

Temptation Complaints

Outside boarding showing woman on her knees – No consent obtained



A-Board advert at bottom of Yelverton Road, on OCR



No one handing out flyers but the sign at 00:15 on Thursday night of Queen's Jubilee bank holiday weekend

Flyers – littering and advertising how to go online and have virtual reality lap dances on your phone (www.strip-vr.com) and stunnerz.com



As per page 19, para 19 of the current BCP Sex Establishment licensing policy of the

<https://www.bpcouncil.gov.uk/Business/Licences-and-permits/Documents/Sex-Establishment-Policy-BCP.pdf>

I am lodging a complaint about Temptation SEV which is in breach of BCP licensing policy (see above). As we can see from attached photograph, Temptation SEV is breaching the current

BCP Sex Establishment licensing policy by touting for business away from their premises in front of the HSBC on the major thoroughfare of the Old Christchurch Road down which families walk on route to the seafront. The photograph was taken Saturday 28th May 2022 morning at 7:26am. At the bottom of the photograph, you can see a Temptation flyer on the floor which were among a number of Temptation flyers that members of the public discard from this unsolicited touting. I have one of these flyers on which is a map of how to get to the club so the flyers are quite obviously for the purpose of touting in the street. Also, printed on the card is information about how you can go online and have 'virtual reality lap dances on your phone'. Old Christchurch Road is a main thoroughfare for tourists and families, and children could easily pick up the leaflets and access inappropriate material.

These leaflets facilitate unhealthy fixations on specific dancers and can encourage stalking. The leaflets are quite expensive, in colour and a lot of aforethought has been put into their design.

The leaflets as well the external boarding of Temptation are breaching statute in that it refers to Temptation as a 'Gentleman's Club' diverting away from the fact that they are a Sex Entertainment Venue as if to make them more palatable and fitting in with the surroundings of the high street.



Photographs (photographed 3rd June 2022) of flyers handed out as part of touting by Temptation SEV contrary p19 para 19 of BCP licencing policy for SEVs in the middle of Bournemouth tourists and family area Old Christchurch Road. Name of 'Roxi' on some flyers as touting strategy/?



Please note that this type of touting by the SEVs is common practice and does not stop when the SEVs are simply written to. Ms Rogers in the last Licensing Committee for Wiggle SEV said that with legal advice, the BCP licensing team wrote to all three SEV's to remind them of their conditions regarding advertising, "and they haven't had a complaint since" - see this comment at 1.27 below:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fqo_o72lm7I

Just because there was no complaint does not mean that the illegal behaviour has stopped. That would be so easy. We would just write to all the lawbreakers and crooks and tell them to stop and that's it. We would not need any police. What a fantastical utopia! Please step into the real world. Judging by the photographs above and bearing in mind these leaflets reflect only a fraction of the touting material that the general public threw away, your sentiment is a wishful thinking and complete fallacy. Is the Licensing Team really investigating this touting and breaching of licence conditions? How many times do they have to be breached for the licence to be refused? If we can amass this amount of leaflets in a couple of days, then this is only the tip of the iceberg of the blatant infringements going on on a regular basis all in front of Police CCTV. We request a thorough investigation of the practices of the SEVs in Bournemouth. Ideally, of the ilk of Sheffield City Council when they used an impartial Private Investigator prior to their citywide phasing out of SEVs in Sheffield to join the other 10 municipal authorities in the UK who have a zero tolerance on SEVs (this includes Blackpool). Please note, the actions of Sheffield City Council was under the spotlight of Judicial Reviews.

Copy email sent in response to complaint received about window display and advertising dated 22.06.22

Thank you for your email of 17 June 2022. I have noted the contents and have reviewed the matter with our legal representative, I will now provide you with a response to each issue you raised.

Leafleting

I can confirm that on the current licence the condition relating to leafleting reads “*The Licensee shall ensure that neither they nor any person promoting or providing entertainment on the premises (nor any person acting on behalf of any such person) shall distribute flyers within the Borough of Bournemouth, except in accordance with the relevant licence issued by Bournemouth Borough Council {BCP Council}*”

You will see that they were permitted to leaflet provided they had permission from Highways which has been confirmed.

You requested a copy of the current licence for Temptation and I have attached it accordingly.

With regard to the Wiggle hearing the handing out of wristbands was not included as leafleting and therefore prohibited and all three venues immediately ceased. Wiggle have confirmed that they will comply with the new SEV policy conditions as they move forward with the renewed licence.

Touting

We note your comments with regard to the aggressive touting by the female allegedly from Temptation. This is not permitted under the current or future licence and action is being taken with the venue to ensure this ceases forthwith.

Window Displays

We note your comments with regard to window displays – The venue has changed its front signage and as part of the renewal application of their SEV licence they have asked for these images to be approved by the Licensing Committee but, until such approval is given, they should not be displayed.

We will be requiring that the images are removed until such time as any approval is given.

Web Links on Display

This again has not been authorised. On investigating these links they do require a username and password to be entered onto the site before accessing any explicit images. However, we do recognise that young people may be able to access these which is not acceptable or in line with our policy. The venue will be required to remove these as well.

I hope this addresses your concerns and shows our commitment to robust enforcement of our licence conditions.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.



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Copy email sent to Keystone Law dated 22.06.22

The complainant has responded following my reply to them, when I passed on your comments and observations.

They have provided the attached images (referred to below).

Having discussed the matter further with our legal department we would request that the following matters are addressed immediately:-

1. The window display is removed immediately until such time as approval has been given by the Licensing Committee. As no prior approval was sought this is a breach of condition.
2. The touting by females outside ceases forthwith.
3. The links advertised on the window display are removed immediately. The Licensing Authority recognise that this can be easily accessed by young persons – upon investigation these links only require a username and password to access the explicit images (attached) – which is not acceptable or in line with our policy.

I would be grateful if you could advise me when these matters have been dealt with.

Kind regards
Sarah

Copy response from Keystone Law dated 23.06.22

Dear Sarah,

Thank you for your email. Please accept my apology for not responding yesterday. Unfortunately, I was not in the office until late and was only able to raise the issues with my client then. In order to respond to your request I will address the points briefly at this stage to inform you of the position. I will respond more fully later. No disrespect is intended and it appears to me that that approach is probably more helpful to all at this time.

1. The window display of the silhouette images and the web sites is being covered today. The window display includes a 'T' in flames logo and opening times. It is intended to leave the logos and opening times on display. If that causes an issue please let me know?
2. The flier distributors were stopped yesterday evening and will not recommence at this time.

The flier distribution has been carried out by males and occasionally by females too. Are you asking that the touting by any person stop or are you specifically concerned about females as they are specifically referred to in your email?

I hope that this prompt response helps and should there be any further questions or queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best regards
Robert Sutherland
Keystone Law

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Advising no flyering (male or female).