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APPLYING FOR A SUMMARY LICENCE REVIEW

Application for the review of a Premises Licence under
Section 53a of the Licensing Act 2003

(Premises associated with serious crime or serious disorder or both)

Insert name and address of relevant Licensing Authority and its reference number (optional):

Leeds City Council, Entertainment Licensing Section, Civic Hall, Leeds. LS1 1UR

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, PC [REDACTED] Neil Haywood

(on behalf of) the Chief Officer of Police for the West Yorkshire Police area apply for the review of a premises licence under Section 53a of the Licensing Act 2003.

Part 1 – Premises details

Postal address of premises or, if none, Ordnance Survey map reference or description:

The Cock Beck, Pendas Way Stanks LS15 8LA

Town/City: Leeds

Postcode: LS15 8LA

Part 2 – Premises licence details

Name of premises licence holder (if known):

Evergreen Inns Ltd

Number of premises licence (if known): PREM/00808/013

Part 3 – Certificate under Section 53a(1)(b) of the Licensing Act 2003 (please read Guidance note 1)

I confirm that a certificate has been given by a senior member of the police force for the police area above, that in his/her opinion the above premises associated with serious crime or serious disorder or both, and the certificate accompanies this application. (Please 'check' the box to confirm)



Part 4 – Details of association of the above premises with serious crime, serious disorder or both (please read Guidance note 2)

There have been a spate of serious incidents of violence linked to this premises in a short period of time. West Yorkshire Police are concerned that further incidents may occur, and believe immediate steps are needed to protect public safety and prevent crime and disorder

On Monday the 18th November at 20:33, West Yorkshire Police received reports of a large fight outside the premises with weapons including knives and baseball bats. It transpired a male involved had been hit with a vehicle. The circumstances are that a female has attended the pub in a vehicle and parked in the car park, colliding with another vehicle parked in the car park. She enters the pub and asks for a drink but is refused due to being intoxicated and the collision. She makes threats to return and does so with two males in the car and another male attends on a motorbike with weapons. Baseball bats and a knife were seen. Two customers in the pub go out of the pub to confront the group, taking pool cues with them. A fight ensues and one male is hit by a vehicle. Officers attend and make a number of arrests of those involved, including the two males from inside the pub. One was found in possession of a bag of white powder believed to be cocaine and arrested for the drugs offence. A knife was located in the area following the incident backing up the initial account that knives were involved. An attending officer has since stated that the male with cocaine from inside the pub seems to have been welcomed back to the pub and that he had white powder all over his nose when arrested, making it clearly obvious he had been on drugs.

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On Friday the 29th November at 21:38, The manager [REDACTED] reported a "massive brawl" outside the pub involving approximately 20 people with bottles and glasses being thrown. During the call, the call taker noted females could be heard telling [REDACTED] to "put the phone down" Other calls were received reporting the same. The circumstances are that a male enters the premises and becomes involved in a dispute with groups inside the pub. He is escorted from the pub to the entrance by [REDACTED]. Males from inside the pub follow and a fight ensues involving several people. [REDACTED] tries to separate the group. The initial male that entered the pub leaves, then returns a short time later picks up a glass. Staff intervene and the fight restarts, moving into the car park where a male can be seen getting hit with an object believed to be a glass. There is a recording showing widespread fighting on the street involving a number of males. The attending officer describes that although the initial male attending was the instigator, the males involved were all responsible and played a part in the fight.

[REDACTED] provided a statement but expressed concern to officers about supporting a prosecution for affray against customers in the pub that had retaliated. She also stated they were happy to have the individuals involved in the fight who were inside back in the pub if they promised to behave. This was confirmed by PC Haywood conversations with Area Manager [REDACTED]. When asked who had been banned, 3 names were given but this did not include the names of the customers in the pub who were involved.

At just after midnight on Saturday 7th December 2024, there was a further incident involving the male who had previously entered the pub on the 29th November. This male entered the car park of the Cock Beck and proceeded to drive at a female stood in the car park of the Cock Beck in what is believed to be a deliberate act causing serious injuries. This has been classified as an attempted murder.

This sits against a backdrop of complaints to both West Yorkshire Police and other agencies including LCC Environmental Team about abusive behaviour, disorder and noise at the premises and local residents feeling in fear about what is going on at this premises.

There are repeated serious incidents at this pub in a short period of time, and West Yorkshire Police are concerned about public safety and crime and disorder continuing at this premises. It is a concern that the pub appears to be the hub of serious incidents involving those visiting the premises, but also patrons of the premises. West Yorkshire Police submit this review to ask the licensing committee to consider suspending the licence initially whilst professional agencies and operators can discuss if there are suitable measures that can be put in place to mitigate the risks of further violence.

Signature of applicant:.....

[REDACTED]

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Date: 11-12-24.....

Capacity: West Yorkshire Police Licensing Officer

Contact details for matters concerning this application:

Address: Licensing Dept, Elland Road Police Station, Elland Road, Leeds, LS11 8BU

Telephone numbers: [REDACTED]

E-mail address: [REDACTED]

Notes for Guidance

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

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

- 'Conduct that amounts to one or more criminal offences for which a person who has attained the age of 18 and has no previous convictions, could reasonably be expected to be sentenced to imprisonment for a term of three years or more'; or
- 'Conduct that amounts to one or more criminal offences and involves the use of violence, results in substantial financial gain or is conduct by a large number of persons in pursuit of a common purpose;
- Serious disorder is not defined in legislation and so bears its ordinary English meaning.

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