

**STONE NEST  
136 SHAFTESBURY AVENUE  
LONDON W1D 5EZ**

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**SUMMARY OF PROPOSALS**

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## Introduction

1. This is an application for a two-year time limited premises licence for 136 Shaftesbury Avenue, London W1D 5EZ (“**the Premises**”) applied for by existing licence holder, and registered charity, Stone Nest.
2. Stone Nest is an arts organisation and performance venue. The Premises itself is a former Welsh Chapel. Whilst the extensive restoration works are in progress, the Premises has been used under temporary (time-limited) premises licences. The Premises is used to exhibit and collaborate with a range of artists, both bringing the chapel back to life and offering a platform for artists and a space where audiences can encounter an eclectic programme of contemporary performance. This use supports funding for essential maintenance and building works to the Grade II building.
3. The application mirrors the same activities, conditions and hours as already permitted under existing time limited licence 21/14611/LIPN (“**the Current Licence**”), which itself replicated time limited licence 19/01668/LIPN. Until the restoration works are completed, the applicant is not in a position to implement the permanent licence held (Ref: 18/09254/LIPN) (“**the Permanent Licence**”).

## Responsible Authorities

4. The applicant has hosted the Responsible Authorities at the Premises to discuss the application and address concerns they had to it. As a result of that meeting the applicant offers the following condition to its Operating Schedule, which is contained on the existing licence:

*“Substantial food and non-intoxicating beverages, including drinking water, shall be available throughout the permitted hours in all parts of the premises where alcohol is sold or supplied for consumption on the premises.”*

## Soho Society and the Soho Ward Panel

5. The Applicant met with the Soho Society and Soho Ward Panel who had submitted representations to the application. Following that meeting, those representations have now been withdrawn.

## Policy

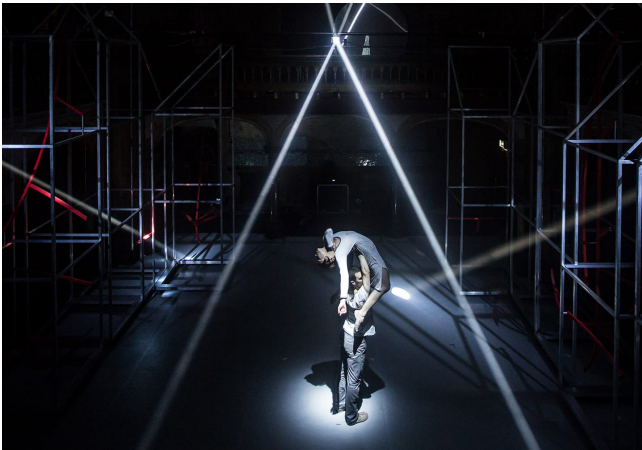
6. The application is effectively a renewal, precisely mirroring the Current Licence on identical terms. As such, there is no increase or negative impact on cumulative impact.

## **Conclusion**

7. The application is to maintain the status quo of the Current Licence. There can be no negative impact on the Cumulative Impact Area because the licence replicates exactly the terms of that licence.
8. The applicant has operated successfully and conscientiously from the Premises since 2019, reflected in the absence of specific complaints from any residential neighbour.

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