



## **Licensing and Appeals Sub Committee Hearing Panel**

Date: Thursday, 11 July 2019

Time: 10.00 am

Venue: Council Antechamber, Level 2, Town Hall Extension

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## **Membership of the Licensing and Appeals Sub Committee Hearing Panel**

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**Councillors** - Grimshaw (Chair), Evans and Lyons

## Agenda

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**1. Urgent Business**

To consider any items which the Chair has agreed to have submitted as urgent.

**2. Appeals**

To consider any appeals from the public against refusal to allow inspection of background documents and/or the inclusion of items in the confidential part of the agenda.

**3. Interests**

To allow Members an opportunity to [a] declare any personal, prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interests they might have in any items which appear on this agenda; and [b] record any items from which they are precluded from voting as a result of Council Tax/Council rent arrears; [c] the existence and nature of party whipping arrangements in respect of any item to be considered at this meeting. Members with a personal interest should declare that at the start of the item under consideration. If Members also have a prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interest they must withdraw from the meeting during the consideration of the item.

**4. Victoria's - Part Basement, 8 Dantzic Street, Manchester, M4 2AD - (App ref: Sex Establishment Licence - Variation 226968)**

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The report of the Head of Planning, Building Control and Licensing is enclosed.

**5. Obsessions, 2b Whitworth Street West, Manchester, M1 5WZ - (App ref: Sex Establishment Licence - Variation 226994)**

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The report of the Head of Planning, Building Control and Licensing is enclosed.

## Information about the Committee

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A procedure has been agreed which governs how the Panel will consider such applications.

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**Manchester City Council  
Report for Resolution**

**Report to:** Licensing and Appeals Sub Committee Hearing Panel – 11 July 2019

**Subject:** Victoria's, Part Basement, 8 Dantzic Street, Manchester, M4 2AD –  
(App ref: Sex Establishment Licence - Variation226968)

**Report of:** Head of Planning, Building Control & Licensing

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**Summary**

Application for the variation of a sex establishment licence.

**Recommendations**

That the Panel determine the application.

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**Ward Affected:** Piccadilly

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**Full details are in the body of the report, along with any implications for:**

- Equal Opportunities Policy
  - Risk Management
  - Legal Considerations
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**Financial Consequences – Revenue - None**

**Financial Consequences – Capital - None**

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**Background documents (available for public inspection):**

- Manchester City Council Sex Establishment Policy Document (Revised August 2013)
- Section 10 of Manchester City Council's Statement of Licensing Policy 2016 – 2021 (pertaining to adult entertainment)
- Any further documentary submissions by any party to the hearing

## 1. Introduction

- 1.1 The Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 provides the legislative framework in relation to the licensing of sex establishments. Section 27 of the Policing and Crime Act 2009 introduced a new category of sex establishment called a 'sexual entertainment venue', which allows local authorities to regulate lap dancing clubs and similar venues under Schedule 3 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982. The new powers were adopted by the Council with effect from 9 January 2011.

### **Sexual Entertainment Venues and Relevant Entertainment**

- 1.2 A sexual entertainment venue is defined as:

"A premises at which relevant entertainment is provided before a live audience for the financial gain of the organiser or entertainer unless an exemption applies."

- 1.3 There are 2 categories of 'relevant entertainment':

- live performances, and
- live displays of nudity.

- 1.4 In each case, the entertainment must be of such a nature that, ignoring financial gain, it must be reasonably assumed to be provided solely or principally for the purposes of sexually stimulating any member of the audience whether by verbal or other means. An audience can consist of just one person e.g. private shows.

## 2. Application

- 2.1 On 18/02/2019, an application for the variation of a sexual entertainment venue (SEV) licence was made in respect of Victoria's, Part Basement, 8 Dantzic Street, Manchester, M4 2AD in the Piccadilly ward of Manchester.
- 2.2 A copy of the application is provided at **Appendix 1**. However, personal and commercially sensitive information has been redacted. This information will be provided by way of a separate bundle and may be considered by the Committee at the hearing under Part B. A location map and photograph of the premises is attached at **Appendix 2**.
- 2.3 The current sex establishment licence is attached at **Appendix 3**.
- 2.4 The premises is currently operating as a lap dancing premises and is licensed under the Licensing Act 2003 (licence attached at **Appendix 4**).
- 2.5 A public consultation exercise was undertaken in accordance with Schedule 3 of the 1982 Act, requiring the publication of an advertisement in a local newspaper circulating in the appropriate authority's area, not later than 7 days after the date of the application, and the display of a notice for 21 days

beginning with the date of the application, on or near the premises and in a place where the notice can conveniently be read by the public.

- 2.6 Any person objecting to an application for the grant, renewal, transfer or variation of a licence under Schedule 3 shall give notice in writing of his objection to the appropriate authority, stating in general terms the grounds of the objection, not later than 28 days after the date of the application.
- 2.7 All applications for the grant, renewal, transfer or variation of a sex establishment are determined by a delegated sub-committee of the Licensing and Appeals Committee, whether or not objections to the application have been received.

2.8 **Further documentation accompanying the application**

- 2.8.1 The applicant has not submitted any further documentation.

3. **Relevant Objections**

- 3.1 Any person can object to an application but the objection should be relevant to the grounds set out in paragraph 12 of Schedule 3 of the Act for refusing a licence, as set out in Section 4 of this report.
- 3.2 Objections should not be based on moral grounds/values and objections that are not relevant to the grounds set out in paragraph 12 should not be considered.
- 3.3 Although the council is under a duty to consider any objections made within 28 days of the application, it has discretion to hear later objections provided the applicant is given the opportunity to deal with those objections.
- 3.4 The council shall not without the consent of the person making the objection reveal their name or address to the applicant.
- 3.5 A total of five objections were received in respect of the application. The general terms of the objections have been summarised as **Appendix 5**. Original copies of these representations will be available to the Committee at the hearing.
- 3.6 A late objection has been received. The information will be presented to the Committee for their decision as to whether the late objection will be admitted (**Appendix 6** – for the Committee only)

4. **Mandatory and Discretionary Grounds for Refusal of a Licence**

- 4.1 Paragraph 12 of Schedule 3 to the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 sets out the grounds for refusing an application for the grant, renewal, transfer or variation of a licence. A decision to refuse a licence must be relevant to one or more of the below grounds.

### **Mandatory Grounds**

4.2 A licence must not be granted:

- to a person under the age of 18;
- to a person who is for the time being disqualified due to the person having had a previous licence revoked in the area of the appropriate authority within the last 12 months;
- to a person, other than a body corporate, who is not resident in an EEA state or was not so resident throughout the period of six months immediately preceding the date when the application was made; or
- to a body corporate which is not incorporated in an EEA state; or
- to a person who has, within a period of 12 months immediately preceding the date when the application was made, been refused the grant or renewal of a licence for the premises, vehicle, vessel or stall in respect of which the application is made, unless the refusal has been reversed on appeal.

### **Discretionary Grounds**

4.3 A licence may be refused where:

- the applicant is unsuitable to hold the licence by reason of having been convicted of an offence or for any other reason;
- if the licence were to be granted, renewed, or transferred the business to which it relates would be managed by or carried on for the benefit of a person, other than the applicant, who would be refused the grant, renewal, transfer or variation of such a licence if he made the application himself;
- the number of sex establishments, or of sex establishments of a particular kind, in the relevant locality at the time the application is determined is equal to or exceeds the number which the authority consider is appropriate for that locality;
- that the grant or renewal of the licence would be inappropriate having regard
  - to the character of the relevant locality; or
  - to the use to which any premises in the vicinity are put; or
  - to the layout, character or condition of the premises, vehicle, vessel or stall in respect of which the application is made.

4.4 Applications should only be refused where the Council considers it as necessary and proportionate to do so, and any decision shall be on a non-discriminatory basis.

## Human Rights Act

4.5 When determining a licence application Manchester City Council will have regard to any rights the applicant may have under Article 10 (right to freedom of expression) and Article 1, Protocol 1 (protection of property) of the European Convention on Human Rights

4.6 Article 1 of Protocol 1 of the European Convention of Human Rights states:

“Every natural or legal person is entitled to the peaceful enjoyment of his possessions. No one shall be deprived of his possessions except in the public interest and subject to the conditions provided for by law and by the general principles of international law.

The preceding provisions shall not, however, in any way impair the right of a State to enforce such laws as it deems necessary to control the use of property in accordance with the general interest or to secure the payment of taxes or other contributions or penalties.”

4.7 A licence is a possession.

4.8 When considering matters relating to the grant, revocation, renewal or refusal of licences and the placing of conditions on licences, the Committee must consider whether the decision affects an individual, group or company’s Human Rights as set out in the Convention and if it does, whether the interference with those rights is permissible by reason of the justifications set out in the Convention. In addition, consideration must be given to whether the interference is proportionate to the general purpose.

## 5. Applicant Considerations

5.1 The Council needs to be satisfied that the applicants for a sex establishment licence are suitable to operate the business by ensuring:

- that the operator is honest;
- that the operator is qualified by experience to run the type of sex establishment in question;
- that the operator understands the general conditions;
- that the operator is proposing a management structure which will deliver compliance with operating conditions e.g. though:
  - managerial competence;
  - attendance at the premises;
  - a credible management structure;
  - enforcement of rules internally, e.g. through training and monitoring
  - a viable business plan, e.g. sufficient to employ door staff and install CCTV;
  - policies for the welfare of performers (SEV only).
- that the operator can be relied upon to act in the best interests of the performers, e.g. in how they are remunerated, the facilities they enjoy,

how they are protected and how and by whom their physical and psychological welfare is monitored (SEV only);

- that the operator can be relied upon to protect the public, e.g. transparent charging, freedom from solicitation;
- that the operator can show a track record of management of compliant premises, or that s/he will employ individuals who will have such a track record;

5.2 All applications will be considered but they are unlikely to be granted if the following apply:

5.2.1 the applicant has a criminal record. Offences that would be considered particularly relevant include:

- convictions for dishonesty
- violence
- sexual offences
- drugs
- public order
- people trafficking
- the applicant has previously been involved in running an unlicensed sex establishment.
- if the licence were to be granted, the business to which it relates would be managed by or run for the benefit of a person other than the applicant who would be refused the grant of such a licence if they made it themselves.

5.3 It is anticipated that these expectations would be demonstrated by the operator through their completed application form and any accompanying submissions as part of the application process. However, the Council may also take into account any oral submissions made at any hearing to determine the application.

## **6. Location Considerations**

6.1 A licence can be refused if either, at the time the application, it is determined that the number of sex establishments, or sex establishments of a particular kind, in the relevant locality is equal to or exceeds the number that the authority considers appropriate for that locality; or that a sex establishment would be inappropriate having regard to the character of the relevant locality, the use to which any premises in the vicinity are put or the layout, character or condition of the premises.

6.2 Manchester City Council's Policy for Sex Establishments states that that areas located outside the City Centre, as defined by the Planning Department's definition of the City Centre, are not appropriate locations for sex establishments. Therefore, the policy is that the appropriate number for sex establishments outside of the City Centre is nil.

6.3 Within the City Centre, an appropriate number for sex establishments has not been set. Applications will be determined as they arise.

6.4 Sex establishments will not normally be licensed near to:

- housing;
- schools, play areas, nurseries or children's centres;
- family shopping or leisure areas;
- places of worship;
- historic buildings or tourist attractions;
- other places where relevant entertainment takes place;
- other sensitive uses that may be relevant e.g. women's hostel;

where the proximity to such uses is likely to be considered by the Council to be inappropriate in having regard to the character of the relevant locality and the use to which any premises in the vicinity are put.

6.5 The spatial distribution of licensed premises is very relevant particularly with consideration to their impact upon the character of the locality. The Council will have regard to the uses of all other premises in the area as well as any potential adverse impact upon:

- regeneration;
- tourism;
- the retail or commercial attraction of the area;
- social issues e.g. prostitution, anti-social behaviour.

6.6 Within the city centre no licences shall be granted for premises within the following locations:

- parks or external areas/squares that attract large numbers of children such as, but not limited to, Castlefield Arena, Piccadilly Gardens, Albert Square, St Anne's Square, Exchange Square;
- entertainment centres which have children/family focussed entertainment;
- community buildings such as, but not limited to, places of worship, libraries, GPs surgeries;
- the area (framed by Deansgate to the west; Peter Street, Mount Street and Lower Mosley Street to the north; Portland Street, Oxford Street and Lower Mosley Street to the east; and Whitworth Street West to the south) as set out in Appendix A of the Council's Policy for Sex Establishments;
- where further sex oriented uses would change the character of an area;
- where further sex oriented uses would deter people from using the area comfortably/at all;
- where further sex oriented uses raises the fear of crime in the locality; or where such locations form part of the relevant locality.



6.7 The decision regarding what constitutes the 'relevant locality' is a matter for the Committee. However, such questions must be decided on the facts of the individual application.

6.8 The Council may also have regard to the following factors:

- access routes to schools, play areas, nurseries or children's centres or other uses normally attended by children;
- any existing licensing permissions for the premises;
- the proximity of other licensed premises in the surrounding area and the terms of those licences;
- the Planning permission for the premises and surrounding uses;
- any existing Planning or Regeneration policy/plan/strategy relevant to the area;
- history of complaints relevant to the premises;
- the nature of the daytime and night-time economies in the surrounding area.

6.9 This premises is located within the City Centre (see 6.3).

6.10 This premises is not located within the area set out in 6.6 (d) above.

## **7. Licence Conditions**

7.1 The Council has adopted standard conditions in respect of sexual entertainment venues, which will apply to all respective licences granted, unless such conditions have been expressly excluded or varied. These proposed standard conditions will be provided separately to the report.

7.2 However, following a hearing, the Licensing and Appeals Committee may attach such further conditions to a licence as are considered necessary and proportionate in the public interest including, but not limited to, the interest of public policy, public security, public health or the protection of the environment. This could include conditions restricting the opening and closing times of the premises.

7.3 The applicant has not requested any variations to the standard conditions.

## **8. Conclusion**

8.1 In determining an application for a sex establishment licence, any decision to refuse an application may only be made in accordance with the mandatory and discretionary grounds for refusal as set out in Section 4 of the report.

8.2 None of the mandatory grounds for refusal are met in respect of this application.

8.3 The discretionary grounds are set out in full at 4.3.

- 8.4 The decision regarding what constitutes the 'relevant locality' is a matter for the Committee. However, such questions must be decided on the facts of the individual application.
- 8.5 When considering a particular application case law has indicated that the relevant locality does not have to be a clearly pre-defined area nor are local authorities required to be able to define its precise boundaries. Therefore, while a local authority is not prevented from defining the exact area of the relevant locality, it is equally free to conclude that it simply refers to the area which surrounds the premises specified in the application and does not require further definition. Nevertheless, a local authority's view of what constitutes a locality could be open to challenge if they took a completely unreasonable view of the area covered. Case law also indicates that a relevant locality cannot be an entire local authority area or an entire town or city.
- 8.6 Once the Committee has determined the relevant locality, it should seek to make an assessment of the 'character' of the relevant locality and whether it considers any sex establishments, or sex establishment of a particular kind, are appropriate for that relevant locality.
- 8.7 When considering the application, the Committee must have regard to:
- the Council's Policy for Sex Establishments;
  - information submitted as part of the application;
  - any observations submitted to it by the chief officer of police;
  - any objections received from anyone else within 28 days of the application
- 8.8 Members may also take into account any oral submissions made at any hearing to determine the application. Additionally, the Committee may have regard to any objections received after 28 days of the application.
- 8.9 Applications should only be refused where the Council considers it as necessary and proportionate to do so, and any decision shall be on a non-discriminatory basis.
- 8.10 Where the Committee has decided to grant a licence, it may impose terms, conditions and restrictions on that licence, either in the form of conditions specific to the individual licence under paragraph 8 of Schedule 3 or standard conditions made by the Council under paragraph 13 of Schedule 3.
- 8.11 The Council has adopted Standard Conditions applicable to Sexual Entertainment Venues.
- 8.12 Any licence granted shall be subject to those Standard Conditions, save for where they have been expressly excluded or varied by the Committee.



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## Application Variation of a Sex Establishment Licence pursuant to Schedule 3, Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982

This form should be completed and forwarded to the Manchester City Council Premises Licensing Team at the above address with the required fee. Cheques, etc. should be made payable to the Manchester City Council. Payment may also be made by credit or debit card upon request.

### Important Notes

1. All questions must be answered, save where otherwise stated. If relevant questions are not answered, the application will be deemed incomplete and returned to the Applicant.
2. Any person who, in connection with an application for a grant, renewal or transfer of a sex establishment licence makes a false statement which he knows to be false in any material respect of which he does not believe to be true is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding £20,000.

## Part 1 – Premises Details

I/We ROEFAX LIMITED

*(Insert name(s) of applicant)*

apply for the Variation of a Sex Establishment Licence as described below.

### 1. This renewal application is for a:

- |                            |                                     |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Sex Shop                   | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Sex Cinema                 | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Sexual Entertainment Venue | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

<b>Please state the Licence Number of the Sex Establishment premises to be varied</b>	224111
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<b>Name and Postal address of premises</b>			
VICTORIA'S 8 DANTZIC STREET			
<b>Post town</b>	MANCHESTER	<b>Post code</b>	M4 2AD

Telephone number	
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## Part 2 – Applicant details

Applicant Name	ROEFAX LIMITED
Address	UNIT 2 275 DEANSGATE MANCHESTER M3 4EL
Registered number	09430931
Telephone number	
E-mail address	████████████████████

## Part 3 – Variation Details

3	<b>Please describe the nature of the proposed variation</b>
	<p>To extend the hours on Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays preceding a Bank Holiday Monday and the morning following any UEFA Champions League Football Match played at either the Etihad Stadium (Manchester City) or Old Trafford (Manchester United) until 06:30.</p> <p>Amendments to the Operating Schedule as outlined in this application.</p>

3a	<b>Are you seeking to vary the operating hours?</b>		Mark as appropriate	
	Yes		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	No		<input type="checkbox"/>	
	<i>If Yes, please provide details of the proposed changes:</i>			
		Start	Finish	
	Monday			
	Tuesday			
	Wednesday			
	Thursday			
	Friday	19:00	06:30	
Saturday	19:00	06:30		
Sunday				

<b>3b</b>	<b>Are you seeking to alter the internal layout of the premises?</b>	Mark as appropriate
	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
	No	<b>x</b>
	<i>If Yes, please provide details of the proposed changes:</i>	

<b>3c</b>	<b>Are you seeking to remove, or amend, any conditions in Annex 1?</b>	Mark as appropriate
	Yes	<b>x</b>
	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<i>If Yes, please provide details:</i> <b>To replace Condition 8 with the following: The use of flyers and similar promotional material for the premises will only be permitted if the imagery and content has been agreed by the Licensing Authority.</b>	

## Part 4 – Further Information

Please tick yes (as applicable)

**I have enclosed the sex establishment licence**

**x**

**I have enclosed the relevant part of the sex establishment licence**

If you have not ticked one of the above, please fill in reasons for not including the licence, or part of it, below

**Reasons why I have failed to enclose the premises licence or relevant part of premises licence**

Please include any further information which you wish the authority to take into account here.

## Part 5 – Checklist and Declaration

Checklist	Mark as appropriate
I have completed all relevant section of the application	<b>x</b>
I declare that a public notice advertising this application shall be displayed upon the premises where it may be conveniently read by the public and shall remain displayed for a period of no less than 21 consecutive days. A copy of the notice and completed statutory declaration shall be provided to the Licensing Unit.	<b>x</b>
I declare that within seven days of the date of this application a public notice advertising this application will be publicised in the legal notices column of the Manchester Evening News and an original copy of the published advertisement shall be forwarded to the Licensing Unit at Manchester City Council forthwith.	<b>x</b>
I understand that if I do not comply with the requirements above that my application shall be rejected.	<b>x</b>
I declare I have served a copy of this application on Greater Manchester Police.	<b>x</b>
I have enclosed the relevant fee	<b>x</b>

### Declaration & Signature

The following declaration must be signed in all cases

Should the information provided in relation to this application form cease to be correct, or if there are any changes in the information provided in the application form between the date the application is submitted and the date it is determined, the Applicant must advise the licensing authority immediately. Failure to do so may result in any licence issued being revoked.

I/We certify to the best of our/my knowledge and belief that the information given in this application is complete and correct in every respect. I/We agree to notify the Licensing Authority should any of the information given in this application change.

Name	████████████████████
Position in organisation	██

Date	15 <sup>th</sup> February 2019
Signature	[REDACTED]

**Contact Details**

Contact name (where not previously given) and postal address for correspondence associated with this application (please read guidance note 13)			
[REDACTED]			
[REDACTED]			
[REDACTED]			
[REDACTED]			
Post town	[REDACTED]	Post code	[REDACTED]
Telephone number (if any)		[REDACTED]	
If you would prefer us to correspond with you by e-mail your e-mail address (optional)			
[REDACTED]			

**DOCUMENTS EVIDENCING PUBLIC NOTICE AND SERVICE** *(for office use only)*

Complete copy of newspaper circulating in this area of the authority, containing advertisement of this application to be provided upon publication	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
Copy of notice of application displayed on or near the premises	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
Copy of affidavit or statutory declaration that notice has been displayed as required by Schedule 3 paragraph 10(10) Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
Evidence of service of this application form and all enclosures upon <i>Licensing Partnership Office at Bootle Street Police Station, Bootle Street, Manchester, M2 5GU</i> within 7 days after the date of this application.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>

*When the application is made electronically, including all enclosures, the licensing authority will serve the Chief Officer of Police.*

**DOCUMENTS SUPPLIED WITH THIS APPLICATION****(Only include such documents that are subject to change as part of the variation):**

A site scale plan (1:1250)	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	x
Drawings showing the front elevation as existing	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	x
Drawings showing the front elevation as proposed including signage, advertising and window display.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	x
Scale layout plan of premises  Note, the requirements of the layout plan are set out below	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	x
Planning Permission	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	x
Certificate of lawful use or development	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	x
If the Applicant is a company, copies of Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	x
If the Applicant is a partnership, a certified copy of the Partnership Deed	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	x
A copy of any other licences for the premises, vehicle, vessel or stall	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	x
Code of Practice for Performers	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	x
Rules for Customers	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	x
Policy for Welfare of Performers.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	x

**REQUIREMENTS FOR LAYOUT PLAN:**

The layout plan must show;

1. The layout of the premises including, e.g. stage, bars, cloakroom, WCs, performance area, dressing rooms.
2. The extent of the boundary of the premises outlined in red
3. The extent of the public areas outlined in blue.
4. Uses of different area in the premises, e.g. performance areas, reception.
5. Structures or objects (including furniture) which may impact on the ability of individuals to use exits or escape routes without impediment.



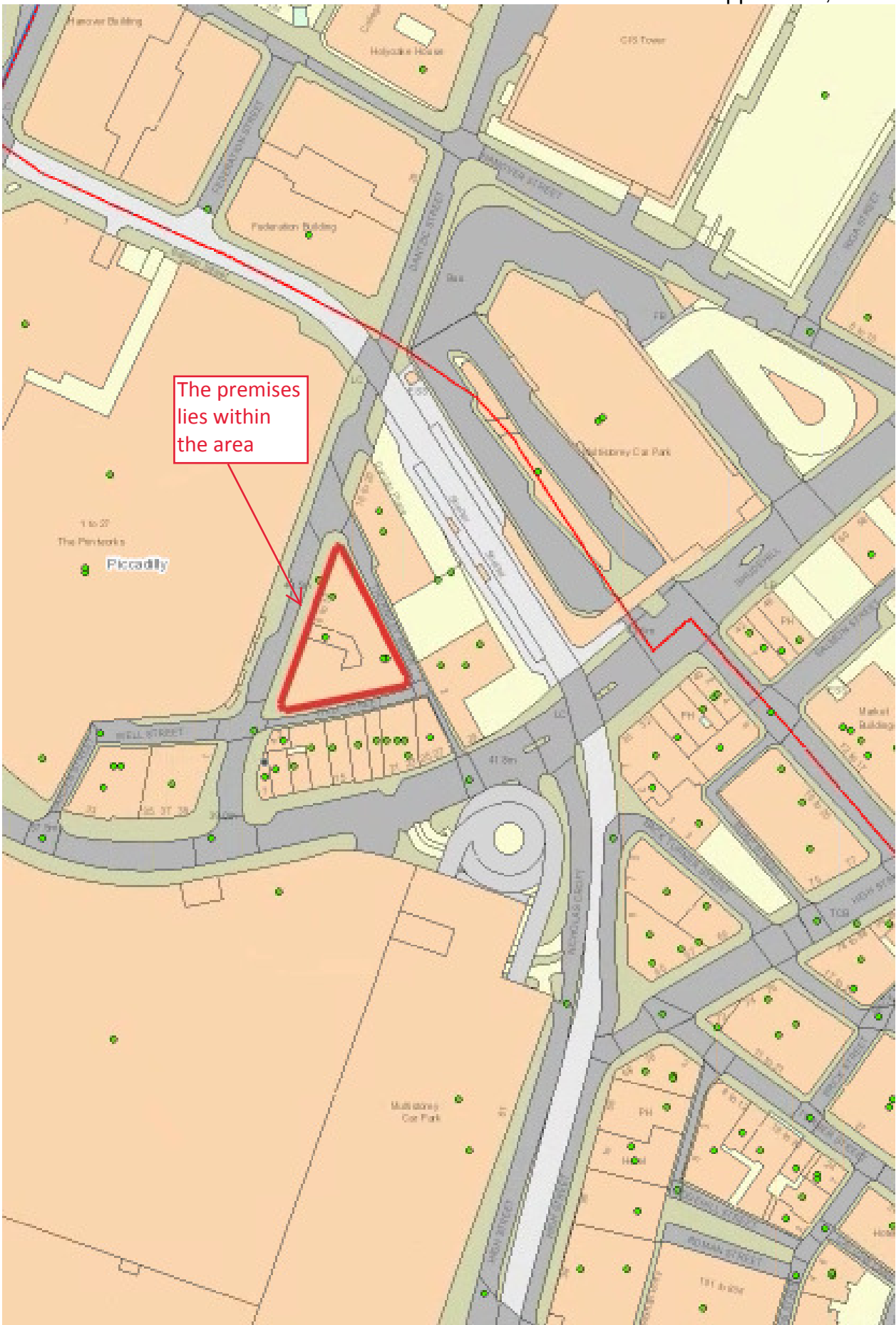
6. Location of points of access to and egress from the premises.
7. Any parts used in common with other premises.
8. Position of CCTV cameras.
9. Where the premises includes a stage or raised area, the location and height of each stage or area relative to the floor.
10. Where the premises includes any steps, stairs, elevators or lifts, the location of the same.
11. The location of any public conveniences, including disabled WCs.
12. The position of any ramps, lifts or other facilities for the benefit of disabled people.
13. Any level changes at the entrance to or within public parts of the premises which may be inaccessible to disabled people.
14. The location and type of any fire safety and any other safety equipment.
15. The location of any kitchen on the premises.
16. The location of emergency exits.

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of the Local Government Act 1972.

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Victoria's  
Part Basement, 8 Dantzic Street, Manchester, M4 2AD



**PREMISE NAME:** Victoria's

**PREMISE ADDRESS:** Part Basement, 8 Dantzic Street, Manchester, M4 2AD

**WARD:** Piccadilly

**HEARING DATE:** 23/04/2019



# MANCHESTER CITY COUNCIL

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1982, PART II, SCHEDULE 3

### SEX ESTABLISHMENT LICENCE

<b>Licence number</b>	224111
<b>Effective Date</b>	09/01/2019
<b>Expiry Date</b>	08/01/2020

#### Part 1 - Premises details

Name and address of premises		
Victoria's Part Basement, 8 Dantzic Street, Manchester		
<b>Post town</b>	<b>Post code</b>	<b>Telephone number</b>
Manchester	M4 2AD	

#### Activities authorised by the licence

**1 Operation as a sexual entertainment venue –**

a Provision of relevant entertainment before a live audience for the financial gain of the organiser or the entertainer. "Relevant entertainment" means –

i any live performance; or

ii any live display of nudity;

which is of such a nature that, ignoring financial gain, it must reasonably be assumed to be provided solely or principally for the purpose of sexually stimulating any member of the audience (whether by verbal or other means).

#### Hours premises are open to the public

##### Standard timings

Day	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Start	1900	1900	1900	1900	1900	1900	1900
Finish	0430	0430	0430	0430	0430	0430	0430

##### Seasonal variations and Non standard Timings:

None

#### Designated areas permitted for performances of sexual entertainment

Whole of premises

#### State whether full nudity is permitted or restricted

Permitted

#### Part 2

#### Name and (registered) address of holder of licence

Roefax Ltd  
Unit 2, 275 Deansgate, Manchester, M3 4EL

**Registered number of holder, for example company number, charity number (where applicable)**

09430931

### **Annex 1 – Licence conditions**

#### **External Appearance of the Premises and Public Displays of Information**

1. The exterior of the premises must be presented in a manner appropriate for the character of the area. There shall be no advertisement or promotional material used by the premises that is unsuitable to be viewed by children, for example, by way of sexually provocative imagery. Any exterior signage shall be discreet and shall not display any imagery that suggests or indicates relevant entertainment takes place at the premises. Any external displays or advertising may only be displayed with the prior approval of the Licensing Unit Manager of Manchester City Council.
2. The prices for entrance and any compulsory purchases within the venue, shall be clearly displayed on the exterior of the premises.
3. All charges for products and services shall be displayed in prominent areas within the premises, and at each customer table and in the bar area.
4. Rules for customers shall be displayed in prominent areas within the premises, and at each customer table and in the bar area.
5. No charge shall be applied unless the customer has been made aware of the tariff of charge by the performer in advance of the performance.
6. There shall be no performers or persons employed at the premises in a state of undress, or scantily-clad, outside the premises at any time it is open.
7. The use of cruising cars by the premises to solicit for custom and/or transport people to or from the premises is prohibited.
8. The use of flyers and similar promotional material for the premises is prohibited.

#### **Control of Entry to the Premises**

9. The Challenge 25 proof of age scheme shall be operated at the premises whereby any person suspected of being under 25 years of age shall be required to produce identification proving they are over 18 years of age. The only acceptable forms of identification are recognised photographic identification cards, such as a driving licence or passport.

***OR at the discretion of the Licensing Authority in individual circumstances the following condition may be applied:***

10. All persons entering the premises must supply verifiable identification details that are passed through a digital scanning and recording system such as Club Scan, Idvista or similar computerised system
11. The premises shall maintain a Refusals log whereby any occasion a person is refused entry shall be recorded and available upon request by the Police or an authorised officer of the Council.
12. All individuals employed on the premises to conduct a security activity (within the meaning of paragraph 2(1) (a) of Schedule 2 to the Private Security Act 2001) must be licensed by the Security Industry Authority.
13. Any person who appears to be drunk / intoxicated or under the influence of illegal drugs shall not be



permitted entrance to the premises.

14. A policy of random searches of persons entering the premises shall be operated.
15. Any person found to be in possession of illegal drugs upon entry shall be prevented entry and, where possible, restrained until the Police can take such person into custody. Any persons found using illegal drugs on the premises shall be removed from the premises or, where possible, restrained until the Police can take such person into custody.
16. The licensed premises shall be so arranged by screening or obscuring windows, doors and other openings so that the interior of the licensed premises shall not be visible to persons outside the building.
17. The premises shall subscribe to the NiteNet radio system and radios shall be operational at all times the premises is open to the public.

#### **Conduct of performers and Rules relating to performances of sexual entertainment**

18. There shall be a written code of conduct for performers. All performers shall be required to certify their agreement to comply with the code and a record shall be kept on the premises and be made available upon request by the Police or an authorised officer of the Council. The code shall include the following:
  19. There shall be no intentional physical contact between performers and customers at any time, before, during or after the performance, with the exception of leading a customer by the hand to, or from, an area permitted for performances of sexual entertainment in advance of, or following, a performance.
  20. The performer may not simulate any sexual act during a performance.
  21. Performers must not use any inappropriate, lewd, suggestive or sexually graphic language in any public or performance areas of the premises.
  22. Performers must not touch the breasts or genitalia of another performer, at any time as part of a performance.
  23. There shall be no use of sex articles (as defined by paragraph 4(3) of Schedule 3 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982) at any time.
  24. There shall be no nudity by performers in public areas of the premises, unless the Council has agreed in writing that area may be used for performances of sexual entertainment.
  25. Performers must fully dress (i.e. no nudity) at the end of each performance.
  26. Performances of sexual entertainment may only take place in designated areas of the premises as agreed in writing by the Council
  27. There shall be no photography permitted by customers on the premises.
  28. Customers must remain seated for the duration of a performance.
  29. Performers shall not arrange to meet, or have further contact with, customers outside of the premises.

#### **The protection of performers and the prevention of crime on the premises**

30. Performers shall be provided with secure and private changing facilities.
31. All entrances to private areas to which members of the public are not permitted access shall have clear signage stating that access is restricted.
32. Any exterior smoking area for use by performers shall be kept secure and separate to any public smoking area.

33. The licence holder shall implement a written policy to ensure the safety of performers when leaving the premises following any period of work.
34. Private booths must not be fully enclosed. There must be a clear sight-line from outside the booth so that any performance of sexual entertainment can be directly monitored.
35. There must be a minimum of one member of security staff present on any floor where a performance of sexual entertainment is taking place.
36. Any private booths shall be fitted with a panic button or security alarm.
37. There shall be no alterations to the layout plan of the premises without the prior written approval of the Council.

#### **Record Keeping and Management**

38. All performers shall be required to provide valid identification prior to first employment at the premises. Acceptable forms of identification are recognised photographic identification cards, such as a driving licence, passport or national ID card.
39. All performers and staff shall be eligible to work in the UK and proof of eligibility records shall be kept on the premises. Management shall ensure that such records are regularly checked to ensure compliance.
40. Employment records for performers and staff shall be kept for a minimum of 6 months following the cessation of their employment.
41. Accurate payment and remuneration records shall be maintained and shall be made available upon request to the Police or an authorised officer of the Council. All fees and charges for performers shall be stated in writing and prominently displayed within the changing area.
42. No films may be shown at the premises unless they have been passed by the British Board of Film Classification. No films classified as R18 shall be shown on the premises.

#### **CCTV**

43. The CCTV system must comply with:
  - a. *British Standard 7958:2009 - Closed circuit television (CCTV). Management and operation. Code of practice.*
44. Where CCTV system incorporates a digital recording function, it must also comply with:
  - a. *British Standard 8495:2007 - Code of practice for digital CCTV recording systems for the purpose of image export to be used as evidence.*
45. The DPS / premise owner must maintain an annual registration with the Information Commissioners Office - as stipulated under the Data Protection Act 1998.
46. At all times, the CCTV system and recordings must be kept in a secured environment under the control of the DPS or other nominated responsible named individual. Also a full instruction manual for the CCTV system must be available to the Police and other Responsible Authorities.
47. The CCTV system must be maintained in good working order to:
  - a. Operate on 'real-time' at a minimum rate of 20 frames-per-second, with constant, correct time/date generation.
  - b. Have a recording capability capable of providing individual pictures.

- c. Provide clean, clear and unobstructed camera views of evidential quality in all lighting conditions.
  - d. Provide correctly timed and date stamped recordings - which must be stored in date order, numbered sequentially and kept for a period of 31 days and handed to the Police on request.
  - e. Export footage to a removable storage medium with a time and date integral to the image – where possible, to also include any software needed to replay the footage.
  - f. Ensure exported footage at the same, or similar quality to that recorded on the system recording.
48. During all periods of licensable activity a nominated and trained 'CCTV Operator' must be on duty, in order to:
- a. inspect the CCTV system on a daily basis, and ensure that all cameras are in full working order.
  - b. record each inspection on a 'CCTV maintenance' log sheet, and endorse with their signature.
  - c. facilitate the downloading CCTV footage.
49. During all periods of non-licensable activity, a 'CCTV Operator' must be contactable by the police on a designated emergency-only telephone number. This number must be registered with the local police licensing officer.
50. The CCTV system must:
- a. Incorporate at least one camera on every entrance and exit to the premises - individuals must identifiable, and occupy at least 120% of the available screen height.
  - b. Incorporate at least one camera on all areas where the sale/supply of alcohol occurs - individuals must recognisable, and occupy at least 50% of the available screen height.
  - c. Incorporate at least one camera on any potential queue area external to the premises, and car parking area within the boundary of the premises - individuals must be detectable, and occupy at least 10% of the available screen height.
  - d. Ensure that all other cameras at the premises allow for individuals to be recognisable, and occupy at least 50% of the screen height.
51. In the event of a technical failure of the CCTV system, the nominated CCTV Operator or DPS will ensure the matter is reported to the MCC Licensing Unit within 24 hours.
52. A camera which records a facial picture of customers entering the premises shall be situated at the reception and a monitor situated there so customers entering can see same.
53. CCTV shall cover all public areas of the premises including all areas where performances of sexual entertainment are conducted.

**Dress Code**

54. The premises shall operate a dress code for customers to the satisfaction of Greater Manchester Police

**Annex 2 – Plans**

See attached.

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# MANCHESTER CITY COUNCIL

## LICENSING ACT 2003 PREMISES LICENCE

<b>Premises licence number</b>	116431
<b>Granted</b>	06/02/2009
<b>Latest version</b>	DPS variation 217617 granted 04/09/2018

### Part 1 - Premises details

<b>Name and address of premises</b>
<b>Victoria's</b> Ground/Lower Floor Victoria Bu, Dantzic Street, Manchester, M4 2AD
<b>Telephone number</b>
0161 832 4444

<b>Licensable activities authorised by the licence</b>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The sale by retail of alcohol*.</li> <li>The provision of regulated entertainment, limited to: Exhibition of films; Recorded music; Performances of dance; Anything similar to live music, recorded music or the performance of dance.</li> </ol> <p>* All references in this licence to "sale of alcohol" are to sale by retail.</p>

<b>The times the licence authorises the carrying out of licensable activities</b>
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<b>Sale by retail of alcohol</b>							
<b>Standard timings</b>							
Day	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Start	1900	1900	1900	1900	1900	1900	1900
Finish	0400	0400	0400	0400	0400	0400	0400
The sale of alcohol is licensed for consumption on the premises only.							
<b>Seasonal variations and Non standard Timings:</b>							
New Year: From the start time on New Year's Eve to the terminal hour for New Year's Day							
On the day British Summer Time commences: one additional hour following the terminal hour.							

<b>Exhibition of films; Recorded music; Performances of dance; Anything similar to live music, recorded music or the performance of dance</b>							
<b>Standard timings</b>							
Day	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Start	1900	1900	1900	1900	1900	1900	1900
Finish	0400	0400	0400	0400	0400	0400	0400
Licensed to take place indoors only.							
<b>Seasonal variations and Non standard Timings:</b>							
New Year: From the start time on New Year's Eve to the terminal hour for New Year's Day							
On the day British Summer Time commences: one additional hour following the terminal hour.							

<b>Hours premises are open to the public</b>							
<b>Standard timings</b>							
Day	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Start	1900	1900	1900	1900	1900	1900	1900
Finish	0430	0430	0430	0430	0430	0430	0430

**Seasonal variations and Non standard Timings:**  
 New Year: From the start time on New Year's Eve to the terminal hour for New Year's Day  
 On the day British Summer Time commences: one additional hour following the terminal hour.

## Part 2

<b>Details of premises licence holder</b>	
<b>Name:</b>	Roefax Ltd
<b>Address:</b>	Unit 2, 275 Deansgate, Manchester, M3 4EL
<b>Registered number:</b>	09430931

<b>Details of designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises for the supply of alcohol</b>	
<b>Name:</b>	Aaron Matthew Jarvis
<b>Address:</b>	
<b>Personal Licence number:</b>	017420
<b>Issuing Authority:</b>	Newcastle under Lyme Borough Council

## Annex 1 – Mandatory conditions

### Door Supervisors

1. Only individuals licensed by the Security Industry Authority shall be used at the premises to undertake security activities, which include guarding against:
  - (a) Unauthorised access or occupation (e.g. through door supervision),
  - (b) Outbreaks of disorder, or
  - (c) Damage,
 unless otherwise entitled by virtue of section 4 of the Private Security Industry Act 2001 to carry out such activities.

### Supply of alcohol

2. No supply of alcohol may be made under this premises licence:
  - (a) At a time when there is no designated premises supervisor in respect of the premises licence or,
  - (b) At a time when the designated premises supervisor does not hold a personal licence or his personal licence is suspended.
3. Every retail sale or supply of alcohol made under this licence must be made or authorised by a person who holds a personal licence.
4.
  - (1) The premises licence holder or club premises certificate holder must ensure that an age verification policy is adopted in respect of the premises in relation to the sale or supply of alcohol.
  - (2) The designated premises supervisor in relation to the premises licence must ensure that the supply of alcohol at the premises is carried on in accordance with the age verification policy.
  - (3) The policy must require individuals who appear to the responsible person to be under 18 years of age (or such older age as may be specified in the policy) to produce on request, before being served alcohol, identification bearing their photograph, date of birth and either –
    - (a) a holographic mark, or
    - (b) an ultraviolet feature.



5. (1) A relevant person shall ensure that no alcohol is sold or supplied for consumption on or off the premises for a price, which is less than the permitted price.
- (2) For the purposes of the condition set out in (1) above—
- (a) “duty” is to be construed in accordance with the Alcoholic Liquor Duties Act 1979
- (b) “permitted price” is the price found by applying the formula—
- $$P = D + (D \times V)$$
- where –
- (i) P is the permitted price,
- (ii) D is the amount of duty chargeable in relation to the alcohol as if the duty were charged on the date of the sale or supply of the alcohol, and
- (iii) V is the rate of value added tax chargeable in relation to the alcohol as if the value added tax were charged on the date of the sale or supply of the alcohol;
- (c) “relevant person” means, in relation to premises in respect of which there is in force a premises licence –
- (i) the holder of the premises licence,
- (ii) the designated premises supervisor (if any) in respect of such a licence, or
- (iii) the personal licence holder who makes or authorises a supply of alcohol under such a licence;
- (d) “relevant person” means, in relation to premises in respect of which there is in force a club premises certificate, any member or officer of the club present on the premises in a capacity which enables the member or officer to prevent the supply in question; and
- (e) “value added tax” means value added tax charged in accordance with the Value Added Tax Act 1994.
- (3) Where the permitted price given by paragraph (2)(b) would (apart from this paragraph) not be a whole number of pennies, the price given by that sub-paragraph shall be taken to be the price actually given by that sub-paragraph rounded up to the nearest penny.
- (4) (a) Sub-paragraph (4)(b) applies where the permitted price given by paragraph (2)(b) on a day (“the first day”) would be different from the permitted price on the next day (“the second day”) as a result of a change to the rate of duty or value added tax.
- (b) The permitted price which would apply on the first day applies to sales or supplies of alcohol which take place before the expiry of the period of 14 days beginning on the second day.
6. (1) The responsible person must ensure that staff on relevant premises do not carry out, arrange or participate in any irresponsible promotions in relation to the premises.
- (2) In this paragraph, an irresponsible promotion means any one or more of the following activities, or substantially similar activities, carried on for the purpose of encouraging the sale or supply of alcohol for consumption on the premises –
- (a) games or other activities which require or encourage, or are designed to require or encourage, individuals to –
- (i) drink a quantity of alcohol within a time limit (other than to drink alcohol sold or supplied on the premises before the cessation of the period in which the responsible person is authorised to sell or supply alcohol), or
- (ii) drink as much alcohol as possible (whether within a time limit or otherwise);
- (b) provision of unlimited or unspecified quantities of alcohol free or for a fixed or discounted fee to the public or to a group defined by a particular characteristic in a manner which carries a significant risk of undermining a licensing objective;
- (c) provision of free or discounted alcohol or any other thing as a prize to encourage or reward the purchase and consumption of alcohol over a period of 24 hours or less in a manner which carries a significant risk of undermining a licensing objective;

- (d) selling or supplying alcohol in association with promotional posters or flyers on, or in the vicinity of, the premises which can reasonably be considered to condone, encourage or glamorise anti-social behaviour or to refer to the effects of drunkenness in any favourable manner;
- (e) dispensing alcohol directly by one person into the mouth of another (other than where that other person is unable to drink without assistance by reason of disability).

7. The responsible person must ensure that free potable water is provided on request to customers where it is reasonably available.
8. The responsible person must ensure that –
- (a) where any of the following alcoholic drinks is sold or supplied for consumption on the premises (other than alcoholic drinks sold or supplied having been made up in advance ready for sale or supply in a securely closed container) it is available to customers in the following measures –
    - (i) beer or cider: ½ pint;
    - (ii) gin, rum, vodka or whisky: 25 ml or 35 ml; and
    - (iii) still wine in a glass: 125 ml;
  - (b) these measures are displayed in a menu, price list or other printed material which is available to customers on the premises; and
  - (c) where a customer does not in relation to a sale of alcohol specify the quantity of alcohol to be sold the customer is made aware that these measures are available.

For the purposes of conditions 6, 7 and 8 above, a responsible person in relation to a licensed premises means the holder of the premise licence in respect of the premises, the designated premises supervisor (if any) or any individual aged 18 or over who is authorised by either the licence holder or designated premises supervisor. For premises with a club premises certificate, any member or officer of the club present on the premises in a capacity that which enables him to prevent the supply of alcohol.

#### Exhibition of films

9. The admission of children under the age of 18 to film exhibitions permitted under the terms of this certificate shall be restricted in accordance with any recommendations made:
- (a) by the British Board of Film Classification (BBFC) where the film has been classified by that Board, or
  - (b) by the Licensing Authority where no classification certificate has been granted by the BBFC, or where the licensing authority has notified the club which holds the certificate that section 20 (3) (b) (74 (3)(b) for clubs) of the Licensing Act 2003 applies to the film.

#### Annex 2 – Conditions consistent with the operating schedule

1. An effective and adequate CCTV system equipped with a recording facility shall be installed, maintained and operated at the premises. Recorded images shall be kept in date order and numbered consequentially.  
Recording equipment and tapes shall be kept in a secure environment under the control of the DPS or other nominated responsible individual.
2. Notices shall be prominently displayed inside the premises advising patrons that there is a CCTV system in operation.
3. A written record shall be kept on the premises of every person employed on the premises as a door supervisor in a register kept for that purpose. That record shall contain the following details:
  - i. The door supervisor's name, date of birth and home address;
  - ii. His/her Security Industry Authority licence number;

- iii. The time and date he/she starts and finished duty;
- iv. The time of any breaks taken whilst on duty;
- v. Each entry shall be signed by the door supervisor.

That register shall be available for inspection on request by an Authorised Officer of the Council, the Security Industry Authority or a Police Constable.

4. There shall be provided at the premises Door Supervisors who are registered with the security industry authority from 1900 until the close of business.
5. There shall be an adequate number of registered door supervisors on the premises when the authorised entertainment is taking place to ensure good order and the safety of performers and customers. At least one door supervisor shall be positioned at the entrance(s) in use at all times when adult entertainment is taking place.
6. Notices providing taxi firm numbers shall be displayed near the exits of the premises.
7. Fire fighting equipment shall be maintained and serviced on an annual basis.
8. An adequate supply of first aid equipment shall be made available on the premises at all times.
9. All electrical equipment shall be inspected on an annual basis.
10. Amplified music shall not be played outside the premises.
11. Glassware shall not be collected from the premises, or disposed of into outside waste receptacles, between 2000 and 0800.
12. All external windows and doors shall be kept closed when regulated entertainment is being provided except for access and egress to and from the premises and/or in the event of an emergency.
13. Signage shall be displayed at the exits requesting that customers leave the premises quietly.
14. No person under the age of 18 shall be permitted on the premises at any time when licensable activities are taking place.
15. Signage shall be displayed at all entrances informing the customers that persons under 18 years shall not be admitted on the premises.
16. No sale or supply of alcohol shall be made to a person who appears to be under the age of 21, unless before a sale or supply is made the purchaser produces to the seller a document containing a photograph of the purchaser (such as a passport, driving licence or proof of age card) and that purchaser is over the age of 18.
17. There shall be no touching of performers by customers before, during or after the performance, other than the placing of banknotes by the customer in a garter worn by the performer for that purpose. There shall be no exchange of personal information between the performers and customers. Notices to this effect shall be clearly displayed at each entrance to the premises.
18. Adult entertainment shall only take place in the licensed area as shown on the plan attached to the premises licence.
19. Safe and controlled access to the dressing room for performers shall be maintained at all times when the performance is taking place and immediately afterwards. Members of the public shall not be allowed to access the dressing rooms.
20. Dancers not performing shall not be in the licensed area in a state of undress.
21. The performance area shall be supervised by a member of staff at all times when performances are taking place. The management at the premises shall take all reasonable steps to ensure that customers remain seated whilst adult entertainment is taking place.
22. Entertainment, including dancing, which involves nudity or sexual performance of any kind shall not be visible from outside the premises.
23. There shall be no display outside the premises of photographs or other images which indicate that entertainment involving nudity or sexual performance taking place on the premises.

**Annex 3 – Conditions attached after hearing by the licensing authority**

1. CCTV shall cover the point of sale at all times. The recordings shall be retained for a minimum of 28 days and all images shall be made available to responsible authorities on request.
2. Noise from music and associated sources (including amplified voices) shall not be a nuisance inside noise sensitive properties.
3. All staff shall be trained with regards to Challenge 21 policy and forms of acceptable ID. Staff shall also be trained to look out for and take action to prevent proxy sales taking place. This training shall be recorded on writing. Training shall be repeated on a regular basis and details of repeat training shall also be recorded in writing.
4. The premises shall operate a refusals book and this shall be checked on a regular basis by the Designated Premises Supervisor to ensure that it is being used by staff.

**Annex 4 – Plans**

See attached

MCC LICENSING REGISTER

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## Objections received

Five objections to the application were received within the period permitted. The general terms of the objections are as follows –

- A significant number of officers who are deployed on the weekend policing operation Custodian are located in the Dantzic Street/Withy Grove area due to the issues that the area attracts and in the early hours a significant number of the calls made to the police relate to the premises in this area and the locality in general.
- All but one of the other alcohol licensed venues in this vicinity finish trading by 4am on a weekend and by allowing these premises to remain open for another 2 ½ hours will almost certainly attract this unruly element to the premises and cause issues. This will probably lead to issues on the door, with new customers coming from the other venues in the locality and trying to gain entry. This will then see an increase in calls to service that GMP are already overstretched to deal with.
- Concerns are raised that the granting of this application is likely to lead to issues of public nuisance and the undermining of the Council's Licensing and Sex Establishment Policies
- The proposed hours will greatly impact on residents in the vicinity of the premise from noise by people leaving at the terminal hour and those permitted to temporarily leave to smoke. In addition to the residents we have also taken into account the effect on the day time economy when the public will be arriving or passing through, on a daily commute or visiting the City.
- The hours also raise concerns over the ability of the Council to clean and maintain the street scene ahead of the arrival of the day time economy due to the change over time of the Councils Street Cleansing Teams.
- A risk factor to be taken into consideration for events where there is a drinking culture associated, such as football, is the fact that there is a high probability that patrons arriving at the premises will have already been drinking for an extended period of time.
- A further concern is that the premises will become a 'go to' location for football fans wanting to continue their stay in the City.
- The exemption to the standard hours for UEFA Champions League matches means that the hours are extended during weekdays and these events will have a greater impact on residents and the daytime economy. Given that patrons will have been consuming alcohol until 6:00 hours they are therefore more likely to cause a public nuisance on dispersal.
- Concerns are raised over the potential imagery or content on any proposed publicity material and how, when and to whom the distribution of such material will be conducted or how this will be managed in relation to the protection of children and/or vulnerable people.
- Concerns are raised that the current license is not being approached in a responsible way - for example, free entry and free drinks for stag parties, a cash machine on the premises to encourage punters to spend more etc lead to a picture

of an establishment that is not responsibly retailing either alcohol or sexual entertainment.

- Sexual objectification of women and girls has a direct impact on sexual offenses and violence against them. It has also been reported that the 3 miles radius of a strip club is more dangerous for women and girls. To suggest that match days, which are usually day long drinking sessions and groups of men who cause such disruption that police presence is always necessary and adds to the likelihood of sexual harassment to an almost certainly, needs sexual objectification added into the mix is not only a failure of judgement but of community safeguarding. Many women already avoid the city centre on match days. Sports are not an excuse for sexism. An example of this the super bowl which is well known as the biggest sex trafficking event. Unless the guaranteed safety of women can be reasonably guaranteed - and given the 1.8% rape convictions rate despite almost ten women an hour reporting rape in England. We are people, not products, not disposable, not without citizenship.
- The proposed extension to hours would further the harm that is already done to Manchester city centre through the existence of sexual entertainment venues. We believe that the extension of opening hours would result in a higher rate of anti-social behaviour and danger to women.
- The representation also objects to the proposal to amend Condition 8 of Victorias' licensing conditions regarding the use of flyers and promotional materials, and ask that such promotional materials continues to be prohibited.
- Two photographs taken from the venue's Facebook page are attached. The representation comments that Manchester's SEV policy states 'The performer may not simulate any sexual act during a performance' and yet the Facebook posts clearly depict/suggest sexual acts being performed.
- MCC cannot abide by its Public Sector Equality Duty (to Eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation; Advance equality of opportunity between the sexes and Foster good relations between the sexes) and at the same time legitimately extend licensing hours for sexual entertainment venues. The Council must consider its Public Sector Equality Duty (PSED).
- Victoria's website boasts that it offers 'full nude lap dancing provided by Manchester's prettiest girls'. You can see examples of its Facebook posts attached. Offering up 'girls' as objects for sale and by calling itself a 'gentlemen's club' leads to the deduction that the dynamic of the business is that men consume and women are the objects of consumption.
- Like all SEVs, Victoria's reinforces the notion that women's function is to serve and satisfy men sexually. This provision of live display of nudity is provided solely or principally for the purpose of sexually stimulating any member of the live audience for the financial gains of the organiser or the entertainer. This has an impact on how females and males perceive themselves and each other: the ever-increasing sexual objectification of women runs counter to efforts to achieve equality between women and men in Manchester.
- The representation urges the Council to acknowledge and consider the PSED when making a decision as to whether to vary this licence.



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**Manchester City Council  
Report for Resolution**

**Report to:** Licensing and Appeals Sub Committee Hearing Panel – 11 July 2019

**Subject:** Obsessions, 2b Whitworth Street West, Manchester, M1 5WZ –  
(App ref: Sex Establishment Licence - Variation 226994)

**Report of:** Head of Planning, Building Control & Licensing

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**Summary**

Application for the variation of a sex establishment licence.

**Recommendations**

That the Panel determine the application.

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**Ward Affected:** Deansgate

**Full details are in the body of the report, along with any implications for:**

- Equal Opportunities Policy
  - Risk Management
  - Legal Considerations
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**Financial Consequences – Revenue - None**

**Financial Consequences – Capital - None**

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**Contact Officers:**

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**Background documents (available for public inspection):**

- Manchester City Council Sex Establishment Policy Document (Revised August 2013)
- Section 10 of Manchester City Council's Statement of Licensing Policy 2016 – 2021 (pertaining to adult entertainment)
- Any further documentary submissions by any party to the hearing

## 1. Introduction

- 1.1 The Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 provides the legislative framework in relation to the licensing of sex establishments. Section 27 of the Policing and Crime Act 2009 introduced a new category of sex establishment called a 'sexual entertainment venue', which allows local authorities to regulate lap dancing clubs and similar venues under Schedule 3 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982. The new powers were adopted by the Council with effect from 9 January 2011.

### **Sexual Entertainment Venues and Relevant Entertainment**

- 1.2 A sexual entertainment venue is defined as:

"A premises at which relevant entertainment is provided before a live audience for the financial gain of the organiser or entertainer unless an exemption applies."

- 1.3 There are 2 categories of 'relevant entertainment':

- live performances, and
- live displays of nudity.

- 1.4 In each case, the entertainment must be of such a nature that, ignoring financial gain, it must be reasonably assumed to be provided solely or principally for the purposes of sexually stimulating any member of the audience whether by verbal or other means. An audience can consist of just one person e.g. private shows.

## 2. Application

- 2.1 On 18/02/2019, an application for the variation of a sexual entertainment venue (SEV) licence was made in respect of Obsessions, 2b Whitworth Street West, Manchester, M1 5WZ in the Deansgate ward of Manchester.
- 2.2 A copy of the application is provided at **Appendix 1**. However, personal and commercially sensitive information has been redacted. This information will be provided by way of a separate bundle and may be considered by the Committee at the hearing under Part B. A location map and photograph of the premises is attached at **Appendix 2**.
- 2.3 The current sex establishment licence is attached at **Appendix 3**.
- 2.4 The premises is currently operating as a lap dancing premises and is licensed under the Licensing Act 2003 (licence attached at **Appendix 4**).
- 2.5 A public consultation exercise was undertaken in accordance with Schedule 3 of the 1982 Act, requiring the publication of an advertisement in a local newspaper circulating in the appropriate authority's area, not later than 7 days after the date of the application, and the display of a notice for 21 days

beginning with the date of the application, on or near the premises and in a place where the notice can conveniently be read by the public.

- 2.6 Any person objecting to an application for the grant, renewal, transfer or variation of a licence under Schedule 3 shall give notice in writing of his objection to the appropriate authority, stating in general terms the grounds of the objection, not later than 28 days after the date of the application.
- 2.7 All applications for the grant, renewal, transfer or variation of a sex establishment are determined by a delegated sub-committee of the Licensing and Appeals Committee, whether or not objections to the application have been received.

## 2.8 **Further documentation accompanying the application**

- 2.8.1 The applicant has not submitted any further documentation.

## 3. **Relevant Objections**

- 3.1 Any person can object to an application but the objection should be relevant to the grounds set out in paragraph 12 of Schedule 3 of the Act for refusing a licence, as set out in Section 4 of this report.
- 3.2 Objections should not be based on moral grounds/values and objections that are not relevant to the grounds set out in paragraph 12 should not be considered.
- 3.3 Although the council is under a duty to consider any objections made within 28 days of the application, it has discretion to hear later objections provided the applicant is given the opportunity to deal with those objections.
- 3.4 The council shall not without the consent of the person making the objection reveal their name or address to the applicant.
- 3.5 A total of three objections were received in respect of the application. The general terms of the objections have been summarised as **Appendix 5**. Original copies of these representations will be available to the Committee at the hearing.
- 3.6 A late objection has been received. The information will be presented to the Committee for their decision as to whether the late objection will be admitted (**Appendix 6** – for the Committee only).

## 4. **Mandatory and Discretionary Grounds for Refusal of a Licence**

- 4.1 Paragraph 12 of Schedule 3 to the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 sets out the grounds for refusing an application for the grant, renewal, transfer or variation of a licence. A decision to refuse a licence must be relevant to one or more of the below grounds.

## **Mandatory Grounds**

4.2 A licence must not be granted:

- to a person under the age of 18;
- to a person who is for the time being disqualified due to the person having had a previous licence revoked in the area of the appropriate authority within the last 12 months;
- to a person, other than a body corporate, who is not resident in an EEA state or was not so resident throughout the period of six months immediately preceding the date when the application was made; or
- to a body corporate which is not incorporated in an EEA state; or
- to a person who has, within a period of 12 months immediately preceding the date when the application was made, been refused the grant or renewal of a licence for the premises, vehicle, vessel or stall in respect of which the application is made, unless the refusal has been reversed on appeal.

## **Discretionary Grounds**

4.3 A licence may be refused where:

- the applicant is unsuitable to hold the licence by reason of having been convicted of an offence or for any other reason;
- if the licence were to be granted, renewed, or transferred the business to which it relates would be managed by or carried on for the benefit of a person, other than the applicant, who would be refused the grant, renewal, transfer or variation of such a licence if he made the application himself;
- the number of sex establishments, or of sex establishments of a particular kind, in the relevant locality at the time the application is determined is equal to or exceeds the number which the authority consider is appropriate for that locality;
- that the grant or renewal of the licence would be inappropriate having regard
  - to the character of the relevant locality; or
  - to the use to which any premises in the vicinity are put; or
  - to the layout, character or condition of the premises, vehicle, vessel or stall in respect of which the application is made.

4.4 Applications should only be refused where the Council considers it as necessary and proportionate to do so, and any decision shall be on a non-discriminatory basis.

## Human Rights Act

4.5 When determining a licence application Manchester City Council will have regard to any rights the applicant may have under Article 10 (right to freedom of expression) and Article 1, Protocol 1 (protection of property) of the European Convention on Human Rights

4.6 Article 1 of Protocol 1 of the European Convention of Human Rights states:

“Every natural or legal person is entitled to the peaceful enjoyment of his possessions. No one shall be deprived of his possessions except in the public interest and subject to the conditions provided for by law and by the general principles of international law.

The preceding provisions shall not, however, in any way impair the right of a State to enforce such laws as it deems necessary to control the use of property in accordance with the general interest or to secure the payment of taxes or other contributions or penalties.”

4.7 A licence is a possession.

4.8 When considering matters relating to the grant, revocation, renewal or refusal of licences and the placing of conditions on licences, the Committee must consider whether the decision affects an individual, group or company’s Human Rights as set out in the Convention and if it does, whether the interference with those rights is permissible by reason of the justifications set out in the Convention. In addition consideration must be given to whether the interference is proportionate to the general purpose.

## 5. Applicant Considerations

5.1 The Council needs to be satisfied that the applicants for a sex establishment licence are suitable to operate the business by ensuring:

- that the operator is honest;
- that the operator is qualified by experience to run the type of sex establishment in question;
- that the operator understands the general conditions;
- that the operator is proposing a management structure which will deliver compliance with operating conditions e.g. though:
  - managerial competence;
  - attendance at the premises;
  - a credible management structure;
  - enforcement of rules internally, e.g. through training and monitoring
  - a viable business plan, e.g. sufficient to employ door staff and install CCTV;
  - policies for the welfare of performers (SEV only).



- that the operator can be relied upon to act in the best interests of the performers, e.g. in how they are remunerated, the facilities they enjoy, how they are protected and how and by whom their physical and psychological welfare is monitored (SEV only);
- that the operator can be relied upon to protect the public, e.g. transparent charging, freedom from solicitation;
- that the operator can show a track record of management of compliant premises, or that s/he will employ individuals who will have such a track record;

5.2 All applications will be considered but they are unlikely to be granted if the following apply:

5.2.1 the applicant has a criminal record. Offences that would be considered particularly relevant include:

- convictions for dishonesty
- violence
- sexual offences
- drugs
- public order
- people trafficking
- the applicant has previously been involved in running an unlicensed sex establishment.
- if the licence were to be granted, the business to which it relates would be managed by or run for the benefit of a person other than the applicant who would be refused the grant of such a licence if they made it themselves.

5.3 It is anticipated that these expectations would be demonstrated by the operator through their completed application form and any accompanying submissions as part of the application process. However, the Council may also take into account any oral submissions made at any hearing to determine the application.

## **6. Location Considerations**

6.1 A licence can be refused if either, at the time the application, it is determined that the number of sex establishments, or sex establishments of a particular kind, in the relevant locality is equal to or exceeds the number that the authority considers appropriate for that locality; or that a sex establishment would be inappropriate having regard to the character of the relevant locality, the use to which any premises in the vicinity are put or the layout, character or condition of the premises.

6.2 Manchester City Council's Policy for Sex Establishments states that that areas located outside the City Centre, as defined by the Planning Department's definition of the City Centre, are not appropriate locations for

sex establishments. Therefore, the policy is that the appropriate number for sex establishments outside of the City Centre is nil.

6.3 Within the City Centre, an appropriate number for sex establishments has not been set. Applications will be determined as they arise.

6.4 Sex establishments will not normally be licensed near to:

- housing;
- schools, play areas, nurseries or children's centres;
- family shopping or leisure areas;
- places of worship;
- historic buildings or tourist attractions;
- other places where relevant entertainment takes place;
- other sensitive uses that may be relevant e.g. women's hostel;

where the proximity to such uses is likely to be considered by the Council to be inappropriate in having regard to the character of the relevant locality and the use to which any premises in the vicinity are put.

6.5 The spatial distribution of licensed premises is very relevant particularly with consideration to their impact upon the character of the locality. The Council will have regard to the uses of all other premises in the area as well as any potential adverse impact upon:

- regeneration;
- tourism;
- the retail or commercial attraction of the area;
- social issues e.g. prostitution, anti-social behaviour.

6.6 Within the city centre no licences shall be granted for premises within the following locations:

- parks or external areas/squares that attract large numbers of children such as, but not limited to, Castlefield Arena, Piccadilly Gardens, Albert Square, St Anne's Square, Exchange Square;
- entertainment centres which have children/family focussed entertainment;
- community buildings such as, but not limited to, places of worship, libraries, GPs surgeries;
- the area (framed by Deansgate to the west; Peter Street, Mount Street and Lower Mosley Street to the north; Portland Street, Oxford Street and Lower Mosley Street to the east; and Whitworth Street West to the south) as set out in Appendix A of the Council's Policy for Sex Establishments;
- where further sex oriented uses would change the character of an area;
- where further sex oriented uses would deter people from using the area comfortably/at all;

- where further sex oriented uses raises the fear of crime in the locality; or where such locations form part of the relevant locality.
- 6.7 The decision regarding what constitutes the 'relevant locality' is a matter for the Committee. However, such questions must be decided on the facts of the individual application.
- 6.8 The Council may also have regard to the following factors:
- access routes to schools, play areas, nurseries or children's centres or other uses normally attended by children;
  - any existing licensing permissions for the premises;
  - the proximity of other licensed premises in the surrounding area and the terms of those licences;
  - the Planning permission for the premises and surrounding uses;
  - any existing Planning or Regeneration policy/plan/strategy relevant to the area;
  - history of complaints relevant to the premises;
  - the nature of the daytime and night-time economies in the surrounding area.
- 6.9 This premises is located within the City Centre (see 6.3).
- 6.10 This premises is not located within the area set out in 6.6 (d) above.

## **7. Licence Conditions**

- 7.1 The Council has adopted standard conditions in respect of sexual entertainment venues, which will apply to all respective licences granted, unless such conditions have been expressly excluded or varied. These proposed standard conditions will be provided separately to the report.
- 7.2 However, following a hearing, the Licensing and Appeals Committee may attach such further conditions to a licence as are considered necessary and proportionate in the public interest including, but not limited to, the interest of public policy, public security, public health or the protection of the environment. This could include conditions restricting the opening and closing times of the premises.
- 7.3 The applicant has not requested any variations to the standard conditions.

## **8. Conclusion**

- 8.1 In determining an application for a sex establishment licence, any decision to refuse an application may only be made in accordance with the mandatory and discretionary grounds for refusal as set out in Section 4 of the report.
- 8.2 None of the mandatory grounds for refusal are met in respect of this application.

- 8.3 The discretionary grounds are set out in full at 4.3.
- 8.4 The decision regarding what constitutes the 'relevant locality' is a matter for the Committee. However, such questions must be decided on the facts of the individual application.
- 8.5 When considering a particular application case law has indicated that the relevant locality does not have to be a clearly pre-defined area nor are local authorities required to be able to define its precise boundaries. Therefore, while a local authority is not prevented from defining the exact area of the relevant locality, it is equally free to conclude that it simply refers to the area which surrounds the premises specified in the application and does not require further definition. Nevertheless, a local authority's view of what constitutes a locality could be open to challenge if they took a completely unreasonable view of the area covered. Case law also indicates that a relevant locality cannot be an entire local authority area or an entire town or city.
- 8.6 Once the Committee has determined the relevant locality, it should seek to make an assessment of the 'character' of the relevant locality and whether it considers any sex establishments, or sex establishment of a particular kind, are appropriate for that relevant locality.
- 8.7 When considering the application, the Committee must have regard to:
- the Council's Policy for Sex Establishments;
  - information submitted as part of the application;
  - any observations submitted to it by the chief officer of police;
  - any objections received from anyone else within 28 days of the application
- 8.8 Members may also take into account any oral submissions made at any hearing to determine the application. Additionally, the Committee may have regard to any objections received after 28 days of the application.
- 8.9 Applications should only be refused where the Council considers it as necessary and proportionate to do so, and any decision shall be on a non-discriminatory basis.
- 8.10 Where the Committee has decided to grant a licence, it may impose terms, conditions and restrictions on that licence, either in the form of conditions specific to the individual licence under paragraph 8 of Schedule 3 or standard conditions made by the Council under paragraph 13 of Schedule 3.
- 8.11 The Council has adopted Standard Conditions applicable to Sexual Entertainment Venues.
- 8.12 Any licence granted shall be subject to those Standard Conditions, save for where they have been expressly excluded or varied by the Committee.

By virtue of paragraph(s) 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A  
of the Local Government Act 1972.

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## Application Variation of a Sex Establishment Licence pursuant to Schedule 3, Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982

This form should be completed and forwarded to the Manchester City Council Premises Licensing Team at the above address with the required fee. Cheques, etc. should be made payable to the Manchester City Council. Payment may also be made by credit or debit card upon request.

### Important Notes

1. All questions must be answered, save where otherwise stated. If relevant questions are not answered, the application will be deemed incomplete and returned to the Applicant.
2. Any person who, in connection with an application for a grant, renewal or transfer of a sex establishment licence makes a false statement which he knows to be false in any material respect of which he does not believe to be true is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding £20,000.

## Part 1 – Premises Details

I/We PRIMEHILL PROPERTIES LIMITED

*(Insert name(s) of applicant)*

apply for the Variation of a Sex Establishment Licence as described below.

### 1. This renewal application is for a:

- |                            |                                     |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Sex Shop                   | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Sex Cinema                 | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Sexual Entertainment Venue | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

<b>Please state the Licence Number of the Sex Establishment premises to be varied</b>	137513
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<b>Name and Postal address of premises</b>			
OBSESSIONS 2B WHITWORTH STREET WEST			
<b>Post town</b>	MANCHESTER	<b>Post code</b>	M1 5WZ

Telephone number	
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## Part 2 – Applicant details

Applicant Name	PRIMEHILL PROPERTIES LIMITED
Address	UNIT 2 275 DEANSGATE MANCHESTER M3 4EL
Registered number	08087746
Telephone number	
E-mail address	

## Part 3 – Variation Details

<b>3</b>	<b>Please describe the nature of the proposed variation</b>
	To extend the hours for on Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays preceding a Bank Holiday Monday and the morning following any UEFA Champions League Football Match played at either the Etihad Stadium (Manchester City) or Old Trafford (Manchester United) until 06:30.  Amendments to the Operating Schedule as outlined in this application.

<b>3a</b>	<b>Are you seeking to vary the operating hours?</b>		Mark as appropriate	
	Yes		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	No		<input type="checkbox"/>	
	<i>If Yes, please provide details of the proposed changes:</i>			
		Start	Finish	
	Monday			
	Tuesday			
	Wednesday			
	Thursday			
	Friday	12:00	06:30	
Saturday	12:00	06:30		
Sunday				



<b>3b</b>	<b>Are you seeking to alter the internal layout of the premises?</b>	Mark as appropriate
	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
	No	<b>x</b>
	<i>If Yes, please provide details of the proposed changes:</i>	

<b>3c</b>	<b>Are you seeking to remove, or amend, any conditions in Annex 1?</b>	Mark as appropriate
	Yes	<b>x</b>
	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<i>If Yes, please provide details:</i> <b>To replace Condition 8 with the following: The use of flyers and similar promotional material for the premises will only be permitted if the imagery and content has been agreed by the Licensing Authority.</b>	

## Part 4 – Further Information

Please tick yes (as applicable)

**I have enclosed the sex establishment licence**

**x**

**I have enclosed the relevant part of the sex establishment licence**

If you have not ticked one of the above, please fill in reasons for not including the licence, or part of it, below

**Reasons why I have failed to enclose the premises licence or relevant part of premises licence**

Please include any further information which you wish the authority to take into account here.

## Part 5 – Checklist and Declaration

Checklist	Mark as appropriate
I have completed all relevant section of the application	<b>x</b>
I declare that a public notice advertising this application shall be displayed upon the premises where it may be conveniently read by the public and shall remain displayed for a period of no less than 21 consecutive days. A copy of the notice and completed statutory declaration shall be provided to the Licensing Unit.	<b>x</b>
I declare that within seven days of the date of this application a public notice advertising this application will be publicised in the legal notices column of the Manchester Evening News and an original copy of the published advertisement shall be forwarded to the Licensing Unit at Manchester City Council forthwith.	<b>x</b>
I understand that if I do not comply with the requirements above that my application shall be rejected.	<b>x</b>
I declare I have served a copy of this application on Greater Manchester Police.	<b>x</b>
I have enclosed the relevant fee	<b>x</b>

### Declaration & Signature

The following declaration must be signed in all cases

Should the information provided in relation to this application form cease to be correct, or if there are any changes in the information provided in the application form between the date the application is submitted and the date it is determined, the Applicant must advise the licensing authority immediately. Failure to do so may result in any licence issued being revoked.

I/We certify to the best of our/my knowledge and belief that the information given in this application is complete and correct in every respect. I/We agree to notify the Licensing Authority should any of the information given in this application change.

Name	████████████████████
Position in organisation	██

Date	15 <sup>th</sup> February 2019
Signature	[REDACTED]

### Contact Details

Contact name (where not previously given) and postal address for correspondence associated with this application (please read guidance note 13)			
[REDACTED]			
[REDACTED]			
[REDACTED]			
[REDACTED]			
Post town	[REDACTED]	Post code	[REDACTED]
Telephone number (if any)		[REDACTED]	
If you would prefer us to correspond with you by e-mail your e-mail address (optional)			
[REDACTED]			

### DOCUMENTS EVIDENCING PUBLIC NOTICE AND SERVICE *(for office use only)*

Complete copy of newspaper circulating in this area of the authority, containing advertisement of this application to be provided upon publication	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
Copy of notice of application displayed on or near the premises	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
Copy of affidavit or statutory declaration that notice has been displayed as required by Schedule 3 paragraph 10(10) Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
Evidence of service of this application form and all enclosures upon <i>Licensing Partnership Office at Bootle Street Police Station, Bootle Street, Manchester, M2 5GU</i> within 7 days after the date of this application.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>

*When the application is made electronically, including all enclosures, the licensing authority will serve the Chief Officer of Police.*

**DOCUMENTS SUPPLIED WITH THIS APPLICATION****(Only include such documents that are subject to change as part of the variation):**

A site scale plan (1:1250)	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	x
Drawings showing the front elevation as existing	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	x
Drawings showing the front elevation as proposed including signage, advertising and window display.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	x
Scale layout plan of premises  Note, the requirements of the layout plan are set out below	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	x
Planning Permission	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	x
Certificate of lawful use or development	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	x
If the Applicant is a company, copies of Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	x
If the Applicant is a partnership, a certified copy of the Partnership Deed	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	x
A copy of any other licences for the premises, vehicle, vessel or stall	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	x
Code of Practice for Performers	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	x
Rules for Customers	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	x
Policy for Welfare of Performers.	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	x

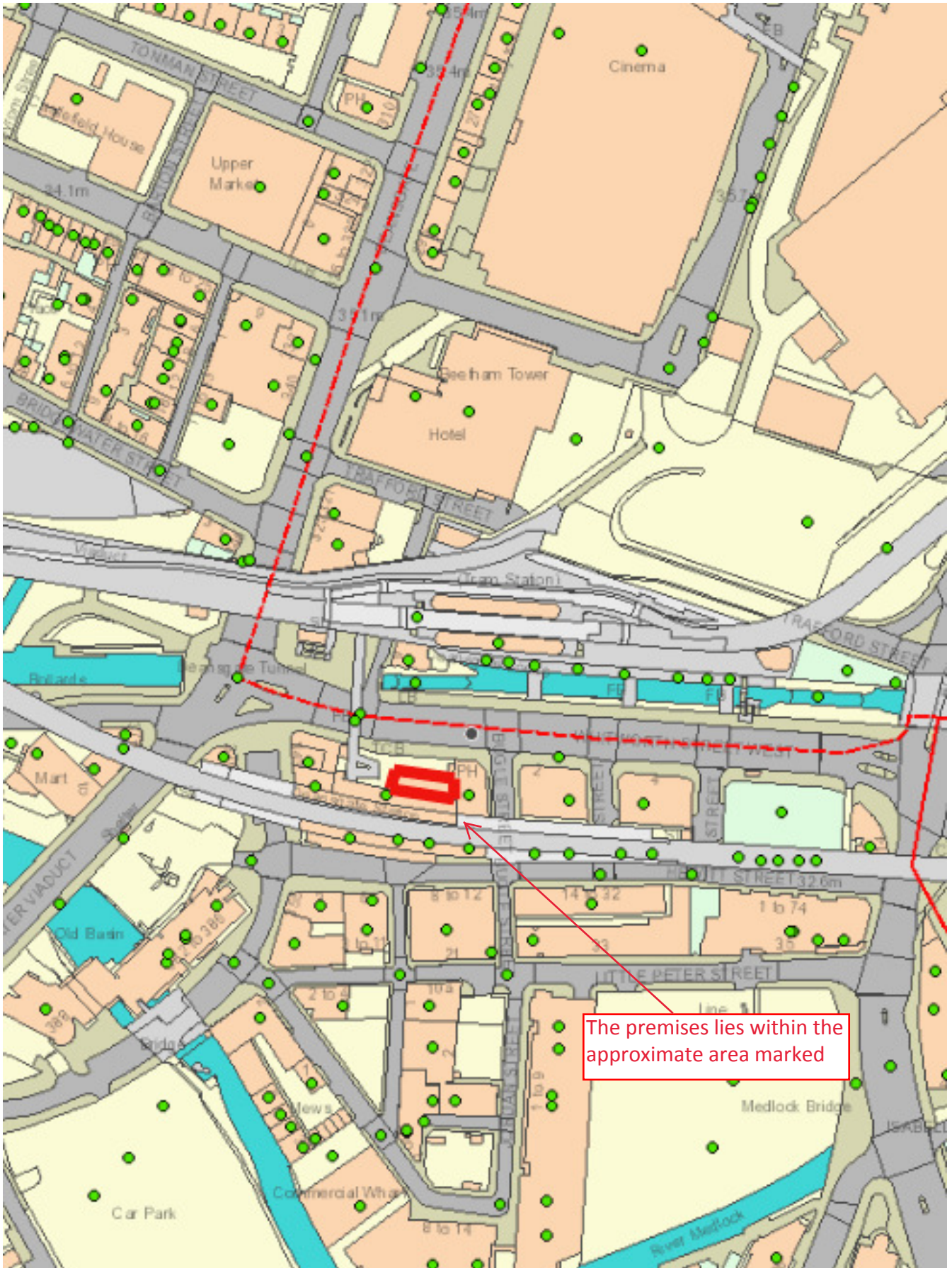
**REQUIREMENTS FOR LAYOUT PLAN:**

The layout plan must show;

1. The layout of the premises including, e.g. stage, bars, cloakroom, WCs, performance area, dressing rooms.
2. The extent of the boundary of the premises outlined in red
3. The extent of the public areas outlined in blue.
4. Uses of different area in the premises, e.g. performance areas, reception.
5. Structures or objects (including furniture) which may impact on the ability of individuals to use exits or escape routes without impediment.

6. Location of points of access to and egress from the premises.
7. Any parts used in common with other premises.
8. Position of CCTV cameras.
9. Where the premises includes a stage or raised area, the location and height of each stage or area relative to the floor.
10. Where the premises includes any steps, stairs, elevators or lifts, the location of the same.
11. The location of any public conveniences, including disabled WCs.
12. The position of any ramps, lifts or other facilities for the benefit of disabled people.
13. Any level changes at the entrance to or within public parts of the premises which may be inaccessible to disabled people.
14. The location and type of any fire safety and any other safety equipment.
15. The location of any kitchen on the premises.
16. The location of emergency exits.

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Obsessions  
2b Whitworth Street West, Manchester, M1 5WZ





**PREMISE NAME:** Obsessions

**PREMISE ADDRESS:** 2b Whitworth Street West, Manchester, M1 5WZ

**WARD:** Deansgate

**HEARING DATE:** 11/07/2019





# MANCHESTER CITY COUNCIL

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1982, PART II, SCHEDULE 3 **SEX ESTABLISHMENT LICENCE**

<b>Licence number</b>	<b>137513</b>
<b>Effective Date</b>	<b>09/01/2019</b>
<b>Expiry Date</b>	<b>08/01/2020</b>

### Part 1 - Premises details

Name and address of premises		
<b>Obsessions</b> 2b Whitworth Street West, Manchester, ,		
<b>Post town</b>	<b>Post code</b>	<b>Telephone number</b>
Manchester	M1 5WZ	0161 238 9019

Activities authorised by the licence
<p><b>1 Operation as a sexual entertainment venue –</b></p> <p>a Provision of relevant entertainment before a live audience for the financial gain of the organiser or the entertainer. “Relevant entertainment” means –</p> <p>i any live performance; or</p> <p>ii any live display of nudity;</p> <p>which is of such a nature that, ignoring financial gain, it must reasonably be assumed to be provided solely or principally for the purpose of sexually stimulating any member of the audience (whether by verbal or other means).</p>

Hours premises are open to the public							
Standard timings							
Day	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Start	1200	1200	1200	1200	1200	1200	1200
Finish	0430	0430	0430	0430	0430	0430	0430
Seasonal variations and Non standard Timings:							
None							

Designated areas permitted for performances of sexual entertainment
Whole of premises

State whether full nudity is permitted or restricted
Permitted

**Part 2****Name and (registered) address of holder of licence**

Primehill Properties Limited  
Unit 2, 275 Deansgate, Manchester, M3 4EW

**Registered number of holder, for example company number, charity number (where applicable)**

08087746

**Annex 1 – Licence conditions****External Appearance of the Premises and Public Displays of Information**

1. The exterior of the premises must be presented in a manner appropriate for the character of the area. There shall be no advertisement or promotional material used by the premises that is unsuitable to be viewed by children, for example, by way of sexually provocative imagery. Any exterior signage shall be discreet and shall not display any imagery that suggests or indicates relevant entertainment takes place at the premises. Any external displays or advertising may only be displayed with the prior approval of the Licensing Unit Manager of Manchester City Council.
2. The prices for entrance and any compulsory purchases within the venue, shall be clearly displayed on the exterior of the premises.
3. All charges for products and services shall be displayed in prominent areas within the premises, and at each customer table and in the bar area.
4. Rules for customers shall be displayed in prominent areas within the premises, and at each customer table and in the bar area.
5. No charge shall be applied unless the customer has been made aware of the tariff of charge by the performer in advance of the performance.
6. There shall be no performers or persons employed at the premises in a state of undress, or scantily-clad, outside the premises at any time it is open.
7. The use of cruising cars by the premises to solicit for custom and/or transport people to or from the premises is prohibited.
8. The use of flyers and similar promotional material for the premises is prohibited.

**Control of Entry to the Premises**

9. The Challenge 25 proof of age scheme shall be operated at the premises whereby any person suspected of being under 25 years of age shall be required to produce identification proving they are over 18 years of age. The only acceptable forms of identification are recognised photographic identification cards, such as a driving licence or passport.
10. The premises shall maintain a Refusals log whereby any occasion a person is refused entry shall be recorded and available upon request by the Police or an authorised officer of the Council.
11. All individuals employed on the premises to conduct a security activity (within the meaning of paragraph 2(1) (a) of Schedule 2 to the Private Security Act 2001) must be licensed by the Security Industry Authority.
12. Any person who appears to be drunk / intoxicated or under the influence of illegal drugs shall not be

permitted entrance to the premises.

13. A policy of random searches of persons entering the premises shall be operated.
14. Any person found to be in possession of illegal drugs upon entry shall be prevented entry and, where possible, restrained until the Police can take such person into custody. Any persons found using illegal drugs on the premises shall be removed from the premises or, where possible, restrained until the Police can take such person into custody.
15. The licensed premises shall be so arranged by screening or obscuring windows, doors and other openings so that the interior of the licensed premises shall not be visible to persons outside the building.
16. The premises shall subscribe to the NiteNet radio system and radios shall be operational at all times the premises is open to the public.

#### **Conduct of performers and Rules relating to performances of sexual entertainment**

17. There shall be a written code of conduct for performers. All performers shall be required to certify their agreement to comply with the code and a record shall be kept on the premises and be made available upon request by the Police or an authorised officer of the Council. The code shall include the following:
  18. There shall be no intentional physical contact between performers and customers at any time, before, during or after the performance, with the exception of leading a customer by the hand to, or from, an area permitted for performances of sexual entertainment in advance of, or following, a performance.
  19. The performer may not simulate any sexual act during a performance.
  20. Performers must not use any inappropriate, lewd, suggestive or sexually graphic language in any public or performance areas of the premises.
  21. Performers must not touch the breasts or genitalia of another performer, at any time as part of a performance.
  22. There shall be no use of sex articles (as defined by paragraph 4(3) of Schedule 3 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982) at any time.
  23. There shall be no nudity by performers in public areas of the premises, unless the Council has agreed in writing that area may be used for performances of sexual entertainment.
  24. Performers must fully dress (i.e. no nudity) at the end of each performance.
  25. Performances of sexual entertainment may only take place in designated areas of the premises as agreed in writing by the Council
  26. There shall be no photography permitted by customers on the premises.
  27. Customers must remain seated for the duration of a performance.
  28. Performers shall not arrange to meet, or have further contact with, customers outside of the premises.

#### **The protection of performers and the prevention of crime on the premises**

29. Performers shall be provided with secure and private changing facilities.
30. All entrances to private areas to which members of the public are not permitted access shall have clear signage stating that access is restricted.
31. Any exterior smoking area for use by performers shall be kept secure and separate to any public smoking area.

32. The licence holder shall implement a written policy to ensure the safety of performers when leaving the premises following any period of work.
33. Private booths must not be fully enclosed. There must be a clear sight-line from outside the booth so that any performance of sexual entertainment can be directly monitored.
34. There must be a minimum of one member of security staff present on any floor where a performance of sexual entertainment is taking place.
35. Any private booths shall be fitted with a panic button or security alarm.
36. There shall be no alterations to the layout plan of the premises without the prior written approval of the Council.

### **Record Keeping and Management**

37. All performers shall be required to provide valid identification prior to first employment at the premises. Acceptable forms of identification are recognised photographic identification cards, such as a driving licence, passport or national ID card.
38. All performers and staff shall be eligible to work in the UK and proof of eligibility records shall be kept on the premises. Management shall ensure that such records are regularly checked to ensure compliance.
39. Employment records for performers and staff shall be kept for a minimum of 6 months following the cessation of their employment.
40. Accurate payment and remuneration records shall be maintained and shall be made available upon request to the Police or an authorised officer of the Council. All fees and charges for performers shall be stated in writing and prominently displayed within the changing area.
41. No films may be shown at the premises unless they have been passed by the British Board of Film Classification. No films classified as R18 shall be shown on the premises.

### **CCTV**

42. The CCTV system must comply with:
  - a. *British Standard 7958:2009 - Closed circuit television (CCTV). Management and operation. Code of practice.*
43. Where CCTV system incorporates a digital recording function, it must also comply with:
  - a. *British Standard 8495:2007 - Code of practice for digital CCTV recording systems for the purpose of image export to be used as evidence.*
44. The DPS / premise owner must maintain an annual registration with the Information Commissioners Office - as stipulated under the Data Protection Act 1998.
45. At all times, the CCTV system and recordings must be kept in a secured environment under the control of the DPS or other nominated responsible named individual. Also a full instruction manual for the CCTV system must be available to the Police and other Responsible Authorities.
46. The CCTV system must be maintained in good working order to:
  - a. *Operate on 'real-time' at a minimum rate of 20 frames-per-second, with constant, correct time/date generation.*
  - b. *Have a recording capability capable of providing individual pictures.*

- c. *Provide clean, clear and unobstructed camera views of evidential quality in all lighting conditions.*
  - d. *Provide correctly timed and date stamped recordings - which must be stored in date order, numbered sequentially and kept for a period of 31 days and handed to the Police on request.*
  - e. *Export footage to a removable storage medium with a time and date integral to the image – where possible, to also include any software needed to replay the footage.*
  - f. *Ensure exported footage at the same, or similar quality to that recorded on the system recording.*
47. During all periods of licensable activity a nominated and trained ‘CCTV Operator’ must be on duty, in order to:
- a. *inspect the CCTV system on a daily basis, and ensure that all cameras are in full working order.*
  - b. *record each inspection on a ‘CCTV maintenance’ log sheet, and endorse with their signature.*
  - c. *facilitate the downloading CCTV footage.*
48. During all periods of non-licensable activity, a ‘CCTV Operator’ must be contactable by the police on a designated emergency-only telephone number. This number must be registered with the local police licensing officer.
49. The CCTV system must:
- a. *Incorporate at least one camera on every entrance and exit to the premises - individuals must identifiable, and occupy at least 120% of the available screen height.*
  - b. *Incorporate at least one camera on all areas where the sale/supply of alcohol occurs - individuals must recognisable, and occupy at least 50% of the available screen height.*
  - c. *Incorporate at least one camera on any potential queue area external to the premises, and car parking area within the boundary of the premises - individuals must be detectable, and occupy at least 10% of the available screen height.*
  - d. *Ensure that all other cameras at the premises allow for individuals to be recognisable, and occupy at least 50% of the screen height.*
50. In the event of a technical failure of the CCTV system, the nominated CCTV Operator or DPS will ensure the matter is reported to the MCC Licensing Unit within 24 hours.
51. A camera which records a facial picture of customers entering the premises shall be situated at the reception and a monitor situated there so customers entering can see same.
52. CCTV shall cover all public areas of the premises including all areas where performances of sexual entertainment are conducted.
- Dress Code**
53. The premises shall operate a dress code for customers to the satisfaction of Greater Manchester Police

## Annex 2 – Plans

See attached.

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# MANCHESTER CITY COUNCIL

## LICENSING ACT 2003 PREMISES LICENCE

<b>Premises licence number</b>	093334
<b>Granted</b>	22/09/2006
<b>Latest version</b>	DPS Variation 189112, granted 16/07/2016

### Part 1 - Premises details

<b>Name and address of premises</b>
<b>Obsessions</b> First Floor, 2B Whitworth Street West, Manchester, M1 5WZ

<b>Licensable activities authorised by the licence</b>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The sale by retail of alcohol*.</li> <li>2. The provision of regulated entertainment, limited to: Live music; Recorded music; Performances of dance; Anything similar to live music, recorded music or the performance of dance.</li> <li>3. The provision of late night refreshment.</li> </ol> <p>* All references in this licence to "sale of alcohol" are to sale by retail.</p>

<b>The times the licence authorises the carrying out of licensable activities</b>
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<b>Sale by retail of alcohol</b>							
<b>Standard timings</b>							
Day	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Start	1200	1200	1200	1200	1200	1200	1200
Finish	0400	0400	0400	0400	0400	0400	0400
The sale of alcohol is licensed for consumption on the premises only.							
<b>Seasonal variations and Non standard Timings:</b> None							

<b>Live music; Recorded music; Performances of dance</b>							
<b>Standard timings</b>							
Day	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Start	1200	1200	1200	1200	1200	1200	1200
Finish	0400	0400	0400	0400	0400	0400	0400
Licensed to take place indoors only.							
<b>Seasonal variations and Non standard Timings:</b> None							
<b>Further Details:</b> Lapdancing and music							

<b>Provision of late night refreshment</b>							
<b>Standard timings</b>							
Day	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Start	2300	2300	2300	2300	2300	2300	2300
Finish	0400	0400	0400	0400	0400	0400	0400
Licensed to take place indoors only.							
<b>Seasonal variations and Non standard Timings:</b> None							

<b>Hours premises are open to the public</b>							
<b>Standard timings</b>							
Day	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Start	1200	1200	1200	1200	1200	1200	1200
Finish	0430	0430	0430	0430	0430	0430	0430
<b>Seasonal variations and Non standard Timings:</b>							
None							

## Part 2

<b>Details of premises licence holder</b>	
<b>Name:</b>	Primehill Properties Limited
<b>Address:</b>	Unit 2, 275 Deansgate, Manchester, M3 4EW
<b>Registered number:</b>	08087746

<b>Details of designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises for the supply of alcohol</b>	
<b>Name:</b>	Francesca Amatulli
<b>Address:</b>	
<b>Personal Licence number:</b>	PA2570
<b>Issuing Authority:</b>	Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council

<b>Annex 1 – Mandatory conditions</b>
<p><b>Door Supervisors</b></p> <p>1. Only individuals licensed by the Security Industry Authority shall be used at the premises to undertake security activities, which include guarding against: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Unauthorised access or occupation (e.g. through door supervision),</li> <li>(b) Outbreaks of disorder, or</li> <li>(c) Damage,</li> </ul> <p>unless otherwise entitled by virtue of section 4 of the Private Security Industry Act 2001 to carry out such activities.</p> <p><b>Supply of alcohol</b></p> <p>2. No supply of alcohol may be made under this premises licence:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) At a time when there is no designated premises supervisor in respect of the premises licence or,</li> <li>(b) At a time when the designated premises supervisor does not hold a personal licence or his personal licence is suspended.</li> </ul> <p>3. Every retail sale or supply of alcohol made under this licence must be made or authorised by a person who holds a personal licence.</p> <p>4. (1) The premises licence holder or club premises certificate holder must ensure that an age verification policy is adopted in respect of the premises in relation to the sale or supply of alcohol.</p> <p>(2) The designated premises supervisor in relation to the premises licence must ensure that the supply of alcohol at the premises is carried on in accordance with the age verification policy.</p> <p>(3) The policy must require individuals who appear to the responsible person to be under 18 years of age (or such older age as may be specified in the policy) to produce on request, before being served alcohol, identification bearing their photograph, date of birth and either –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) a holographic mark, or</li> <li>(b) an ultraviolet feature.</li> </ul> <p>5. (1) A relevant person shall ensure that no alcohol is sold or supplied for consumption on or off the premises for a price, which is less than the permitted price.</p> <p>(2) For the purposes of the condition set out in (1) above–</p>

- (a) “duty” is to be construed in accordance with the Alcoholic Liquor Duties Act 1979
- (b) “permitted price” is the price found by applying the formula–

$$P = D + (D \times V)$$

where –

- (i) P is the permitted price,
- (ii) D is the amount of duty chargeable in relation to the alcohol as if the duty were charged on the date of the sale or supply of the alcohol, and
- (iii) V is the rate of value added tax chargeable in relation to the alcohol as if the value added tax were charged on the date of the sale or supply of the alcohol;
- (c) “relevant person” means, in relation to premises in respect of which there is in force a premises licence –
- (i) the holder of the premises licence,
- (ii) the designated premises supervisor (if any) in respect of such a licence, or
- (iii) the personal licence holder who makes or authorises a supply of alcohol under such a licence;
- (d) “relevant person” means, in relation to premises in respect of which there is in force a club premises certificate, any member or officer of the club present on the premises in a capacity which enables the member or officer to prevent the supply in question; and
- (e) “valued added tax” means value added tax charged in accordance with the Value Added Tax Act 1994.
- (3) Where the permitted price given by paragraph (2)(b) would (apart from this paragraph) not be a whole number of pennies, the price given by that sub-paragraph shall be taken to be the price actually given by that sub-paragraph rounded up to the nearest penny.
- (4) (a) Sub-paragraph (4)(b) applies where the permitted price given by paragraph (2)(b) on a day (“the first day”) would be different from the permitted price on the next day (“the second day”) as a result of a change to the rate of duty or value added tax.
- (b) The permitted price which would apply on the first day applies to sales or supplies of alcohol which take place before the expiry of the period of 14 days beginning on the second day.
6. (1) The responsible person must ensure that staff on relevant premises do not carry out, arrange or participate in any irresponsible promotions in relation to the premises.
- (2) In this paragraph, an irresponsible promotion means any one or more of the following activities, or substantially similar activities, carried on for the purpose of encouraging the sale or supply of alcohol for consumption on the premises –
- (a) games or other activities which require or encourage, or are designed to require or encourage, individuals to –
- (i) drink a quantity of alcohol within a time limit (other than to drink alcohol sold or supplied on the premises before the cessation of the period in which the responsible person is authorised to sell or supply alcohol), or
- (ii) drink as much alcohol as possible (whether within a time limit or otherwise);
- (b) provision of unlimited or unspecified quantities of alcohol free or for a fixed or discounted fee to the public or to a group defined by a particular characteristic in a manner which carries a significant risk of undermining a licensing objective;
- (c) provision of free or discounted alcohol or any other thing as a prize to encourage or reward the purchase and consumption of alcohol over a period of 24 hours or less in a manner which carries a significant risk of undermining a licensing objective;
- (d) selling or supplying alcohol in association with promotional posters or flyers on, or in the vicinity of, the premises which can reasonably be considered to condone, encourage or glamorise anti-social behaviour or to refer to the effects of drunkenness in any favourable manner;

(e) dispensing alcohol directly by one person into the mouth of another (other than where that other person is unable to drink without assistance by reason of disability).

7. The responsible person must ensure that free potable water is provided on request to customers where it is reasonably available.
8. The responsible person must ensure that –
  - (a) where any of the following alcoholic drinks is sold or supplied for consumption on the premises (other than alcoholic drinks sold or supplied having been made up in advance ready for sale or supply in a securely closed container) it is available to customers in the following measures –
    - (i) beer or cider: ½ pint;
    - (ii) gin, rum, vodka or whisky: 25 ml or 35 ml; and
    - (iii) still wine in a glass: 125 ml;
  - (b) these measures are displayed in a menu, price list or other printed material which is available to customers on the premises; and
  - (c) where a customer does not in relation to a sale of alcohol specify the quantity of alcohol to be sold the customer is made aware that these measures are available.

For the purposes of conditions 6, 7 and 8 above, a responsible person in relation to a licensed premises means the holder of the premise licence in respect of the premises, the designated premises supervisor (if any) or any individual aged 18 or over who is authorised by either the licence holder or designated premises supervisor. For premises with a club premises certificate, any member or officer of the club present on the premises in a capacity that which enables him to prevent the supply of alcohol.

## Annex 2 – Conditions consistent with the operating schedule

1. A House Drugs Policy shall be established and staff shall be appropriately trained in its operation.
2. Admission Procedures and Search Policies shall be established.
3. Staff shall be provided with training in identifying drugs misuse.
4. A representative of the premises shall attend any police briefings in respect to drug misuse.
5. A sufficient number of adequate and appropriately stocked First Aid Boxes shall be provided at the premises.
6. Accident Reporting Procedures shall be established at the premises.
7. A trained First Aider shall be situated on the premises when deemed necessary by the Premises Licence Holder.
8. Safe evacuation procedures shall be in place for use in the event of an emergency.
9. Actions to be taken by disabled persons in the event of an emergency shall be clearly displayed in the premises.
10. A designated person on each shift shall be responsible for evacuating disabled customers from the premises in the event of an emergency.
11. Fail-safe entry systems shall be established at the premises.
12. Escape routes shall be continuously monitored.
13. Notices shall be prominently displayed alerting customers to exit route directions.
14. Late queues shall be effectively supervised.
15. A policy for managing customer departure from the premises shall be implemented.
16. Weekly checks shall be conducted at night to detect any escape of sound, smells or anything that might cause a nuisance.
17. Any complaint shall be immediately dealt with upon receipt through appropriate channels.
18. Patrons shall be requested by way of verbal requests and prominent notices to respect nearby neighbours by leaving the premises in a quiet, courteous and orderly fashion.

19. Proper training and guidance shall be given to all staff, plus updates and training records, to ensure that all reasonable steps are taken to establish age of patrons.
20. All staff shall be requested to disclose any convictions for serving alcohol to underage persons.
21. There shall be a clear Policy of Zero Tolerance to violent and antisocial behaviour.
22. There shall be clear policies on standards of behaviour and dress.
23. The premises shall use recognised Identity Card schemes, e.g. PASS.
24. Closing Time procedures shall be implemented and understood by all staff.
25. Escape areas shall be routinely checked by a responsible member of senior management when licensable activities are taking place.
26. All escape routes shall be clearly marked and lit and duly checked and recorded on a monthly basis.
27. All fire fighting appliances shall be serviced on an annual basis. All Fire Exit signs and smoke detectors shall be checked on a monthly basis. There shall be weekly checking of Fire Bells. All of these checks shall be duly recorded methodically. There shall be daily checks to ensure that Fire Extinguishers are in their proper location.
28. Monthly/bimonthly fire evacuation procedures shall be tested and recorded.
29. Training shall be provided to all staff on all aspects of fire safety. All such training shall be recorded.
30. Entry Door Staff shall record customer numbers and be able to prove the numbers at any one time (including staff).
31. An ID Club Scan or equivalent system shall be operational at the premises whenever they are open to the public.
32. Fluorescent high visibility vests shall be worn at all times by security staff working inside and outside the premises.
33. A bodycam shall be used by security staff whenever the premises is open to the public. Footage recorded shall be retained in an unedited format for at least 28 days. Any person left in charge of the premises shall be trained in the use of any such bodycam or CCTV equipment and shall be able to produce/download/burn images upon request by a person from a responsible authority. Recordings shall be made available within 24 hours upon such request

### **Annex 3 – Conditions attached after hearing by the licensing authority**

1. Local taxi numbers shall be displayed near the exit of the premises.
2. All windows and doors to be kept closed, except for access and egress whilst regulated entertainment is taking place.
3. Management shall ensure inaudibility of regulated entertainment at the nearest noise sensitive location, namely the residential premises at the junction of Hewitt Street and Deansgate.
4. Staff shall avoid the emptying of bins into skips especially if they contain glass, and early refuse collections before 0800 hours and after 2200 hours.
5. No external speakers shall be operated at the premises.
6. CCTV must be installed at the premises and all the images recorded by the CCTV system shall be retained in unedited form for a period of not less than 28 days.
7. There shall be provided at the premises door supervisors, who are registered with the Security Industry Authority from 1200 hours (opening) until the close of business. Door supervisors are to be employed to such a number as the management of the premises consider are sufficient to control the entry of persons to the premises and for the keeping of order in the premises when they are used for a licensable activity.
8. A written record shall be kept on the premises by the Designated Premises Supervisor of every person employed on the premises as a door supervisor in a register kept for that purpose. That record shall contain the following details:-
  - (a) the door supervisor's name, date of birth and home address;
  - (b) his/her Security Industry Authority licence number;

- (c) the time and date he/she starts and finishes duty;
  - (d) the time of any breaks taken whilst on duty;
  - (e) each entry shall be signed by the door supervisor.
9. That register shall be available for inspection on demand by an Authorised Officer of the Council, the Security Industry Authority or a Police Constable.
10. The Designated Premises Supervisor or nominated member of staff shall attend the Pub and Club Watch meetings no less than six times a year.
11. No person aged under 18 years shall be allowed on the premises.

**Annex 4 – Plans**

See attached

MCC LICENSING REGISTER

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**Objections received:**

Three objections to the application were received within the period permitted. The general terms of the objection(s) are as follows –

- A significant number of officers who are deployed on the weekend policing operation Custodian are located in the Deansgate Locks/Whitworth Street area due to the issues that the area attracts and in the early hours a significant number of the calls made to the police relate to the premises in this area and the locality in general.
- All of the other venues in this vicinity finish trading at 4am on a weekend and by allowing these premises to remain open for another 2 ½ hours will almost certainly attract this unruly element to the premises and cause issues. This will probably lead to issues on the door, with new customers coming from the other venues on the Locks and trying to gain entry. This will then see an increase in calls to service that GMP are already overstretched to deal with.
- Concerns that the granting of this application is likely to lead to issues of public nuisance and the undermining of the Council's Licensing Policy 2016-2021, with specific reference to paragraph 7.26, 7.28, 7.31, 7.39 & 10.2 and the Council's Sex Establishment Policy – revised August 2013, with specific reference to paragraph 4.7 (a & d) & 7.8
- Concerns regarding the dispersal of customers at the extended time clashes with commuters into the city centre and the management of intoxicated customers upon exit from the premises.
- A risk factor to be taken into consideration for events where there is a drinking culture associated, such as football, is the fact that there is a high probability that patrons arriving at the premises will have already been drinking for an extended period of time.
- A further concern is that the premises will become a 'go to' location for football fans wanting to continue their stay in the City, potentially leading to an increase of noise disturbance in an area which contains residential properties and during the week the majority of premises in the area will be closed, therefore there will be less transient noise in the area.
- Concerns about the large numbers of people who may attempt to gain entry but then subsequently loiter outside the premises if refused entry and if refused entry engaging in conversation directly below residential properties with staff and customers outside smoking.
- The exemption to the standard hours for UEFA Champions League matches means that the hours are extended during weekdays and these events will have a greater impact on residents and the daytime economy. Given that patrons will have been consuming alcohol until 6:00 hours they are therefore more likely to cause a public nuisance on dispersal.
- Concerns are raised over the potential imagery or content on any proposed publicity material and how, when and to whom the distribution of such material will be conducted or how this will be managed in relation to the protection of children and/or vulnerable people.
- Concerns the increased hours will impact upon the character of the locality. We believe there will be an adverse impact upon: a) regeneration, b) tourism, c) the retail or commercial attraction of the area & d) social issues e.g. anti-social behaviour
- Concerns increased opening hours (and the increase in the hours in which alcohol can be sold) will further deter people from using the area comfortably and increase the fear of crime.

- The representation also objects to the proposal to amend Condition 8 of Obsessions licensing conditions regarding the use of flyers and promotional materials, and ask that such promotional materials continues to be prohibited.
- Two photographs taken from the venue's Facebook page are attached. The representation comments the content of such promotional material should be reviewed and posts show that Obsessions already appear to have significant promotional activity going on outside the venue, which should be investigated.
- MCC cannot abide by its Public Sector Equality Duty (to eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation; Advance equality of opportunity between the sexes and Foster good relations between the sexes) and at the same time legitimately extend licensing hours for sexual entertainment venues. The Council must consider its Public Sector Equality Duty (PSED).
- Obsessions website boasts that it offers 'full nude lap dancing is provided in a discreet environment....Manchester's finest and most beautiful girls ensure you and your friends enjoy an exciting night out in Manchester'. Offering up 'girls' as objects for sale and by calling itself a 'gentlemen's club' leads to the deduction that the dynamic of the business is that men consume and women are the objects of consumption.
- Like all SEVs, Obsessions reinforces the notion that women's function is to serve and satisfy men sexually. This provision of live display of nudity is provided solely or principally for the purpose of sexually stimulating any member of the live audience for the financial gains of the organiser or the entertainer. This has an impact on how females and males perceive themselves and each other: the ever-increasing sexual objectification of women runs counter to efforts to achieve equality between women and men in Manchester.
- The representation urges the Council to acknowledge and consider the PSED when making a decision as to whether to vary this licence.

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