Licensing Committee's Reasons

Name of the Applicant: The Chief Officer of Police, GMP (PC Hamersley on behalf of the Greater Manchester Police)

Premises: History, Deansgate Court, 244 Deansgate, Manchester M3 4BQ

Date: 22nd September 2021

Nature of the Application:

New Premises Licence	Variation of Premises Licence	Personal Licence	Temporary Event Notice	Other applications Please specify
				Summary Review

The committee have listened to and considered the representations made by

Body/ individual

GMP	X
Licensee/representative	X
Written presentations:	X

and have taken both the written and oral representations into account.

In reaching its decision the Committee also considered the Council's Statement of Licensing Policy, the Licensing Act 2003, the Regulations made there under and the Guidance issued by the Secretary of State under Section 182 of that Act and the licensing objectives.

Decision

Suspension of the Premises Licence, with immediate effect, pending full Review to be heard on the 15th of October 2021 at 1pm.

Reasons:

The Committee considered the incidents on the 12th and 19th of September serious enough to warrant the implementation of interim steps; they discounted the deployment of any other alternative due to the lack of control of the premises both internally and externally by the Management, which resulted in knife incidents across two consecutive weeks and also resulted in serious injury.

Staff allowed crowds to remain inside the venue which resulted in further incidents of violence and door staff were not easily identifiable. The Committee considered this posed a serious risk to public safety and undermines the promotion of the LO's of the prevention of Crime and Disorder and Public Safety.

Based on the evidence presented by GMP, the Committee considered the interim steps would enable the venue to review their procedures to implement measures to address the issues and that the interim step of immediate suspension was necessary and proportionate to prevent serious crime and/or serious disorder occurring pending determination of the review of the premises licence.

For the purpose of section 53B(5)(b) of the Licensing Act 2003, immediate notice of this decision was given orally to GMP and the Premises Licence Holder at the Summary Review hearing.

Full Review Hearing Date: 1pm Friday 15th October