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Dear Mr Mackenzie

Sunbury Golf Centre, Charlton Lane, Shepperton Variation of Premises Licence - Combined

I hope you do not mind me contacting you via the licensing department, but I am instructed on behalf of Crown Golf Operations Limited in respect of the above matter.

I am in receipt of an objection you have made to our application for a variation to the existing premises licence for the above golf course.

I appreciate your concerns regarding litter on and around the site and hopefully the following will address those concerns.

I would firstly like to state that, whilst the golf course has been closed, the greenkeepers / groundsmen have not been working as normal and so have not been doing regular litter patrols as they normally would, that being said, there will have been no patrons on the golf course and so litter would have been coming from the general public around the area.

The issue regarding litter has also been made more challenging unfortunately due to the current pandemic as unfortunately as the original advice from England Golf was to remove all rubbish receptacles as these were classed as high-touch points and therefore a risk. However England Golf have now updated their guidance and this and it now states that:-

'Open-top bins may be used on course, provided measures are taken to sanitise the bin and to ensure players do not touch the bin or its contents'.

In light of this, when the course re-opens, the bins will be reinstated which will reduce the impact of litter around the golf course. These bins will be cleaned and emptied regularly.

However, the client has also advised that there will be regular litter-picks by the greenkeeper, and these will be done daily before the course opens to the public and as such they would be willing to offer the below condition:

The operator will ensure that litter picking and removal is part of the daily course operating procedures.

I hope the above will address the concerns raised in your objection and if it does that you are minded to withdraw your objection to our application.

If you are satisfied and wish to withdraw your objection then I would be grateful if you could confirm this in writing to both the licensing authority and myself, However if this is not the case and you do wish to discuss the application in more detail then please do not hesitate to contact me on the details provided below:-

Natasha Beck – n.beck@popall.co.uk – 07768230357.

Furthermore, if you are minded to withdraw your objection, but then had any concerns in the future regarding littering at the course, then you could either contact us in the first instance, or discuss these with the manager of the course who will be more than willing to work with you to address these.

I look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

Kind Regards

Natasha Beck (Solicitor for the Applicant)