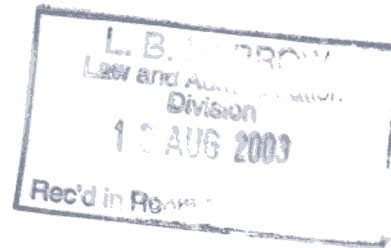


APPENDIX A
Letter from the Owner of the Corner Café
Mr Sam Yadav

SAM YADAV T/A THE CORNER CAFE
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MS. MICHELLE FERNANDES
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 14th August 2003
 13th



Dear Ms. Fernandes

Thank you for your letter dated 14th July 2003 inviting me to attend a Licensing Panel hearing on Thursday 28th August 2003.

The gaming machine which I took over when I bought the Cafe, is situated in one corner, right in front of the Counter where the till is. As I operate the till, I can and I do keep an eye on the machine. There is also a notice on the machine that only over 18 are allowed to play the machine. If in any doubt, I do ask for an identity card but as all the players are my regulars, there is no problem. It is only used as a fun game, not for serious gambling that may be the case in a big establishment.

I open the Cafe early in the morning, at 6:45am and close it at 2:30pm and I am out by 3pm. It is not open in the evening or at night or on Sundays. So there is no question of disturbing the neighbours or my fellow shop-keepers on the parade.

Moreover my customers, who are mostly old age pensioners and some office workers, are all regulars and more like friends than customers. So far I did not have any disturbance or altercation with any of my customers nor I had to call police on any occasion.

When I close the premises for the day, I put a big sign that the gaming machine is emptied every day before the Cafe is closed, so there is no temptation for any one to break in for the gambling money. I do indeed empty the machine as per notice.

My Cafe is a small business and I do need the income generated by the gaming machine to make the business viable, although machine generates some £70 per week only.

hope my application will meet with the panel's approval.

Yours sincerely

SAM YADAV (THE CORNER CAFE)

See page Two Also

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The economic climate for small business like ours is tough indeed and it is a question of survival. There are so many empty shops in the parade and the tenant turnover is also high. The income from an amusement machine helps me pay the bills and keeps me afloat. It is a lifeline for a small business like mine.

Your Honorary Officer Mr P S ADHANKER made a visit to my Cafe on the 19th May 03. He had a first hand impression of the site of the machine in the Cafe. After detailed discussions, questions and answers he was very happy with the situation and said he would recommend that the present order to be granted.

The Cafe is run by myself, and two girls in the kitchen. I take the orders in the front and pass them down. The meal is cooked and one of the ladies brings it out to the table. I work on the counter in the front with the till. I take the cash, clear the tables and make tea and coffee. I am also always in the front with the customers.

ABOUT THE FRUIT MACHINE

- 1) Sign on the machine reads NO ONE UNDER 18 YEARS OLD ALLOWED TO PLAY
 - 2) Sign the machine reads FRUIT MACHINE EMPTIED DAILY INCLUDING THE FLOAT TUBES
 - 3) At close of business daily the machine is left in the open position with the lid lifted up and out and the cash drawers (2) are emptied and left on the table visible to all from outside.
- I hope this additional information helps my application.

Yours Sincerely

S. YADAV

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APPENDIX B
Letter from Metropolitan Police

cc Adrian George
Andy Appleby.

APPENDIX B

***Your Reference:**

Our Reference: 21/124/03/QA

Date: 7th May 2003



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Dear Ms Fernandes

Re : Easybite Café – Application for a S.34 Permit

Further to your letter of 2nd May 2003 I would like to make the following observations.

This Borough and other outer London Boroughs have for a number of years been suffering from a rash of burglaries of public houses where the A.W. P. machines have been the targets.

These professional gangs are believed to use high performance vehicles, research the targets well in advance and allow themselves no more than 2 minutes inside the premises.

I have attached a very recent article from a local newspaper, which gives some detail. As you can see they do not let the fact that staff live on the premises get in their way.

As a means of trying to combat these crimes I am asking the Liquor licencing Magistrates at each Licensing sessions at the Magistrates Court to refuse the renewal of S.34 permits unless the Licensee makes a number of undertakings on oath.

These include

- 1) police approved alarm system
- 2) CCTV – on machines as well as general
- 3) removal of takings every night or
- 4) fitting of approved security device (Police Crime reduction officer can supply examples)

If the premises is subsequently burgled and any of the above has not been complied with then the applicant would thus be in breach of the licence and we will ask it be revoked.

It goes without saying that licensed premises should be one of the more robust premises and that in order to combat crime we would not wish A.W.P.'s to be found in premises that does not at least match their level of security.

Police are also concerned as to the siting of the these machines and cigarette vending machines. We are aware that some premises do not site their machines in positions able to be viewed by staff and know of a number of occasions where children have entered premises and used machines.

I hope these observations are of some assistance. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further enquiries.

Yours sincerely



Carl Davis
Police Sergeant 12QA
Licensing Department

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Pubs and clubs warned of fruit machine gang

Bandits snatch cash opposite police station

BY WILL HURST

POLICE are warning pubs and clubs to be on alert for a gang of criminals who target fruit machines and have even burgled a pub opposite a police station.

The gang has raided at least six establishments in the last two months and is suspected of mingling with drinkers to find out which are the most popular machines before breaking in at a later date to steal cash from them.

In the latest raid in the early hours of April 2, the gang burgled The Timber Carriage pub in Northolt Road, South Harrow, which is almost directly opposite South Harrow Police Station.

Landlord Steve Slocombe was sleeping upstairs at the time and revealed the burglars, who stole about £80, were too quick for him to catch.

He said: "I was in bed and heard the banging and the alarm going off, but by the time I got down they were gone.

They had smashed the back panel of the door and made their way to the far machine. They took the cash out and were gone within about two minutes - it was very professional.

"In my experience these gangs usually go for rural areas. To go for somewhere outside a police station is taking a bit of a chance."

Mr Slocombe added he has improved security at the pub to ensure it is not burgled again.

In recent weeks, a range of pubs and clubs have fallen victim to the gang including The Moon & Sixpence in Hatch End, The Late Bar in Edgware and Bessborough Cricket Club in Pinner View, Pinner.

Rory O'Brien, of Harrow police, called on individuals and businesses to be vigilant.

He said: "There's been a spate of these break-ins. About twice a year we get hit by a team who are very good at what they do."

Anyone who has any information about these crimes should call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.



Landlord Steve Slocombe at The Timber Carriage in South Harrow where a fruit machine was stolen while he was asleep upstairs. Picture by Stuart Emmerson