Coral Racing Limited**

I have been sent a copy of your representations in respect of our application by Winchester City Council's Licensing Department and I read that you have concerns regarding the protection of children and other vulnerable persons from being harmed by gambling. I fully appreciate that you may know little about Coral or the way we operate and felt it would be helpful to write to you and give you a general overview of the Company and outline the steps we take to ensure that social responsibility is at the forefront of our trading agenda.

Coral Racing Limited is part of the GalaCoral Group and is currently the third largest off course bookmaker in the UK trading 1565 shops, many in parades similar to Stoney Lane and as you would expect, given the number of outlets, some are located close to churches and schools.

A brief summary of policies already in place in all of our units to protect children and other vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling are as follows :-

1.0 Protecting minors

Coral Racing Limited operates a strict "No under 18's" policy in all of our shops. Our staff are trained to challenge those who they believe to be underage with the onus being on the customer to prove that they are 18 or over. In addition a statutory notice confirming that Under 18's are not

allowed on the premises is prominently displayed close by the entrance of all Coral shops. If a child is brought into one of our shops by a parent or guardian the regulations will be explained to the adult and they will be politely asked to leave the shop.

In addition from 1st September we will adopt the 'Think 21' scheme where anyone appearing to be under the age of 21 will be challenged by a member of staff. If an acceptable form of ID is not produced the customer will be refused service and asked to leave.

The only acceptable forms of ID bear the holders photograph and date of birth such as a Driving Licence or Passport. We will also accept identity documents that bear the PASS logo, (for example a Citizens card) providing that the card issuer has been approved by Trading Standards appears on the identity document.

Historically we have had a small number of other locations where local residents have raised concerns in respect of the potential for underage gambling and where appropriate we have taken the extra precaution, installing external CCTV in addition to the our standard specification internal CCTV. In addition local staff receive regular briefings to reinforce our policy in respect of Under 18's. We also instigate an incident book to note any instances when we have approached any person we believe may be under the age of 18 who has entered the unit. This allows the Area Manager to review the CCTV on his regular visits to the shop to ensure that any incident has been dealt with in the appropriate manner by the staff on duty. I have enclosed a plan showing the proposed layout of the shop and you will note that all betting areas and the front door are clearly visible from the counter area.

I should advise you that a copy of our application for Stoney Lane was lodged with both the Police and Local safeguarding Children Board for Hampshire and neither body has made any representation in respect of our application.

2.0 Protecting the vulnerable

In October 2004 Coral was awarded the Gamcare* Certificate of Social Responsibility in recognition of the Company's high standards of socially responsible practices.

GamCare (National Association for Gambling Care Educational Resources & Training) takes a non-judgemental approach on gambling. They do not wish to restrict the choices or opportunities for anyone to operate or engage in gambling opportunities that are available legally and operated responsibly.

GamCare is a registered charity that has become the leading authority on the provision of information, advice and practical help in addressing the social impact of gambling.

It is standard Coral practice to ensure adequate stock levels of Gamcare leaflets are maintained in the shop and that leaflets are displayed on the counter and in the shop. Staff are briefed to direct customers towards Gamcare if they ask for help with a gambling problem.

Coral Racing Ltd also operates a voluntary self-exclusion policy, whereby a customer can request to be refused entry to one or more of our shops for a period of six months. After this time the request may be reviewed and the customer can request to extend the exclusion for another period, or decide that further exclusion is unnecessary. Customer self-exclusion forms are kept on the premises at all times.

Every Coral Shop Manager attended a Social Responsibility Training Programme led by their Regional Manager in 2004. This has been repeated in 2007, prior to the change in legislation to reemphasise the importance the Company places on trading in an ethical manner.

The aim of the training is to ensure that every staff member understands their responsibilities. The recurring message of these briefings was that for a small minority gambling can become a problem and that Coral has a commitment to protect and assist that minority.

Staff are advised of the warning signs of problem gambling, for example, is the customer chasing losses, displaying anxiety or being argumentative and if they consider it safe to do so will intervene to offer Gamcare support or self exclusion.

Any incidents that take place in the shop are recorded on a Shop Register and Head Office is advised.

3.0 Compliance

Premises Licences are renewed annually and the premises may be inspected by the following official bodies, Police, Gambling Commission, Local Licensing Authority, an Environmental Health Officer and Fire Brigade. Visits will be to ensure that we are complying with the Gambling Act 2005 Licensing Objectives failure to do so could result in the loss of our Premises Licence, so I am sure you will understand why we put such an emphasis on protecting children and vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling.

I can confirm that Coral Racing Limited has held a Bookmakers Permit since 1961 and has applied for it to be converted to an Operator Licence under the Gambling Act 2005, both confirm that Coral has been thoroughly vetted and is considered a fit and proper company to operate betting shops.

Hopefully my letter will allay your fears but if I have not answered any of the concerns you have please do not hesitate contact me or conversely I would be happy meet with you discuss our application in more detail.

Assuring you of our most courteous attention at all times

Yours sincerely

John Magee
Senior Development Manager

CC
Licensing Department Winchester City Council
Philip Day

WESLEY METHODIST CHURCH

Fromond Road, Weeke, Winchester, Hants

Minister : Rev Kate Cambridge

Address for reply:-

Richard Rogers

~~22 Fromond Road~~

~~Winchester~~

~~SO23 9LJ~~

01962 880842

Cllr Fiona Mather
Chairman, Licensing Committee
Winchester City Council
Colebrook Street
WINCHESTER
Hants SO23 9LJ

26th July 2007

Dear Councillor Mather,

WEEKE PARADE OF SHOPS
CHANGE OF USE FROM VIDEO SHOP TO CORAL RACING

I wish to object in the strongest terms possible to this proposed change of use.

Wesley Methodist Church is located on the corner of Fromond Road and Stoney Lane in close proximity to the proposed betting shop. A number of our members are residents in the Orchard Walk sheltered housing complex directly opposite the shop in question. I am writing on their behalf, on behalf of the Wesley Methodist Church Council which met last night and on behalf of the local community who worship and attend a wide variety of other activities at the church.

- i. The change of use changes the "local shopping parade" to a city centre shopping area. We are not opposed to the decision to build the Waitrose development but feel that the provision of a betting shop would significantly change the character of the shopping area in an undesirable way.*
- ii. The change will not be helpful to the young people in the area. In Section 2 of Winchester City Council's Gambling Act 2005 Statement of Principles, the Council states that licensing of gambling premises should have as an objective "the protection of*

children and other vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling."

The Church provides one of the few facilities for youth work in the area. There is no local authority youth work, only that which is done by Churches and Uniformed Organisations. At Wesley Church we have a Youth Club for those aged 11 and upwards and a Fun Club for ages 7 to 11. There are two Brownie packs and one Guide Company meeting regularly in our hall. We are also the venue for the Triangle Play Group which meets daily during term time. The presence of a betting shop as our closest neighbour would be a very poor example to these young people and would have a negative social impact on our community.

The Detached youth work done by "Street Reach" will certainly be affected as they seek to help and make contact with the young people who use the Weeke parade of shops as their local "social centre."

As Minister of this Church, I represent around 100 Church Members and many others who are part of our community. We oppose this move in the strongest terms possible. The Government seem to be having second thoughts on the introduction of the large Casinos and we hope the City Council will respond similarly to the proposed introduction of gambling facilities in one of the District's relatively disadvantaged areas.

I shall be sending copies of this letter to various members of the City Council.

Yours faithfully

*Rev Kate Cambridge
Minister*

*Cc Cllr David Spender (Senior Church Steward, Wesley Methodist Church)
Cllr Eileen Berry
Cllr Anne Saunders
Cllr Richard Worrall
County Cllr Phrynette Dickens*

Carol Stefanczuk

From: Sarah Coulbeck [mailto:sarah.coulbeck@winchester.gov.uk]
Sent: 26 July 2007 17:04
To: Licensing
Subject: Objection to planned change of use of the Star Video shop on Stoney Lane, Weeke

I understand that there is a proposal to turn the Star Video shop on Stoney Lane, Weeke, Winchester into a betting shop. I would like to object to this on the grounds that this goes against the responsibility the local authority has for "protecting children and other vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling". I am a governor at Henry Beaufort School and am very concerned about the effect on the students at the school of having a betting shop at a place that they frequently congregate.

Regards

Sarah Coulbeck
(Parent Governor, Henry Beaufort School)

St Barnabas

Carol Stefanczuk

From: St Barnabas Church [REDACTED]
Sent: 26 July 2007 16:11
To: Licensing
Subject: Change of Use application

I would like to add my objections to those of many others in the community regarding the change of use of the Video Shop, part of the parade of shops along Stoney Lane, to that of Betting Shop. I understand that Coral Betting have made an application for this.

This is, I believe, wholly inappropriate for the local area

- it is close to one of the local primary schools
- the parade of shops is one of the areas where young people congregate
- the parade provides much that the local community needs and as such is very busy with all ages of people.

It is my understanding that the councils own major objective in implementing the gambling act was 'to protect children and other young people and vulnerable persons from being harassed or exploited by gambling'. Allowing a Betting shop to operate in this vicinity would do little to meet this objective.

We already are involved in helping a number of 'vulnerable people' housed by the council on the Weeke estate to manage debt and an added 'attraction' is likely to increase these concerns and problems.

I would urge the committee to refuse the application

regards

Terry Roberts

Revd Terry Roberts,
Minister of St Barnabas CofE Church
St Barnabas Vicarage
Trussell Crescent
Weeke, Winchester
Hants SO22 6DY

tel: [REDACTED] [REDACTED] (and answer machine)
mobile; [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

office Thursday 9.30am - 12.30pm [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

youth worker: Nicky [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

The Parish of St Barnabas includes Weeke, Harestock and Teg Down and works in partnership with other local churches.

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Carol Stefanczuk

From: Fiona Mather [REDACTED]
Sent: 26 July 2007 19:23
To: Licensing
Subject: Fwd: FW: Change of use video shop to betting shop stoney lane weeke

FMather@winchester.gov.uk wrote:

Subject: FW: Change of use video shop to betting shop stoney lane weeke
Date: Thu, 26 Jul 2007 16:10:42 +0100
From: <[REDACTED]@winchester.gov.uk>
To: <fionamather_99@yahoo.com>

From: St Barnabas Church[SMTP:STBARNABAS.WINCHESTER@UKGATEWAY.NET]
Sent: Thursday, July 26, 2007 4:09:41 PM
To: Cllr Fiona Mather
Subject: Change of use video shop to betting shop sto! ney lane weeke
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Dear Councillor Mather

I write to you as the Chairman of the Licensing and Regulation Committee. I would like to add my objections to those of many others in the community regarding the change of use of the Video Shop, part of the parade of shops along Stoney Lane, to that of Betting Shop. I understand that Coral Betting have made an application for this.

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I would urge you and the committee to refuse the application

regards

Terry Roberts
Revd Terry Roberts,
Minister of St Barnabas CofE Church
St Barnabas Vicarage
Trussell Crescent
Weeke, Winchester
Hants SO22 6DY
tel: [REDACTED] (and answer machine)
mobile; [REDACTED]
office Thursday 9.30am - 12.30pm [REDACTED]
youth worker: Nicky [REDACTED]

Carol Stefanczuk

From: Mike Hobby [redacted]
Sent: 26 July 2007 17:03
To: Licensing
Subject: Video Shop in Stoney Lane, Weeke.

Sirs,

It has come to my notice this afternoon that there is a proposal to replace the video shop in Stoney Lane, Weeke with a betting shop.

I wish to register my objection to this proposal. This proposal conflicts with the Council's stated aim to protect children and other vulnerable people.

As Churchwarden at St. Barnabas' Church, Weeke, I am aware of our efforts to help vulnerable people in the local community deal with debt and the introduction of a betting shop in this vicinity would undoubtedly make the situation worse.

I am sure I do not need to point out that the shop is close to Weeke Primary School and opposite an elderly persons' residence. Our Youth Workers have noted that this block of shops is a meeting place for local young people and I would consider the location totally inappropriate for a betting shop.

Regards,

Mike Hobby

Mike Hobby
for Northcroft

Southampton Office
Tel: [redacted]
Fax: [redacted]
Mob: [redacted]

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17 Weeke MU

Carol Stefanczuk

From: stella [redacted]
Sent: 26 July 2007 15:41
To: Licensing
Subject: Fiona Mather Chair of Winchester Licensing

From Mrs Stella Roberts
St Barnabas Vicarage
Trussell Crescent
Weeke
Winchester
SO226DY

Dear Councilor Mather

As the Chairman of the Weeke Mothers' Union Branch and Chairman of the Winchester Deanery Mothers' Union Committee I am writing to express my concern and object to the proposed change of use of the Video Shop in Stoney Lane, Weeke, Winchester from a Video Shop to a Betting Shop. I understand that the Coral Racing Group wish to open this shop as a Betting Shop. To have a Betting Shop situated so close to where young people congregate and close where so many young families and some vulnerable young people live on the Weeke Estate would not be desirable..

I understand that in implementing the Gambling Act 2005 the Council's own major objective is the protection of children and other young people and vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling. To put a Betting Shop near the area where young people "Hang Out" would be encouraging them to bet with money they do not have. I know that shoplifting does occur at the local shops and feel that having a Betting Shop near would only make the Problem worse. Surely this would not only be harmful to the young people but to the whole community in the Weeke area.

I ask you please to consider all these facts and refuse the request from the Coral Betting Group to operate a Betting Shop in Weeke.

Yours sincerely

Stella Roberts

Video shop
to betting
shop

Carol Stefanczuk

From: Katy Warr [redacted]
Sent: 26 July 2007 15:59
To: Licensing
Subject: Objection to Planned Betting shop in Weeke

I would like to register my objection to the proposed plan to place a betting shop at the current Star Video location at the Weeke shops. I am a resident of the area and also a governor at Weeke school.

Many children regularly walk past these shops (the school is very close and these shops are used regularly by families) and older children socialise outside/near to these shops. For these reasons, I believe that a betting shop would be very inappropriate to this area.

Many thanks
Katy Warr

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Tel: [redacted]

Carol Stefanczuk

From: Coulbeck, Andy [redacted]

Sent: 26 July 2007 15:20

To: Licensing

Subject: Objection to planned change of use of the Star Video shop on Stoney Lane, Weeke

I understand that there is a proposal to turn the Star Video shop on Stoney Lane, Weeke, Winchester into a betting shop. I would like to object to this on the grounds that this goes against the responsibility the local authority has for "protecting children and other vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling". I am a governor at Weeke Primary School and am very concerned about the effect on the children at the school of having a betting shop as the nearest shop to the school.

Regards

Andy Coulbeck
(Community Governor, Weeke Primary School)

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Carol Stefanczuk

From: Sara Mitchell [s [REDACTED]]
Sent: 26 July 2007 16:16
To: Licensing
Subject: Star Video shop on Stoney Lane, Weeke, Winchester into a betting shop.

Dear Sir,

I wish to object to the proposed Betting Shop at the Star Video shop on Stoney Lane. This is a wholly inappropriate site for such a premises. This is a residential area, and this row of shops is a popular haunt for children and teenagers on their way home from the many local schools and could encourage them to gamble.

These shops are a valuable local amenity, and a Betting Shop is not in keeping with the kind of shop needed and currently available in this area.

Your faithfully,
Sara Mitchell

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Forward to John Nygall, WCC Licensing Dept.

Councillor Fiona Mather
Chairman Licensing Committee
Winchester City Council
Colebrook Street
Winchester HANTS
SO23 9LJ

Councillor P Dickens
7 Bereweke Road
Winchester
HANTS SO22 6AN

Dear Councillor Mather

RE: Weeke parade of shops – Change of use from Video Shop to Coral Racing

I wish to object to the above proposal. I am the local County Councillor for the area and a Trustee of the Streetreach Detached Youth Work Project.

I understand that the Council's own major objective, in implementing the Gambling Act was to protect children and vulnerable people, from being exploited by gambling. Allowing a betting shop in this vicinity will do little to meet these objectives. The churches are already involved in helping a number of vulnerable people housed by the Council, on the Weeke estate, to manage debt and an added attraction is likely to increase concerns and problems.

The detached youth work done by Streetreach aims to help young people between 13 and 19 years of age. Their work will be affected, as they help and make contact with the young people, who do use this shopping parade as their main social centre. The local Churches and other organisations are working hard to try to improve facilities and be helping the young in the area. This proposal would be regarded as being detrimental.

Yours faithfully,

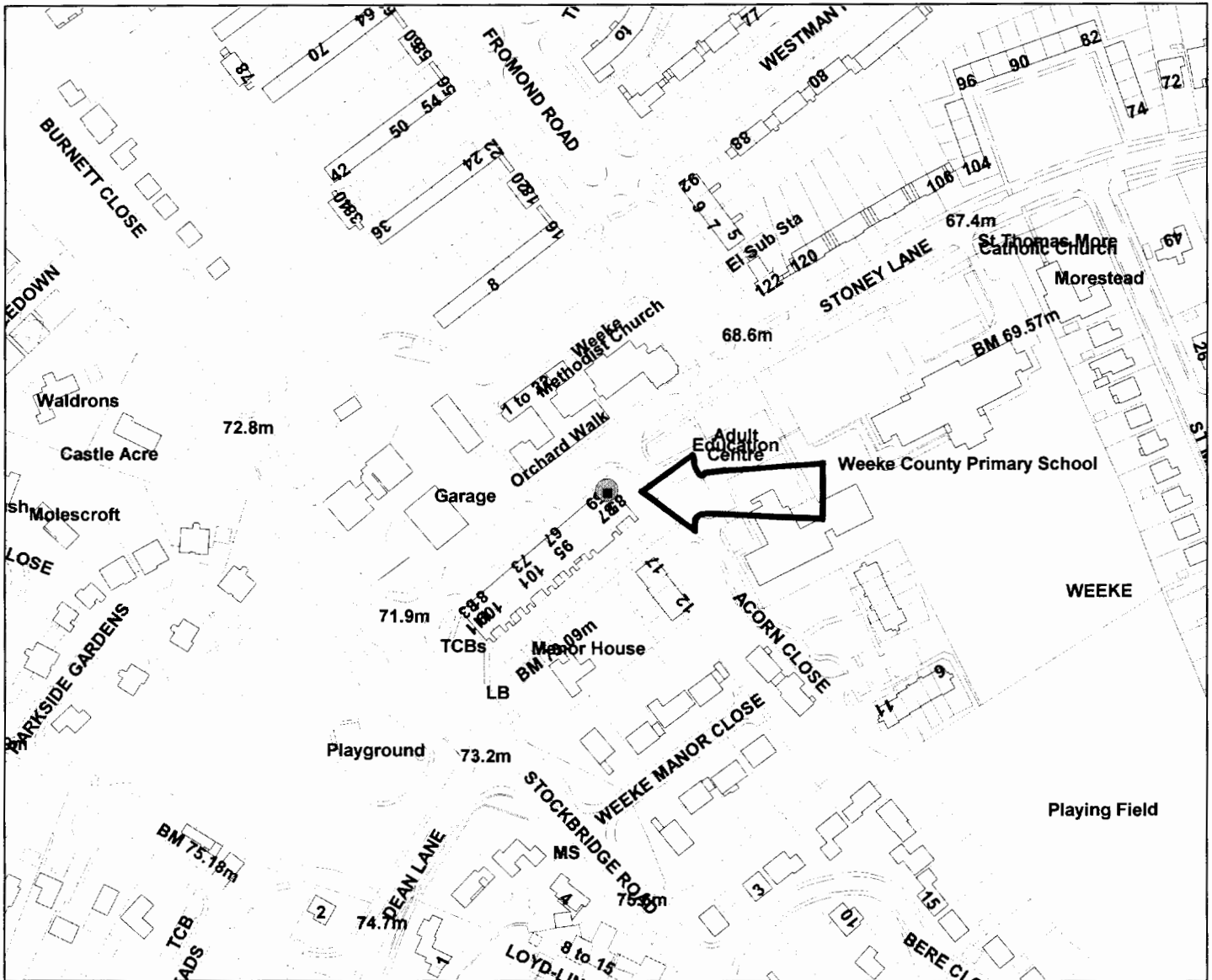


Phrynnette Dickens

Hampshire County Councillor, Westgate Division

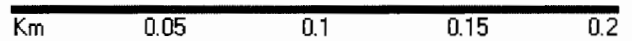
Appendix 3

57 Stoney Lane, Weeke



Legend

Scale:



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Organisation	Winchester City Council
Department	Legal Services
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Mandatory conditions attaching to betting premises licences (other than track premises licences)

1. A notice stating that no person under the age of 18 years is permitted to enter the premises shall be displayed in a prominent place at every entrance to the premises.
- 2.—(1) Access to the premises shall be from a street or from other premises with a betting premises licence.

(2) Without prejudice to sub-paragraph (1), there shall be no means of direct access between the premises and other premises used for the retail sale of merchandise or services.
3. Subject to anything permitted by virtue of the 2005 Act, or done in accordance with paragraphs 4, 5, 6 and 7 below, the premises shall not be used for any purpose other than for providing facilities for betting.
4. Any ATM made available for use on the premises shall be located in a place that requires any customer who wishes to use it to leave any gaming machine or betting machine in order to do so.
5. No apparatus for making information or other material available in the form of sounds or visual images may be used on the premises, except for apparatus used for the following purposes—
(a) communicating information about, or coverage of, sporting events, including—
(i) information relating to betting on such an event; and
(ii) any other matter or information, including an advertisement, which is incidental to such an event;
(b) communicating information relating to betting on any event (including the result of the event) in connection with which betting transactions may be or have been effected on the premises.
6. No publications, other than racing periodicals or specialist betting publications, may be sold or offered for sale on the premises.
7. No music, dancing or other entertainment shall be provided or permitted on the premises, save for entertainment provided in accordance with paragraph 5.
- 8.—(1) No alcohol shall be permitted to be consumed on the premises at any time during which facilities for gambling are being provided on the premises.
(2) A notice stating the condition in sub-paragraph (1) shall be displayed in a prominent place at every entrance to the premises.
9. A notice setting out the terms on which customers are invited to bet on the premises shall be displayed in a prominent place on the premises to which customers have unrestricted access.

Default conditions attaching to betting premises licences (other than in respect of tracks)

No facilities for gambling shall be provided on the premises between the hours of 10pm on one day and 7am on the next day.