# Meeting - 1345hrs, Thursday 20/10/2011 at Morley Police Station re Slip Inn, Albion Street, Morley.

#### Present:

Terry Benson – Premises Licence Holder Gerald Lennon – Designated Premises Supervisor Inspector Paul Sullivan – Morley NPT Commander PS 4581 Fullilove – Leeds District Licensing Paul Rix – Leeds City Council Entertainment Licensing

RF opened the meeting with introductions, and thanked TB and GL for their attendance. He reiterated that the purpose of the meeting was to explore issues that had become prevalent at the Slip Inn over the last few months, namely;

Disorder/assaults
Drunkenness/drug misuse
Alcohol sales after permitted trading hours
Self-service by customers in the absence of bar staff
Deliberate circumvention of the till for ringing in sales
Smoking inside the premises

RF said all the above led to police suspicions as to who was in charge of the premises, and what degree of control they actually exercised. The meeting was to constructively and jointly put an end to these problems. The police had an obligation under the 2003 Licensing Act to work with premises in the first instance and this was what this meeting was all about.

Asked how long they had been at the premises TB said 6 years, GL said 2-3 years. They'd had few problems in that time needing intervention by the police but TB said the Slip had been on a police action plan in the last couple of years due to drugs issues and young kids coming in, but he had barred them and that problem had been solved. He thought he did OK running the pub but he hadn't been helped by the recent death of his partner. GL said that CCTV had been an issue but he had now had it improved to the required standard.

RF recalled 2 incidents of assault/fighting that had occurred inside the Slip Inn on the evening of Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2011 into the Sunday morning. DVD footage obtained from the pub by investigating officers showed, in addition to the incidents, a significant proportion of the clientele in an excessively intoxicated state, simulated fully clothed sexual acts during dancing (the dancing not being a condition on the premises licence) and also smoking inside the premises. It also showed the till being switched off and cash drawer removed at the end of permitted trading hours, but then for a period customers helping themselves to bottles and other drinks from behind the bar in the absence of TB and the 2 barmaids who had left the bar area. After a short period the 2 females returned and began dispensing more drinks – recording sales by way of a one-key depression of the till and an entry in a

small book next to it on the left hand side, with no cash rung through although a till receipt was sometimes produced and put with the book. RF stated that he saw bar staff smoking as well and activity in the pub continuing until he stopped watching the DVD at 02.24hrs – the legitimate alcohol sales end time being midnight with the premises having to be closed and empty of clientele by 12.30am. It wasn't known what time the Slip actually shut on that night.

TB said that on this night he went to bed early and let a few customers stay back. He admitted that this happened on the "odd night". He said he didn't known a lot of this had happened and was annoyed because this was all money coming out of his pocket. He asked why he would have provided the full CCTV if he had known it contained evidence that was being used to further the police case.

PS told TB and GL that he had used powers under the licensing act in other areas where he had worked and was not averse to using them again. He said that if there was disorder or noise nuisance he would use Section 161 Closure powers and this would lead to an automatic premises licence review and that if serious offences were committed then TB and GL were responsible. It was a responsible position being a licensee and crime and disorder problems at the Slip needed to be nipped in the bud.

TB said that one female staff member had already been sacked 2-3 weeks ago for allowing after hours drinking and he would call a staff meeting to reinforce rules and requirements of the law. RF said he would be quite happy to attend at such a meeting to advise their staff and as an act of support for TB and GL.

TB said he had employed a manager a few weeks ago to help in supervising the premises but when questioned further amended this to say that this male was actually the DJ who locked up on a night when TB wasn't about, and did a bit of clearing up.

RF asked TB if he ever noticed any evidence of smoking in the bar area when he opened up in the morning. He claimed that "once" he found an ash tray inside that had been brought in from the beer garden. RF said that smoking in the workplace/licensed premises was viewed as serious by the council and health & safety people and this alone could be used as a legitimate reason to review the premises licence or instigate a prosecution.

PR outlined problems encountered at previous council/police visits to the pub and told TB and GL that dates had very recently just been set for further visits in the Morley area and that the Slip would definitely be getting further visits. A discussion took place about serving to drunks inside the pub and PR warned them of further action should there be offences disclosed. He reminded them that their closing time every day was 12.30 am by which time there should be no persons on the premises.

PS said he had been in post at Morley NPT for 6 months and the only licensed premises he'd had cause to visit in an operational sense in the entire sector was theirs.

RF raised the subject of a recent drugs warrant executed at the business and residential parts of the Slip recently, and the suspicion that customers were intoxicated on site. TB said the place had been searched about 5 times in 5 years now and little, if anything had been found. PS said that drugs warrants were not sworn out on a whim and Magistrates required hard evidence to grant one. TB said that anyone caught with drugs in the pub was kicked out.

PS told TB and GL that they needed to spend a lot more time at the Slip than they were currently doing and that they had to leave this meeting understanding that there are problems at the premises and it was up to them to sort them out.

GL asked if a fixed penalty notice could be served to staff that sold alcohol to drunks and was told that this was correct.

TB said he had been unaware of the things he had been told at this meeting but he would act on them. He bemoaned the fact that after hours sales appeared to be coming out of his pocket.

PS queried how such losses were not detected and queried who was responsible for stock checks and audits at the Slip as these would surely show up discrepancies. TB and GL said they were.

RF asked about anecdotal evidence received by the police that TB was opening the Slip Inn at 9am on a morning, an hour earlier than permitted, to allow hardened drinkers to start buying alcohol earlier. He denied this ever happened.

In conclusion PS thanked TB and GL once again for attending and giving an undertaking to deal proactively with the issues raised but stated that if they failed to do so there was a real risk of the premises licence being reviewed, and urged them to work with RF and the licensing department wherever possible and to take up the offer of staff training. RF said it was a long time since a Morley licensed premises was subject to a licence review but the Slip fell into the same sort of category as the previous pub that had been reviewed.

1500hrs - meeting concluded.

R Fullilove PS 4581



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Mr Terence Benson The Slip Inn Albion Street Morley LEEDS LS27 8DT

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## Licensing Issues - Slip Inn - Meeting 20 October 2011

Dear Mr Benson:

Thank you both for coming to see Inspector Sullivan, Paul Rix and myself at Morley Police Station last week to discuss issues at the Slip Inn.

This letter has also been sent to Mr Lennon by email at his request.

To summarise the matters we discussed relating to the premises, these were;

An increase in disorder and assaults
Drunkenness/drug misuse and over-intoxication of customers
Alcohol sales before and after permitted hours
Self-service by customers in the absence of bar staff
Deliberate circumvention of till procedures to conceal after-hours alcohol sales
Smoking inside the premises

Most of the above are evidenced on CCTV footage seized from the Slip Inn from the night of Saturday 23/Sunday 24 July 2011 which we discussed at the meeting. In addition to the after-hours drinking and other matters there was clear evidence of deliberate sale and supply of alcohol by bar staff that was recorded in a way to ensure payment was received but not recorded by the till.

You stated that you had gone to bed and left others in charge of the premises on this night but in common with a few other occasions you had allowed "a few customers to stay back", a practice you

allow occasionally. It was made clear to you that alcohol sales should cease at midnight and your premises should be empty and closed at 1230am each day.

You stated that you had sacked one female bar staff member recently for allowing after-hours sales and that you had given the DJ some additional managerial responsibility at the premises to cater for when you were not present, although whether he was in fact a manager or just a helper remains to be seen. You stated that it was your intention to hold a staff training session where you would outline your personal and collective responsibility to adhere to licensing laws. I told you that I was willing to attend this training session and help reinforce your message in an attempt to support you.

We outlined the seriousness of the smoking issues, and that although this was not strictly a police matter the relevant local bodies such as council and Health & Safety would enforce the law on smoking inside work premises and public places such as pubs and clubs and if necessary prosecute or supply evidence to police for prosecution or licence review purposes.

As reiterated by Mr Rix and Inspector Sullivan, licensed visits to the Slip Inn by police and local council staff will continue to take place on a regular basis into 2012 both to ensure compliance with the law and just as importantly to show support for you and your staff.

I sympathise with the fact that you have had a close family bereavement recently which can't have helped with your day-to-day running of the premises, but as suggested at our meeting you should try to rely more on Mr Lennon to assist you in providing a more consistent and substantial management style, and ask the local police or this department to help you where necessary.

Should the problems we have discussed not be addressed to the satisfaction of Leeds City Council Entertainment Licensing section, this department or that of your local Neighbourhood Policing Team I will have no option but to implement Premises Licence Review proceedings which as you will be aware attract a range of sanctions.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any queries or comments regarding the contents of this letter.

Yours sincerely,

Rob Fullilove Sergeant 4581 Licensing Department

CC: Paul Rix, Leeds City Council Entertainment Licensing Department, Civic Hall, LEEDS LS1 1UR Inspector Paul Sullivan, Morley Police Station, Corporation Street, Morley, LEEDS LS27 9NB



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## <u>Licensing Issues - Slip Inn - Visit To The Premises - 3 November 2011</u>

Dear Mr Benson;

I refer to the letter of 26 October 2011 I sent you following our meeting of 20<sup>th</sup> October at Morley Police Station and the issues therein that I confirmed you needed to rectify at the Slip Inn in order to satisfy West Yorkshire Police, the Local Authority and our partner agencies that the premises were being run in a fit and proper manner.

I made an unannounced visit to the Slip Inn at 4.30pm yesterday to see you, and find out if you were having any problems and to show my support. Gerald Lennon was in attendance but sat at a table in the bar with customers, obviously socialising, and had a pint glass of beer in front of him being filled from cans of Kronenbourg, which he was in the process of consuming. To say he was disorientated and startled by my visit is an understatement. He was under the influence of alcohol.

In addition, it was quite obvious to me that somebody was smoking cigarettes in the premises due to the hazy atmosphere and strong smell of cigarette smoke. You were warned specifically about the matter of allowing smoking in the premises when we spoke on 20<sup>th</sup> October.

How Mr Lennon chooses to manage the pub is ultimately a matter for him, but in my experience the running of problematic premises is not helped by licensees who are too friendly with the clientele to the extent of drinking alcohol with them in the public bar area — with or without getting to a stage where they are intoxicated.

The degree of supervisory management attached to the Slip Inn is still way short of my expectations, and I anticipate those of the other attendees of our meeting last month. You, as Premises Licence Holder must start to exercise some managerial control over the venue and its employees.

I reiterate: should the problems we have discussed not be addressed to the satisfaction of Leeds City Council Entertainment Licensing section and partner departments, this office or your local Neighbourhood Policing Team I will have no option but to implement Premises Licence Review proceedings which as you will be aware attract a range of sanctions.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any queries or comments regarding the contents of this letter.

Yours sincerely,

Rob Fullilove Sergeant 4581 Licensing Department

CC: Paul Rix, Leeds City Council Entertainment Licensing Department, Civic Half, LEEDS LS1 1UR Inspector Paul Sullivan, Morley Police Station, Corporation Street, Morley, LEEDS LS27 9NB Gerald Lennon, Designated Premises Supervisor (by email)

Richard Bilsborough/John Tootle, Leeds City Council Health & Safety (by email)

>> Dear Mr Lennon; >> >> Please find attached a letter summarising my visit to the Slip Inn >> yesterday. A hard copy is on its way to Mr Benson in the post >> >> Regards >> >> Rob Fullilove > > Sergeant >> Leeds District Licensing >> 01132 413067 >> >> ---- Forwarded by Robert Fullilove/901019/POLICE/WYP on 04/11/2011 11:09 >> > > Dear Mr Fullilove, > I am sending you this e-mail with regard to your visit to the Slip Inn on > 3rd Nov and your e-mail to me dated 4th Nov 2011. I would just like to say > that the issues me and Mr Benson disscussed with you regarding problems at > the Slip Inn were addressed by myself at the recent staff meeting held on > 31st october. One of these issues raised was to 'stay aware of people > supposedly smoking on the premises'. We have never had a problem with this > matter although i have stressed the importance of this issue to the staff. > With regard to me drinking cans of Kronenbourg and pouring them into a > glass whilst socialising with customers. I never realised this to be a > problem? 'yes' i was under the influence of alcohol (which probably happens

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> at the most once a month ) but had all my faculties about me and would have
> been completely in control in the unfortunate event of any hostile
> situation arising. Could i also add that i don't drink lager and that the
> cans of Kronenbourg were for the consumption of the person who's company i
> was in.
> Myself and Mr Benson are trying our best to address the problems
> disscussed at the meeting on the 20th October, hence: we now have a manager
> on site.
> I would like to thank you for showing your support in the matters mentioned
> at the recent meeting at Morley Police Station and also on your visit to
> the Slip Inn.
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> I hope that the Slip Inns recent problems will have been addressed to yours
> and the other licensing departments satisfaction by myself and Mr Benson
> during any-more announced or unnanounced visits.
> Please feel free to contact me regarding any queries or comments on the
> contents of this letter.
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> Yours sincerely
> Gerald Lennon (Designated Premices Supervisor, Slip Inn)
> Subject: RE: Slip Inn Confirmatory Letter: NOT PROTECTIVELY MARKED
> To: gez44@live.co.uk
> From: robert.fullilove@westyorkshire.pnn.police.uk
> Date: Mon, 7 Nov 2011 20:09:42 +0000
> Dear Mr Lennon;
> Thank you for the below reply to my letter.
> I am not going to get into a war of words by email but there are a couple
> of points you make that I take issue with:-
> What beer you were drinking and what receptacle it was originally dispensed
> from are irrelevant. There were two pint glasses in front of yourself and
> the customer, one each, both half full of beer and a number of Kronenbourg
> cans on the table. If his was Kronenbourg and yours was bitter from the
> bar pump then I accept that. The point I was making was that in view of
> the problems at the premises, the criticism of the management style, and
> within two weeks of a formal meeting with police to improve things the DPS
> is found at the wrong side of the bar, intoxicated and drinking with
> customers in mid-afternoon does not inspire confidence that my words and
> those of the other parties present at our meeting have been at all heeded.
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> Regarding the smoking issue, at the meeting you were not told to "stay
> aware of people 'supposedly' smoking on the premises" - you were told that
> concrete evidence had been seen on DVD of customers actually smoking in the
> Slip Inn, that it was illegal and you had to stamp it out before you landed
> a hefty fine. Furthermore, smoking inside is classified as "crime" and can
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> be used as evidence in a Premises Licence Review

- > In addition to these issuesand since I lkast wrote to you I am reliably > informed that the police have been called to the Slip twice in this last
- > week to deal with incidents that could have been avoided.
- > I note your declared intention to improve matters at the premises but this
- > needs to happen sooner rather than later.
- > Regards
- > Rob Fullilove
- > Sergeant

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- > Leeds District Licensing
- > 01132 413067



Gerald Lennon <gez44@live.co.uk> 08/11/2011 17:06

To <robert.fullilove@westyorkshire.pnn.police.uk>

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Subject RE: Slip Inn Confirmatory Letter: NOT PROTECTIVELY MARKED

Dear Mr Fullilove,

On behalf of Mr Benson and myself with regard to your last e-mail i do take heed on the issues raised by yourself regarding problems at the Slip Inn and i promise to improve matters at the pub.

Yours sincerely

Gerald Lennon

### WITNESS STATEMENT

(Criminal Justice Act 1967, s.9; Magistrates' Courts Act 1980, s.5B; Criminal Procedure Rules, r.27.2)

Criminal Procedure Rules, r.27.2)				
NICHE Ref. No:		URN:		
Statement of:	Matthew Sedgley			
Date of birth:	Over 18	Occupation: PC 524		
belief and I ma-		gned by me) is true to the best of my knowledge and in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have e or do not believe to be true.		
Signature:		Date: 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2011		
Check box if with	ness evidence is visually recorded	(supply witness details on rear)		
I am a Police Constable in the West Yorkshire Police and currently stationed at Morley Police station				
within City and I	Holbeck Division, Leeds.			
I am currently th	ne investigating officer for an offen	ce of Affray that occurred on Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup> November		
2011 at the Slip	Inn public House, Albion Street, M	lorley crime reference 13110548055 refers.		
On Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup>	November 2011 at 13:15 hours I a	attended at the Slip Inn public house in order to review		
the CCTV foots	age of the incident. On arrival I s	poke with a female I know to be Donna SEED who		
introduced hers	elf as the manager. I asked Donr	a to review the CCTV for the events of the previous		
night however	she was unable to operate the sy	stem and did not know the pass code to enter and		
search the date	and time facility, I asked her if any	one else knew how to review the system but she said		
the previous lan	dlady who had passed away was	he only one who knew the access code.		
Due to this I sei	ized the full recording unit to preve	ent the loss of the footage and to enable it to be taken		
to the police ima	aging unit to be downloaded.			

On Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November I attended at the imaging unit with the CCTV system where I viewed the footage, The CCTV system records the images of four cameras.

Camera 1 shows a view of the left side of the bar facing back towards the left front entrance. The bar is on the left of the camera view and to the right is a row of tables with a benched seating area.

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Camera 2 shows a view that is 90 degrees to the left of camera 1. This is at the back of the public house and shows the end of the bar on the right side with a view of the pool table.

Camera 3 shows the left entrance door from inside the pub on the right side with a view of the front of the bar area on the left side.

Camera 4 shows a payment till behind the bar.

There are no cameras that show the entrance door on the right side of the pub and no coverage of any of the seating areas on the right side of the pub. The pub also has a seated area enclosed in a yard at the rear of the pub that has no CCTV coverage.

It is my opinion that the CCTV system in place is out dated, there is no facility for any member of management or staff to record any incident should it be required and no member of staff or management are able to work the CCTV system. Of the four cameras that are in place only three are covering the customer areas with the majority of the pub left uncovered.

A master copy of the CCTV was produced and from this a working copy produced. The footage is shown to start at 20:24:50 hours which is one hours later than the actual time. The incident runs for 8 minutes and 53 seconds before all people involved have left the pub. Exhibit MRS1

The CCTV footage shows the following events that have been summarised:

20:24:50 A female member of bar staff walks up to a table on the right side of Camera one and removes several unfinished drinks from the table. A verbal altercation takes place between the bar staff member and a female who was sat at the table. A drink is thrown from an unknown person off the camera view from the right side. A group of males then begin to push and shove each other before numerous punches are thrown. The member of bar staff is unable to stop the fight as more people become involved.

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At 20:27:24 Donna SEED the manager comes to try to separate the males who are now on the floor.

The males continue to fight on the floor as Donna attempts to separate them to no gain. The males

separate. SEED is unable to push the male in the yellow T-shirt out of the pub and he continues to try to

push past her.

At 20:28.22 the male in the Yellow T-shirt leaves the pub and SEED and the female member of staff

hurry to tidy up the tables and chairs that have been disturbed during the fights.

At 20.28:46 the male in the Yellow T-shirt re enters the pub and attempts to continue the fight. SEED

attempts to push the male out and points towards the outside but she is unable to get him to leave and

he continues to shout towards the other group of males. A customer of the pub then becomes involved

and attempts to get the male to leave; SEED then leaves the customer with this male and continues to

tidy the disturbed furniture with the other member of bar staff.

At 20:30:32 the male in the Yellow T-shirt then gets past the customer and goes towards the group. He

is then punched by a male in a green T-shirt and is knocked unconscious a male in a blue hooded top

and the male in the green T-shirt then begin to fight resulting in the male in the green T-shirt being

knocked unconscious. As both males are laying on the floor unconscious SEED and the other member

of staff continue to tidy the furniture and offer no first aid assistance leaving this to other customers in

the pub

At 20:31:57 SEED approaches the unconscious male in the yellow T-shirt and the unconscious male in

the green T-shirt gets to his feet, This male stumbles around the pub for a few seconds before leaving.

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At 20:33:18 the male in the yellow T-shirt gets to his feet and has to be retrained again by another customer. The males then have another heated argument inside the pub as SEED cleans the tables and moves the furniture around.

At 20:35:12 the male in the Yellow T-shirt leaves

At 20:36:00 the male in the yellow T-shirt re enters the pub and starts a fight with the male who had earlier restrained him.

At 20:36:12 the male in the yellow T-shirt leaves again

I spoke with SEED on the day after the incident who stated that she did not see the incident and noticed something going on while she was watching the live CCTV system and went down to see what was happening but the fight had ended. The CCTV shows this is clearly not the case and SEED was present for the majority of the incident. SEED also stated she did not know any of the details of who was involved.

I have since this date visited SEED with a view to obtaining a written statement from her. At first SEED stated she was too busy and I left my contact details along with tours of duty however SEED did not make contact with me. I then re visited SEED who again told me she could not provide a statement at that time and it was arranged for me to attend on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November to speak with her. I attended on this date at the arranged time and was informed SEED had gone out.

Since the incident four males have been arrested for Affray, during interviews two have stated they cannot remember the events due to the amount they had to drink. From speaking with customers within

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the pub who wish to remain anonymous they have stated that the males involved are constantly drinking excessive amounts within the pub and this often leads to trouble and fights starting.

The male in the yellow T-shirt re enters the pub on several occasions after the initial incident with customers and staff unable to remove him or prevent him from entering; this has aggravated the problem and resulted in himself and a second male being knocked unconscious. It is my opinion that while the males are fighting and once the males are knocked unconscious that SEED and the other member of staff are trying to tidy up the pub to make it appear if nothing has happened.

I have worked within Morley neighbourhood policing team for just over three years. During my time at this station I have attended more calls to the Slip Inn than any other pub in the area, most of which have involved customers drinking excessive amounts before any trouble has started. The pub is notorious in the area with local residents as a place for trouble and excessively drunk people.

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# WITNESS STATEMENT

(CJ ACT 1967, s.9;MC Act 1980, ss.5A(3)(a) and 5b;MC Rules 1981, r.70)

#### Statement of John Paul Rix

# Age/Date of Birth - Over 21 Occupation - Senior Liaison & Enforcement Officer

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 for prosecution if I have wilfully stated anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

Date:

Signature:

I am the above named person. I am employed full - time as a Senior Liaison and Enforcement Officer with Leeds City Council's Entertainment Licensing Section. My duties include investigating licensed premises contrary to the Licensing Act 2003. I have delegated authority under the said Act. I have responsibility for amongst others the LS27 area of Leeds.

On Thursday 29 October 2011 at 13:30 I attended at Morley police station for an action plan meeting for the premises known as the Slip Inn, Albion Street, Morley. This meeting had been called by officers from West Yorkshire Police, Sergeant Fullilove, Leeds licensing officer and Inspector Sullivan Morley, Neighbourhood Policing Team (NPT) due to the increasing number of issues emanating from the subject premises, namely, disorder/assaults, drunkenness/drug misuse, alcohol sales after permitted trading hours, self-service by customers in the absence of bar staff, deliberate circumvention of the till for ringing in sales and smoking inside the premises.

Present from the premises were the Premises Licence Holder Mr Terrence Benson and the Designated Premises Supervisor as named on the Premises Licence Mr Gerald Lennon. At the time of the meeting I could smell what I believed was intoxicating liquor from the breath of both men.

Sergeant Fullilove explained to the two that the purpose of the meeting was to address the issues as described above and to ascertain who actually was in charge of the premises on a day to day basis.

I explained at this meeting that the premises was likely to feature in the forthcoming West Yorkshire Police and LCC Licensing joint visits and that enquiries would be made at the time of these visits into compliance of the conditions attached to the premises licence granted to the Slip Inn.

Both men stated their intention to be more actively involved in the day to day management of the premises following from this meeting.

On the night of the 26 November at 17:50 I attended the Slip Inn, Morley, in company with officers from the Morley NPT. At the time of the visit the Premises Licence Holder (Benson) and the Designated Premises Supervisor (Lennon) were not present. A single female bar staff was behind the bar and when requested she called for the duty manager to come downstairs. There were approximately twenty to thirty customers present in various states of inebriation.

The manager Donna Seed attended the bar area but seemed more concerned that her just delivered pizza was going cold than the breaches in licensing conditions that were being put to her, the Part B Licence was not displayed to the public and there were no Check 21 posters displayed. Also the drug swipe test proved positive in the gents toilets. Both myself and the WYP officers present made the judgement she was under the influence of drink. It was difficult to impress upon the lady the points arising from the visit and especially the importance of not allowing the serving of alcohol to persons "drunk".

The intention was to revisit the premises later in the evening after conducting visits elsewhere. After a period of time that same evening an incident occurred at the subject premises. Later still, and as a result of our drive, by it was decided not to return that evening.

On the evening of 3 December at 23:12 again in company with WYP NPT. I attended the subject premises. At the time of the visit the Premises Licence Holder (Benson) and the Designated Premises Supervisor (Lennon) were not present. Donna Seed was again called to the bar area by the bar staff. This time she did not appear in drink. I advised her again about the acceptable display of the Part B licence. At this point an incident involving a customer resulted in our departure from the premises.

We returned to the premises at 23:35 that same evening and I resumed my conversation with Seed. I pointed out that the Check / Challenge 21 signage seemed to have appeared in the short time I was away. She admitted she had put them up in my absence.

We resumed from the premises after Seed had shown us CCTV footage of the preceding incident which proved to be inconclusive.

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# **Witness Statement**

(CJ Act 1967, s.9; MC Act 1980, ss.5A(3)(a) and 5B; MC Rules 1981, r.70)

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	Crime Ref. No:				
	Statement of Robert Geoffrey FULLILOVE				
	Date of birth: Over 18 Occupation: Police Sergeant 4581				
	This statement (consisting of: 10 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.				
)	Dated: 4 January 2012				
Signature:					
	Tick if witness evidence is visually recorded (supply witness details on rear)				
	I am a sergeant in the West Yorkshire Police currently stationed as supervisor in charge of the Leeds				
	District Licensing Department at Millgarth Police Station in central Leeds.				
	I have jurisdiction over approximately two and a half thousand such premises in the whole of the Leeds				
	area, approximately three hundred of which are in the city centre.				
	My role involves the police supervision of Leeds area licensing officers and also liaison with/operational				
	responsibility for licensed premises, predominantly in the City & Holbeck Divisional areas. I am also				
	tasked with implementing various remedial and enforcement procedures on those who do not fulfil their				
	required responsibilities as responsible operators.				
	Within my area of responsibility is the Slip Inn, Albion Street, Morley. This witness statement is made to				
	provide evidence for premises licence review proceedings against that establishment.				
	Signature: Signature Witnessed by:				

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Continuation Statement of Robert Geoffrey FULLILOVE

In the summer of 2011 I was contacted by a number of officers, predominantly supervisors, from the

Morley Neighbourhood Policing Team who asked me if I was aware of increasing crime and disorder

problems at the Slip. Some of these calls for service were effectively brawls involving customers who

were excessively intoxicated. The overall problems were being aggravated by a management team at

the Slip Inn who were not providing an effective supervisory control either by not being physically

present at the premises enough and, anecdotally, when they were there they being too fond of

socialising with the customers instead of supervising and controlling them.

In August 2011 I was made aware of an incident that had occurred at the Slip on the night of Saturday

23rd July and received from Sergeant Abbott a CD copy of the premises CCTV one of his officers had

seized whilst in the process of investigating the incident and crime reports relating to it. I produce this

CD as exhibit RGF/1. I have viewed the footage and summarise its contents as follows:

The footage is dated 23/7/11 and when correlated with recorded incidents obviously has the time clock

one hour behind actual time. Where I quote such as "2330hrs" below as per the footage clock the

actual time when that section took place is half past midnight. The footage is shown as simultaneous 4-

camera coverage, each covering a quarter of the viewing screen which does not make for easy viewing.

The premises licence for the Slip states that alcohol sales should cease and the pub be closed at

12.30am every day - therefore when the CCTV clock shows 2330hrs.

Pre-2300hrs the footage shows the pub in normal operation but with patrons getting more intoxicated as

2300 is reached. Dancing is taking place (though no provision for dancing is present on the premises

licence) and as there is no live band present this makes the presumption that recorded music is being

played. Both males and females are seen staggering around drunkenly exchanging greetings of a

friendly and sometimes intimate nature. By around 2300hrs it is quite clear that the mood has changed

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and a lot of people present are very drunk, some wandering round in a slow and deliberate way

bumping into, and struggling to avoid each other in the act of dancing/avoiding dancers and in their

general movement through the premises.

23:00 Camera 2, large built female in purple lifts her top and flashes her breasts at someone to the right

off-camera.

2302: Same female subject to a sexual/indecent assault by a male who approaches her from the rear,

grabs her groin area then simulates sexual intercourse from behind her. She does not seem to object

to this, in fact quite the opposite.

2344: Till switched off and cash drawer removed by staff.

2347: Argument apparent between females in the bar area.

2350: Persons going behind the bar and helping themselves to drink in the absence of bar staff. Some

pushing and shoving starting between customers in the bar area,

2351: Bar staff member dispensing drink and operating a recording system in a book next to the till

which is switched off and minus its cash drawer.

2352: Full-blown fight between female customers including kicking and punching. Parties separated

temporarily by others. This continues sporadically until 2354.

0000: Camera 2; customers smoking in the premises

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0001: Camera 1; customers smoking in the premises

0002: Camera 4, bar staff serving well after permitted hours.

0008: Bar staff member in the public bar area smoking.

0026: Bar staff still serving and sales clearly not being rung through the till, which is still not in use.

0039: Camera 2 and 4. Evidence of a "tally" system for recording sales in a book next to the till, drink

served and this is accompanied by the printing off of a receipt from the till and put on its left hand side

but no money changes hands. Camera 2; customer can be seen smoking.

0046: Cameras 1 and 3, a group of customers smoking around a table.

0150: Footage concluded with people still in the premises socialising (effectively nearly 3am).

Following review of this material I asked Morley NPT Inspector Paul Sullivan if he would like to be

present in a meeting with the management of the Slip to discuss improving the operation of the

premises to fully outline the local police perspective and reinforce the need for positive and expeditious

change. I explained that there was an option to go straight to review of the premises licence but under

the Licensing Act we had an obligation to explain the police and local authority position to the

management and help them to solve their problems prior to taking enforcement action.

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This meeting took place at Morley Police Station at 1345hrs Thursday 20th October 2011. Also present

in addition to Inspector Sullivan and myself were Premises Licence Holder Terry Benson, DPS Gerald

Lennon, and Paul Rix from Leeds City Council's Entertainment Licensing Section. Both Mr Benson and

Mr Lennon smelled of intoxicants on their arrival. Throughout the meeting, which concluded at 3pm I

sensed a degree of denial by Mr Benson and Mr Lennon of matters and factual evidence put to them,

but a grudging realisation that they needed to improve their management performance. I produce the

Minutes of this meeting attached to the premises review file.

I also produce on the file the confirmatory letter I sent to both parties summarising this meeting, dated

26 October 2011.

At about 4.30pm Thursday 3 November 2011 I made an unannounced visit to the Slip Inn to see what

progress the management was making since our meeting of 2 weeks previously. Mr Benson was not

present but Mr Lennon was. I found him to be sitting with a customer at a table in the public bar area

consuming, and quite visibly under the influence of alcohol. It was quite apparent that at first Mr Lennon

didn't immediately recognise me and I had to jog his memory. As I spoke to him I clearly smelled that

someone was smoking cigarettes in the premises but couldn't see who, or where this was taking place.

I took Mr Lennon outside and told him in the strongest possible terms that I didn't consider that this was

adequate supervision of the premises and his actions were in direct contravention of what he and Mr

Benson had promised me they would do when we had spoken at the previous meeting and told him to

go back in and sort things out.

I wrote to both men again on 4 November 2011 summarising the facts of my visit and the fact that the

supervisory management of the pub was still way short of my expectations and that I expected an

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improvement. I explained that a Premises Licence Review would be an option if premises management

and supervision were not improved soon. I produce a copy of this letter on the premises licence review

file.

On 5<sup>th</sup> November 2011 I received an email from Mr Lennon in answer to the above-mentioned letter, the

content of which I did not find at all satisfactory and there follows a short series of exchanges between

us lasting up until 8th November. I produce this email series on the premises licence review file.

On 5 November 2011 I was re-contacted by Inspector Sullivan who told me that incidents were still

occurring at the Slip, one of which that caused him great distaste which was a disturbance caused by

customers taking photographs of a male in the pub who was having a heart attack or seizure - appalling

behaviour towards a sick man.

On Saturday 26th November 2011 another large disturbance took place at the Slip where sporadic and

very violent fighting took place and where two males were knocked unconscious in separate parts of

this incident and were laid prone on the floor for some time whilst attempts were made to revive them. I

have viewed the CCTV footage of this incident which is truly disturbing even viewed through the eyes of

a police officer of many years' experience. One can only assume what the feelings must have been of

a normal member of the public not used to such violence and whose only wish was to have a quiet night

out. Coupled with this there are continued grave concerns regarding the actions (or lack of them) of

staff on duty in the Slip while this incident was ongoing, particularly in respect of duty of care towards

not only injured persons, but other customers. A full account of this incident, description of the CCTV

footage and other information is contained in the witness statement of PC 524 Sedgley which is

attached to the premises licence review file. I produce the CCTV footage of this incident as an exhibit

(RGF/2).

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I have examined the West Yorkshire Police WEBSTORM incident recording system back to 1 May 2011

in relation to calls for service at the Slip Inn and have found twenty listed incidents up to 2 January

2012. These are restricted documents, not produced as exhibits, and are summarised as below, but I

will have them present at any premises licence review or other formal hearings to answer questions on

them, if required:-

0230hrs 13/5/11 Log 119; Female under-age 16yrs has been served alcohol in the Slip Inn all night then

assaulted by being punched in the face. Caller states they are now having a lock-in at the pub. Officers

attend - no assault, nuisance only. A number of uncooperative people were spoken to in the pub.

2127hrs 17/5/11 Log 1594; Inebriated female reporting assault on her partner by another male. Pub

manager confirms assault has taken place but complainant has left and would not subsequently

cooperate with police. No crime submitted.

0007hrs 4/6/11 Log 17; Named male has come upstairs into the pub and kicked a door open while staff

cashing up. Crime report submitted for burglary.

0338hrs 10/6/11 Log 187; Originally this call stated this was an attempt break in - written off as 3 males

who have been drinking in the pub all night returned and were banging on the windows trying to get

back in.

0055hrs 24/7/11 Log 136; Female caller reporting assault - incident as described above 23-24/7/11

depicted in DVD RGF/1.

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0104hrs 24/7/11 Log 155; Separate female caller reports an assault on herself by another female

because the other woman took her seat - this incident is part of that described above.

2332hrs 1/8/11 Log 2231; Operational police executing drugs search warrant on the premises. Drugs

paraphernalia seized but no controlled substances.

1910hrs 7/8/11 Log1399; Male caller asking for police assistance as his estranged partner is blind drunk

in the Slip Inn, has been there all day and is there with his 2 year old son. Officers attended and took

the child to his father. Female was in drink but not drunk.

0017hrs 13/8/11 Log 30; Male caller states the landlord's son, Ashley Benson, is outside waiting to

smash his face in and is in fear of assault. Both parties were spoken to and advised.

0104hrs 15/8/11 Log 82; Caller was reporting an aggressive male in the pub making threats. The

dispute was over an elderly woman who is very drunk and semi-collapsed at the scene. Ambulance

called. Lots of shouting and drunken behaviour in the background according to the 999 operator,

everyone seems drunk. The woman was dealt with by ambulance staff.

2148hrs 20/8/11 Log 1794; Male reporting that landlord's son Ashley Benson has stolen his phone and

will not return it and hit him when he asked for its return. A fight between the two then reported. The

caller was arrested for criminal damage on police arrival and advised to speak to local police re the

phone on his release.

2249hrs 26/8/11 Log 1837; Report of a large fight at the Slip Inn. 3 persons arrested for Affray by police.

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1458hrs 22/9/11 Log 872; Male drinking inside the premises wanted for Breach of Court Order. Officers

attend and arrest him and he is found in possession of drugs.

0113hrs 30/10/11 Logs 132/143; Very intoxicated male rang three times within minutes (2 recorded as

incident logs) stating his girlfriend had been beaten up in the pub and then that the fight was ongoing.

He then proceeded to be uncooperative and abusive to the operator. Officers attend and write the logs

off as "Male and female have been in the pub all evening, they are both very, very drunk. The female

has fallen asleep and wet herself in the pub. Staff have removed her outside and the male ran off".

1549hrs 2/11/11 Log 1576; Ambulance crew at the Slip requesting urgent police assistance. They were

dealing with a 30 year old male patient suffering from a stroke/CVA who was unconscious. Another

customer was taking photographs of this and as he regained consciousness the patient became angry

and upset and the atmosphere became potentially violent.

1607hrs 6/11/11 Log 1175; Manager of the Slip called 999 reporting an assault on him by a named

customer who has punched him on the back of the head then thrown a glass of beer when refused

service.

1927hrs 26/11/11 Log 1385/1390; Callers states that there are 7-12 people fighting with each other

outside the premises. This is the incident referred to in exhibit RGF/2 and PC Sedgley's statement.

0018hrs 22/12/11 Log 25; Report of three males in the premises throwing drinking glasses around.

Damage has been caused. Glasses have been thrown across the bar and into the optics. The males

have made off. Manager states the pub CCTV is "not working".

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2043hrs 31/12/11 Log 1265; Report of a fight in the premises, then report of females fighting outside.

No disorder on police arrival and two males spoken and sent on their way

0051hrs 2/1/12 Log 47; Report that the landlord's son Ashley Benson has beaten up a female at the

Slip Inn by smashing her head against a door. On arrival of the police he denies the offence, no-one

will cooperate with the police but the CCTV is examined and shows the assault being committed and he

is arrested for assault. Whilst dealing with the assault officers arrest another male for drunk and

disorderly at the pub.

Due to the nature and frequency of the incidents listed at the Slip Inn, the failure of the current

management over a lengthy period to tackle identified problems at the premises and the effects of these

incidents on crime, disorder and public safety a premises licence review is applied for.

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### WITNESS STATEMENT

(Criminal Justice Act 1967 is 9: Manistrates' Courte Act 1980 is 50:

Criminal Procedure Rules, r.27.2)				
NICHE Ref. No.	: Paul Sullivan	URN:		
Date of birth:	Over 18	Occupation: Police Inspector		
belief and I ma	ike it knowing that	page(s) each signed by me) is true to the best of my knowledge and if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have know to be false or do not believe to be true.  Date: 12 12 11		
Check box if wit	ness evidence is v	sually recorded (supply witness details on rear)		
I am a Police Holbeck Divisi		e West Yorkshire Police currently serving within the City and		
		experienced Police Officer with over 20 years service. I have ge of departments including Criminal Investigation Department,		

During May 2011, I took up post of Neighbourhood Policing Inspector for the Morley area.

Response Policing, Custody and the Professional Standards Department.

The Morley Policing area is made up of Morley Town taken together with the outlying areas such as Gildersome, Drighlington, Tingley Ardsley and Thorpe. There are estimated to be over 65,000 residents.

I also have responsibility for the White Rose Shopping Centre which has an estimated daily footprint of over 10,000 people. The area also houses many other retail and industrial businesses and there are over 20 schools.

The area is serviced by a large number of licensed premises.

I would say that parts of my responsibilities are to reduce crime, antisocial behaviour and the fear of crime. To this end it is absolutely vital to me that all of the licensed premises not only adhere to

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their licence conditions but they work together with my teams to help reduce any risk to the public.

Since my arrival at Morley, I have repeatedly been made aware of incidents taking place at the Slip Inn, Albion Street, Morley. These incidents all appear to relate to alcohol related disorder resulting in Police resources having to go into dangerous situations to restore safety and law and order.

Since my time in post I have had no concerns over the many other licensed venues in my area.

Risk of harm and injury is greatly increased when vulnerable individuals are exposed to alcohol. It is absolutely vital that the Licensee and their staff carry out an assessment of all patrons before any alcohol is sold. Following the recent increase in drink related incidents, I now have a genuine concern that this not taking place and particularly this premises is not being managed properly.

This poor management has resulted a significant increase in calls for service from both the Police and Ambulance Services.

I am aware the venue is managed through Mr Terry Benson, the Premises Licence Holder and Mr Gerald Lennon who is the Designated Premises Supervisor.

Following the increase in calls for service a meeting was arranged by the Police with the venue managers in order to highlight and address the issues.

At 1:45 pm on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2011, I met with Mr Terry Benson and Mr Gerald Lennon together with Sgt Robert Fullilove Licensing supervisor and Mr Paul Rix from Leeds City Council Entertainment Licensing department.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss a number of recent incidents resulting in calls for Police service to the venue and address how the management could be supported.

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Mr Terry Benson and Mr Gerald Lennon were advised that following a review of the CCTV at the premises it was discovered that there were incidents of disorder/assaults, drunkenness/drug misuse, alcohol sales after permitted trading hours, self-service by customers in the absence of bar staff, deliberate circumvention of the till for ringing in sales and smoking inside the premises.

Both denied knowledge of these activities.

It was explained that the behaviour was unacceptable and that they should both take more of an active role in the running of the premises. Both were advised that the Local Police would fully support them with any issues. I felt that both Mr Terry Benson and Mr Gerald Lennon were interested in making changes at the venue.

I am aware that since this meeting there have been further calls for service. The following incidents are fully recorded on the Police systems,

The first incident relates to Police log number 1576 on the 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2011, Officers were called to the Slip Inn to the report of customers taking inappropriate phone footage of a man suffering a heart attack in the bar. A Disturbance then took place between customers over this behaviour and the Police attended to restore order.

The second incident relates to Police log number log 0914 on the 4<sup>th</sup> November 2011, following information bar staff were serving a male on the pub watch banning list. This male is known to everyone in the town as a violent individual with a history of fighting in pubs when intoxicated.

The third incident occurred on 26th November 2011, when a member of the public called the Police to report the Slip Inn bar staff apparently deleting CCTV of a violent fight involving three men. The incident was caught on the CCTV and clearly showed two males being beaten unconscious. The CCTV was viewed by officers and clearly shows bar staff serving people

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intoxicated and not dealing with the problems before they get out of hand. Mr Terry Benson was present throughout this incident and appeared to do nothing to intervene or prevent harm.

No calls for assistance were made by any member of staff from the Slip Inn.

Following these incidents, I have serious concerns that without any licence intervention taking place, it will only be a matter of time before someone is fatally injured. If it is decided to allow this venue is to remain open I would like to see an enhancement of the licence conditions as follows:-

- 1. High Quality CCTV to be installed covering all areas of the venue.
- 2. Bar Supervisor to be employed in addition to the sales staff.
- 3. SIA Registered Door Staff to be employed on Friday and Saturday nights and at times likely to involve high numbers attending such as special events.



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# **Witness Statement**

(CJ Act 1967, s.9; MC Act 1980, ss.5A(3)(a) and 5B; MC Rules 1981, r.70)

Crime Ref. No:	URN:					
Statement of Rober	ert Geoffrey FULLILOVE					
Date of birth: Over	Occupation: Police Sergeant 4581					
knowledge and belief	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.					
Dated: 16 Februar	ry 2012					
Signature:						
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I am a sergeant in the West Yorkshire Police currently stationed as supervisor in charge of the Leeds District Licensing Department at Millgarth Police Station in central Leeds.						
	ent is supplementary to the one I made on 4 January 2012 concerning ar ne premises licence of the Slip Inn at Morley.					
I wish to provide additi	tional evidence to the licensing sub-committee in respect of this matter. The firs					
document I produce is a letter from Trish Dobson, Senior Environmental Health officer from Leeds City						
Council's Environmenta	tal Protection Team, dated 19 January 2012.					
Since I made my or	riginal statement I have re-interrogated the West Yorkshire Police Inciden					
Management system (	(Webstorm) and identified four more calls for police service to the Slip Inn which					
are as follows:						
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1928hrs 4/1/12 Log 1218; Concerned female caller reporting under-age youths, some as young as 14

years old drinking alcohol (Jaeger Bombs) in the premises and some of them look to have been taking

drugs. Officers attending reported that these were children belonging to the family of the owners who

had come down to play pool. They could not prove that they had been drinking alcohol.

1118hrs 23/1/12 Log 452; Anonymous female caller rang in to say that 4 or 5 males were "kicking off" at

the premises and it was a dispute over drugs and that one of the males had a big bag of cannabis.

When asked how she knew it was cannabis she replied "Because I'm not daft". On officers' arrival the

males had gone but the officers reported to the control room that the landlady was obtuse and un-

cooperative.

Immediately following the officers' attendance at this call I received an unsolicited email from one of

them expressing displeasure at the attitude of the Slip Inn management. The email is from PC 3286

Smith, timed and dated 1205hrs 23/1/12, and I produce it as an exhibit. I find the content very

disappointing.

1725hrs 5/2/12 Log1162; Caller reporting that someone has told her that property stolen from her in a

burglary (laptop) is currently being sold inside the Slip Inn. Officers attend and the 2 persons, a male

and female, are arrested and detained.

1646hrs 7/2/12 Log 1005; Report of an assault outside the premises. The caller is the male party

arrested in the incident described above. He complains he has been with the co-accused arrested

female in the Slip Inn and they have been verbally abused and called "burglars". He has been

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assaulted and he fears for the female who is still inside the pub. When officers arrive she has left of her

own accord and no crime reported is submitted as the male will not give a statement.

I have researched the West Yorkshire Police crime and intelligence recording system (Niche) from last

spring to present day and found that since the end of May 2011 eleven crimes are recorded as being

committed in the Slip Inn. These consist of four assaults (three actual bodily harm and one domestic

common assault), two of affray, two theft and one each of drunk and disorderly, drugs possession and

burglary.

In that same time period eighteen separate pieces of intelligence were received in respect of the Slip

Inn, sixteen of which relate to drugs sale, supply or use within the premises. The other two relate to

stolen goods being sold within, and a fight where an allegation is made the participants attempted to

have the CCTV footage of the incident erased from the Slip's CCTV system. The drugs intelligence in

itself is a massive amount for any premises for that time period, even for a city centre nightclub and

particularly disturbing as it relates to a small pub in a relatively rural area.

A search warrant sworn out under the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 was executed by officers at The Slip

Inn on 5 August 2011 with no gain.

It is my opinion that the current management regime at the Slip Inn, its overall attitude and methods of

working plus the lax controls over alcohol supply and the availability of drugs within the premises have

all contributed, and continue to contribute to its current problems.

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Our reference: PREM/02251/002

19 January 2012

Dear Sir/Madam

# RE: APPLICATION FOR REVIEW OF PREMISES LICENCE, THE SLIP INN ALBION STREET, MORLEY, LEEDS, LS27 8DT.

I refer to your e mail dated 5<sup>th</sup> January 2012 regarding the application to review the premises licence of the above premises by West Yorkshire Police.

Following examination of the information held by this Department, I can confirm that the following matters have been brought to the attention of this service. Where action has been taken, this will be indicated.

A complaint was investigated in 2005 regarding hygiene at the premises. A food hygiene inspection was subsequently carried out.

Between 2006 and 2010 there have been four investigations carried out with regard to uncontained waste in the yard to the rear of the pub, arising from the Slip Inn. A legal notice was served in 2008, although it was subsequently established that ownership of the yard was nothing to do with the Slip Inn.

A further unsubstantiated complaint was made in 2009 relating to smoke from a wood burning stove, again in the yard to the rear of the pub. The complaint was made by a local business although was never witnessed independently by officers from this Department. A letter was sent to both the Landlord and the owner of the pub.

Between 2007 and 2010 three complaints have been made relating to noise arising from the pub. The complaints were referred by both local residents and an officer from Licensing. These related to noise associated with activities both inside and outside the premises including loud music, DJ and karaoke, behaviour of patrons leaving, noise from customers using the smoking area to the rear of the premises, noise from fighting, taxis arriving and leaving beeping horns and sitting with engines revving. The Landlord was both written and spoken to and advice given regarding these incidents.

There are currently no on going complaints under investigation and this section has no further relevant comments to make.

Yours faithfully

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Trish Dobson Senior Environmental Health Officer

## Fullilove, Rob

From:

Smith, Simon [simon.smith@westyorkshire.pnn.police.uk]

Sent:

23 January 2012 12:05

To:

Fullilove, Rob

Subject:

Slip Inn Public House, Morley [NOT PROTECTIVELY MARKED]

#### PS Fullilove,

on Monday 23rd January myself and PC4454 McNalus attended the above location following a report of a fight involving 4-5 people, on our attendance it was clear that this had not been the case and the call deamed to be malicious however whilst on scene a female who identified herself as the landlady, she stated that she was not happy with our attendance and that we were putting her customers off by being there, she stated that she didn't want us in the pub and asked us to leave as she had a review coming up in the coming weeks and this didn't look good, she appeared very anti-police stating that we never turn up when she has had to call in the past.

submitted for your information and attention.

Simon

PC3286 Smith Team 4 Response.