

MINUTES

Licensing Sub-Committee (5)

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of a meeting of the Licensing Sub-Committee (5) held on Thursday 16th May, 2019, Rooms 18.01 & 18.03, 18th Floor, 64 Victoria Street, London, SW1E 6QP.

Members Present: Councillors Murad Gassanly (Chairman), Louise Hyams and Aicha Less

1 MEMBERSHIP

1.1 There were no changes to the membership.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

2.1 There were no declarations of interest.

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LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE No. 5

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Membership: Councillor Murad Gassanly (Chairman), Councillor Louise Hyams and Councillor Aicha Less

Legal Adviser:	Barry Panto
Policy Adviser:	Kerry Simpkin
Committee Officer:	Georgina Wills
Presenting Officer:	Kevin Jackaman

Relevant Representations: Environmental Health Service,

Licensing Authority and Westminster City Inspectors and six local residents, all in support of the review application

Present: Richard Brown (Westminster Citizen Advice Bureau on behalf of the applicants for the review); David Steele, Andy Mackay, Lucinda Mackay, Alan Geeves and Issac Romanov (applicants for the review; Mustafa Abdo (witness for the applicants); Maxwell Koduah and John Crockford (Environmental Health); Roxsana Haq (Licensing Authority); Stephen Walsh QC (Counsel on behalf of the Premises Licence Holder); Elizabeth Southorn and Francesca Burnett Hall, Harris Hagan Solicitors (on behalf of the Premises License Holder); David Loewi, Chief Operating Officer and Deputy Chairman, Michael Farquhar, Operations Director and Leslie Kwarteng, Senior General Manager and DPS, (all on behalf of D&D London Limited and the Premises License Holder, 100 Wardour Limited); Euan Mackenzie, Autograph Technical Audio Engineer (on behalf of the Premises Licence Holder), and Lee Montague, Cole Jarman Acoustic Experts (on behalf of the Premises Licence Holder).

100 Wardour, Ground Floor, Wardour Street London, W1F 0TN ("The Premises") 19/02509/LIREVP

1. On 1st March 2019 an application had been submitted by David Steele, Andy Mackay, Lucinda Mackay, Alan Geeves and Issac Romanov, for a review of the premises licence for 100 Wardour, Ground Floor, Wardour Street London, W1F 0TN (the Premises) on the grounds of prevention of public nuisance. The Premises was situated in the West End within the West End Cumulative Impact Area.

Mr Kevin Jackaman (Presenting Officer) outlined the Application and confirmed that five local residents had applied to review the Premises License and that representations had also been received from Environmental Health Services, the Licensing Authority, Westminster City Inspectors and six other residents. Mr Richard Brown, (Westminster Citizen's Advice Bureau) was representing residents. The Licensing Officer advised that Late representations had been received from the Applicants, the Environmental Health Service and the Premises Holder on 13 May 2019 and that all documentation had been circulated to all parties.

The Chair advised the Hearing that the Sub-Committee were determined to find a permanent resolution to the concerns and issues which had led to the Application being made and noted that the problems encountered by residents were historic and still ongoing.

Richard Brown addressed the Sub-Committee and introduced the residents who were present at the Hearing. Mr Brown advised that the residents resided in Soho Lofts and all were long-term residents. He commented that residents acknowledged and fully accepted that Soho was a lively area within the Capital and brought attention to the copious documents which had been submitted to the Sub-Committee. He commented that the late submissions included complaints about noise seeping into Flat 15 on 2nd May (page 46 of the supplemental bundle) and a 'timeline' which detailed the public nuisance caused by the Premises since the Application had been made (page31 of the supplemental bundle). Mr Brown advised that evidence provided by residents included a letter from a Headteacher which raised concerns about noise

nuisance and its effects on three young residents (page 21 of the supplemental bundle). Mr Brown advised that a further six residents had submitted representations regarding audio leakage into their flats; five residents had complained about the music and the last resident about crowd dispersal.

Mr Brown advised that residents were adversely affected by the audio spillage from the premises and this issue had caused a nuisance for several decades. This had impacted on residents' daily home life and in particular caused disturbances whilst occupiers were asleep. Music played at the Premises would travel through the structure of the building and reverberate into several residents' flats. He commented that a recurrent pattern had been embedded in which residents would complain to both the local authority and the Premises staff members about the noise nuisance. This would subsequently result in interventions from regulated authorities, the nuisances being witnessed, and then a Section 80 Notice being served when deemed appropriate. Following the above process measures would be put in place to ensure that the noise levels were made inaudible. However, these levels would only be reduced for a period and would then subsequently later return to a volume which would cause public nuisance. Mr Brown advised that the mentioned pattern had led residents to apply for this Review of the Premises License.

Mr Brown indicated that complaints had been made to the Council on numerous occasions about the nuisance and that they had been provided with 'mixed messages' from different Council Services about their concerns regarding the operation of the noise limiter. He advised that Mr Steele had submitted a sound clip to Westminster City Inspectors in December 2018. Environmental Health had responded and acknowledged that there were problems with the noise limiter but in separate correspondence had commented that the noise limiter setting was fine.

The Sub-Committee was advised that regulated entertainment was permitted until 03:00 hrs in the Basement and 01:00 hrs in the Ground Floor at the Premises. Mr Brown commented that music from this part of the building alongside the atrium could be heard in residents' flats and the noise limiter in these vicinities were not functioning. Mr Brown advised that the noise nuisance during the latter part of 2018 had increasingly become worse. During this period the music volume had become much higher and that the music was being played at a later time and increasingly during the latter part of the week. Mr Brown advised that a Section 80 Abatement Notice had been previously served on the Premises in 2013. However, a spot check was undertaken in 2013 and it was found that the noise limiter at the premises was 'operating in the red'. Environmental Health also carried out a spot check in 2012 and it was found that the noise limiters were discounted on the Ground Floor and disabled on the Basement and were not operating. Mr Brown suggested that an Abatement Notice could have been served again in October 2018. Environmental Health had acknowledged that the noise limiter at the Premises was not being set at an appropriate level and that conditions were being breached.

Mr Brown advised that the efficacy of the noise limiters was of concern and there were numerous examples of when the equipment was not working. He referred to page 67 onwards of the Agenda which contained emails about noise nuisance emanating from the Premises between residents, Council Officers and staff from the Premises. He commented that noise nuisance would occur during the interim in which Council Officers would check the noise limiter and then leave the Premises. There was uncertainty on why disturbance occurred in the interim and whether the noise limiters installed in the Premises were being tampered with or had a technical fault during the mentioned periods.

Mr Brown commented that the Premises License Holder was aware that the noise limiters were instrumental in ensuring that residents were protected from the mentioned nuisance and this was referenced in paragraph 3.22 of the Cole Jarman Noise Statement for the Licensing Hearing (page 148 of the agenda papers). Mr Brown advised that there were reports of nuisance before and after the new sound system was installed. The new sound system was installed on the 18 March 2019 and a complaint about noise was submitted on the 27 April 2019. Mr Brown advised that there were still ongoing issues about noise nuisance.

Mr Brown advised that there had been noise testing in some flats and this included Mr Steele's flat which was located on the 3rd Floor. He commented when an inaudible level was achieved in Mr Steele's flat another resident who resided in Flat 15 had advised that noise could be heard in his flat. Mr Brown advised that there was lack of confidence in whether the new sound system would resolve concerns. Mr Steele also raised concerns of dispersal outside the Premises which had been made by a resident and noted that these concerns also followed the same pattern in which warnings were given, followed by intervention and then concerns returning.

Mr Brown commented on the amount of resources which Environmental Health and other Council Departments had inputted in the Premises. He indicated that residents were also uncertain as to whether the noise nuisance could be resolved and if a permanent remedy could be found.

Mr Brown noted that the License Holder accepted that music should be inaudible in residential flats and commented that the Conditions should be updated. He commented that conditions should be amended and referred to a WCC model condition which stated that the 'No noise generated on the premises, or by the associated plant or equipment shall emanate from the premises nor vibration be transmitted through the structure of the property which gives rise to a nuisance' and commented that the word 'inaudibility' should be retained in the condition. Mr Brown advised the following wording should be included 'is *inaudible to neighbouring properties and or give rise to nuisance*' after the sentence 'the structure of the property which gives rise to nuisance'.

Mr Brown suggested that a condition should be included which required the password for the noise limiter to be solely held by the company which installs and maintains the equipment. The current condition enabled the License Holder to retain the password. Mr Brown advised that residents were not concerned what hours of the day music was played at the Premises but wanted the music from the premises to be inaudible. He advised that a condition was being sought to reduce the hours of regulated entertainment at the premises and this

was done in order to be assured that music would not emanate from the Premises during later hours.

David Steele addressed the Sub-Committee and stressed that the Premises was based in a building which also had a residential component. He advised that occupiers were part of a close and active community who engaged with their neighbours and celebrated milestones. Mr Steele advised that he had resided in the Soho area for over 23 years and that residents did not oppose regulated entertainment at the premises or when these activities took place but solely wanted to ensure that all music was inaudible in their flats. He commented about the 'intrusive nature' of the audio leakage and advised that the noise spillage could be heard in his, and his neighbours, flats several days of the week.

Mr Steele advised that he had taken the role of a co-ordinator and acted on behalf of other residents. He stated that this position was previously undertaken by a neighbour who had since left and this was due to the nuisance experienced. He commented that the former resident resided in Flat 15 and that noise was still audible in this dwelling. Mr Steele advised that seven residents had initially supported the application to review the Premise Licence of the establishment and that a further six residents were also in support and had commented that they were experiencing audio spillage in their flats.

Mr Steele advised that his family and other residents had been adversely affected by the noise. He stated that his son had experienced noise nuisance when revising for public exams and his wife whilst she was experiencing the early stages of labour during the late evening and early morning. The Sub-Committee was advised that an elderly former long-term resident was subjected to noise nuisance during the latter part of his life. The resident had been diagnosed with terminal cancer and had since died. Mr Steele advised that this resident had confided that music could be heard in his flat up to 03:00 hrs. He also stated that the resident was unable to give Council officers access to his flat and this was due to his illness. The individual had sought help from Councillors, but none had been forthcoming.

Mr Steele advised that he had extensive experience in sound recording and commented that the professional evidence provided was not fully correct. He referred to the letter from John Warhurst, who was an expert in this field, at page 117 of the agenda papers. This indicated that sound limiters are essentially simple devices that don't change according to the time of day or how many people are present. Mr Steele commented that the proposal to install passive speakers would be inadequate as they were like active speakers and therefore the level of volume of the music would not change. He also advised that the proposal to install anti-vibration Pads may be inadequate and that he was present during tests. Mr Steele advised that there were up to seven pillars in the vicinity and each were vibrating alongside the walls whilst testing was being conducted. He further commented that the proposal to install other noise limiting devices would cause the whole building to shake. He advised that the structure of the building was one of the contributing factors for noise leakages and that the proposed installations would make matters worse.

Mr Steele advised that the Sound Report from the Premise License Holder was emailed to Environmental Health. Mr Steele stressed that an expert should inspect the buildings and that any assessments on noise leakages must include visits to residents' flats. This would allow occupiers to indicate where noise leakages can be found in their homes. Mr Steele advised that a test was conducted at the Premises by Council Officers on 4 December 2018 and it was advised that the noise limiter should be set at a volume which would prevent the noise volume from increasing. However, he commented on the 13 December 2018 that the Council's noise team had been contacted about audio leakage in residents' flats.

The Sub-Committee viewed video footage which had been recorded on 15 December 2018 and which showed that music could be heard in the vicinity in which the recording was made. Following questions from the Legal Officer, Mr Steele advised that the recording was made from a flat which was located on the 3rd Floor and that music could be heard at 19:00hrs. He advised that during the recording a DJ was playing a set on the Ground Floor of the Premises. Mr Steele stated that audio from the Premises Basement was the primary concern. He commented that during the later hours the music base become more prominent and that the audio should have been inaudible from the flat if the sound limiter was in operation. Mr Steele advised that three pictures were taken of amplifiers being brought into the Premises and that this was a breach of the licence condition. He commented that a letter had been received from Harris Hagan Solicitors, the Premises License Holder Solicitors assuring him that concerns would be addressed during the same period.

Mr Steele commented that the Premises was continuously breaching the terms and conditions of their license and advised that music would be played on the Ground Floor of the Premises after permitted hours. It was during these occasions that noise was audible in resident flats. Mr Steele advised that on one occasion it was found that the noise limiters had been removed.

In response to questions from the Sub-Committee, Mr Steele advised that the Premise Licence Holder had not sought advice from him despite his expertise in sound engineering. He commented that all floors of the Premises needed to be visited to ensure a comprehensive assessment of the building structure was made. Mr Steele advised that the Premise License holder had failed to sound proof the building despite advice from their architects and this was due to cost savings. He commented that this had led to the ongoing issues experienced by residents Mr Steele noted that Premise License holder had the same Adviser for 23 years and that matters should have been resolved during this period.

Mr Steele commented that the reports from Environmental Health and 100 Wardour Street conflicted and highlighted that the former had reported that there was noise nuisance from the Premises and these findings repudiated the evidence by the latter that the sound limiter could not be overridden. He commented that only one of the reports was correct.

The statement from Mr Steele in support of the review application appears at page 25 of the agenda papers.

Andrew Mackay addressed the Sub-Committee and advised that he resided on the 3rd Floor of Soho Lofts. He stated that his flat overlooked Wardour Street and that his bedroom was located at the back of the flat. Mr Mackay advised that there were different types of noise and that audio spillage would seep into his bedroom from Wardour Street. The Sub-Committee was advised that a pattern had emerged in which music would peak between the hours of 15:00hrs and 20:30hrs and then later increase in volume during the end of the evening. He speculated that DJs were deliberately increasing the volume during the later hours.

Mr Mackay advised that he had purchased his flat during the mid-1990s and during this period the Premises operated as a 'high end' restaurant and was affiliated with the Conran franchise. He commented that he had not anticipated that site would later be used as a night club in which food was served and dancing permitted. Mr Mackay advised that the 'disco beats' emanating from the Premises were irritating and that his wife had written several letters about the noise nuisance. He further stated that he had not continuously resided in his flat throughout the 2000s but had lived there for the past 7 years and had experienced noise nuisances during these periods. He also highlighted that were number of young children who resided in the flats.

The statement from Mr and Mrs Mackay in support of the review application appears at page 28 of the agenda papers.

Alan Geeves addressed the Sub-Committee and advised that he resided in Flat 21, 2nd Floor, Soho Lofts and had lived there since 2001. Mr Geeves advised that he worked in the 'City' and left his home during the early morning and found the noise spillage from the Premises difficult. He commented that the audio leakage had increasingly become worse over the past several years and that attempts to engage with staff members at the Premises had been made. He commented that the Premises would reduce the volume of music when liaised with, however it would not be sustained. Mr Geeves advised that he was a social person and commented that he had become frustrated by the ongoing process of trying to resolve the above concerns.

The statement from Mr Geeves in support of the review application appears at page 33 of the agenda papers.

Isaac Romanov addressed the Sub-Committee and advised that he resided on first floor of Soho Lofts and had occupied his flat for fifteen years. Mr Romanov advised that there were periods in which audio from the Premises was audible in his flat and this would occur when equipment was moved by staff members of the Premises. He stated that columns and walls may act as sound booms and the positioning of equipment would exaggerate the sound. He advised that the noise spillage would return and there was uncertainty as to why this would occur.

The statement from Mr Romanov in support of the review application appears at page 30 of the agenda papers.

Lucinda Mackay, resident of flat 38, 3rd Floor Soho Lofts, addressed the Sub-

Committee and advised that she agreed and supported the submissions which had been made by her neighbours. She advised that letters had been written to the staff members at the Premises about noise spillage; this correspondence was acknowledged, and the music volumes would be reduced. Ms Mackay advised that the latter would not be sustained and would later return to a volume that caused nuisance.

Mustafa Abdo, addressed the Sub-Committee and advised that he was the Maintenance Building Manager for Soho Lofts and was due to move into one of the flats. Mr Abdo advised the Sub-Committee that the above-mentioned deceased resident had regularly complained about the audio spillage from the Premises entering his flat during the early morning and that this would take place between 02:00hrs and 03:00hrs. He commented that the resident had on occasions slept in his office and that other residents had also tried to assist. He advised that a number of residents had approached staff at the Premises about the audio nuisance and commented that noise would be quelled for a few days.

Mr Abdo advised that residents had complained about audio spillage and that staff members at the premises had been advised that noise from the Premises restaurant could be heard on the 2nd Floor. He commented that he could hear singing and bass music when he visited his new flat and had concerns about noise nuisance. Mr Abdo advised that he was a parent of a young child and that his wife had health concerns.

The statement from Mr Abado in support of the review application appears at page 35 of the agenda papers.

The Chair thanked residents for their submissions and noted their frustration about the failures to permanently address concerns.

Maxwell Koduah, Environmental Health, addressed the Sub-Committee and provided an outline of the complaints which had been received about the Premises since 2011. He referenced pages 131 to 141 of the agenda papers. Mr Koduah confirmed that a Section 80 Abatement Notice had been served at the Premises in 2013 and highlighted that no complaints had been received about the establishment for 16 months following the Notice. Mr Koduah highlighted that the above period demonstrated that the noise limiters could work when in full operation. He stated that an application to carry out works in the Premises alongside minor variations had been submitted in 2015. These included changes to the Ground Floor and Basement and the supporting pillars so to allow these structures to be covered with noise attenuation materials. These materials were also applied to the lifts which serviced the Mezza and the bar. Mr Koduah stressed the mentioned works had been undertaken to prevent noise spillage.

Mr Koduah highlighted pages 15 and 16 of the Supplemental Agenda papers which contained a statement from a Council Officer in 2018 which stated that noise from the Premises could be heard on the ground floor, foyer and retro lifts and commented that this should not have occurred as this area had been treated for noise spillage. Mr Koduah confirmed that several complaints had been received from residents in 2018. He commented that some complaints received were related to the den on the ground floor and advised that these areas were licensed. He advised that works should have been undertaken in this area to prevent noise spillage.

Mr Koduah drew attention to page 18 of the Supplemental Agenda papers which listed the variations to the licence that had been proposed by the previous licence holder (Mezzo) in 2015 which had included the application of noise attenuation materials to the pillars, walls and passenger lift. He also commented that deregulation provided for by s177A Licensing Act 2003 would not apply after 23:00hrs. He sugested that Conditions 15,16,17 and 41 on the current licence should be replaced with the current Model Condition on Noise Limiters. Mr Koduah advised that Model Condition 14 should be included and noted that the Condition required that noise should not be audible nor cause a nuisance and suggested that the condition on noise limiters should include 'inaudibility' as one of the requirements. Mr Koduah advised that model conditions 26 and 57 should also be considered by the Sub-Committee.

Following questions from the Sub-Committee, Mr Koduah advised that the level of resources inputted into 100 Wardour Street by Environmental Health was above average and that there had been multiple lengthy visits undertaken to the Premises before 2011.

John Crockford, an Environmental Health Officer employed by the Council, addressed the Sub-Committee and confirmed that there had been several visits undertaken to the Premises and that the first was undertaken 2012. He commented that visits had also been undertaken by Council Officers in 2005 and concerns during this period largely stemmed from the Ground Floor of the Premises. Mr Crockford commented that there were audio leakages in the building and that residents being able to hear words sung indicated that there were issues with the basement, ground floor and den of the Premises. He advised that there was uncertainty on what happens to the sound control mechanism during the interim between visits to the Premises by Council Officers and when they leave. He advised that during visits Officers would conduct checks in both the Premises and resident's flats and that the layout of the building made it difficult to ascertain areas from which noise would leak.

Mr Crockford advised that in 2017 the noise limiter's settings were found to be correct and that music was inaudible in residents flats. The Sub-Committee was advised that 'sound webs' had been installed in the Premises for the past 10 years and should be in operation and a log should be kept when the equipment was not functioning.

The Sub-Committee was advised that there was uncertainty on whether some of the live musical bands performing at the Premises brought their own amplification equipment or whether the amplifiers were being moved into the atrium. Mr Crockford advised that the new PA systems were tested on 2 May 2019 and explained that it would be difficult to set the equipment's variation, and this was due to other noise sources in the vicinity and that a final test was to be undertaken. Mr Crockford advised that Mr Steele's flat was quiet and was measured to be in the range of 28 decibels during the daytime and this was unusual for buildings located in central London. The statement from Mr Crockford in support of the review application appears at pages 7 to 13 of the supplemental agenda papers.

Mr Koduah advised that the new PA system installation did not include the Den and that this area may contribute to the noise leakages. The Sub-Committee raised questions about 'sound proofing' and queried why some areas of the Premises did not receive this treatment and whether this would have prevented audio leakages. The Sub-Committee was advised that it was to difficult to locate all parts of the building where there were 'sound leakages'.

Roxsana Haq, Senior Licensing Officer, Licensing Authority addressed the Sub-Committee and advised that the Application was supported, and that Environmental Health had confirmed that there was a history of complaints about the establishment. Ms Haq advised that the conditions proposed by both Mr Koduah and the premises licence holder were appropriate.

The Sub-Committee was advised that Officers had acknowledged that there was a 'difference of views' by Council Departments about the mentioned concerns relating to the Premises.

Stephen Walsh QC, (Representing 100 Wardour Street Limited, the Premises Licence Holder) addressed the Sub-Committee and advised that D&D London Limited was the proprietor Company for 100 Wardour Street and had operated at the Premises since 1995 when it was called Mezzo. He confirmed that sound proofing was installed during the above period and that similar works had been applied to other areas of the Premises during subsequent decades.

Mr Walsh advised that a permanent solution was sought by the License Holder and stressed that this position was in the interest of both parties. He commented that the License Holder was aware of the Licensing Sub-Committee's remit and powers. Mr Walsh highlighted that the founder proprietor David Loewi, (Chief Operating Officer and Deputy Chairman) and Michael Farquhar (Operations Director) were present at the Hearing and commented that this demonstrated how committed the License Holders were in ensuring a permanent resolution to the concerns raised by residents. Mr Walsh commented that Euan Mackenzie, (Autograph Technical Audio Engineer) and Lee Montague (Cole Jarman Acoustic Expert) were also present to give expert advice about noise and acoustic matters.

Mr Walsh advised that D&D London Limited was a 'high calibre' License Operator who managed several establishments around the world which were in prime locations. He advised that Mr Leslie Kwarteng (Senior General Manager and DPS) had been acknowledged by the City of London Police for overseeing the 'best venue' in the City of London. Mr Walsh commented that the profile that D&D Holdings was a company which was indifferent to the concerns raised by residents was erroneous and highlighted that the Company had dealt with all issues that had arisen. He stated that it was accepted that there was a history of noise breakouts from the Premises and agreed that this need to be resolved.

Mr Walsh advised that 100 Wardour Street had evolved over the years and now

comprised of a restaurant, bar, lounge and these components were spread over the Basement and Ground Floor of the Premises. He commented that from its inception the Premises had a late license which included music and dancing and that it had operated in a similar capacity for several years. Mr Walsh reiterated that the noise escape issues that had arisen needed to be resolved and that an effective sound limiting device was required.

The Sub-Committee was advised that the pillars had been shaking and sound tests had been undertaken which involved playing loud music and bringing the volume down. He advised that D&D London Limited had researched and identified a sound system which was of a better quality and which could be paired with a noise limiter that could not be overridden. Mr Walsh advised that the noise limiter would be password protected and commented that the Premise License Holder would accept a condition to the effect that the password would be retained by the company which installed the equipment rather than the Licensee. These measures and the Conditions imposed on the licence would ensure that all concerns were resolved permanently.

Mr Walsh advised that it was identified that a new sound system was required at the latter part of 2018 and that there were concerns with distortion. He commented that a temporary sound system was installed on 14 December 2018 following advice from Cole Jarman and this was an upgrade from the previous system. It was planned that a permanent fixture would be installed in 2019. Mr Walsh advised that full system had been fitted in April 2019.

Euan Mackenzie, (Autograph Technical Audio Engineer) addressed the Sub-Committee and provided a summary of the features of the new sound system. His written statement also appeared at pages 25 to 29 of the supplementary agenda papers. Mr Mackenzie commented that the new large subwoofers would reduce the reliance on the speakers located on the left and right of the stage to produce low frequency noise. He commented that these speakers were physically attached to the building and were more likely to cause reverberations. The subwoofers will also be on isolation platforms and this was designed to ensure that they support the isolation from the surface which they are on. He commented that the two loudest speakers were mounted on the left and right of the stage and would have a narrower dispersion than the previous speakers. This would ensure that less of the noise generated is directed behind the speakers and that sound is directed away from the front of the column.

Mr Mackenzie advised that the noise limiters would be password protected and the password would be retained by Autograph. He commented that there would be fewer ways for the limiters to be physical changed. The settings have been set by Autograph and Council Officers and was at a level which would ensure that noise is inaudible in residents flats. The noise limiter was reported to be a 'voltage limiter' and cannot be increased once it reached its peak.

Mr MacKenzie advised that the sound system would not operate if the noise limiters were switched off. The amplifiers had been set in accordance to the settings of the noise limiters and that there were no physical controls on these devices. The newly installed amplifiers were reported to be 'the state of the art' and Mr Mackenzie commented that they were located off stage. The SubCommittee was advised that live acts and DJs performing at the Premises would have to connect to the sound system and that all sound will be directed via the noise limiters. A total of £80 000 has been invested in the new sound system. The Sub-Committee was advised that Autograph Technology were experts in audio engineering and worked with a diverse clientele.

Mr Walsh advised that sound testing had taken place on 2 May 2019 and this exercise included Mr Steele's flat. The Sub-Committee was advised that the test had a positive result and were informed that the above exercise needed to be carried out in more flats. He commented that the License Holder was willing to co-operate to ensure that noise limiters were effective in all the 'sensitive' parts of the building.

Mr Walsh advised that the License Holder had co-operated with the Environmental Health Officers to ensure that noise was inaudible in residents' flats and that noise limiters were set at a level which would enable this. He commented that the evidence from the experts and other measures undertaken should eliminate the concerns of residents. The Sub-Committee were advised that there was no evidence or history of live bands bringing their own equipment to the Premises. Mr Walsh advised that the photograph which was referred to earlier where it was suggested that amplification equipment had been brought onto the ground floor had been investigated and it was found that it was a monitor which was used by the DJ to test their own sound levels and that noise level from this equipment would be significantly lower than the noise limiting device. He commented that under the new operations the above could not occur and that all speakers would be linked to the new sound system.

The Sub-Committee noted that that were drums and bongos shown in the photograph and were advised that there was a condition on the license which prohibited such instruments being amplified on the ground floor of the premises.

Mr Walsh referred to page 145 of the Agenda which contained the noise statement from Cole Jarman and commented that the report outlined the consultation which had occurred with the company. Mr Lee Montague (Cole Jarman Acoustic Expert), advised that the sound system had several features which were of a higher specification than its predecessor and that several enhancements had been included to ensure that the anti-vibration from hangers and mounts from the systems to limit noise were improved. He commented that a test had been conducted to ensure that sound was inaudible in residents flats, and that the equipment installed was of a high specification.

Mr Montague advised that the sound limiters system had recently been inspected and confirmed that they were located at the back of house and were kept in a locked room. There are no physical buttons on the limiter device or amplifiers and both were electronically operated and were password protected. Mr Montague advised that all sound routed via the noise limiters would be inaudible if musical devices were not set at an appropriate level.

Mr Montague advised that on 2 May 2019 all areas were tested to ensure that each transfer area was addressed, and these included the Ground Floor, Basement and atrium. He commented that inaudibility was achieved in some flats during the test and that further testing was required to ensure that this occurred in all dwellings. Mr Montague commented that residents had advised that there had been long periods where there had been no noise nuisance and informed that this could be achieved if noise limiter settings were appropriately set.

In response to the Sub-Committee, Mr Montague advised that the sound system was 'hard wired' and the input to the amplifiers and noise limiters were in a locked room and that these devices could not be bypassed as they had no physical controls. The amplifiers and limiters were reported to be located at the 'last point of the system' and had no physical links.

In response to questions from the Environmental Health Officer, Mr Montague advised that noise generated by patrons would have no effect on the volume of music and that the sound system had been designed to direct sound to the main listening area which was the centre of the basement. The Sub-Committee was advised that the music sound would be at a higher volume than general patrons' noise and the main concern was with amplified music. The number of patrons would not affect noise limiters.

Mr Walsh commented about the dispersal of crowds and highlighted that there were several licensed establishments in Wardour Street who operated until 03:00 hrs. He advised that Wardour Street was 'one-way' and had a lot of traffic during the evening. He commented that the Premises had developed a smoking policy which permitted a maximum of three patrons to be in the designated area and this ensured that fire escapes were not blocked. Mr Walsh commented that all queues were supervised by SIA trained staff members. Mr Montague advised the that noise limiters devices should ensure sound was inaudible and this would eradicate the need to reduce the hours of regulated entertainment

Mr Walsh presented the Sub-Committee with a set of Conditions and commented the first condition listed reflected the provisions which had been requested by the Applicant and Environmental Health Officer. He advised that a condition removing the deregulation provisions contained in s177A of the Licensing Act 2003 would be accepted and the request to replace Conditions 15, 16, 17 and 41 had been addressed within the proposed conditions. He advised that it was accepted that 'inaudibility' should be the appropriate condition and confirmed that advice would be sought from Environmental Health. Mr Walsh stated that a condition which required the password for the noise limiter to be held solely by the installers would be acceptable and this measure would safeguard the License Holders from being accused of tampering with the device.

Mr Walsh advised that there was historical evidence that there had been constant engagement with residents. He advised that the DPS would be changed and that a contact number would be provided. A condition to ensure that dedicated phone number was available at all times would also be accepted.

The Sub-Committee noted that the focus of the review was based on the testing of the new sound system on 2nd May 2019 and the proposals put forward by the Premise Licence holder to address the concerns of the residents. The Sub-

Committee raised various questions regarding the noise limiters and the long term failure of the License Holder in preventing noise leakages into residential flats and queried whether it could be assured that the remedies proposed would prevent further breaches. The Sub-Committee noted that there were mechanisms for reducing noise levels before the new sound system was in place and these had not been fully utilised.

Mr Walsh advised that the Licensing Sub-Committee could be assured that the noise limiter will be adhered to and that no further breaches would occur and stressed that this was also in the interest of the Premise Licence Holder. He commented that the viability of business was paramount and that the remit of the Sub-Committee was understood. The Sub-Committee were reminded that D&D London Limited had an excellent track record with engaging with residents and this had been demonstrated at Quaglino's. He commented that the submission of an application to review the premises licence had led the company to refocus and resulted in a substantial investment in the Premises which would ensure that sound was inaudible in resident's flats.

David Loewi (Chief Operating Officer and Deputy Chairman) addressed the Sub-Committee and advised that he had opened Mezzo in 1995 with Sir Terrance Conran. Mr Loewi commented that he was sympathetic to the concerns of residents and advised that he also resided in a 'busy part' of London. He acknowledged that there had been failures and agreed that the concerns of residents should have been resolved. He advised that a similar situation had occurred in another Premises called Quaglino's. He advised that these residents had been consulted and the proposal put forward at the Hearing were implemented and had worked. Mr Loewi confirmed he was personally involved with the consultation alongside Mr Leslie Kwarteng, Senior General Manager and DPS. Mr Loewi commented that a substantial investment had been made and advised that this was an indication on how committed D&D London Limited were in addressing the concerns of residents. Mr Loewi advised that his personal email address would be provided to all residents and an offer to regularly meet with the latter would be made.

Mr Brown advised that the condition removing the deregulation of entertainment so as to ensure that the entertainment was regulated going forward was important and the condition on 'inaudibility' was paramount and should be amalgamated with Model Condition 14. Mr Brown advised that a need for a new sound system was identified in 2018 and commented that noise nuisance was reported after the instalments of both the temporary and permanent sound systems. There were complaints made on 25 October 2018 and on 27 May 2019. Mr Brown advised that the noise test conducted on 2 May 2019 was a positive step but there was still uncertainty on whether noise nuisances would cease. He commented that during 2012 Council Officers had found that the noise limiter had been disabled and altered and that in 2013 a Section 80 Notice had been served on the Premises as the device was operating in the red. The Sub-Committee was advised that the same operators were still in place and there was uncertainty on whether these issues would be resolved.

Mr Brown submitted that the function of the Sub-Committee was to ensure that the Licensing Objectives were met and suggested that the reduction of hours of

regulated entertainment may be the only feasible action. Mr Brown commented that the Applicant had failed to provide the Sub-Committee with copies of the dispersal policy, smoking policy and live band policy. This meant, for example, that there was no evidence on what policies were in place to ensure that live bands don't plug-in their own equipment and amplifiers to bypass the new sound system and the processes in place to govern this area. Mr Brown advised that acoustic reports had highlighted the concerns of residents and commented that noise limiters could be easily bypassed and commented that 'it was a matter of trust' on whether measures implemented would suffice.

The Sub-Committee was also advised that a small music band was present when the new sound system was tested and that a larger grouping should have been present, and bands should be contracted not to plug-in their amplifiers. Mr Walsh advised that the noise limiters were not affected by the number of musicians.

Decision:

The prime objective of the review was to ensure that the complaints about the noise escaping from the premises and disturbing residents were permanently resolved once and for all. Having heard and considered representations from all the parties and Acoustic Consultants, the Sub-Committee decided that the most sensible course of action to take in the circumstances was to adjourn the Hearing to a later date. The Sub-Committee was of the view that the proposals put forward and actions undertaken by the Premise Licence Holder to address the concerns of the residents needed to be embedded and tested. These included the new PA system and noise limiter system. The Sub-Committee noted that there were technical issues with the previous noise limitation system which had been installed by the Premises Holder and many of these appeared to have been resolved.

The Sub-Committee acknowledged the harmful effects of noise nuisance on residents and their families. The Sub-Committee noted that residents had not advocated for the Premises Licence to be revoked or suspended but primarily wished for the noise levels to subside and had suggested reducing the hours permitted for regulated entertainment. The Sub-Committee also noted that there had been a recurrent pattern over a prolonged period in which complaints about noise nuisance lodged by residents were addressed by the Premises Licence Holder and then noise leakage into residents' flats would resume again at a later date.

The Sub-Committee noted the amount of resources which had been inputted by Council Officers in relation to addressing complaints and visiting the Premises. The Sub-Committee were pleased that the Premise Licence Holder had agreed to work with Environmental Health, the Licensing Authority, the Council and the residents. The Sub-Committee agreed that all residents' flats should be tested to ensure that noise was inaudible, and that access should be given to Officers and the Premise Licence Holder. The Sub-Committee noted that it was proposed that testing be undertaken in the immediate future.

The Sub-Committee welcomed that the Hearing had been attended by Senior Directors and that there was a commitment by them to amicably resolve issues and ensure that a permanent solution was found for all residents. The intention was to resolve matters without the need to reduce the hours for licensable activities, but the Sub-Committee wanted to make it clear that those sanctions might follow if the problems relating to the escape of noise from the premises weren't adequately addressed. The Sub-Committee agreed that they should reconvene in September 2019 and during the interim requested that the Environmental Health Service continue to monitor and note any complaints received about the premises.

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LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE No. 5

Thursday 16 May 2019

Membership: Councillor Murad Gassanly (Chairman), Councillor Louise Hyams and Councillor Aicha Less.

Legal Adviser:	Barry Panto
Policy Adviser:	Kerry Simpkin
Committee Officer:	Georgina Wills
Presenting Officer:	Kevin Jackaman

Relevant Representations: Mr Z Ali

Present: Robert Jordan (Agent on behalf of the applicant), Mr Kamlesh Patel (applicant) and Mrs Patel, and Mr Z Ali (objecting to the application and Uzayr Ali (supporting Mr Z Ali).

Argyll News 21A Argyll Street London W1F 7TT ("The Premises") 19/02892/LIPN		
1.	Sale by Retail of Alcohol: Off the premises	
	Monday to Saturday 08:00hrs to 22:00hrs Sunday: 10:00hrs to 22:00hrs	
	Amendments to application advised at hearing: To alleviate the Sub-Committees concerns with 'street drinking' during the early hours of the morning, the Applicant agreed to amend the hours applied for 'sale by Retail of alcohol (off sales) to a later start time of 10:00hrs Monday to Saturday.	

Decision (including reasons if different from those set out in report):

This was an application for a new premises licence in respect of the Argyll News situated at 21A Argyll Street, London, W1F 7TT. The Premises was situated in the West End Cumulative Impact Area. The premises operated as a newsagent and convenience store. The application was to sell alcohol for consumption off the premises from 08:00hrs to 22:00hrs Monday to Saturday and 10:00hrs to 22:00hrs Sunday. These were within the core hours for off-sales of alcohol within Westminster. The Sub-Committee was advised that there was an error in the published report regarding the hours of sales and conditions and that a verification email in relation to the correct hours had been circulated to all parties.

Mr Kevin Jackaman (Presenting Officer) confirmed that the Metropolitan Police Service, Licensing Authority and The Soho Society had withdrawn their representations. Ms Jackaman advised the Sub-Committee that one local resident had maintained his representation,

Mr Robert Jordan (representing the Applicant) began by informing the Sub-Committee that the Applicant operated several similar premises within the Borough and these included areas located in the Cumulative Impact Zone. The Sub-Committee was advised that Mr Patel (Applicant) had a good relationship with the responsible authorities and had met with Environmental Health and the Metropolitan Police Service. Mr Jordan advised that Mr Patel was an experienced license holder and had been a vendor since the 1990s. During this period, he had no history of adding to cumulative impact or having received any complaints.

Mr Jordan advised that the Applicant was willing to accept additional conditions and ensure that staff members undertake all the requisite training to actively promote all the licensing objectives. He stated that the Applicant had never served street drinkers and that all staff members were fully aware of their responsibilities about sales to intoxicated patrons. Mr Jordan highlighted that The Soho Society were satisfied with proposed conditions which had been submitted by the Applicant and that no representation had been received from any of the Responsible Authorities. Mr Jordan commented that the Applicant had liaised with Police and stated that the only remaining objector was from a retailer who was based in the same locality as the Premises. There have been no objections received from any other interested parties.

Mr Jordan advised that the alcohol on sale would be priced highly and that individual cans of beers would not be sold. In response to questions from the Sub-Committee, Mr Patel advised that alcohol was sold in both of his premises which were based in Wardour Street and Kingly Street (Soho). He commented that visits had been undertaken by Environmental Health in both Premises and that no concerns had been found. Mr Patel advised that he had been a vendor since 1990 and had vast experience of trading in the cumulative impact zone including previously operating an Off licence. He advised that no problems had arisen in relation to these establishments.

Mr Patel advised that alcohol beverages would only account for 15% of overall

sales and the Premises would have one cooler with 'Spirits' kept behind the counter in a lockable cabinet. Mr Patel indicated that a Personal License Holder would always be present at the premises whenever alcohol was permitted to be sold. The Sub-Committee raised concerns about 'early drinking' in the vicinity and commented that the area which the Premises was located in was undergoing major development. It was suggested that it would attract individuals who consumed alcohol at the mentioned time. Mr Patel advised that he was in favour of amending the hours applied for the sale by retail alcohol to a later start time of 10:00hrs on every day of the week.

Mr Uzayr Ali, Strategy Consultant (representing Mr Z Ali) advised that he represented a wide range of business that were located around the Oxford Street area. He said that he had also spoken to customers, street cleaners, street buskers and other local business about the Application.

Mr Uzayr Ali, advised that the licensing application should be rejected and commented that the application had failed to promote the four licensing objectives. He reminded the Sub-Committee that the Premises was in the West End Cumulative Impact Zone and commented that Argyll Street was saturated with similar licensed premises. He asserted that the Council's Statement of Licensing Policy prohibited new licenses being granted in areas where there was a high density of licensed establishments and commented that Argyll Street fell under this category.

Mr Uzayr Ali, commented on the concerns associated with the excessive consumption of alcohol and its effects on wider society. He suggested that individuals under the influence of alcohol were intimidating, confrontational and caused a disturbance. he further suggested that pedestrians in the locality would purchase food and alcohol for individuals and that the supply of beverage should be limited as it encouraged public nuisance and caused accidents. Mr Uzayr Ali, advised that Mr Z Ali had traded in his current premises for over 30 years and during these periods there had been an increase in alcohol related crimes in the area.

The Sub-Committee noted that no representations or submissions had been received from other establishments that were based in the vicinity where the Premises was located, and this included the interested parties which had been referred to by Mr Uzayr Ali. Mr Uzayr Ali advised that neighbouring premises had been consulted and commented that the individuals were reluctant to address the Sub-Committee. In response to questions from the Sub-Committee, Mr Uzayr Ali advised that the Premises would add to cumulative impact as it would increase the number of establishments that supplied alcohol in the area. He commented that this would cause public nuisances such as 'vertical drinking' and increase alcohol related crimes.

The Policy Officer advised the Sub-Committee that the Council's policy presumption to refuse a licence in the Cumulative Impact Area did not apply to off licenses but these premises had to demonstrate that they would not add to the cumulative impact. It was also noted that hours applied for by the applicant were within core hours. The Sub-Committee noted that they were required to consider whether conditions could ensure that the licensing objectives would be

	met.
	Decision:
	After carefully considering the application the Sub-Committee agreed to grant the application subject to conditions. The Sub-Committee noted that the Metropolitan Police Service, Licensing Authority and The Soho Society had withdrawn their representation and took into consideration the objections which had been made by the local business owner and his representative. The Sub- Committee also noted that to alleviate the concerns of street drinking during the early hours of the morning, the Applicant had agreed to amend the start time for the sale of alcohol to a later time of 10:00 hrs on Monday to Sunday. It was noted that the Premises was located within a Cumulative Impact Area however the stringent conditions imposed on the licence with regards to the sale of alcohol provided reassurance that the licensing objectives would be promoted and there would be no additional cumulative impact in the local area. The Sub- Committee agreed the nature of the operation and the conditions imposed on the licence were restrictive enough to ensure that the Premises was suitable for the local area and promoted the licensing objectives.
2.	Hours premises are open to the public
	Monday to Sunday: 07:00 to 22:00
	Amendments to application advised at hearing:
	N/A
	Decision (including reasons if different from those set out in report):
	Granted, subject to conditions as set out below (see reasons for decision in Section 1).

Conditions attached to the Licence

Mandatory Conditions

- 1 No supply of alcohol may be made at a time when there is no designated premises supervisor in respect of this licence.
- 2. No supply of alcohol may be made at a time when the designated premises supervisor does not hold a personal licence or the personal licence is suspended.
- 3. Every supply of alcohol under this licence must be made or authorised by a person who holds a personal licence.
- 4. (1) The premises licence holder or club premises certificate holder must ensure that an age verification policy is adopted in respect of the

premises in relation to the sale or supply of alcohol.

- (2) The designated premises supervisor in relation to the premises licence must ensure that the supply of alcohol at the premises is carried on in accordance with the age verification policy.
- (3) 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) a holographic mark, or
 - (b) an ultraviolet feature.
- (i) 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.
 - (ii) For the purposes of the condition set out in paragraph 8(i) above -
 - (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 -

P = D+(DxV)

Where -

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- (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
- (iii) the personal licence holder who makes or authorises a supply of alcohol under such a licence;
- (d) "relevant person" means, in relation to premises in respect of which there is in force a club premises certificate, any member or officer of the club present on the premises in a capacity which enables the member or officer to prevent the supply in question;

	and
(e)	"value added tax" means value added tax charged in accordance with the Value Added Tax Act 1994.
(iii).	Where the permitted price given by Paragraph 8(ii)(b) above would (apart from this paragraph) not be a whole number of pennies, the price given by that sub-paragraph shall be taken to be the price

- (iv). (1) Sub-paragraph 8(iv)(2) below applies where the permitted
- iv). (1) Sub-paragraph 8(iv)(2) below applies where the permitted price given by Paragraph 8(ii)(b) above 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.

Conditions consistent with the operating schedule

None

Conditions proposed by the Licensing Authority and agreed by the applicant so as to form part of the operating schedule:

6. The premises shall install and maintain a comprehensive CCTV system as per the minimum requirements of the Westminster Police Licensing Team. All entry and exit points will be covered enabling frontal identification of every person entering in any light condition. The CCTV system shall continually record whilst the premises is open for licensable activities and during all times when customers remain on the premises. All recordings shall be stored for a minimum period of 31 days with date and time stamping. Viewing of recordings shall be made available immediately upon the request of Police or authorised officer throughout the entire 31 day period.

A staff member from the premises who is conversant with the operation of the CCTV system shall be on the premises at all times when the premises is open. This staff member must be able to provide a Police or authorised Council Officer copies of recent CCTV images or data with the absolute minimum of delay when requested.

7. A Challenge 25 proof of age scheme shall be operated at the premises where the only acceptable forms of identification are recognised photographic identification cards, such as a driving licence, passport or proof of age card with the PASS Hologram.

- 8. A log shall be kept detailing all refused sales of alcohol. The log should include the date and time of the refused sale and the name of the member of staff who refused the sale. The log shall be available for inspection at the premises by the Police or an authorised Officer of the City Council at all times whilst the premises is open.
- 9. An incident log shall be kept at the premises and made available on request to an authorised Officer of the City Council or the Police. It must be completed within 24 hours of the incident and will record the following:
 - (a) All crimes reported to the venue
 - (b) All ejections of patrons
 - (c) Any complaints received concerning crime and disorder
 - (d) Any incidents of disorder
 - (e) Any faults in the CCTV system
 - (f) Any refusal of the sale of alcohol
 - (g) Any visit by a relevant authority or emergency service
- 10. No beer, lager or cider with an ABV of 5.5% or more shall be sold at the premises, save that this prohibition shall not apply to premium beer, lager or cider.
- 11. All relevant staff shall be trained in relation to their responsibilities under the Licensing Act 2003.
- 12. Training Records shall be correct and made available for inspection upon receipt of request from the Police or an authorised Officer of the Licensing Authority.
- 13. No more than 15% of the sales area shall be used at any one time for the sale, exposure for sale or display of alcohol.
- 14. There shall be no self-service of spirits on the premises, save for spirit mixtures less than 5.5% ABV.
- 15. A notice must be displayed in the premises explaining that it is an offence for persons under the age of 18 to purchase alcohol.
- 16. A panic alarm and system shall be installed and maintained at the premises.
- 17. A burglar alarm system shall be installed and maintained at the premises.
- 18. All tills shall automatically prompt staff to ask for age verification

identification when presented with an alcohol sale.

- 19. No miniature bottles of spirits of 20cl or below shall be sold from the premises.
- 20. No deliveries to the premises shall take place between 20:00hrs and 08:00hrs on the following day save that this restriction does not apply to newspapers and magazines or dairy or baker products.
- 21. No licensable activities shall take place at the premises until the premises has been assessed as satisfactory by the Environmental Health Consultation Team at which time this condition shall be removed from the Licence by the Licensing Authority.
- 22. Prominent signage indicating the permitted hours for the sale of alcohol shall be displayed so as to be visible before entering the premises, where alcohol is on public display and at the point of sale.
- 23. No noise generated on the premises, or by its associated plant or equipment, shall emanate from the premises nor vibration be transmitted through the structure of the premises which gives rise to a nuisance.
- 24. All waste shall be properly presented and placed out for collection no earlier than 30 minutes before the scheduled collection times.
- 25. No waste or recyclable materials, including bottles, shall be moved, removed or placed in outside areas between 23:00 hours and 07:00 hours.
- 26. During the hours of operation of the premises, the licence holder shall ensure sufficient measures are in place to remove and prevent litter or waste arising or accumulating from customers in the area immediately outside the premises and that this area shall be swept and or washed and litter and sweepings collected and stored in accordance with the approved refuse storage arrangements by close of business.
- 27. No single cans or bottles of beer or cider shall be sold at the premises except premium products.
- 28. All sales of alcohol for consumption off the premises shall be in sealed containers only and shall not be consumed on the premises.
- 29. Outside of the hours authorised for the sale of alcohol and whilst the premises are open to the public, the licence holder shall ensure that all alcohol within the premises (including alcohol behind the counter) is secured in a locked store room or behind locked grilles, locked screens or locked cabinet doors so as to prevent access to the alcohol by both customers and staff.
- 30. On the Day of London Pride:-

- i. Alcohol sales in respect of cans of beer or cider are limited to no more than 4 cans per person.
- ii. The premises will not externally advertise local promotions of alcohol.
- iii. No sales of alcohol in bottles or glass containers are made during this period.
- iv. Upon the direction of a Police Officer, using the grounds of the prevention of crime and disorder or public safety, the premises will immediately cease to sell alcohol until further directed by the Police.
- 31. No super strength beers, lagers ciders or spirit mixtures of 5.5% ABV or above shall be sold in the Premises except for premium beers and ciders supplied in glass bottles.
- 32. Notice should be prominently displayed in all exits requesting Patrons to respect the needs of local resident and businesses and leave the area quietly.
- 33. Staff training should be recorded and updated every six months. Training should cover the requirements for ID as part of age verification and how to detect proxy sales the consequence of underage sales (fines and punishments) drugs and other relevant matters as regard to the Licensing Act and the responsibility of staff.
- 34. At least 12 months of a refusal register details should be retained and be made available upon request by an authorised officer.
- 35. A personal License Holder should be on the Premises during all hours alcohol is offered for sale.

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WITHDRAWN

The Meeting ended at 2.00 pm

CHAIRMAN:

DATE