Appendix A



Southern Area Command Millbank Police Station Station Road South Shields Tyne and Wear NE33 1RR

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12.10.2021

Senior Licensing Officer Licensing Department Jack Crawford House Commercial Road Sunderland SR2 8QR

Dear Sir/Madam

## RE: Jungle Bar, 20 Vine Place, Sunderland, SR1 3NA

Please find enclosed a copy of the Representation made by Northumbria Police in connection with the Premises Licence review of Jungle Bar, 20 Vine Place, Sunderland, SR1 3NA.

Yours faithfully,

Chief Inspector Stuart Liddell Southern Area Command



Southern Area Command Millbank Police Station Station Road South Shields Tyne and Wear NE33 1RR

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13.10.2021

Senior Licensing Officer Licensing Department Jack Crawford House Commercial Road Sunderland SR2 8QR

Dear Sir/Madam

## RE: Jungle Bar, 20 Vine Place, Sunderland, SR1 3NA

Further to the application to review the premises licence, Northumbria Police are now aware Mark Morrison has surrendered his position as DPS and the premises are not trading at the current time.

Yours faithfully,

Kim Berston

Licensing Co-ordinator Southern Area Command

# Application for the review of a premises licence or club premises certificate under the Licensing Act 2003

#### 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 this 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.

You may wish to keep a copy of the completed form for your records.

I Chief Inspector Stuart Liddell

(Insert name of applicant)				
apply for the review of a premises licence under section 51 / apply for the review of a club premises certificate under section 87 of the Licensing Act 2003 for the premises described in Part 1 below (delete as applicable)				
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Part 2 - Applicant details				
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1) an individual, body or business which is no authority (please read guidance note 1, and or (B) below)				
2) a responsible authority (please complete (	C) below)			
3) a member of the club to which this applica (please complete (A) below)	tion relates			

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## (C) DETAILS OF RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY APPLICANT

Name and address	
Chief Inspector Stuart Liddell Southern Area Command South Shields Police Station	
Station Road	
South Shields NE33 2RR	
Telephone number (if any)	
E-mail address (optional)	
This application to review relates to the following licensing objective(s)	
Please tick one or more boxes  1) the prevention of crime and disorder	✓
2) public safety	
<ul><li>3) the prevention of public nuisance</li><li>4) the protection of children from harm</li></ul>	
Please state the ground(s) for review (please read guidance note 2)	
The Chief Constable believes the premises undermine the Licensing Objectives, in	
particular the Prevention of Crime & Disorder and the Protection of Children from Harm due to the way in which the premises are being managed and operated.	
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Please provide as much information as possible to support the application (please read guidance note 3)

The premises are located on Vine Place within Sunderland City Centre

The premises operate as a public house licensed for:

Retail Sale of Alcohol:

Every Day from 10:00 to 03:00

Non Standard Days and Timings:

On New Year's Eve, from the end of permitted hours on New Year's Eve to the start of permitted hours on the following day. To extend the terminal hour for an additional hour on the day when British Summer time begins.

Provision of Regulated Entertainment: (performances of dance, film, indoor sporting events, live music, recorded music and other entertainment falling within the act)

Every Day from 10:00 to 03:30

Non Standard Days and Timings:

On New Year's Eve, from the end of permitted hours on New Year's Eve to the start of permitted hours on the following day. To extend the terminal hour for an additional hour on the day when British Summer time begins

Provision of Late Night Refreshment:

Every Day from 23:00 to 03:30

Non Standard Days and Timings:

On New Year's Eve from 23:00 to 05:00 on New Year's Day

To extend the terminal hour for an additional hour on the day when British Summer Time begins.

The following conditions have been added to the Premises Licence within Annex 2:

- 1) The premises licence holder will implement a Dispersals Policy. This shall include the provision of a nominated taxi service and wind down period during the last 30 minutes of opening, when music will be played at a lower volume.
- 2) There will be no new customers permitted to enter the premises after 02:30, except for VIP's or guests of the management (up to maximum of 10% of the occupancy).
- The operator shall ensure that at all times when the premises are open for any licensable activity there are sufficient competent staff on duty for the purpose of fulfilling the terms and conditions of the licence and for preventing crime and disorder.
- 4) The operator and designated premises supervisor shall conduct a risk assessment for the general operation of the premises and in the case of individual bespoke events.

- 5) The premises licence holder shall implement a Social Responsibility Policy which shall be an analysis of potential risk and reasonable steps to be taken to minimise such. The policy shall address the following: -
  - (i) The risk of customers of being victims of crime when in discrete areas of the premises such as the toilets;
  - (ii) The risk of customers of being the victims of crime when intoxicated:
  - (iii) The risk to customers of injuries sustained from broken glass and whether polycarbonate receptacles are appropriate on some occasions;
  - (iv) The risk to customers of harm and injury caused to themselves as a consequence of irresponsible drinking;
  - (v) The risk of nuisance being caused to residents and nearby businesses.
- 6) If the premises is sold to a company, individual or other body which has no association or connection to RND Leisure Ltd, then the premises licence shall revert to that which had effect immediately prior to the variation granted on 15 May 2015.
- 7) There shall be no change to the style of the premises without prior written given to the Licensing Authority which shall include details of the new proposed operating style. The Licensing Authority shall advise the premises licence holder within 21 days whether a formal application for variation to the licence or a new licence is required.
- 8) The maximum number of persons permitted in each of the following areas at any one time shall not exceed:
  - a) Ground Floor 300
  - b) First Floor 200

But at no time shall the total number of persons on the premises as a whole exceed 500 persons.

- 9) A minimum of TWO door supervisors to be employed from 2200 hrs until the premises are closed to the public on the evenings of Tuesday, Friday, Saturday Sundays prior to a bank holiday, Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve. At all other times the amount of door supervisors employed will be on a risk assessment basis.
- 10) A CCTV system must be designed, installed and maintained in proper working order, to the satisfaction of the licensing authority and Northumbria Police. Such a system must:
  - a) Ensure coverage of all entrances and exits to the licensed premises both internally and externally. Ensure coverage of such areas as may be required by the licensing authority and Northumbria Police.
  - b) Provide continuous recording (whilst the premises are open to the public for the provision of licensable activities) for each camera to the Home Office Scientific Development Branch (HOSDB) standard for identification (CCTV Operational Requirements Manual 2009 No. 28/09). Such recordings must be retained for 28 days and must be supplied to an Officer of the Council or a Police Officer on reasonable request.
- 11) A representative from the premises will attend Pubwatch.
- 12) A record of incidents shall be kept and maintained at the premises and shall be

available for inspection upon reasonable request by a Police Officer.

- All members of staff at the premises, including door staff, shall seek credible photographic proof of age evidence from any person who appears to be under the age of 25 years and who is seeking to purchase alcohol. Such credible evidence must include a photograph of the customer, and will either be a passport, driving licence, Proof of Age card carrying the "PASS" logo or such other identification approved by Northumbria Police.
- All members of staff shall receive training on their responsibilities, with particular focus on issues surrounding age restricted products. Training will be given to all new members of staff before they are permitted to sell alcohol, and staff shall be retrained at least every 6 months. Such training will be documented and retained at the premises for a minimum of 12 months and be available on the reasonable request of the Police, Licensing Authority or Trading Standards.
- When informed by Northumbria Police of a 'high risk' football match at the Stadium of Light, reinforced glassware is to be used, with no bottle sales over the counter, plus door supervisors are to be employed to prevent crime and disorder and ensure public safety.

The Premises Licence Holders are John Kerr and Paul Rowe. An application was made in July 2021 for the transfer of the Premises Licence to Jade Mulley. Following objection by Northumbria Police to this transfer and a hearing held on 10 September 2021, the application was refused by Sunderland Licensing Sub-Committee.

The DPS is Mark Morrison having been varied in July 2021. The previous DPS was Anna Jacques.

Below is an overview of the concerns Northumbria Police have relating to The Jungle Bar and action taken so far to alleviate these concerns. For full details, please refer to the statement of Sqt Maria Ord.

Since February 2017 there has been consistent engagement with the premises. Between February 2017 and September 2019, 16 separate meetings were held to address issues raised and to assist in the monitoring of the premises through an action plan. An initial action plan was put in place in March 2017, to assist and support with the effective management of the premises. The plan was updated on 5 separate occasions due to changes within the management structure.

At a meeting held on 26 March 2019 Anna Jacques, who had recently been appointed DPS, attended along with Stan Johnston, who was introduced as the manager of the premises. The action plan was discussed in depth along with the reasons as to why the action plan had been implemented. Meetings were held regularly with both Anna and Stan in attendance until the plan was closed in September 2019.

There was no requirement for any further meetings to be held prior to the premises closing in March 2020 due to lockdown.

In July 2020 the premises re-opened when restrictions were lifted.

A multi-agency meeting was held 29 July 2020 due to a number of issues raised in relation to the premises/Covid compliance. Present at the meeting were representatives from, Police, Trading Standards and Council Licensing, Anna Jacques and Stan Johnston attended on behalf of Jungle Bar.

Visits to the premises were carried out to monitor compliance. During 30 July 2020 and

16 September 2020, 5 visits were carried out to the premises. Due to ongoing issues the premises were issued with a Direction Notice from Trading Standards on 16 September 2020 which expired on 17 October 2020.

The premises subsequently shut in November 2020 due to the further lockdown and reopened in April 2021

On re-opening in April 2021 the premises utilised private land to the rear of the premises with outdoor seating. Concerns were raised regarding the terraced area to the rear of the premises due to safety concerns. Building Control subsequently visited the premises and found the structure was not deemed safe, the structure was then taken down. The premises continued to trade utilising the outside area until 17 May 2021 when premises were permitted to utilise their inside space in line with their COVID compliant risk assessments, operating at a reduced capacity.

On 30 May 2021 an email was received from Inspector 7375 McClennan re concerns relating to the premises due to the number of incidents being reported and the demand on resources.

Between 05 June 2021 and 12 June 2021 5 visits were carried out to the premises

During the visit carried out on 11 June 2021 drug wipes were utilised and a positive result was found in the male toilets. PC 2325 Fenwick statement refers.

On 13 June 2021 at 01:46 an incident was created in relation to a disturbance at the premises. Staff requested assistance reporting a male smashed the wing mirror of a staff members car which was parked to the front of the premises. CCTV was obtained in relation to the incident and showed a member of door staff chasing the male and kicking him whilst he was on the floor – a disclosure was made to the SIA regarding this and the licence issued to the member of door staff has subsequently been suspended.

Due to the ongoing issues and concern around the premises incidents were collated and between 02 May 2021 and 13 June 2021 there were 27 reported incidents.

Due to the disproportionate level of incidents/nature of incidents it was agreed a joint visit with Council Licensing would be carried out to the premises to discuss this further and to carry out a check to ensure all conditions of the licence were being adhered to. The visit was carried out on 15 June 2021. Stan Johnston (manager) was in charge at the time – The then DPS Anna Jacques was contacted but she was out of the area and stated she would try and attend the meeting which she did towards the end of the visit.

Stan and Anna were advised the meeting discussion would be fed back to Chief Inspector Liddell and an update would be provided in due course. Stan was also advised weekly visits to the premises would continue and incidents would continue to be monitored

In relation to the licensing check a number of conditions of the licence were not being adhered to. A warning letter was subsequently sent to the premises by Council Licensing to advise the outstanding issues needed to be addressed and to provide an update within 7 days.

On 25 June 2021 at 14:05 the premises were visited and a letter issued to Anna Jacques and Stan Johnston who were both present at the time to advise after discussions with Chief Inspector Liddell and legal the premises would be given four weeks to reduce the level of crime and disorder and to improve and implement policies and procedures regarding the overall management of the premises. Failure to evidence improvements

would result in enforcement action against the premises which could include a review of the premises and the suspension or revocation of the licence. A copy of the letter was left at the premises for John Kerr and Paul Rowe – John Kerr was subsequently spoken to via telephone on 28 June 2021 where he was updated re the current position and advised of the letter at Jungle Bar. John advised he would meet with Paul Rowe to discuss how they move forward.

Incidents continued to be monitored for the following 4 weeks along with weekly visits to the premises:

During 13 June 2021 and 20 July 2021 5 visits were carried out to the premises:

During the visit carried out on 20 June 2021 drug wipes were utilised and a positive result was found in the male toilets. PC 2070 Catton's statement refers.

During the visit carried out on 18 July 2021 officers were met with a hostile crowd who appeared extremely anti police. This resulted in one arrest.

Between 17 June 2021 and 20 July 2021 there were a further 8 incidents reported, 5 of which were crimed. Two of the incidents Stan Johnston was named as the offender.

On 20 July 2021 a meeting was held with Chief Inspector Liddell and legal to discuss the incidents at the premises over the previous 4 weeks. It was agreed due to the ongoing issues/nature of incidents/lack of management at the premises a review of the premises licence would be submitted

On 23 July 2021 Anna Jacques was delivered a letter and advised due to seeing no improvements and incidents continuing to occur at the premises, a formal application to review the premises licence would be submitted. Anna was advised the application papers would be served in due course. Telephone contact was made with Paul Rowe and John Kerr to update them both accordingly by Sgt 1305 Ord, written confirmation was also sent to them directly.

On 30 July 2021 applications were made to transfer the premises licence to Jade Mulley and vary the DPS to Mark Morrison. As a result of this, the review application was put on hold to concentrate of these applications.

A meeting was held between Jade, Mark, Sgt Ord and Licensing Co-Ordinator Kim Berston on 03 August 2021 to discuss Jade and Mark's intentions and plans for the premises. Jade had been involved in the premises for approximately 18 months in the capacity as a manager. Due to concerns about her experience and history with the premises, Northumbria Police objected to the transfer of the licence to Jade Mulley. The letter of objection is provided.

At a hearing on 10 September 2021 before Sunderland Licensing Sub-Committee the application to transfer was refused. The decision notice is also provided. It was noted in the hearing that the incidents at The Jungle Bar has reduced but still remained serious in their nature including. It was clear during the course of the hearing that Jade had limited experience in running a bar and the premises required experienced and robust management.

Northumbria Police did not object to the variation to the DPS. Mark Morrison has limited experience in another bar in the City Centre which had not attracted Police attention. It was therefore felt that Mark should be given the opportunity to help turn things around at The Jungle Bar. However it is noted that during licensed visits Mark Morrison has not been present.

Northumbria Police continue to have concern regarding Jungle Bar in relation to the level and nature of incidents/lack of management control at the premises.

In requesting the review of the Premises Licence for The Jungle Bar, Northumbria Police respectfully request that consideration be given to the revocation of the Premises Licence.

The following documents are attached in support of this application

Statement from Chief Inspector Stuart Liddell who has responsibility for Licensing and Harm Reduction within Sunderland Area Command

Statement from Sgt 1305 Ord who has responsibility for the area that the premises are located in Southern Area Command.

Statement from PC 2070 Catton, City Centre Neighbourhood Team

Statement from PC 2325 Fenwick, City Centre Neighbourhood Team

Statement from PC 8719 Calvert, City Centre Neighbourhood Team

Statement from PC 2147 Fisher, Police Response Team

Statement from PC 8046 Hutchinson, City Centre Neighbourhood Team

Letter of Objection to Transfer of Premises Licence to Jade Mulley

**Decision Notice** 

Northumbria Police reserve the right to produce additional evidence to the Premises Licence Review prior to the hearing date and if deciding to do so, Northumbria Police will supply such information to Sunderland City Council, the other Responsible Authorities, the Premises Licence Holder and DPS.

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IT IS AN OFFENCE, UNDER SECTION 158 OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003, TO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT IN OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS APPLICATION. THOSE WHO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT MAY BE LIABLE ON SUMMARY CONVICTION TO A FINE OF ANY AMOUNT.

Circulations of applicant or applicant's collector or other duly authorized agent

Part 3 - Signatures (please read guidance note 4)

Date    M/N/2    Capacity   Delectro   Chef   Inspector	(please read guidance note 5). If signing on what capacity.		
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#### **Notes for Guidance**

- 1. A responsible authority includes the local police, fire and rescue authority and other statutory bodies which exercise specific functions in the local area.
- 2. The ground(s) for review must be based on one of the licensing objectives.
- 3. Please list any additional information or details for example dates of problems which are included in the grounds for review if available.
- 4. The application form must be signed.
- 5. An applicant's agent (for example solicitor) may sign the form on their behalf provided that they have actual authority to do so.
- 6. This is the address which we shall use to correspond with you about this application.

WITNESS STATEMENT	
CJ Act 1967, s.9; MC Act 1980, ss.5A(3) (a) and 5B; Criminal Procedure Rules 2005, Rule 27.1	
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Statement of: Maria Ord	
Age if under 18:Over 18 (if over 18 insert 'over 18') Occupation: Sergeant 1305	
This statement (consisting of page(s) each signed by me) is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it, anything which I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.  Signature:  Date 8 <sup>th</sup> October 2021	
Tick if witness evidence is visually recorded (supply witness details on rear)	

I am Neighbourhood Sergeant 1305 Maria Ord of Northumbria Police, Southern Area Command based in Sunderland City Centre. I have been a police officer for 17 years and a police Sergeant for 8 of those years.

I have shared responsibility for policing within the City Centre of Sunderland and I am involved with all aspects of licensing relating to City Centre premises. I am responsible for delivering the Northumbria Police and Crime Commissioner's Plan which includes, amongst other things, the reduction of crime and disorder in the City. Another vital part of my role is to identify vulnerability and protect vulnerable people in the City Centre.

As part of my responsibility, I assess, in conjunction with Chief Inspector Stuart Liddell, the impact of new Licensing applications as well as individuals or businesses that already hold a licence and consider the impact, or the likely impact, a new or existing licence may have on the City centre. When doing this I consider residents, businesses and the variety of people visiting the city.

I make this statement in support of the Chief Constable of Northumbria Police decision to review the premises license of The Jungle Bar, 20 Vine Place, Sunderland.

The Jungle Bar has a license to sell alcohol issued by Sunderland City Council under the Licensing Act 2003. The premises is licensed to sell alcohol between 1000 am and 0300 am every day.

The Current DPS is Mark Morrison, a transfer application being made on 30 July 2021. The DPS prior to this, and whom I have had previous involvement with, was Anna Marie Jacques. The Premises Licence Holders are John Kerr and Paul Rowe. On 30 July 2021 an application was made to transfer the licence to Jade Mulley. Northumbria Police opposed this application and at a hearing on 10 September 2021, Sunderland Council Licensing Sub-Committee refused the transfer application. Further details relating to this are below. The Manager at the premises is Jade Mulley .The previous manager, and whom I have had previous involvement with, was Stanley Johnston.

The premises Licence number is 00CMPREM00798 and I exhibit a copy of the full premises licence as exhibit MO/1.

#### Background

I have worked consistently with Jungle Bar over the past 5 years in an attempt to help the premises improve issues. I have been involved in 16 separate meetings to address issues and concerns at the Jungle Bar and attempt to support and assist them in moving forward. This was between February 2017 and September 2019.

My first involvement with Jungle Bar (or as it was known at the time as Easy Street) was in February 2017 when I recognised there was a disproportionate level of incidents at the premises and high levels of disorder associated with the premises. Along with the Sunderland licensing officer Kim Berston, I met with the then DPS/PLH Paul Rowe (who still remain as Premises licence holder along with John Kerr) to discuss concern over the number of incidents which had occurred at the premises. We also discussed and highlighted the ongoing issues regarding door staff and problems we had observed with the CCTV system. As a result of these concerns the premises were subsequently placed on an action plan in March 2017.

In March 2018 Vinny Carmicheal was appointed as the new manager at the premises and he attended police meetings going forward. He was aware of the issues and aware of the action plan agreed with the police in order to try and improve the issues at the premises. In May 2018 Paul Rowe fully stepped away from the business and had no active involvement though remained named as the PLH. Vinny Carmichael was left to run the premises which had continued to decline and cause major issues. Due to the ongoing concerns for the police, Paul Rowe stated he would take a more active role and assist in the running of the premises once more.

In August 2018 a further meeting was conducted with the police, licensing officer, Paul Rowe and John Kerr (PLH) to discuss the previous meetings and summarise the concerns we had over the management and disorder that continued at the Jungle Bar. We had seen a further decline since February 2017 and advised that the action plan could not continue indefinitely. Paul and John proposed a plan to employ an experienced manager to run the premises with immediate effect.

In September 2018 a new DPS David Ridley was appointed. I met with him and the licensing officer to discuss the issues at the premises and the expectations of the police moving forward. At this point I had sought legal advice regarding a potential licence review at Jungle Bar and although we felt we had met the threshold to seek a review, it was advised that we should give David an opportunity to improve the premises moving forward. During his time as DPS there was noticeable improvement and the incidents started to decline, with better working practices implemented. However, this was sustained for a period of 3 months as David left the premises in December 2018 after moving out of the area.

Following the departure of David Ridley, in March 2019 I held a further meeting with the new DPS Anna Jacques and Stan Johnston, who was described as the new owner /manager of the Jungle Bar. Once more, the history of the premises was fully outlined and the details of the action planned discussed with them both. It was explained that we needed to have consistency at the premises and a sustained period of improvement. Both were fully advised of the expectations of the police.

In May 2019 a further meeting was held with Anna and Stan to check on progress. There were some proactive improvements including the fact I had delivered vulnerability training to Stan and his other staff members and incidents were still at a manageable level. During this meeting I did discuss one concern I had observed and it was regarding staff safety. There had been an incident whereby Stan had followed offenders outside the premises and appeared to be involving himself in incidents rather than allowing the door staff to handle the issues that arose and/or call the Police.

As a result of continued improvement, primarily due to the efforts of the DPS Anna Jacques, in September 2019 the action plan was closed. However, I did highlight again at this meeting that Stan continued to involve himself in a number of incidents at the premises and his conduct was giving me cause for concern. He stated that he had had a number of personal issues and hoped this situation was now resolved so we would see improvement. Stan was reminded he had door staff at hand to manage incidents at the premises and police should be contacted and should handle incidents of a high risk nature.

Further evidence in relation to Stan Johnston's behaviour was witnessed on the 18<sup>th</sup> March 2020 when he was captured on CCTV assaulting a male in the street after following him from the premises down Holmeside. (Northumbria FWIN 39 refers). The victim would not provide a statement in relation to the assault (which was an unprovoked attack).



However, Stan Johnston was interviewed as a Voluntary Attender in relation to this matter and given a caution for a Public Order Offence after fully admitting his involvement.

I continued to monitor the premises from this point and at that stage there was no further requirement for police intervention. Then between March 2020 and July 2020 the premises was closed due to the COVID-19 National Lockdown so no incidents recorded during that period.

Jungle Bar reopened on 4<sup>th</sup> July 2020 and soon after a number of issues were raised associated with the lack of Covid Compliance at the venue. As a result, a multi-agency meeting was held 29<sup>th</sup> July 2020 with me, Kim Berston, Laura Brooks (Public Health) and Dawn Howley (Council Licensing) in attendance. The premises were asked to submit a risk assessment to Public Health and a number of measures were agreed between the Council and Jungle Bar to be implemented with immediate effect. A number of subsequent visits were conducted at the premises in order to check subsequent Covid Compliance.

Once more on 10th August 2020, there was an incident at Jungle Bar reporting a fight ongoing. (FWIN 110 refers ). The investigating officer PC 2122 Haswell advised that during his investigation it became apparent that Stan Johnston had taken a violent approach to dealing with this incident ahead of his own door staff. There was no complaint made however this gave us further evidence showing Stan's inappropriate conduct.

Again on 02nd September 2020 I received information from a RPT Response officer PC 1033 Don regarding Stanley Johnston. He reported that he had attended a few jobs recently at Jungle Bar where Stan has been very argumentative and aggressive with police, to the point where he had nearly been arrested on a number of occasions. He appeared to be drinking inside the bar and when incidents have occurred and police attend he shouts at officers, is obstructive and demanding. PC Don reported Stanley being anti-police throughout and extremely obstructive during his dealings with him.

However, due to a further Covid Lockdown the premises closed again between November 2020 and May 2021, when the guidance allowed outdoor areas only to reopen.

In May 2021 Jungle Bar reopened using an outside area at the rear of their premises in the rear lane. It was a very small private car park area where they built a temporary roof fixture. A safety concern regarding the outside area was immediately raised by police to the Council. The outside canopy was propped up with a single piece of wood and appeared unsafe so on 20<sup>th</sup> May 2021 Building Control visited the premises and found the structure wasn't safe and it was taken down, however the premises continued to trade outdoors.

From 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2021 when the premises reopened there was almost instantly a worrying rise in incidents, crime and disorder at Jungle Bar which appeared to be completely disproportionate to other venues in the City Centre. What follows is a summary of the incidents, intelligence and action taken at this premises.

02/05/21 – Northumbria Police FWIN 1259 - A female was removed from the premises for taking her own alcohol into bar and subsequently arrested for being drunk & disorderly.

09/05/21 – FWIN 87 - Report made to Northumbria Police reporting a fight ongoing. The report was of two males fighting outside the bar and a suggestion one of the males had a knife in his possession. Upon police arrival there were no complaints of assault made, however a subsequent crime for Section 5 Public Order Offence was recorded.

10/05/21 – FWIN 1213 - A patron in the premises reported a theft of his mobile phone which he had left on a seat inside. When returning his phone had been stolen and a subsequent theft crime recorded.



15/05/21 – FWIN 964 - Another fight reported to police which was occurring at the rear of the bar. There were ten people fighting at the rear of the bar. Upon police arrival the group had dispersed.

16/05/21 – FWIN 6 - Report received to Northumbria Police of Assault– the victim approached Police on their arrival and reported an assault by door staff at Jungle Bar. A crime of a Section 39 Assault was recorded and the investigation was not progressed due to the victim's wishes.

On 17<sup>th</sup> May 2021 Covid Restrictions were changed to allow premises to open inside with a number of limitations including table service. Jungle Bar reopened and the number of incidents continued to follow a similar pattern.

18/05/21 - FWIN 97 - A female arrested inside the premises for drunk and disorderly.

20/05/21 – FWIN 81 – Caller contacted Northumbria Police in order to complain about door staff who had ejected the male from the premises for not paying for a drink and had then tackled him to the floor. The alleged victim has then gone on to assault 2 people and subsequently a S39 and S47 assault recorded.

21/05/21 – FWIN 1275 – Report to Northumbria Police of a fight ongoing at Jungle Bar. The caller went on to report that a male at rear of bar was threatening and trying to assault staff. Subsequently S4 POA recorded.

22/5/21 – FWIN 121 - Report of a fight ongoing at the premises involving six males. The males involved were ejected before police arrived on scene.

23/5/21 – FWIN 68 – Report of a male being pushed down the stairs in the venue, however no one came forward when police arrived or reported any crime.

25/5/21 – FWIN 1224 – Report of a fight ongoing inside the premises and the male involved threatening to stab the victim and door staff. Report stated the male was in possession of a knife however when questioned door staff had not seen any weapon. One victim reported an assault and threats so both crimes recorded.

26/5/21 – FWIN 26 – Report of a Sexual Assault against a staff member in the Jungle Bar. The male involved had touched the victim's breasts and between her legs over clothing. He was arrested and cautioned for a sexual assault.

27/05/21 – FWIN 1392 – Report of assault against member of door staff when the offender was refused entry to the premises. The same male then returned and assaulted door staff. The assault was minor and a S39 assault recorded but victim would not support a prosecution.

28/05/21 – FWIN 43 - Male assaulted – Offender assaults victim whilst in bar which is captured on CCTV. Both offender and victim make off and a S39 assault was recorded, the offender is later charged with the offence.

28/05/21 – FWIN 49 - Female assaulted by a known offender who assaulted her by punching her in the face – a S47 Assault was recorded and the male offender was arrested. He was also charged and found in possession of drugs (cannabis) at the time of his arrest.

28/05/21 – FWIN 93 – Report of ten males fighting at the premises. A male was arrested at scene and charged with a S47 assault.



29/05/21 – FWIN 1458 - Disturbance reported when a drunk male tried to gain entry Jungle Bar. He was taken away from the scene.

29/05/21 – FWIN 139 – Information received from an alleged victim who had been assaulted in the premises the previous week. He passed information that the two male offenders responsible had entered the bar.

31/05/21 – FWIN 126 – Report of Criminal Damage to Stan Johnston's vehicle which was parked at the front of jungle bar. The Male responsible was detained after he had thrown a bottle at the vehicle. The Crime was recorded, however Stan Johnston refused to assist or prosecute in relation to this matter.

01/06/21 – FWIN 60 – Report received of a female being assaulted by her partner who threw a bottle at her. The victim refused to assist police and denied the assault, however this was captured on CCTV inside the premises. Recorded as a domestic related S39 Assault.

04/06/21 – FWIN 112 – Female reporting a theft of mobile after she had placed her phone on the bar, the incident was recorded as a theft from a person.

04/06/21 – FWIN 1341 – Report received of females fighting at the premises and one female had been assaulted. Civic centre CCTV observed the fight ongoing at the front of Jungle Bar but no one made any complaint upon police arrival. The incident was recorded as a Public Order Offence.

06/06/21 – FWIN 82 – Violent female was arrested from Jungle Bar after assaulting door staff at the premises. She was arrested for the assault and went on to assault 4 police officers who were attempting to restrain her by spitting at them, punching and kicking officers. She was charged with 4 Assault PC but the Door staff at Jungle Bar would not assist with a prosecution or provide a statement.

10/06/21 – FWIN 82 - Threats reported from a female who had been ejected from Jungle Bar and once outside she reported she had been threatened by bar manager, Stanley Johnston and staff. The incident was recorded as threats to kill and she refused to give a statement to police.

10/06/21 – FWIN 52 reporting male with knife at the front of Jungle Bar which was called in by Civic Centre CCTV who received information from a third party. The male was searched by officers and no knife was found. No crime was recorded as no confirmed sighting could be established.

11/06/21 – FWIN 1448 reported trouble with female at Jungle Bar who was attempting to assault the door staff. Officers arrested the female for being drunk and disorderly.

11/6/21 – Licensing visit conducted at the premises by City Centre Neighbourhood Team and evidence found of cocaine drug use in the male toilets. PC 2325 Fenwick has written a statement of his findings and his statement is exhibited to this statement as Exhibit MO/5.

13/6/21 – FWIN 114 - Call received from Jungle Bar Door staff to say they had a male detained who had damaged the owner's vehicle (Stan Johnston). CCTV was obtained in relation to the incident which showed a member of door staff from Jungle Bar chasing the male responsible, throwing him to the floor and then proceeding to kick him three times whilst he was on the floor. He has been interviewed in relation to this matter, cautioned and a disclosure has been made to the SIA regarding his disproportionate use of force. The member of door staff subsequently had his license suspended following their review of the incident. During the incident Stan Johnston was also seen to chase the male and apprehend him in the rear lane prior to Police arriving. The

offender was arrested and was 17 years of age. The incident was recorded as an S47 assault and Criminal Damage.

At this point I was extremely concerned regarding the number of incidents occurring at the premises. Reports were happening on a daily basis with vast amounts of disorder and crime being recorded. At this point, together with the licensing officer we collated the incidents since the premise had re-opened (Detailed above) until the 13<sup>th</sup> June 2021 and found during this short period time 27 incidents were attributed to Jungle Bar. Inspector Mclennan emailed the local NPT to also raise her concern regarding the ongoing police demand at Jungle Bar and the high number of incidents for her officers to deal with.

I review every licensed premise in the City and this was a clear disproportionate level, as compared to every other premises. The level of violence and nature of incidents resulted in an immediate joint visit with Council Licensing to be conducted at the premises to discuss this further with Stan Johnston and Anna Jacques. The council were to ensure all conditions of the licence were being adhered to. The visit was carried out on 15<sup>th</sup> June 2021 at 13:10 hrs.

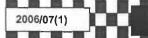
Stan Johnston (manager/owner) was in charge at the time of the visit and DPS Anna Jacques was invited but she was out of the area. She did join the meeting part way through the discussion. Also present was Annaliese Johnston (daughter of Stan) and Jade Mulley who both work at the premises and had been invited by Stan to attend. As referred to above and discussed later, Jade Mulley has recently had an application to transfer the PLH to her refused by the Sub-Committee on 10<sup>th</sup> September 2021. Annaliese Johnston was also present at the hearing. It is understood Jade and Annaliese have taken over the running of the Jungle Bar.

At the meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> June 2021 I discussed my major concerns in relation to the current level of incidents and the level of violence at this premises. Stan said they had issues since re-opening due to the type of clientele going into premises and they were also experiencing issues with door staff due to regular door staff leaving the premises. I made it clear that this was not replicated in other premises in the City Centre. I advised Stan was to report incidents to police in the correct manner and pointed out a large proportion of the jobs had occurred after midnight. I made clear within the meeting that immediate improvement was required and explained this level of crime and disorder could not continue. Stan felt that the door staff were responsible in the main and many of the incidents had not been dealt with correctly. I advised that if this was the case then he should look at alternative companies to employ as ultimately the safe running of the premises was his responsibility.

I also discussed ownership and management at this premises. Stan Johnston advised the current Premises License Holders have nothing to do with the premises and this had been the case for a number of years. He stated he had leased the premises from John Kerr for 5 years and advised he was looking to submit a vary DPS for himself to be in charge. I advised Stan Johnston that it would be difficult to support this and it was likely we would object based on how he was currently running the premises. He became extremely agitated and upset at this point and left the meeting before returning shortly after. Anna Jacques was also present at this point and it became clear that she had stepped away from this premise some months earlier. She didn't seem to be involved in the day to day management although remained on paper as the DPS. Anna agreed to be more actively involved as the DPS however, it was clear this was to be a temporary measure as she had recently been offered the manager's position / DPS at another City Centre premises. Stan was also advised weekly visits to the premises would continue and I would continue to monitor the incidents closely.

In relation to the licensing check, it was established that a number of conditions of the licence were not being adhered to. These were as follows:-

- Unable to locate Premises Licence.
- Summary of Premises Licence not on display.



- Unable to produce a Dispersal Policy,
- Unable to produce a Social Responsibility Policy
- Unable to produce an incident register,
- Unable to produce staff training records in relation to age restricted products,
- No age verification notices displayed at the premises

A warning letter was subsequently sent to the premises by Council Licensing to advise the outstanding issues also needed to be addressed and Stan needed to provide an update within 7 days to council licensing.

I sought legal advice after the meeting regarding the situation at Jungle Bar. Subsequently, on 25<sup>th</sup> June 2021 at 14:05 hrs I attended the premises and a letter was issued to Anna Jacques and Stan Johnston who were both present at the time. This advised them that after discussion with legal, the premises would be given four weeks to reduce the level of crime and disorder and to improve and implement policies and procedures regarding the overall management of the premises. Failure to evidence improvements would result in enforcement action against the premises which may include a review of the premises license with the review seeking that the licence be suspended or revoked. A copy of the same letter was left at the premises for the attention of Premises Licence holders, John Kerr and Paul Rowe. I will produce a copy of these letters as follows:-

Anna Jacques Letter – Exhibit MO/ 2 Stanley Johnston Letter – Exhibit MO/3 Letter to premises Licence Holders (John Kerr and Paul Rowe) – Exhibit MO/4

Following the meeting we continued to monitor incidents and conduct weekly visits at the premises as follows:-

17/06/21 – FWIN 80 -Report of a fight ongoing. An unknown offender was responsible for assaulting a member of staff at the premises by touching the victim's neck with a lit cigarette. The offender wasn't identified and the incident was recorded as a S39 Assault.

20/6/21 – Licensing visit conducted at the premises by City Centre Neighbourhood and evidence found of cocaine drug use in the male toilets. PC 2070 Catton has written a statement of his findings and his statement is exhibited to this statement as exhibit MO/6.

25/06/21 – FWIN 100 – Report that Caller was ejected from the premises for being drunk and lost his keys in the process. No crime recorded.

27/06/21 – FWIN 161 – Report received by Northumbria Police that a fight is ongoing at the front of Jungle Bar – Disturbance reported outside bar but appeared to be a heated argument with door staff which didn't escalate.

03/07/21 – FWIN 385 050721 refers to a report of a Sexual Offence and the named offender was Stanley Johnston . The victim alleged the incident occurred inside the premises. Stanley Johnston is still under investigation for this offence and denied the offence, however during interview did admit consensual sexual activity. The female was 18 years old and under the influence of alcohol at the time. Investigations are still under way.

Following the above incident concerns were raised regarding Stanley Johnston potentially having the ability to use his position at the premises to take advantage of vulnerable females under the influence of alcohol. The Northumbria Police Safeguarding department and legal compiled a Sexual Risk Order application. In addition, after speaking with Legal Department and taking advice, myself and PC 2070 Catton visited the DPS, Anna Jacques on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2021 at 1610 hrs. Anna was fully aware of Stanley's arrest as she said Stan had told her about the

situation. I did not discuss anything further with her regarding the incident simply advising that it was an extremely serious allegation which caused concern around Stan's involvement at the premises. Following our discussion she said as DPS she would speak to Stan and ask him not to attend the premises in either a work or social capacity and will ask him for his keys so he has no access to the premises. I spoke to Anna a bit later the same night and she said Stan had fully agreed to those requests and given Anna his keys to Jungle Bar. He did go on to say he would have to attend the café / takeaway next door to drop off stock for both premises which could then be collected by management or DPS for the bar.

04/07/21 – FWIN 312 – Third party report received that a transgender female had attempted to enter Jungle Bar and was assaulted by door staff and denied access to the premises. A hate incident was recorded however the victim would not speak with police or provide an account.

04/07/21 – FWIN 111 - Report of assault received by an unknown person outside the bar. The victim reported being punched in the head and a S47 Assault was recorded.

16/07/21- FWIN 459 — Report of an Assault — Victim who is staff at the Jungle Bar reported a known offender entered the bar in the early hours when they were tidying up. She reported that an assault of a sexual nature took place and the offender proceeded to bite her face. This incident was recorded as a S47 assault but she later declined to provide a statement as she had been approached by the offender who had apologised to her for the incident.

18/07/21 — FWIN 4 — I conducted a walkthrough at the premises along with other members of the City Centre Neighbourhood Team just after midnight at Jungle Bar. The premise was busy inside with what appeared to be a different crowd to the usual clientele. Many of the crowd were extremely anti-police and extremely hostile. As we initially entered the premises the lights were dimmed and the music was extremely loud with a large proportion of patrons up dancing and queuing at the bar for drinks. This was in breach of the current Covid restrictions which were still in place that weekend. As we entered the music was immediately turned off and the lights put on, everyone observed us conducting a walkthrough and as we walked to the rear of the premises a group became very vocal and hostile towards us, shouting and swearing at officers. This resulted in one of the group being arrested for being drunk and disorderly after numerous warnings regarding his conduct. He struggled violently upon arrest. The DPS Anna Jacques was not present however did come to the venue later in the evening. The door staff appeared to have no control over the patrons inside and seemed extremely edgy at our presence. PC 8719 Calvert was also present and has provided an evidential statement detailing the visit, which is exhibited to this statement as MO/7.

18/07/21 – FWIN 147 – refers to manager, Stan Johnson assaulting his current partner which was captured on Civic Cameras CCTV on Holmeside. Stanley Johnston made off from the scene, running through Jungle Bar to make good his escape. He was arrested the next day at the rear of Jungle Bar for the S47 Assault. Stanley has been subsequently charged with a common assault in relation to this offence and is due to attend court on 10<sup>th</sup> December 2021. Stanley was also issued with a 2 year Pubwatch ban at the meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2021 where licensed premises voted in favour of the ban following his involvement in this violence offence.

On Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2021 the Sexual Risk Order application was heard at South Tyneside Magistrates Court and an interim order was granted. On 10th August 2021 the magistrates agreed to the interim order being extended by the court for 6 months. The Order prohibits Stanley Johnston from:

## **RESTRICTED** (when complete)



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1. Being involved in the management of any premises licensed under the Licensing Act 2003 to supply alcohol for consumption on or off the premises.

2. Working on any premises licensed under the Licensing Act 2003 to supply alcohol for

consumption on the premises;

3. Working on any premises licensed under the Licensing Act 2003 to supply alcohol for consumption off the premises unless his role, activity or work does not involve the sale or supply of alcohol:

"Working" includes as an employee or an independent contractor for paid remuneration or otherwise.

Between the dates of 2nd May 2021 and 18th July 2021 there were 37 incidents which occurred at the Jungle Bar, 25 of these incidents resulted in a crime being recorded. Those crimes included 14 assaults, 2 criminal damages, threats to kill, an affray, 4 public order offences, 2 theft offences and two sexual assaults which also occurred on the premises. By comparison, I also reviewed incidents which happened at other premises in the vicinity of Jungle Bar. A premise positioned near Jungle Bar of a similar size; In the same period reported 4 incidents to police and from those 1 resulted in a crime of assault being recorded. Also, I looked at a much larger venue, with a far greater capacity near Jungle Bar as another comparison. They reported 5 incidents over the same period and only 2 of those incidents resulted in crimes, one was a section 5 public order offence and 1 was a possession of class A Drugs. This cemented my concern and provided evidence around the disproportionate disorder and crime at Jungle Bar.

Following the initial meeting held on the 15<sup>th</sup> June 2021 and in light of the continuing incidents and visits of concern, I held a further meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> July 2021 with Chief Inspector Liddell and Northumbria Police Legal department to discuss the premises over the previous 4 weeks. During this meeting it was agreed that we would begin to submit evidence and begin a review of the premises license. There was no real improvement at the venue and the incidents in fact appeared to escalate in seriousness. There were also continued concerns regarding the lack of management at the premises including the very serious incidents involving the owner / manager Stan Johnston.

Subsequently on 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2021 I hand delivered a letter to Anna Jacques, DPS advising that due to no improvements and incidents continuing to occur at the premises, a formal application to review the premises licence would be submitted. Anna was advised the application papers would be served in due course. I also updated both of the Premises License Holders, Paul Rowe and John Kerr with the same information over the telephone. A written confirmation was also sent to them directly as follows:-

Anna Jacques Letter – Exhibit MO/ 8 Letter to premises Licence Holders (John Kerr and Paul Rowe) – Exhibit MO/9

On 30<sup>th</sup> July 2021 I received the applications for the transfer of the PLH to Jade Mulley and variation of the DPS to Mark Morrison.

In relation to the variation to the DPS, the usual checks were carried out and no concerns regarding Mark as the DPS were found however, we did have concerns over his lack of experience in running licensed premises. In relation to the transfer of the PLH, I was extremely concerned about this, not least because of Jade's prior involvement with the premises.

On 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2021, I held a meeting, along with the licensing officer, with both Jade and Mark to discuss my concerns about the Jungle Bar and their intentions for the bar moving forward. I summarised the problematic history of the premises and the current position regarding the pending review. Mark explained he had been asked the previous week by a family member if he would consider taking over the role as the DPS. Mark stated he was happy to take on this role for possibly the next 6 months, as he had commitments at home but moving forward he would look to remove himself and Jade would take

over as DPS. Jade agreed with this plan and stated she would be enquiring about taking her Personal License. I was fully open with Jade regarding my concerns around her previous involvement at the premises in a managerial capacity. Jade spoke about changing of the door staff company and also her plans to improve the current procedures at the premise. I spoke to Mark regarding his responsibility as DPS and he stated he was fully aware of the expectations and commitment he would need to make. Of note, police have made a number of license visits to the premises following this meeting, however Mark has never been seen by police and staff have always named Jade Mulley as the person in charge during the visits.

Following the meeting, I reviewed all the relevant information available to me regarding the two applications. In relation to Mark, he had some limited experience in another bar but had not previously been a DPS. After consultation with Legal it was agreed they did not feel there was sufficient grounds to meet the test to object to the variation, namely there were no exceptional circumstances to state the variation would undermine prevention of crime and disorder.

In relation to Jade, I remained concerned about her lack of experience and involvement with Stan Johnston. Jade had been the general manager at the Jungle Bar, for approximately the last 18 months, being the time of greatest concern and leading to the Police deciding to review the premises licence. I was concerned as to what Jade had learned from Stan and whether she had the ability to turn around an exceptionally difficult and troublesome bar. As a result, in consultation with Legal we decided to object to the transfer application. Subsequently, the review application was put on hold.

The hearing for the objection to the PLH transfer application was heard on 10<sup>th</sup> September 2021. Jade was questioned at length by Helen Thompson, solicitor for the Police as well as questions from the Committee about her knowledge and experience in running a bar. It was clear to me from these questions that Jade had limited knowledge about running a bar, the expectations of her as a premises licence holder and generally about licensing provisions, for example she could not name any of the four licensing objectives. She had not undertaken, or appeared not to have undertaken, any research into what was required in the running of a bar generally. She was supported in the hearing by Annaliese, who also, in my view, showed limited experience and knowledge needed in running this premises.

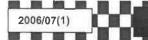
She commented that she believed she had improved matters, shown, in her view, by the number of incidents starting to decline. I disagreed with this view. Between 30<sup>th</sup> July 2021, being the date Jade formally took over the licensee, to the date of the hearing there had been 7 incidents including Stan Johnston, who was wanted in relation to an offence being found hiding behind the upstairs bar and a 15 year old being found at 3am unconscious in the toilets. Although the frequency of incidents had started to reduce, the severity of a few of those incidents was hugely concerning. In addition there was also still evidence of drug use and on 18<sup>th</sup> September 2021 cocaine drug use was found in the male and female toilets.

PC 2147 Fisher has written a statement of her findings and her statement is exhibited to this statement as exhibit MO/ 10.

PC 8046 Hutchinson has written a statement of his findings and his statement is exhibited to this statement as exhibit MO/ 11.

Nothing that either Jade or Annaliese said in the hearing gave me the assurances and confidence that they were able to successfully run and turn around the Jungle Bar. I accept that not everyone who takes over a bar may have experience and should, as we did in September 2018 with David Ridley, be given a chance. However, the problems at the Jungle Bar are, in my view, so deeply enrooted and serious that this premise requires a competent, experienced and robust management. Jade had not shown to me, either in the time leading to the hearing or in the hearing itself, that she was able put in place the effective management needed.

As stated above, the Committee refused the transfer of the licence.





In summary from 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2021 until 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2021 there have been 52 incidents which occurred at the Jungle Bar, 35 of these incidents resulted in a crime being recorded. Those crimes included 21 assaults, 3 criminal damage type offences, threats to kill, an affray, 4 public order offences, 3 theft offences and 2 sexual assaults also occurred on the premises. By comparison, I also reviewed incidents which happened at a similar premise in the vicinity of Jungle Bar. In the same period they reported 8 incidents to police and from those 5 resulted in a crime being recorded. Those crimes included 2 theft related crimes and 3 assaults.

I have worked in Sunderland City Centre for the majority of my 17 years' service and the past 5 years I have been the City Centre Neighbourhood Sergeant working with a wide range of premises in the night time economy. Policing of this area of the Night Time Economy, particularly when it is at its busiest, is extremely challenging and requires close scrutiny and dynamic management. This involves dealing with disorder and crime including, violence, theft and sexual assaults. The police response to these issues include the weekly deployment of staff in line with Operation Sanctuary, and also utilising partners to assist with these operations including door staff and street pastors who assist immensely in identifying and dealing with vulnerability. It is an absolute priority of the police to protect the vulnerable and minimise crime and disorder. Any premise that undermines those policing objectives must be instructed to make changes to their operation as a matter of urgency.

Jungle Bar is a premise that causes me huge concern in relation to the level of associated crime and disorder linked to that premises. Additionally there are major concerns regarding vulnerability in the premises not being correctly identified. Many partner agencies working in the Night Time Economy have also raised concern regarding this establishment and how they view the poor operating procedures there. Other police officers have raised concern over the level of crime and disorder taking place and the subsequent huge demand on police resources. Investigating police officers have made contact with myself or the licensing officer to advise of the poor attitude of staff working at that premise, primarily Stan Johnston. Overall I have major concern regarding the lack of effective management at Jungle Bar. Both premises licence holders have had no involvement in the running of this establishment for years and the previous DPS has also now stepped back from the running of the operation. Stan Johnston was the main manager in this premise despite not being recorded as such on any official paperwork. I have detailed in my statement that Stan causes numerous issues at this venue and has had recent involvement in incidents of a very concerning nature. As stated above, the current manager is Jade Mulley and Annaliese Johnston. I believe they are not experienced enough to take over the management of this premises.

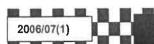
I have spoken to Chief Inspector Stuart Liddell regarding this application and request for revocation. Cl Liddell is fully aware of the previous involvement with Jungle Bar and the problems seen at the premises. He has been kept updated throughout and he fully supports the application for review and revocation.

Despite years of working with this premise and countless attempts to highlight and address the related issues there has been no sustained period of improvement. As a premise they improve slightly when under huge scrutiny from the police then revert back to poor operating procedures and standards once that reduces. I feel there are no other options at this stage than Northumbria Police asking for the licence to be reviewed and I support the full revocation of this license in order to protect the patrons attending the premises and minimising the risk to the general public.

Signature:

Mad Sgr 1315-

Signature witnessed by:



## Jungle Bar Review - Sgt 1305 Ord Statement - Exhibits

M0/11 - Premises Licence

M0/2 - Letter to Anna Jacques dated 23.06.21

M0/3 - Letter to Stan Johnston dated 23.06.21

M0/4 - Letter to John Kerr & Paul Rowe dated 23.06.21

M0/5 – Statement of PC 2325 Fenwick

M0/6 - Statement of PC 2070 Catton

M0/7 - Statement of PC 8719 Calvert

M0/8 - Letter to Anna Jacques dated 23.07.21

M0/9 - Letter to John Kerr & Paul Rowe dated 23.07.21

M0/10 - Statement of PC 2147 Fisher

M0/11 - Statement of PC 8046 Hutchinson

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#### **Premises Licence**

Premises licence number

00CMPREM00798

Part 1 - Premises details

Postal address of premises, or if none, ordnance survey map reference or description

Reubens Bar 20 Vine Place Sunderland

Post town Sunderland

Post code SR1 3NA

Telephone Number

Where the licence is time limited the dates

## Licensable activities authorised by the licence

Sale by Retail of Alcohol
Provision of regulated entertainment (performances of dance)
Provision of regulated entertainment (film)
Provision of regulated entertainment (indoor sporting events)
Provision of regulated entertainment (live music)
Provision of regulated entertainment (recorded music)
Provision of regulated entertainment (other entertainment falling within Act)
Provision of late night refreshment

The times the licence authorises the carrying out of licensable activities

Standard days and timings

Sale by Retail of Alcohol

Every Day from 10:00 to 03:00

Provision of Regulated Entertainment (performances of dance)

Every Day from 10:00 to 03:30

**Provision of Regulated Entertainment (film)** 

Every Day from 10:00 to 03:30

Provision of Regulated Entertainment (indoor sporting events)

Every Day from 10:00 to 03:30

## Provision of Regulated Entertainment (live music)

Every Day from 10:00 to 03:30

## Provision of Regulated Entertainment (recorded music)

Every Day from 10:00 to 03:30

## Provision of Regulated Entertainment (other Entertainment falling within Act)

Every Day from 10:00 to 03:30

## Provision of late night refreshment

Every Day from 23:00 to 03:30

#### Non standard days and timings

#### Sale by Retail of Alcohol

On New Year's Eve, from the end of permitted hours on New Year's Eve to the start of permitted hours on the following day. To extend the terminal hour for an additional hour on the day when british summer time begins.

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#### Provision of late night refreshment

On New Year's Eve, from 23:00 to 05:00 on New Year's Day.

To extend the terminal hour for an additional hour on the day when british summer time begins.

## The opening hours of the premises

Every Day from 10:00 to 03:30

On New Year's Eve, from the end of permitted hours on New Year's Eve to the start of permitted hours on the following day. To extend the terminal hour for an additional hour on the day when british summer time begins.

Where the licence authorises supplies of alcohol whether these are on and/or off supplies

**BOTH** 

Name, (registered) address, telephone number and email (where relevant) of holder of premises licence

John Kerr Reubens Bar 20 Vine Place Sunderland SR1 3NA

Paul Rowe Reubens Bar 20 Vine Place Sunderland SR1 3NA

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

Name, address and telephone number of designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises the supply of alcohol

Anna Marie Jacques

Personal licence number and issuing authority of personal licence held by designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises the supply of alcohol

Personal Licence Number 00CMPER03065

**Issuing Authority** Sunderland City Council

- 6) The responsible person must ensure that free potable water is provided on request to customers where it is reasonably available.
- 7) The premises licence holder must ensure that an age verification policy is adopted in respect of the premises in relation to the sale or supply of alcohol.

The designated premises supervisor in relation to the premises licence must ensure that the supply of alcohol at the premises is carried out in accordance with the age verification policy.

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 holographic mark or ultraviolet feature.

- 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: half pint;
  - (ii) gin, rum, vodka or whisky: 25 ml or 35 ml; and
  - (iii) still wine in a glass: 125 ml; and
  - (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.
- 9) (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 this condition
  - (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 whereP=D+(DxV)
  - (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
  - the personal licence holder who makes or authorises a supply of alcohol under such a licence;

### Annex 1 - Mandatory Conditions

- No supply of alcohol may be made under the premises licence at a time when there is no designated premises supervisor in respect of the premises licence, or at a time when the designated premises supervisor does not hold a personal licence or his/her personal licence is suspended.
- 2) Every supply of alcohol under the premises licence must be made or authorised by a person who holds a personal licence.
- 3) No person shall be employed at the Licensed Premises to carry out a security activity as defined by Schedule 2 of the Private Security Industry Act 2001 unless he/she is authorised to carry out that activity by a licence granted under the Private Security Industry Act 2001; or is entitled to carry out that activity by virtue of section 4 of that Act.
- Where any film shown is classified by the British Board of Film Classification in the 12A, 15 or 18 category no person under the age of 12 (and unaccompanied), 15 or 18 as appropriate shall be admitted to the part of the premises in which the film is being shown. Where any film shown is not classified by the British Board of Film Classification, admission of persons under the age of 18 to the part of the premises in which the film is being shown must be restricted in accordance with any recommendation made by the Council.
- 5) 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.

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 a disability).

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- (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 (b) of paragraph 2 would (apart from the 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)[1] Sub-paragraph (2) applies where the permitted price given by Paragraph (b) of paragraph 2 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.
- [2] 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.

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

1) The premises licence holder will implement a Dispersals Policy. This shall include the provision of a nominated taxi service and wind down period during the last 30 minutes of opening, when music will be played at a lower volume.

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- 2) There will be no new customers permitted to enter the premises after 02:30, except for VIP's or guests of the management (up to maximum of 10% of the occupancy).
- 3) The operator shall ensure that at all times when the premises are open for any licensable activity there are sufficient competent staff on duty for the purpose of fulfilling the terms and conditions of the licence and for preventing crime and disorder.
- 4) The operator and designated premises supervisor shall conduct a risk assessment for the general operation of the premises and in the case of individual bespoke events.
- 5) The premises licence holder shall implement a Social Responsibility Policy which shall be an analisis of potential risk and reasonable steps to be taken to minimise such. The policy shall address the following: -
- (i) The risk of customers of being victims of crime when in discrete areas of the premises such as the toilets:
- (ii) The risk of customers of being the victims of crime when intoxicated;
- (iii) The risk to customers of injuries sustained from broken glass and whether polycarbonate receptacles are appropriate on some occasions;
- (iv) The risk to customers of harm and injury caused to themselves as a consequence of irresponsible drinking;
- (v) The risk of nuisance being caused to residents and nearby businesses.
- 6) If the premises is sold to a company, individual or other body which has no association or connection to RND Leisure Ltd, then the premises licence shall revert to that which had effect immediately prior to the variation granted on 15 May 2015.
- 7) There shall be no change to the style of the premises without prior written given to the Licensing Authority which shall include details of the new proposed operating style. The Licensing Authority shall advise the premises licence holder within 21 days wether a formal application for variation to the licence or a new licence is required.
- 8) The maximum number of persons permitted in each of the following areas at any one time shall not exceed:-
- a) Ground Floor 300
- b) First Floor 200

But at no time shall te total number of persons on the premises as a whole exceed 500 persons.

- 9) A minimum of TWO door supervisors to be employed from 2200 hrs until the premises are closed to the public on the evenings of Tuesday, Friday, Saturday Sundays prior to a bank holiday, Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve. At all other times the amount of door supervisors employed will be on a risk assessment basis.
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  - Ensure coverage of all entrances and exits to the licensed premises both internally and externally

Ensure coverage of such areas as may be required by the licensing authority and Northumbria Police.

Provide continuous recording (whilst the premises are open to the public for the provision of licenasble activities) for each camera to the Home Office Scientific Development Branch (HOSDB) standard for identification (CCTV Operational Requirements Manual 2009 No. 28/09). Such recordings must be retained for 28 days and must be supplied to an Officer of the Council or a Police Officer on reasonable request.

- 11) A representative from the premises will attend Pubwatch.
- 12) A record of incidents shall be kept and maintained at the premises and shall be available for inspection upon reasonable request by a Police Officer.
- All members of staff at the premises, including door staff, shall seek credible photographic proof of age evidence from any person who appears to be under the age of 25 years and who is seeking to purchase alcohol. Such credible evidence must include a photograph of the customer, and will either be a passport, driving licence, oProof of Age card carrying the "PASS" logo or such other identification approved by Northumbria Police.
- All members of staff shall receive traing on their responsibilities, with particular focus on issues surrounding age restricted products. Training will be given to all new members of staff before they are permitted to sell alcohol, and staff shall be retrained at least every 6 months. Such training will be documented and retained at the premises for a minimum if 12 months and be available on the reasonable request of the Police, Licensing Authority or Trading Standards.
- When informed by Northumbria Police of a 'high risk' football match at the Stadium of Light, reinforced glassware is to be used, with no bottle sales over the counter, plus door supervisors are to be employed to prevent crime and disorder and ensure public safety.

Annex 3 – Conditions attached after a hearing by the licensing authority Licence Printed 26th July 2021

#### Annex 4 – Plans



Tel: 101

23.06.2021

Ms Anna Jacques

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Statement of :	GILLIAN CALVERT				
Age if under 18:	Over 18	(if over 18 insert 'over 18') Occupation: POLICE OFFICE	:R		
This statement (consisting of 3 page(s) each signed by me) is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated anything which I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.					
Signature: 27/07/2021					
Tick if witness is visually recorded (supply witness details on rear)					

On Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2021 at 23.40hrs I was with a number of other officers conducting a licencing visit to Jungle Bar which is situated at 20 Vine Place, Sunderland.

As we approached the premises I could hear the loud music emanating from inside, there was one door man standing at the door and as we stood with him a second female door supervisor came to join him. We had to shout at each other to communicate clearly.

I entered the premises and stood just inside the doorway observing the bar area. The music was loud, the lights were dimmed and there were about 25 people in the bar area, mostly standing up dancing and waiting at the bar to be served.

There is a room to the rear of the bar area and there were a number of people there, some sitting at the long tables whilst others were wandering in and out of the rear fire exit doors that were standing open leading into the dark rear lane.

After a minute of watching, the staff in the bar realised I was there and started shouting over the music at the revellers inside telling them to sit down and gesturing with their hands to sit. Customers in the front bar responded and as they sat down, the music was switched off and the lights turned up. The female door supervisor then walked through to the rear room shouting at the customers there to sit down.

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Statement of: PC CALVERT

I walked through the back room and was immediately aware that the "clientele" were antipolice. They were making comments and would not engage with me. I walked out of the rear doors and noted there was a male standing at the door in a black t-shirt who appeared to be a doorman. There were also a number of other males and females outside, drunk and raucous. As other officers came to speak to the doorman, I went back into the building and observed one of my colleagues going up the stairs towards the toilet area. Knowing the location of the toilets I made my way towards the stairs and saw a male peering around the corner of the corridor looking down the stairs. He disappeared quickly back to the mens toilet area so I went upstairs to check the safety of the other officer. As I got to the top of the stairs, the male I had seen came back out of the toilet corridor and started to walk past me. He was carrying a half empty pint of lager. I spoke to him as he went downstairs and he told me to "Fuck off" continuing down and shouting towards the others at the long tables "Fucking Pigs". I spoke to my colleague then entered the ladies toilets which are disgusting. They were empty so I went back downstairs where the group were once again standing around and sitting at the tables. Their obnoxious behaviour continued – they were obstructive, edgy, antipolice. One male was taken outside and warned about his behaviour but this continued when he returned and he was finally arrested. His words, as he was being taken away from the bar were "THIS IS MY PUB".

It was clear the door staff had no control over the people inside the bar. The COVID rules were not being followed and drunken bullies were being allowed to posture and intimidate other people in the pub.

My body cam was activated throughout this visit and I can exhibit the footage as GC1 if required.

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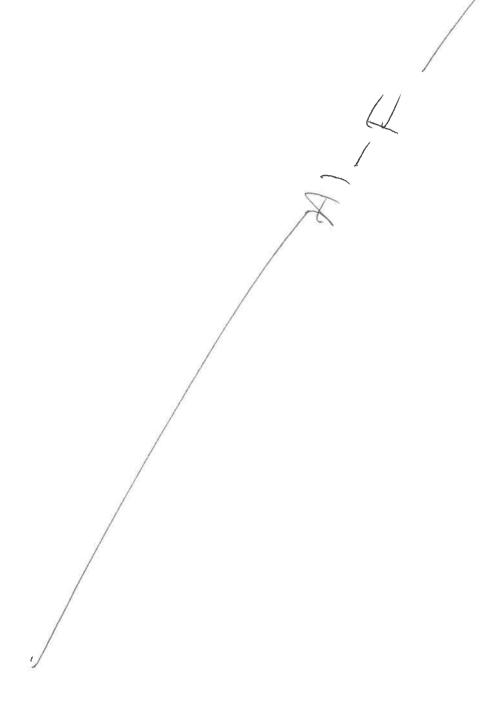
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I have worked on the Neighbourhood Team in Sunderland City centre for over 20 years covering the night time economy and the bars situated within it. The premises now known as Jungle Bar has always been problematic but over the past 24 months the incidents and violence associated with it have increased alarmingly. The people drinking inside have changed from a primarily younger LGBTQ+ audience to a more problematic crowd which reflects in the increase in disorder calls to the premises both inside and outside on the street.

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Statement of: PC CALVERT





Tel: 101

23.07.2021

Ms Anna Jacques

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I am a uniformed Police Constable employed by Northumbria Police, currently working as Neighbourhood Beat Manager attached to the Sunderland Central Neighbourhood Team. I have held this position for approximately 14 years.

At 2307 hours on Saturday 11th September 2021 I was on duty in full uniform in company with PC 2325 FENWICK, and other officers when we attended JUNGLE BAR, VINE PLACE, SUNDERLAND, to conduct a licensing visit.

As part of the visit I conducted a walk-through of the premises which consisted of around 20 customers inside of the pub

I had cause to make my way to the gents toilets within the premises whereby I used a SIRCHIE NARK 2 COCAINE ID SWIPE to wipe the surface of the area around the sink in the gents toilet. The swipes are designed to presumptively identify trace amounts of Cocaine Hcl (powder) or Cocaine Base (crack of freebase). The swipe will turn blue if Cocaine is present.

I can confirm the swipe immediately turned blue, which is a positive indication that cocaine was present on the area around the sink. I immediately informed SGT 1305 ORD of my find.

Pc 8016.

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# CITY OF SUNDERLAND LICENSING AUTHORITY LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE HEARING

# LICENSING ACT 2003 LICENSING ACT 2003 (HEARINGS) REGULATIONS 2005

#### NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

Date(s) of hearing:

Friday 10th September 2021

Date of determination: Friday 10th September 2021

Committee members: [Chair]:

Councillor P.Gibson

Councillor D. Snowdon

Councillor Ali

Officers: Tony Southwick, Solicitor

Persons present: -

Senior Licensing Officer Dawn Howley;
Applicant Jade Mulley supported by Annalise Johnston;
Objectors Legal Representative Helen Thompson;
Police representatives Sgt Ord and Licensing officer Kim Berston.

This was an application for consideration for the grant of a transfer of a Premises Licence for an on licence in respect of The Jungle Bar 20 Vine Place Sunderland SR1 1DP.

The meeting took place at the Civic Centre Sunderland

The sub-committee in accordance with the requirements of the Licensing Act 2003 and regulations made thereunder have read all the documents presented to them contained in and appended to the report for this hearing.

In reaching their decision the sub-committee have taken account only of the information presented by the Applicant and other persons as defined in the Act. There were objections received in respect of the application from the Police.

The concerns in the objections by the Police were expressed as issues over the relative experience and knowledge of Licensing procedures highlighted matters relating to anti-social behaviour in the area and within the premises which would come within the prevention of crime and disorder limb of section 4 of the 2003 Act and can be summarised as follows: -

#### The Prevention of Crime and Disorder

If the premises licence was transferred to the applicant for the Jungle Bar the Police were concerned that the levels of crime and disorder had been and continued to be disproportionately higher than similar premises. This is a location which already has problems with crime and anti-social behaviour and many of the incidents are alcohol related.

The applicant has only two years' experience in licensed premises, indeed all in the relevant premises without adequate training prior to taking over the premises. There was no personal licence held and there were concerns over the lack of knowledge over common licensing terminology including dispersals, licensing objectives and no clear plan to acquire the requisite training before training staff. The higher level of ongoing incidents of crime and disorder than a similar premises including police attending about 3.30am on one occasion where a 15-year-old female was found unconscious in the toilets and it was not even known that she was in the premises.

The applicant's position is that in consultation with the police and the Licensing department of the council they have addressed the concerns as far as they are able. The main area was the introduction of a new contractor to supply SIA security staff which had resulted in a marked decline in the number of incidents compared to previous periods at the same premises but still disproportionately high compared with other similar sized premises. Other changes included the application of a dress code which had changed the clientele.

In accordance with the Council's procedures adopted for hearings before its Licensing sub-committee and specifically for the Transfer of Premises Licence hearing process all parties have been given an equal opportunity to present their respective positions and raise questions of other parties.

The sub-committee, having heard and read all the evidence, have considered all of this in light of the requirement placed upon them in the Act, to promote the four licensing objectives of:

- (1) the prevention of crime and disorder;
- (2) public safety;
- (3) the prevention of public nuisance;
- (4) the protection of children from harm.

The focus being on the Crime and disorder limb being the basis for the objections from the police.

The sub-committee have also had due regard to the Council's own statement of licensing policy and the issued government guidance.

Specifically, the sub-committee has taken into account the following provisions of the Licensing Act 2003: -

Section: 42,43 and 44

Reasons: These sections deal with the application to Transfer a Premises Licence and its determination.

The sub-committee has taken into account the following provisions of the guidance under section 182 of the Act:

Paragraphs 1.1 to 1.12,1.17-1.18, 2.1 to 2.2, 8.99 to 8.108, 9.1 to 9.12, 9.26 to 9.40

Reasons: applying these paragraphs, the licensing objectives and aims for their determination of the application.

The sub-committee has taken into account the following provisions of its statement of licensing policy:

Paragraph 17.

The sub-committee have decided in respect of this application having regard to the licensing objectives: -

#### (i) Prevention of Crime and Disorder

The Police objections identified that there are concerns at the levels of crime and disorder in the area. The sub-committee acknowledge the efforts to reduce these concerns, but it was noted that there were still disproportionately more incident attributed to the premises compared to similar premises. There was also concern that the relative inexperience, deficiencies in the knowledge of licensing matters and lack of training impacted on the ability to sufficiently address the issues of Crime and Disorder.

(ii) Public Safety

There are no issues of public safety raised.

(iii) Prevention of nuisance

None raised.

(iv) Protection of children from harm

There is no evidence regarding the objective however there was concern regarding a 15-year-old unconscious on the premises after closing time which formed part of the objection from the Police as part of the Crime and disorder objective.

The sub-committee having considered the evidence presented and the representations made consider that the concerns raised by the police in their objections were sufficient for the Sub-committee to have concerns and that the transfer should not be approved.

Signed

[Chair]

Date:

20th September 2021

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WITNESS STATEMENT  CJ Act 1967, s.9; MC Act 1980, ss.5A(3) (a) and 5B; Criminal Procedure Rules 2005, Rule 27.1					
Statement of: Stuart Liddell	Occupation: Chief Inspector 7142				
This statement (consisting of 2 page(s) each signed by me) is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it, anything which I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.					
Signature: S Liddell Date 14 <sup>th</sup> June 2018					

I am Chief Inspector 7142 Stuart Liddell of Northumbria Police, Southern Area Command and I make this statement in relation to Jungle Bar, 20 Vine Place, Sunderland. I have responsibility for Harm Reduction and Intelligence and I am also the lead in relation to all aspects of licensing. I have 19 years policing experience and have been a T/Chief Inspector for over two years, both nationally and locally with Northumbria police.

I have good knowledge and am fully aware of the functions under the Licensing Act 2003 with a view to promoting the licensing objectives which are:

- (a) The prevention of Crime and Disorder
- (b) Public Safety
- (c) The Prevention of Public Nuisance; and
- (d) The Protection of Children from Harm

I make this statement in support of the application of the Chief Constable of Northumbria Police under Section 51 of the Licensing Act 2003 for a review of the premises licence in respect of Jungle Bar, 20 Vine Place, Sunderland, SR1 3NA.

The premises currently hold a premises licence which was issued by Sunderland Council under the Licensing Act 2003. The premises licence number is OOCMPREM00798. An exhibit copy of the premises licence has been documented by Sgt 1305 Ord.

I am fully briefed on the historic issues relating to the premises and the recent concern surrounding the disproportionate level/nature of incidents at the premises since re-opening in April 2021. After an initial visit to the premises was carried out by Police and Council Licensing on 15.06.21 to raise concerns/check the conditions of the licence I agreed the premises would be afforded four weeks to reduce the level of crime and disorder and to improve and implement policies and procedures regarding the overall management of the premises, however no improvements were made and incidents continuing to occur at the premises.

In light of the above, I respectfully request that Sunderland Council Licensing consider the option of revoking the premises licence.

Signature – S Liddell



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10.08.2021

Senior Licensing Officer Licensing Department Jack Crawford House Commercial Road Sunderland SR2 8QR

Dear Sir/Madam,

# RE: Application to transfer a premises licence, The Jungle Bar, 20 Vine Place, Sunderland, SR1 3NA

Northumbria Police (Southern Area Command) are in receipt of the above application to specify Jade Mulley as the Premises Licence Holder of Jungle Bar, 20 Vine Place, Sunderland, SR1 3NA.

Since May 2021 there have been a disproportionate number of incidents at the premises along with poor management. This resulted in the premises being advised in June 2021 of four weeks to reduce the level of crime and disorder and to improve and implement policies and procedures regarding the overall management of the premises.

During the four week period Northumbria Police saw no improvements and incidents continued to occur at the premises. Northumbria Police will therefore be submitting an application to review the premises licence.

Jade Mulley has held the position of bar manager at Jungle Bar during the past year, prior to this she was bar staff for six months. The bar manager is accountable for the effective management of the premises and has a responsibility to protect patrons by upholding the licensing objectives, as detailed above, Ms Mulley has failed in her position.

A meeting was held with Ms Mulley and proposed DPS Mark Morrison on 03.08.21 to discuss the proposed plans for the business moving forward, and what measures would be implemented to ensure the safe running of the premises. It was advised Mark Morrison would be involved for the first month but then would take a back seat after this, allowing Jade to manage the premises. The long term plan is for Jade to attend a personal licence course with the view to become DPS. An application was submitted to vary the DPS to Mark Morrison on 30.07.21 and whilst Northumbria Police have no formal grounds to object to this application, there are serious concerns around Mark's inexperience and ability to commit to the long term running of the premises. In addition, there are serious concerns that Jade has not been able to demonstrate she is an effective manager

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and the ongoing issues at the premises are embedded. Therefore, it is believed that a complete change of personnel is required.

For the reasons discussed above, the Chief Officer of Northumbria Police is satisfied that the exceptional circumstances of the case are such that granting the application to specify Ms Mulley as Premises Licence Holder would undermine the crime prevention objective.

I trust the above confirms the position of the Chief Officer of Northumbria Police.

Yours faithfully,

Chief Inspector Stuart Liddell Southern Area Command

CC. J Mulley