

TONYA COOPER

From: TONYA COOPER
Sent: 10 January 2023 15:09
To: JACKIE NAUTA; adam buck
Subject: RE: EXTERNAL: re top club

Importance: High

Hi Both,

Further to the below email and attachments, we have had an opportunity to review the information you have provided. However, we are still not satisfied that you are a qualifying club.

Firstly, Under Section 1 of the Rules Book (Membership), it does not state that instant membership is not permitted, and members must wait at least 2 days between their application and their admission to the club.

This is the 2nd time we have advised that this must be included within the Rule Book.

We need a list of every member of the club including their name and address. In order to operate as a club, you must have at least 25 members.

Again, It also appears on open public social media pages that you are advertising events where everyone is welcome, i.e. general public. (NYE party, Bingo, Football Watch Parties, Christmas Eve Disco)

Club premises certificates can only authorise qualifying club activities, as listed at Section 1(2) of the Act. Sale of alcohol to non-members (EVERYONE AS ADVERTISED) is not a qualifying club activity, but rather a licensable activity requiring a premises licence or a TEN.

You previously stated that this was an error by a volunteer, but it appears that it is still being advertised as open to anyone, no tickets required.

Your Rule Book states that the club shall have the following officers: 3 Trustees, Chair of the Committee, Treasurer and Secretary. You have confirmed who the Chair, Treasurer and Secretary will be, but have not confirmed who the Three Trustees are.

As to the financial requirements, you state that you are unable to provide the accounts details as this is a new venture. We should remind you that this is not a new venture as the Club has been operating under a Club Premises Certificate for some time. The only thing that has changed is that it is now under new management.

You state that club members are welcome to see and ask for financial information, however that information has still not been provided to our office.

Under Section 6.5 of the Revised Guidance issued under section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003, it states:

- Qualifying clubs should not be confused with proprietary clubs, which are clubs run commercially by individuals, partnerships or businesses for profit. These require a premises licence and are not qualifying clubs.

To date you have not furnished us with adequate information in relation to the club, its finances, or membership to be satisfied that the club is established in good faith or continues to be a qualifying club.

Therefore, you need to furnish us with the REQUIRED information no later than 24th January 2023.

Please note that If we are not satisfied that your club is being conducted in good faith or as a qualifying club, we MUST give you notice of our decision and the reason for it.

We look forward to hearing back from you.

Kind regards,
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Subject: EXTERNAL: re top club

I Myself A Buck

Have only taken over the running of this club since October, and can only give you the information I myself was given

I am making improvements to the club with any takings, and the club members are welcome to see and ask for financial information

As to the accounts they are not available as of yet as so new into the venture

My aim is to regenerate the top club, giving more social events and making new members

As the rules states non members are welcome to come if they come with a member

I have had the advertising changed to not all welcome

That was a error by a volunteer who did this for us

I am looking a new ways to give back to the community ,

We do have a darts board already in house

and a new pool table arriving very soon

Please see enclosed pictures

One of the few things I have managed to change is

Repaint the main room

Order new carpet for pool room

And new pool table

And replace flooring in bar area soon to be done

I offer discounted drinks to members of the club

Soon to be processed via a membership till

So this will eliminate non members getting discounts

And we are looking at offering services to OAP members during the winter months

To keep warm and free tea and cakes

We will be holding community parties and offer the room for private hire to members of the club

We are and will be very much of the community and offer the best we can, Giving back to the area

Soon we will be holding our very first meeting where members of the club can have their say and this will be sent out via invitation through the post

Please find enclosed New rules for the club

and Pictures

and Meetings (minutes) which were taken discussing the club before takeover