

Greater Manchester Police
Central Park
Northampton Road
Manchester

CERTIFICATE UNDER SECTION 53A(1)(b) OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003

I hereby certify that in my opinion the premises described below are associated with ~~serious crime / serious disorder / both serious crime and serious disorder~~¹.

*Premises*²:
Neighbourhood
Tower 12
Crown Square
Manchester
M3 3BZ

Premises licence number (if known): 145365

Name of premises supervisor (if known):

I am a Superintendent ³ in the Greater Manchester police force.

I am giving this certificate because I am of the opinion that other procedures under the Licensing Act are inappropriate in this case, because⁴:

The standard review of the premises licence under section 51 Licensing Act 2003 is inappropriate due to length of time a standard review would take, there are serious concerns as to the extreme violence which has occurred at the premises and the clientele frequenting the premises.

Greater Manchester Police (GMP) will say that the premises are associated with Serious Crime and Serious Disorder. Therefore due to the Serious Crime and

¹ Delete as applicable.

² Include business name and address and any other relevant identifying details.

³ Insert rank of officer giving the certificate, which must be superintendent or above.

⁴ Give a brief description of why other procedures such as a standard review process are thought to be inappropriate, e.g. the degree of seriousness of the crime and/or disorder, the past history of compliance in relation to the premises concerned.

Serious Disorder which has taken place at the premises GMP feel that it is necessary for an expedited review to take place.

Serious crime is defined within the statutory guidance as per section 81(3)(a) and (b) of the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000, which states that the conduct constitutes an offence for which a person 21 years of age or over with no previous convictions could reasonably be expected to be sentenced to imprisonment for 3 years or more.

The premises are situated at Tower 12, Crown Square in the Spinningfields area of Manchester city centre and the premises licence was issued on 23rd October 2012. The Premises Licence Holder (PLH) is JRH Equipment Services Ltd and the Designated Premises Supervisor (DPS) is Anthony Mark Jackson who has held this position since September 2018.

The incident which has triggered this Summary Review is as follows:

At 0125 hours on Sunday 18th March 2019 GMP received a telephone call from the North West Ambulance Service requesting assistance from GMP at the premises in relation to a male who had been stabbed.

At 0130 hours Police officers arrived at the premises and established that a male had been stabbed inside the premises and the offender had left the scene. Further police patrols were requested in order to contain the scene and speak to witnesses.

It was established that the victim had sustained multiple stab wounds to his chest, back and leg and one of the door staff who was spoken to stated that the offender was in possession of a pocket knife.

The scene was secured and CCTV from the premises was obtained along with the Club scan data and a body cam footage was also obtained from Spinningfields Security. The doorstaff from the premises had not activated their body cams so no footage was available from their cameras.

The victim was taken to hospital by the ambulance where his wounds were dressed and treated and a chest drain was fitted. He has refused to co operate with the police in relation to this stabbing.

A potential offender has been identified via the Club Scan data and it is anticipated that an arrest will follow very swiftly.

CCTV footage has been viewed by CID and one of the cameras shows the alleged offender produce a knife from his waistband as he is being ejected by the door staff.

This Summary Review application comes less than 12 months after a previous Summary Review which was brought after a male was ejected from the premises and then produced a knife which he used to threaten door staff. A member of the door staff then hit the male in the face with a glass bottle causing permanent damage to his eye.

As a result of this incident a crime for Section 18 Assault has been submitted and enquiries are continuing.

There have been other incidents and crimes at the premises over the last 12 months and these will be fully disclosed at the full hearing.

The alleged offender is a member of a South Manchester Organised Crime Group and GMP are extremely concerned that because of this there may be serious repercussions and that staff and customers at the premises may be placed in danger if the premises were allowed to continue to trade as a licensed premises.

GMP have serious concerns as to the level of violence which occurred at the premises and by the demographic of some of the patrons who are frequenting there.

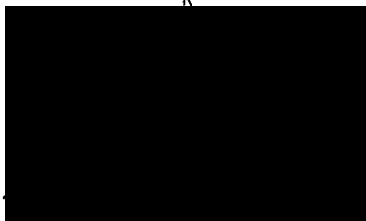
The conditions which were attached to the premises licence at the previous full review hearing do not appear to have deterred the problematic customers and a male has been able to take a knife into the premises and stab another male repeatedly causing significant injuries.

The powers contained under section 53A of the Licensing Act 2003 are necessary and proportionate in light of the association that the premises has to Serious Crime and Serious Disorder.

In the interim Greater Manchester Police would request that the Licensing Authority consider suspension of the Premises Licence until the full review is heard before the committee. Serious Crime and Serious Disorder has occurred at the premises and until the Licensing Committee hear the full review and all the evidence that will be disclosed, to allow the premises to continue to operate as a licensed premises gives concerns that further violent incidents will occur at the premises and the safety of both customers and staff will be placed in jeopardy. Greater Manchester Police will say that the licensing objectives of the prevention of crime and disorder can only be promoted if the premises licence was suspended until the final determination of the summary review application.

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(Signed)



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(Date)

18/3/19

FORM FOR APPLYING FOR A SUMMARY LICENCE REVIEW

[Insert name and address of relevant licensing authority and its reference number (optional)]

Manchester City Council

Application for the review of a premises licence under section 53A of the Licensing Act 2003 (premises associated with serious crime or disorder)

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Before completing this form please read the guidance notes at the end of the form. If you are completing the form by hand please write legibly in block capitals. In all cases ensure that your answers are inside the boxes and written in black ink. **Use additional sheets if necessary.**

I Alan Isherwood [on behalf of] the chief officer of police for the Greater Manchester police area apply for the review of a premises licence under section 53A of the Licensing Act 2003.

1. Premises details:

Postal address of premises, or if none or not known, ordnance survey map reference or description:

**Neighbourhood
Tower 12
Crown Square**

Post town: Manchester

Post code (if known): **M3 3BT**

2. Premises licence details:

Name of premises licence holder (if known): JRH Equipment Services Lid

Number of premises licence holder (if known): XXXXXXXXXX

3. Certificate under section 53A(1)(b) of the Licensing Act 2003 [Please read guidance note 1]:

I confirm that a certificate has been given by a senior member of the police force for

the police area above that in his opinion the above premises are associated with serious crime or disorder or both, and the certificate accompanies this application.

(Please tick the box to confirm)

4. Details of association of the above premises with serious crime, serious disorder or both:

[Please read guidance note 2]

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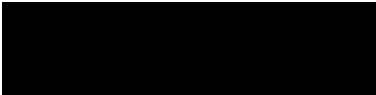
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Signature of applicant: 
Date: 18th March 2019
Capacity: Licensing Constable

Contact details for matters concerning this application:

Address:
**Manchester Town Hall Extension
Lloyd Street
Manchester
M2 5DB**

Telephone number(s): 0161 856 6017

Email: alan.isherwood@gmp.police.uk

Notes for guidance:

1. A certificate of the kind mentioned in the form must accompany the application in order for it to be valid under the terms of the Licensing Act 2003. The certificate must explicitly state the senior officer's opinion that the premises in question are associated with serious crime, serious disorder or both.

Serious crime is defined by reference to section 81 of the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000. In summary, it means:

- conduct that amounts to one or more criminal offences for which a person who has attained the age of eighteen and has no previous convictions could reasonably be expected to be sentenced to imprisonment for a term of three years or more; or
- conduct that amounts to one or more criminal offences and involves the use of violence, results in substantial financial gain or is conduct by a large number of persons in pursuit of a common purpose.

Serious disorder is not defined in legislation, and so bears its ordinary English meaning.

2. Briefly describe the circumstances giving rise to the opinion that the above premises are associated with serious crime, serious disorder, or both.