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**Entertainment Licensing Section
Leeds City Council
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RE: APPLICATION FOR REVIEW OF PREMISES LICENCE - (PREM/02251):

PREMISES:

**Slip Inn
Albion Street
Morley
LS27 8DT**

In accordance with Section 51 Licensing Act 2003, I hereby serve the application on the following-:

PREMISES LICENCE HOLDER:

**Terence Benson
Slip Inn
Albion Street
Morley
LS27 8DT**

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Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which has been almost entirely obscured by thick, horizontal black redaction bars. Only a few thin lines of the signature remain visible, including a large loop on the left and a vertical stroke on the right.

**Rob Fullilove
Police Sergeant 4581
Leeds District Licensing**

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**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, Sergeant 4581 Robert G FULLILOVE

Apply for the review of a premises licence under section 51 of the Licensing Act 2003 for the premises described in Part 1 below (delete as applicable)

Part 1 – Premises or club premises details

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

**Slip Inn
Albion Street
Morley**

Post town LEEDS

Post code (if known) LS27 8DT

Name of premises licence holder or club holding club premises certificate (if known)

Terence BENSON

Number of premises licence or club premises certificate (if known)

PREM/02251

Part 2 – Applicant details

I am

Please tick yes

- 1) an interested party (please complete (A) or (B) below)
- a) a person living in the vicinity of the premises
 - b) a body representing persons living in the vicinity of the premises
 - c) a person involved in business in the vicinity of the premises
 - d) a body representing persons involved in business in the vicinity of the premises
- 2) a responsible authority (please complete (C) below)

3) a member of the club to which this application relates (please complete (A) below)

(A) DETAILS OF INDIVIDUAL APPLICANT (fill in as applicable)

Please tick

Mr Mrs Miss Ms Other title
(for example, Rev)

Surname

First Names

I am 18 years old or over

Please tick yes

**Current postal
address if
different from
premises
address**

Post Town

Post Code

Daytime contact telephone number

**E-mail address
(optional)**

(B) DETAILS OF OTHER APPLICANT

Name and address

Telephone number (if any)

E-mail address (optional)

(C) DETAILS OF RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY APPLICANT

Name and address; Sergeant 4581 Robert G Fullilove

West Yorkshire Police
Leeds District Licensing Department
Millgarth Police Station
Millgarth Street
LEEDS LS2 7HX

Telephone number (if any) 01132 413067

E-mail address (optional) robert.fullilove@westyorkshire.pnn.police.uk

This application to review relates to the following licensing objective(s)

Please tick one or more boxes

- | | |
|---|---|
| 1) the prevention of crime and disorder | x |
| 2) public safety | x |
| 3) the prevention of public nuisance | x |
| 4) the protection of children from harm | x |

Please state the ground(s) for review (please read guidance note 1)

The Slip Inn is a small public house situated within Morley town centre. The premises licence holder is Terence Benson who lives on the premises. The Designated Premises Supervisor is Gerald Lennon. It falls within the jurisdiction of Morley Neighbourhood Policing Team.

Through the spring and summer of 2011 incidents of crime and disorder began to increase at the Slip, some involving extreme violence, and the majority due to over-intoxication of customers. This was coupled with mounting evidence suggesting that the management were not in control of the premises either through their absenteeism, inaction when incidents occurred, or an over-fondness for socialising with, rather than supervising their clientele when they were working at the premises. Local police concerns were exacerbated by the fact that the Slip accounted for more calls for police service than any other licensed establishment in the entire NPT area.

Amongst a series of violent, drink-related incidents to occur in 2011, the first of the two most serious ones occurred on the night of 23-24 July 2011 when a fight erupted in the public bar area well after the end of both the permitted hours for authorised licensable activities and closing time of the premises. Later examination of the CCTV footage for that very violent incident showed a number of other causes for concern, e.g. unauthorised dancing taking

place, lewd behaviour of the clientele, excess intoxication through drink and/or drugs, smoking on the premises and serving after time. This was aggravated by a clear indication from CCTV footage that the till was not being used, and in fact its use was being circumvented after hours and that an accounting/recording system was in place for unauthorised alcohol sales that did not involve purchases being rung through the till.

I and local authority officers met with the Premises Licence Holder and DPS together with the local police commander for the area at lunchtime on 20/10/11 and discussed the allegations and incidents, and required the Slip's management to immediately bring about an improvement in the way the premises were being run. I was not reassured by the fact that both men turned up to what I viewed as an important meeting smelling strongly of alcohol. However, an assurance was given by them that all the issues identified would be rectified and Messrs Benson and Lennon would improve their supervision of the premises and its customers particularly in the areas leading to reducing violence and sales to drunks.

Within ten days of this meeting, on 30/10/11 police received an emergency call to attend at the Slip Inn to an ongoing fight, when on arrival they found very, very intoxicated customers, one who had been thrown out after falling asleep in the bar area in a drunken stupor and having wet herself.

On the afternoon of 3 November 2011 I paid an unsolicited courtesy visit to the Slip Inn to check on progress where I found Mr Lennon sitting at a table in the public bar area consuming beer with a customer. In addition there was clear evidence that someone was smoking cigarettes in the premises. Mr Lennon was intoxicated. Mr Benson was not present.

On the evening of 26 November 2011 the most serious incident of all occurred at the Slip Inn where a lengthy brawl erupted over a significant period of time during which two males were punched to the head and knocked unconscious in the public bar in separate fights. During this extended but sporadic brawl none of the pub staff called 999 and seemed intent on just rearranging furniture and on clearing up after the participants as the fight moved locations within the pub. There was no management duty of care shown to the injured parties or the other customers who were not involved in the incident. After the event the manager claimed not to have seen the incident apart from sparse parts on the live CCTV feed upstairs but the footage clearly shows her in the bar area for the full period merely trying to replace overturned furniture and tidy up. No staff member offered first aid to the 2 unconscious males; this is left to other customers.

During the two most serious incidents Mr Benson is seen in the public bar area of the premises but particularly in the second one doing little to help.

These two are serious incidents. They form part of a continuing chain of apathetic management and control at the premises. I provide clear evidence that responsible authorities have tried to engage with the Slip Inn management and give them the necessary help, and the chance to rectify matters at the pub. Face to face meetings, warning letters and outright threats of a premises licence review have failed to achieve any success. Therefore it has become necessary to invoke licence review proceedings in order to establish some mandatory remedial action at the Slip Inn to uphold the licensing objectives.

Please provide as much information as possible to support the application

(Please read guidance note 2)

The information supporting this application is contained in basic form in the above section and is supplemented by Criminal Justice Act witness statements from the following people:

PS 4581 Fullilove

Inspector Paul Sullivan – Morley Neighbourhood Policing Team

PC 524 Sedgley - Morley Neighbourhood Policing Team

Paul Rix – Leeds City Council Entertainment Licensing Section

Other written/visual documentation;

Letter to DPS/Premises Licence holder dated 26/10/2011

Letter to DPS/Premises Licence Holder dated 4/11/2011

Minutes of meeting dated 20/10/2011

Email Series

DVD's marked RGF/1 and RGF/2 depicting serious violence at the premises.

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Please tick yes

Have you made an application for review relating to these premises before?

If yes please state the date of that application Day

Month

Year

If you have made representations before relating to these premises please state what they were and when you made them

No previous representations made.

Please tick yes

- I have sent copies of this form and enclosures to the responsible authorities and the premises licence holder or club holding the club premises certificate, as appropriate. x
- I understand that if I do not comply with the above requirements my application will be rejected. x

IT IS AN OFFENCE, LIABLE ON CONVICTION TO A FINE UP TO LEVEL 5 ON THE STANDARD SCALE, UNDER SECTION 158 OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003 TO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT IN OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS APPLICATION.

Part 3 – Signature (please read guidance note 3)

Signature of applicant or applicant’s solicitor or other duly authorised agent (See guidance note 4). **If signing on behalf of the applicant please state in what capacity.**

Signature

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Date 5 January 2012

Capacity

Licensing Officer.....

Contact name (where not previously given) and postal address for correspondence associated with this application (please read guidance note 5)

Post town

Post Code

Telephone number (if any)

If you would prefer us to correspond with you using an e-mail address your e-mail address (optional)

Notes for Guidance

1. The ground(s) for review must be based on one of the licensing objectives.
2. Please list any additional information or details for example dates of problems which are included in the grounds for review if available.
3. The application form must be signed
4. An applicant’s agent (for example solicitor) may sign the form on their behalf provided that they have actual authority to do so.

5. This is the address which we shall use to correspond with you about this application.