

From: Kolawole oduntan
Sent: 23 March 2026 13:07
To: Emily Lane-Blackwell <emily.lane-blackwell@gravesham.gov.uk>
Subject: Re: 129-131 High Street Strood

Hi Emily,

Thanks for your email.

In response to the time stated by the councillors in the email.

We are happy to terminate all licensing activities at 01:00 as stated below. But we wish to have the premises open till 02:00 for safe and phased discharge of the patrons with no licensing activities taking place between 01:00 and 02:00.

Best Regards,

Dada Oduntan

LaKOD Lounge Ltd

On Monday, March 23, 2026, 9:45 am, Emily Lane-Blackwell wrote:

Good Morning Dada,

On Friday, I sent the agreed hours and conditions to the Society of Rochester and the Ward Councillors.

They have replied as follows:

The City of Rochester Society still have concerns regarding the revised hours to 02:00 and will therefore be maintaining their representation.

The ward Councillors would be willing to withdraw their representation if you agreed to reduce the terminal hour for Friday, Saturday and other special days (i.e. Christmas etc) to 01:00 rather than 02:00.

Live music: Friday and Saturday 22:00 to 01:00 and Sunday 19:00 to 23:00.

Recorded music: Monday to Thursday 11:00 to 23:00, Friday and Saturday 11:00 to 01:00 and Sunday 11:00 to 00:00.

Performance of dance: Thursday 19:00 to 23:00, Friday and Saturday 22:00 to 01:00 and Sunday 19:00 to 00:00.

Late-Night Refreshment: Monday to Thursday 11:00 to 23:00, Friday and Saturday 11:00 to 01:00 and Sunday 11:00 to 00:00.

Sale by retail of alcohol: Monday to Thursday 11:00 to 23:00, Friday and Saturday 11:00 to 01:00 and Sunday 11:00 to 00:00.

The non-standard times requested, where the premises will be open until 01:00 are:

Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Eve.

Good Friday, Easter Saturday and Easter Sunday.

St Georges Day – 23 April

Halloween – 31 October

If you agree to this, I would notify the City of Rochester Society of the changed hours and see if they would then be willing to withdraw their representation.

If all reps are withdrawn, then a hearing of the licensing panel will not be required. However, should either party continue with their representations a hearing will be held.

Could you please let me know today, if you would be willing to reduce your hours as requested by the Ward Councillors?

Regards

Emily Lane-Blackwell

Licensing Manager