



**Licensing & Out of Hours Compliance Team - Representation**

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**Premise Details**

Application Ref No	255360
Name of Premises	Soho House
Address	Floors 7-9, 2 Atherton Street, Manchester, M60 9EA

**Representation**

Outline your representation regarding the above application below. This representation should describe the likely effect of the grant of the licence/certificate on the licensing objectives and on the vicinity of the premises.

The Licensing and Out of Hours (LOOH) team have assessed the likely impact of the grant of this application taking into account a number of factors, including the nature of the area in which the premises is located and any potential risk the granting of this licence could lead to in relation to public nuisance.

**Location and Context**

Located on the Former Granada Studio's Site, No 2 Atherton street will form part of the St Johns neighborhood in the Southern Gateway of Manchester City Centre. Adjacent to the proposed venue is the Bauhaus mixed use development. The nearest residential units are along the Atherton Street façade of the building. Much of the southern side of Atherton Street is currently still under construction.

Soho House will be located on floors 7-9 of the new Mollie's Motel and Diner at the Old Granada Studios site on Quay Street/Atherton Street. The space will incorporate an external rooftop bar and swimming pool area, as well as bar, restaurant and event spaces.

The proposed license application is for Soho House for a Bar/restaurant. The premises is already licensed under license No. 216448 as part of Mollie's Motel and Diner. There will be no change to the way in which these floors are intended to trade, they are permitted under the existing Mollie's Motel and Diner license to trade as a bar/restaurant.

The purpose of this application is to *split* the license so that there is a separate license in place for Soho House occupying floors 7-9, and the Motel/Diner operation on the lower floors. This premises will be operated

under the applicant company, Soho House UK Ltd, with the Motel operated under the company which holds premises license no. 216448. Each premises will have a dedicated manager, and therefore it is sensible that there be a separate license and a different DPS for each premises. This application replicates the hours and activities permitted by license 216448 (but without the 24/7 provisions for hotel residents/guests).

### **Background to Soho Club Houses**

Soho House UK Ltd. provides private members' club services for those in film, media, and creative industries. The Company offers houses, restaurants, hotels, and cinemas internationally. Soho Houses have a selective club membership policy. A membership committee, composed of club members, decides who is and isn't granted access to each specific club. Membership for the current premises will range from £600 to £1,400 p/a, giving members access to exclusive pre-registered events. Members can bring up to 3 guests who register prior to events.

See <https://www.sohohouse.com/en-us/houses>.

LOOH has taken into consideration the conditions offered on the operating schedule to mitigate any issues that may arise from the premises in relation to public nuisance. The following conditions have therefore been added or amended:

### **Replace numbers (9) on the operating schedule with:**

An incident log (which may be electronically recorded) shall be kept at the premises for at least six months, and made available on request to the police or an authorised officer of the licensing authority, which shall record the following incidents including pertinent details:

- a. all crimes reported to the venue, or by the venue, to the police;
- b. all ejections of patrons;
- c. any complaints received;
- d. any incidents of disorder;
- e. seizures of drugs, offensive weapons, fraudulent ID or other items;
- f. any faults in the CCTV system, searching equipment or scanning equipment;
- g. any refusal of the sale of alcohol;
- h. any visit by a relevant authority or emergency service.

The premises licence holder and/or DPS shall carry out a documented risk assessment on the need for searching patrons entering the premises. The risk assessment shall be reviewed regularly and no less than every six months.

The Nitenet radio link shall be operated from 19:00 hours until the premises have closed. The radio shall be kept in good working order, operated by a responsible member of staff and used to report incidents of crime and disorder to the CCTV control room and other radio users.

### **Control of Noise from premises**

A sound limiting device shall be installed in the premises and all amplification equipment shall be played through the sound limiting device. The sound limiting device shall be used whenever relevant regulated entertainment is taking place and set by a suitably qualified person.

A direct telephone number for the manager of the premises shall always be publicly available when the premises is open.

A dispersal policy shall be agreed with the Licensing Authority and GMP

## **CCTV – Replace 1-4 on the operating schedule with:**

The premises shall install and maintain a comprehensive digital CCTV system. Except for the lavatory facilities, all public areas of the licensed premises, including all public entry and exit points, and the street environment, shall be covered, enabling facial identification of every person entering in any light condition. The CCTV cameras shall continually record while the premises are open to the public and recording shall be kept available and unedited for a minimum of 28 days with the date and time stamping. A staff member who is conversant with the operation of the CCTV system shall be present on the premises at all times when they are open to the public and must be able to produce/download/burn CCTV images upon request by a police officer or an authorised officer of the licensing authority. Any footage must be in a format that can be played back on a standard personal computer or a standard DVD player. Where the recording is on a removable medium (i.e. compact disc, flash card etc), a secure storage system to store those recording mediums shall be provided.

## **External Events**

28 days' notice shall be given to Greater Manchester Police of any events held that are organised by an external promoter, including full details of the nature of the event and of the promoter.

## **SIA- ammend 26 to read:**

On Friday and Saturday, a minimum of 1 member of SIA registered door staff per 100 customers shall be employed at the premises from 22:00 until 04:00. At all other times the requirement for door staff shall be determined in accordance with a risk assessment carried out by the DPS. When employed door staff will wear hi-vis armbands.

The premises license holder shall ensure that the provision of door supervisors at the premises is appropriate to ensure the safe control of the premises and shall review this on a regular basis and upon request from GMP or the licensing authority.

## **Management of Queues outside the premises**

The designated queuing area shall be enclosed within appropriate barriers to ensure that the footway is kept clear.

Any queue to enter the premises that forms outside the premises shall be kept orderly and supervised by licensed door supervisors to ensure that there is no public nuisance or obstruction to the public highway.

There shall be a documented dispersal policy, as agreed with the relevant responsible authorities, implemented at the premises

## **Staff Training - replace conditions: 8, 24, 25, 27, 30, 31**

All staff shall be trained in

- (a) relevant age restrictions in respect of products
- (b) recognising signs of drunkenness
- (c) how to refuse service
- (d) the premises' duty of care
- (e) action to be taken in the event of an emergency, including reporting an incident to the emergency services, safe evacuation of customers, dealing with terrorist threats or incidents
- (f) the conditions in force under this licence

(g) child welfare training including child exploitation in the hospitality industry

(h) Challenge 21 Policy

The training must be given to a new member of staff before they commence employment and all staff must receive refresher training every 6 months.

A complete fire risk assessment shall be in place prior to the opening of the premises and all live shows and events shall have relevant, separate risk assessments, with all documentation to be kept on site

All fire equipment shall be inspected and serviced annually, and records kept.

### **Drugs Policy**

The premises shall operate a zero-tolerance approach to drugs and weapons.

A written policy that aims to prevent customers or staff bringing illegal drugs, weapons or other illegal items onto the premises at any time shall be in place and operated at the premises.

### **Exhibition of Films**

No entertainment, performance, service, or exhibition involving nudity or sexual stimulation that would come within the definition of a sex establishment in Schedule 3 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 shall be provided.

There shall be no striptease or nudity, and all persons shall be decently attired at all times.

**Recommendation: Approve with Conditions (Outlined Above)**



Annex 1

2 Atherton Street location plan

ArcGIS Web Map



- Legend**
- Ward Boundaries
  - Boundaries
  - GM Districts

