

# **Executive Summary** City of Westminster and Recommendations

22/11860/LIREVX	Licensing Sub-Committee Report		
Date:	Thursday 15 December 2022		
Subject:	Initial consideration for any Interim measures pending the full review of the premises licence for:		
	Vanity Bar and Nightclub Basement to First Floor 4 Carlisle Street London W1D 3BJ		
Premises Licence Holder: Vanity License Ltd	Ward: West End	Cumulative Impact Area: West End	

## Summary

An application was made by the Metropolitan Police Service on 13th December 2022 to review the premises licence for Vanity Bar and Nightclub, Basement to First Floor, 4 Carlisle Street London W1D 3BJ ("The Premises") under Section 53A(1)(b) of the Licensing Act 2003 ("The Act"). The police consider that the Premises are associated with serious crime or serious disorder or both.

#### **Powers of the Licensing Sub-Committee**

The Licensing Sub-Committee after considering this report and the evidence presented at the hearing may take such interim steps as it considers necessary, pending a full review for the promotion of the licensing objectives. These steps are:

- (a) modification of the conditions of the premises licence (modify, delete or add conditions);
- (b) to exclude the sale by retail of alcohol from the scope of the licence;
- (c) to remove the designated premises supervisor;
- (d) to suspend the licence;

# 1. Summary of review application

1.1 In the early hours of 26<sup>th</sup> November 2022 a male became a victim of drink spiking / theft. The male recalls entering Vanity and purchasing a drink. The male has no recollection after this point. The victim came round the next day and was in a street near to his home address.

The victim has checked his bank and found approximately £3k payments were taken by Vanity over four transactions. There were numerous other transactions made to different people/companies to the approximate value of £16k. The victim is of the belief that his drink was spiked/drugged in Vanity. The victim has no recollection whatsoever of being in Vanity and had not authorised these transactions.

- 1.2 The crime was reported to police on the afternoon of the 26<sup>th</sup> November 2022. From the policing systems it appears there have been 10 allegations this year of a similar nature totalling a potential £250,000. Police visited the premises on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December. At the time a request was made to watch CCTV, whilst CCTV was allowed to be viewed this was controlled by a manager from the venue. It appeared from contact between the manager and the DPS there was an avoidance of showing police the correct time/date of footage. Officers did see however on CCTV footage there was clear physical contact between a dancer and a customer in a booth. Officers viewed the incident log and could not see any log of the incidents reported to Police.
- 1.3 In the opinion of a Senior Police Officer the premises are associated with serious crime or serious disorder or both. In order to promote the licensing objective of prevention of crime and disorder The Metropolitan Police Service are seeking revocation of the premises licence.
- 1.4 Police request the Licensing Sub Committee consider the imposition of these interim steps
  - Suspend the premises licence.
  - Remove the current DPS.
  - Remove the sale of alcohol.
- 1.5 These interim steps are deemed by the Metropolitan Police Service as both necessary and proportionate to reduce the risk of further serious violence or disorder; pending a full hearing where the Metropolitan Police will seek revocation of the Premises Licence.

#### 2. Submissions from Licensee

- 2.1 The Premises Licence Holder did not submit their evidence in time for the publication of this report. However, it is understood that there is a large amount of evidence to be submitted.
- 2.2 Any submissions from the premises licence holder will be provided to members in advance of the hearing.

### 3. Interim steps

3.1 Under the provisions of section 53A(2)(a) of the Act the Licensing Authority must within 48 hours of receiving the review application consider whether it is necessary to take interim steps pending the determination of a full review of the premises licence.

## 4. Options

- 4.1 The Authority must, having regard to the application, take such interim steps as it considers necessary for the promotion of the licensing objectives. The steps are:
  - (a) to modify the conditions of the premises licence (modify, delete or add conditions);
  - (b) to exclude sale of alcohol from the scope of the licence;
  - (c) to remove the designated premises supervisor;
  - (d) suspend the licence

#### 5. Sexual Entertainment Venue Licence

- 5.1 The Premises currently holds a sexual entertainment venue licence under the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 (as amended by the Policing and Crime Act 2009) a copy of this can be seen at **Appendix 5**.
- 5.2 This licence (21/13871/LISEVR) has an expiry date of 15.12.2022. A renewal application has been submitted by the licence holder and is currently in consultation.

## 6. Appendices

6.1 Appendix 1 – Premises Licence

Appendix 2 – Summary Review Application Form

Appendix 3 – Supporting evidence

Appendix 4 – Licence History

Appendix 5 – Sexual Entertainment Licence

If you have any queries about this report or wish to inspect one of the background papers please contact Roxsana Haq on 020 7641 6500, or email rhaq@westminster.gov.uk.

# **Background Papers**

- Licensing Act 2003
- Violent Crime Reduction Act 2006
- The Licensing Act 2003 (Summary Review of Premises Licences) Regulations 2007
- Guidance issued under section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 (March 2015)
- Department for Culture Media and Sport, Licensing Act 2003 Expedited/Summary Licence Reviews Guidance (October 2007)

# **Current Issued Licence**

# **APPENDIX 1**



Schedule 12 Part A

WARD: West End UPRN: 010033531502

64 Victoria Street, London, SW1E 6QP

**Premises licence** 

Regulation 33, 34

Premises licence number:	20/03227/LIPT
Original Reference:	05/03985/LIPCV

#### Part 1 - Premises details

## Postal address of premises:

Vanity Bar and Nightclub Basement To First Floor 4 Carlisle Street London W1D 3BJ

#### Where the licence is time limited, the dates:

Not applicable

#### Licensable activities authorised by the licence:

Performance of Dance

Performance of Live Music

Playing of Recorded Music

Anything of a similar description to Live Music, Recorded Music or Performance of Dance Late Night Refreshment

Private Entertainment consisting of dancing, music or other entertainment of a like kind for consideration and with a view to profit

Sale by Retail of Alcohol

# The times the licence authorises the carrying out of licensable activities:

#### **Performance of Dance**

Monday to Thursday: 09:00 to 23:30 Friday to Saturday: 09:00 to 02:00 09:00 to 23:00 Sunday:

### **Performance of Live Music**

Monday to Thursday: 09:00 to 23:30 Friday to Saturday: 09:00 to 02:00 Sunday: 09:00 to 23:00 Playing of Recorded Music Unrestricted

Anything of a similar description to Live Music, Recorded Music or Performance of Dance

 Monday to Thursday:
 09:00 to 23:30

 Friday to Saturday:
 09:00 to 02:00

 Sunday:
 09:00 to 23:00

**Late Night Refreshment** 

Monday to Saturday: 23:00 to 03:30 Sunday: 23:00 to 01:00

Private Entertainment consisting of dancing, music or other entertainment of a like kind for consideration and with a view to profit Unrestricted

Sale by Retail of Alcohol

Monday to Saturday: 10:00 to 03:00 Sunday: 12:00 to 00:30

For times authorised for Christmas, New Year and Good Friday see conditions at Annex 1 & 3

The opening hours of the premises:

Monday to Saturday: 09:00 to 03:30 Sunday: 09:00 to 01:00

Where the licence authorises supplies of alcohol, whether these are on and/or off supplies:

Alcohol is supplied for consumption both on and off the Premises.

Name, (registered) address, telephone number and email (where relevant) of holder of premises licence:

Vanity License Ltd Kemp House 160 City Road London EC1V 2NX

Registered number of holder, for example company number, charity number (where applicable)

12523049

Name, address and telephone number of designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises the supply of alcohol:

Name: Lorraine Forman

Please note: It is the policy of the Licensing Authority not to display the address details of a designated premises supervisor.

Personal licence number and issuing authority of personal licence held by designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises for the supply of alcohol:

Licence Number: BAS/PM/005409

Licensing Authority: Basildon District Council

Date: 13 December 2022

This licence has been authorised by Ms Roxsana Haq on behalf of the Director - Public Protection and Licensing.

#### Annex 1 - 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.
- 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.
- (1) The responsible person must ensure that staff on relevant premises do not carry out, arrange or participate in any irresponsible promotions in relation to the premises.
  - (2) In this paragraph, an irresponsible promotion means any one or more of the following activities, or substantially similar activities, carried on for the purpose of encouraging the sale or supply of alcohol for consumption on the premises—
  - (a) games or other activities which require or encourage, or are designed to require or encourage, individuals to;
    - (i) drink a quantity of alcohol within a time limit (other than to drink alcohol sold or supplied on the premises before the cessation of the period in which the responsible person is authorised to sell or supply alcohol), or
    - (ii) drink as much alcohol as possible (whether within a time limit or otherwise);
  - (b) provision of unlimited or unspecified quantities of alcohol free or for a fixed or discounted fee to the public or to a group defined by a particular characteristic in a manner which carries a significant risk of undermining a licensing objective;
  - (c) provision of free or discounted alcohol or any other thing as a prize to encourage or reward the purchase and consumption of alcohol over a period of 24 hours or less in a manner which carries a significant risk of undermining a licensing objective;
  - (d) selling or supplying alcohol in association with promotional posters or flyers on, or in the vicinity of, the premises which can reasonably be considered to condone, encourage or glamorise anti-social behaviour or to refer to the effects of drunkenness in any favourable manner;
  - (e) dispensing alcohol directly by one person into the mouth of another (other than where that other person is unable to drink without assistance by reason of a disability).
- 5. The responsible person must ensure that free potable water is provided on request to customers where it is reasonably available.
- 6. (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.
- 7. The responsible person must ensure that—
  - (a) where any of the following alcoholic drinks is sold or supplied for consumption on the premises (other than alcoholic drinks sold or supplied having been made up in advance ready for sale or supply in a securely closed container) it is available to customers in the following measures—
    - (i) beer or cider: ½ pint;
    - (ii) gin, rum, vodka or whisky: 25 ml or 35 ml; and
    - (iii) still wine in a glass: 125 ml;
  - (b) these measures are displayed in a menu, price list or other printed material which is available to customers on the premises; and
  - (c) where a customer does not in relation to a sale of alcohol specify the quantity of alcohol to be sold, the customer is made aware that these measures are available.

A responsible person in relation to a licensed premises means the holder of the premise licence in respect of the premises, the designated premises supervisor (if any) or any individual aged 18 or over who is authorised by either the licence holder or designated premises supervisor. For premises with a club premises certificate, any member or officer of the club present on the premises in a capacity that which enables him to prevent the supply of alcohol.

- 8(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.
- 8(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 -

- (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.
- 8(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 actually given by that sub-paragraph rounded up to the nearest penny.
- 8(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.
- All persons guarding premises against unauthorised access or occupation or against outbreaks of disorder or against damage (door supervisors) must be licensed by the Security Industry Authority.

Conditions reproducing the effect of conditions subject to which the relevant existing licenses have effect.

#### Conditions relating to regulated entertainment:

- 10. On New Year's Eve the premises can remain open for the purpose of providing regulated entertainment from the time when the provision of regulated entertainment must otherwise cease on New Year's Eve to the time when regulated entertainment can commence on New Year's Day (or until midnight on New Year's Eve where no regulated entertainment takes place on New Year's Day).
- 11. The entertainment provided at the premises shall be of the type commonly known as discotheque, karaoke and striptease.
- 12. Only activities which have previously been agreed by the council shall take place.
- 13. The basement door going onto the street shall be kept closed at all times, except for emergency use.
- 14. All doors giving access/egress to the premises shall not be fixed open after 23:00.

#### Conditions for Sale of Alcohol

- 15. Substantial food and suitable beverages other than intoxicating liquor (including drinking water) shall be available during the whole of the permitted hours in all parts of the premises where intoxicating liquor is sold or supplied.
- 16. There shall be no payment made by or on behalf of the licensees to any person for bringing customers to the premises.

# Conditions which reproduce the effect of any restriction imposed on the use of the premises by specified enactments.

- 17. Alcohol shall not be sold, supplied or consumed in or taken from the premises except during permitted hours.
  - (a) Subject to the following paragraphs, the permitted hours on weekdays shall commence at 10.00 (12.00 on Christmas Day and Good Friday) and extend until 03.00 on the morning following, except that -
    - (i) the permitted hours shall end at 00.00 midnight on any day on which music and dancing is not provided after midnight; and
    - (ii) on any day that music and dancing end between 00.00 midnight and 03.00, the permitted hours shall end when the music and dancing end;
  - (b) In relation to the morning on which summer time begins, paragraph (a) of this condition shall have effect-
    - (i) with the substitution of references to 04.00 for references to 03.00.
  - (c) Except on Sundays immediately before bank holidays (apart from Easter Sunday), the permitted hours on Sundays shall commence at 12.00 and extend until 00.30 on the morning following, except that-
    - the permitted hours shall end at 00.00 midnight on any Sunday on which music and dancing is not provided after midnight;
    - (ii) where music and dancing end between 00.00 midnight on any Sunday and 00.30, the permitted hours on that Sunday shall end when the music and dancing end.
  - (d) On Sundays immediately before bank holidays (other than Easter Sunday), the permitted hours shall commence at 12.00 and extend until 03.00 on the morning following, except that-
    - (i) the permitted hours shall end at 00.00 midnight on any Sunday on which music and dancing is not provided after 00.00 midnight;
    - (ii) where music and dancing end between 00.00 midnight on any Sunday and 03.00, the permitted hours on that Sunday shall end when the music and dancing end.
    - (iii) The terminal hour for late night refreshment shall extend to 30 minutes after the end of permitted hours for the sale of alcohol set out in d(i) and (ii) above.
  - (e) The permitted hours on New Year's Eve will extend to the start of permitted hours on the following day, or if there are no permitted hours on 1 January, to 00.00 on New Year's Eve.

### NOTE - The above restrictions do not prohibit:

- (a) during the first thirty minutes after the above hours the consumption of the alcohol on the premises;
- (b) during the first twenty minutes after the above hours, the taking of the alcohol from the premises unless the alcohol is supplied or taken in an open vessel;
- (c) the sale or supply of alcohol to or the consumption of alcohol by any person residing in the licensed premises;

- (d) the ordering of alcohol to be consumed off the premises, or the despatch by the vendor of the alcohol so ordered:
- (e) the sale of alcohol to a trader or registered club for the purposes of the trade or club;
- (f) the sale or supply of alcohol to any canteen or mess, being a canteen in which the sale or supply of alcohol is carried out under the authority of the Secretary of State or an authorised mess of members of her Majesty's naval, military or air forces;
- (g) the taking of alcohol from the premises by a person residing there;
- (h) the supply of alcohol for consumption on the premises to any private friends of a person residing there who are bona fide entertained by him at his own expense, or the consumption of alcohol by persons so supplied;
- (i) the supply of alcohol for consumption on the premises to persons employed there for the purposes of the business carried on by the holder of the licence, or the consumption of liquor so supplied, if the liquor is supplied at the expense of their employer or of the person carrying on or in charge of the business on the premises.

In this condition, any reference to a person residing in the premises shall be construed as including a person not residing there but carrying on or in charge of the business on the premises.

- 18. No person under fourteen shall be in the bar of the licensed premises during the permitted hours unless one of the following applies:
  - (a) He is the child of the holder of the premises licence.
  - (b) He resides in the premises, but is not employed there.
  - (c) He is in the bar solely for the purpose of passing to or from some part of the premises which is not a bar and to or from which there is no other convenient means of access or egress.
  - (d) The bar is in railway refreshment rooms or other premises constructed, fitted and intended to be used bona fide for any purpose to which the holding of the licence is ancillary.

In this condition "bar" includes any place exclusively or mainly used for the consumption of intoxicating liquor. But an area is not a bar when it is usual for it to be, and it is, set apart for the service of table meals and alcohol is only sold or supplied to persons as an ancillary to their table meals.

- 19. If any entertainment is provided for children or if an entertainment is provided at which the majority of persons attending are children, then, if the number of children attending the entertainment exceeds 100, it shall be the duty of the holder of the premises licence (or the holder of the club premises certificate):
  - (a) to station and keep stationed wherever necessary a sufficient number of adult attendants, properly instructed as to their duties, to prevent more children or other persons being admitted to the building, or to any part thereof, than the building or part can properly accommodate,
  - (b) to control the movement of the children and other persons admitted while entering and leaving the building or any part thereof, and
  - (c) to take all other reasonable precautions for the safety of the children.
- 20. The terminal hour for late night refreshment on New Year's Eve is extended to 05:00 on New Year's Day.

# Annex 2 – Conditions consistent with the operating Schedule

No Noise or vibration shall emanate from the premises in to adjacent residential

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premises.

#### Annex 3 – Conditions attached after a hearing by the licensing authority

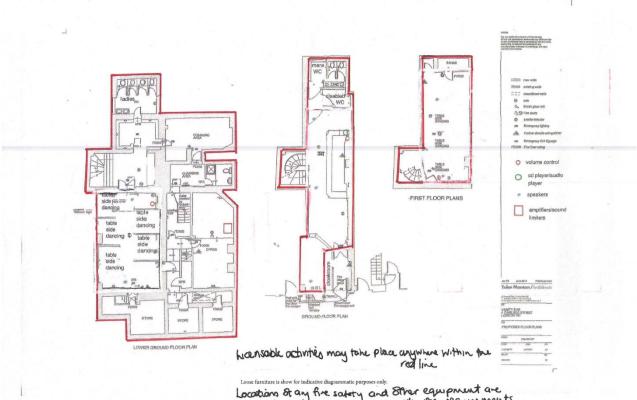
- 22. The licensee will adopt a street management plan to be agreed with the Environmental Health Officer. Such plan to include the following:
  - Ordering taxis from inside the premises
  - Encouraging patrons waiting for taxis to remain inside the premises
  - Asking taxi drivers to turn off their engines whilst waiting
  - Control of smokers
  - Control of patrons leaving the premises.
- 23. At least one Personal Licence Holder shall be present during the whole time alcohol is sold, supplied or consumed.
- 24. The sale of alcohol shall be ancillary to the use of the premises for either i) music and dancing and substantial refreshment or ii) Relevant Entertainment and substantial refreshment.
- 25. A noise limiter must be fitted to the musical amplification system set at a level determined by and to the satisfaction of an authorised officer of the Environmental Health Service, Premises Management so as to ensure that no noise nuisance is caused to local residents or businesses. The operational panel of the noise limiter shall then be secured by key or password to the satisfaction of officers from the Environmental Health Service and access shall only be by persons authorised by the Premises Licence holder. The limiter shall not be altered without prior agreement with the Environmental Health Service. No alteration or modification to any existing sound system(s) should be effected without prior knowledge of an authorised Officer of the Environmental Health Service. No additional sound generating equipment shall be used on the premises without being routed through the sound limiter device.
- Where the premises is used for Licensable Activities other than Relevant Entertainment, SIA registered security staff are to be employed on a 1:50 ratio (staff/customers).
- 27. A direct telephone number for the manager at the premises shall be publicly available at all times the premises is open. This telephone number is to be made available to residents and businesses in the vicinity.
- 28. Except where Relevant Entertainment is provided The number of persons accommodated (excluding staff) shall not exceed:

Basement - 70, Ground Floor - 80, First Floor - 25.

29. 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 preceding 31 day period.

- 30. 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.
- 31. All windows and external doors shall be kept closed at any time when regulated entertainment takes place, except for the immediate access and egress of persons.
- 32. Patrons permitted to temporarily leave and then re-enter the premises, e.g. to smoke, shall be limited to 7 persons at any one time.
- 33. Patrons permitted to temporarily leave and then re-enter the premises, e.g. to smoke, shall not be permitted to take drinks or glass containers with them.
- 34. There shall be no striptease or nudity, and all persons shall be decently attired at all times, except when the premises are operating under the authority of a Sexual Entertainment Venue licence.
- 35. All emergency doors shall be maintained effectively self closing and not held open other than by an approved device.
- 36. The edges of the treads of steps and stairways shall be maintained so as to be conspicuous.
- 37. Curtains and hangings shall be arranged so as not to obstruct emergency signs.
- 38. The approved arrangements at the premises, including means of escape provisions, emergency warning equipment, the electrical installation and mechanical equipment, shall at all material times be maintained in good condition and full working order.
- 39. The means of escape provided for the premises shall be maintained unobstructed, free of trip hazards, be immediately available and clearly identified in accordance with the plans provided.
- 40. All exit doors shall be available at all material times without the use of a key, code, card or similar means.
- 41. Any special effects or mechanical installations shall be arranged and stored so as to minimise any risk to the safety of those using the premises. The following special effects will only be used on 10 days prior notice being given to the Licensing Authority where consent has not previously been given.
  - i. pyrotechnics including fire works
  - ii. firearms
  - iii. lasers
  - iv. explosives and highly flammable substances.
  - v. real flame.
  - vi. strobe lighting.

# PREMISES LICENCE PLAN



Locations of any fire safety and other equipment are subject to change in accordance with the requirements of the responsible authorities or a fire size assessment Any debail shawn on the plan that is not required by the Regulations is inducative only and subject to change of any time.

Tet up 13/01/17



#### Schedule 12 Part B

WARD: West End UPRN: 010033531502

# Premises licence summary

Regulation 33, 34

Premises licence number:	20/03227/LIPT

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**Performance of Live Music** 

 Monday to Thursday:
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 Friday to Saturday:
 09:00 to 02:00

 Sunday:
 09:00 to 23:00

Playing of Recorded Music Unrestricted

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Vanity License Ltd Kemp House 160 City Road London EC1V 2NX

Registered number of holder, for example company number, charity number (where applicable)

12523049

Name of designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises for the supply of alcohol:

Name: Lorraine Forman

State whether access to the premises by children is restricted or prohibited:

Restricted

Date: 13 December 2022

Signed:

This licence has been authorised by Ms Roxsana Haq on behalf of the Director - Public Protection and Licensing.



## TOTAL POLICING

Form 693

## Form for 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, serious disorder or both)

#### 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 the 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.

Insert name and address of relevant licensing authority and its reference number:					
Name:	City of Westminster				
Address: We	Address: Westminster City Hall, 64 Victoria Street				
Post town:	London	Post code:	SW1E 6QP		
Ref. No.: 20/03227/LIPT					
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#### I Pc Steve Muldoon

on behalf of the chief officer of police for the Metropolitan Police area apply for the review of a premises licence under section 53A of the Licensing Act 2003.

1. Premises details							
Postal address of premises or club premises, or if none, ordnance survey map reference or description:							
Vanity Bar And N	Vanity Bar And Nightclub, 4 Carlisle Street						
Post town:	London	Post code: (if known)	W1D 3BJ				
2. Premises licence details							
Name of premises licence holder or club holding club premises certificate (if known):							
Vanity License Ltd, Kemp House,160 City Road, London, EC1V 2NX							
Number of premises licence or club premises certificate (if known):							
20/03227/LIPT							

#### 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 opinion the above premises are associated with serious crime or serious disorder or both, and the certificate accompanies this application.

P	lease	tick:	the	hov t	to con	firm

# 4. Details of association of the above premises with serious crime, serious disorder or both (Please read guidance note 2)

On 26 November 2022 a male (who later became a victim of drink spiking/theft) had been out with a friend in Soho, the male recalls going for a steak, to a bar for a drink and then going to Vanity, Carlisle St, W1. Vanity is a strip bar and the male was aware of this. The premises is licensed by Westminster City Council as a Sexual Entertainment Venue (ref 21/13781/LISEVR). The male was with one friend throughout the evening.

The male recalls entering Vanity and purchasing a drink 0120 hours on 26 November 2022. The male has no recollection after this point. The male has since spoken to the friend he was with and he informed him that they were taken to separate rooms (The friend went downstairs and he went upstairs). The friend advised him that he had one dance from a female and the female tried to force him to take another dance, she put a price of £280 in the card machine however he refused and left the room. The male friend asked to see his friend but was told he could only see him if he paid £280. He refused and again was told he could only see his friend if he paid the money.

The victims friend stayed for a some-time but left after not being able to make contact. The victim woke up the next day and was in a street near to his home address and he subsequently checked google maps and found he was at Vanity and then left approximately two hours after arriving, he found himself at a location on google maps showing a car wash where he was then there for nearly two and a half hours. He was then dropped near his home. Google maps has this down as a route that was driven. The victim does not know how he arrived at these locations or how has has returned home.

The victim checked his bank account and found approximately £3,000.00 in payments were taken by Vanity over 4 transactions on a Nationwide account. This took the victim overdrawn in his account. There was also a payment to a Cafe for £2,260.00. It is unknown where this is. The victim has checked his Amex account and found that a further 3 transactions were made via Amex to Vanity totally nearly £500. There is then a further two transactions to an unknown business totalling nearly £14,000.00.

The victim believes his drink was spiked/drugged. Whilst he does recall enterining Vanity he has no recollection of what happened after and therefore has not authorised the transactions taken from his bank account. The victim also has no knowledge or recollection of visiting any other location. The crime was reported to police on the afternoon of the 26 November 2022.

Having reviewed policing systems it appears there have been 10 allegations this year of a similar nature with a total of nearly £250,000.00 being taken. Some individuals have mentioned these have been reported to the venue but with no action taken.

Police visited the premises on Friday 9 December 2022. At the time a request was made to watch CCTV, whilst CCTV was allowed to be viewed this was controlled by a manager from the venue. It appeared from contact between the manager and the DPS there was an avoidance of showing police the correct time/date of footage. However, officers did notice on the CCTV footage that when it stopped and was played there was clear physical contact between a dancer and a customer in a booth. I viewed the incident log and could see no log of any of the incidents being reported to police.

The Metropolitan Police Service have a duty to ensure the SEV are promoting the licensing objectives of prevention of crime and disorder and are seeking revocation of the premises licence and would invite the committee to suspend the premises licences, remove the current DPS and remove the sale of alcohol.

Signature of applicant

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \(\frac{3}{13}\)\(\frac{13}{2022}\)

Capacity: Police Office

Contact details for matters concerning this application

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#### 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 eighteen 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.

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

Retention Period: 7 years MP 146/12



## **TOTAL POLICING**

Form 693A

# Certificate under Section 53A(1)(b) of the Licensing Act 2003

Metropolitan Police Service | New Scotland | Yard 8-10 Broadway | London | SW1H 0BG

I hereby certify that in my opinion the premises described below are associated with: serious crime

Premises (Include business name and address and any other relevant identifying details):							
Postal address of premises or club premises, or if none, ordnance survey map reference or description:							
Vanity Bar And Nightclu	b, 4 Carlisle Street						
Post town:	London	Post code: (if known)	W1D 3BJ				
Premises licence nun	nber (if known):						
20/03227/LIPT							
Name of premises supervisor (if known):							
Lorraine Forman	Lorraine Forman						

I am a Superintendent \* in the Metropolitan Police Service.

\*Insert rank of officer giving the certificate, which must be superintendent or above.

I am giving this certificate because I am of the opinion that other procedures under the Licensing Act are inappropriate in this case because:

(Give a brief description of why other procedures such as a standard review process are thought to be inappropriate, e.g. the degree of seriousness of the crime and/or disorder, the past history of compliance in relation to the premises concerned)

There are considerable concerns surrounding the circumstances of the trigger offence for this review. That being the allegation of theft of approximately £19,000, aggravated by the offence being committed by way of drink spiking. This as an isolated incident would be a cause for concern but with a pattern of 10 allegations being made at the premises this year, totalling a potential £250,000, makes this very serious and immediate action must be taken. Further to this, the management of the premises has given no clear indication they are willing to fully cooperate with police.

It is my belief that the only viable option for immediate action to prevent further similar offences is that of Summary Review with interim steps being implemented at the earliest opportunity.

Signature				
Signature:	6 Alary	Date:	13/12/2022	

Retention Period: 7 years

# **Licence and Appeal History**

# **APPENDIX 4**

# **Premises licence history**

Application	Details of Application	Date Determined	Decision
05/03985/LIPCV	Conversion from Justices Licence	05.07.2005	Granted by Licensing Sub- Committee
06/07835/LIPT	Application to Transfer Licence	29.08.2006	Granted under Delegated Authority
07/01236/LIPDPS	Vary DPS	10.05.2007	Granted under Delegated Authority
07/01390/LIPV	Full Variation application to attach new premises plans to the licence	09.05.2007	Granted under Delegated Authority
07/06093/LIPDPS	Vary DPS	27.06.2007	Granted under Delegated Authority
06/06068/WCCMAP	Master Licence	25.07.2007	Granted under Delegated Authority
08/04000/LIPT	Application to Transfer Licence	07.07.2008	Granted under Delegated Authority
08/06820/LIPDPS	Vary DPS	04.08.2008	Granted under Delegated Authority
09/02368/LIPT	Application to Transfer Licence	27.04.2009	Granted under Delegated Authority
09/08627/LIPDPS	Vary DPS	20.01.2010	Granted under Delegated Authority
11/00453/LIPDPS	Vary DPS	07.02.2011	Granted under Delegated Authority
11/00466/LIPT	Application to Transfer Licence	10.02.2011	Granted under Delegated Authority

Application	Details of Application	Date Determined	Decision
12/00646/LIPVM	Minor Variation to:  1. Remove condition 19 which restricts the provision of striptease entertainment to female performers only.  2. Add the following conditions to the Premises Licence to ensure the promotion of the Licensing objectives: a) Striptease entertainment may be provided by both male and female performers. b) The audience shall not be permitted to participate in striptease entertainment. c) The provision of striptease entertainment shall be restricted on any particular day to either male or female performers and not both sexes at the same time or on the same day (09.00 to 00:00)		Granted under Delegated Authority
12/02084/LIPDPS	Vary DPS	07.04.2012	Granted under Delegated Authority
14/00487/LIPT	Application to Transfer Licence	10.02.2014	Granted under Delegated Authority
14/00491/LIPDPS	Vary DPS	10.02.2014	Granted under Delegated Authority
14/06652/LIPV	Full Variation for the following: a) Revision of layout in basement, specifically removal of stage area and introduction of new fixed and removable booths; b) Installation of podium/stage area on ground floor; c) New fixed and removable booths to be installed on first floor. Also, the Applicant requests that the following conditions are removed from the Premises Licence: Condition 10, 15, 30, 32, 34 (a)(b)(c)(d)(e)(f), 41(e) and 47		Granted by Licensing Sub- Committee
15/03179/LIPDPS	Vary DPS	08.05.2015	Granted under Delegated Authority
20/03227/LIPT	Application to Transfer Licence	22.04.2020	Granted under Delegated Authority

# **Temporary Event Notice History**

Application	Details of Application	Date Determined	Decision
18/13475/LITENP	Temporary Event Notice 30.11.2018 to 01.12.2018	07.11.2018	Notice granted
18/13477/LITENP	Temporary Event Notice 04.12.2018 to 08.12.2018	07.11.2018	Notice granted
18/13479/LITENP	Temporary Event Notice 11.12.2018 to 16.12.2018	07.11.2018	Notice granted
18/13481/LITENP	Temporary Event Notice 18.12.2018 to 23.12.2018	07.11.2018	Notice granted
19/14157/LITENP	Temporary Event Notice 28.11.2019 to 30.11.2019	06.11.2019	Notice granted
19/14168/LITENP	Temporary Event Notice 03.12.2019 to 08.12.2019	06.11.2019	Notice granted
19/14170/LITENP	Temporary Event Notice 10.12.2019 to 15.12.2019	06.11.2019	Notice granted
19/14179/LITENP	Temporary Event Notice 17.12.2019 to 22.12.2019	06.11.2019	Notice granted

There is no appeal history for the premises.

## SEX ESTABLISHMENT LICENCE

Sexual Entertainment Venue

Premises licence number:	21/13871/LISEVR
Original Reference:	12/02594/LISEVN

The CITY OF WESTMINSTER, under the provisions of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 as amended by the Policing and Crime Act 2009

hereby licences: Vanity License Ltd

to use the premises: Vanity Bar and Nightdub

4 Carlisle Street London W1D 3BJ

as a Sexual Entertainment Venue.

This licence commences on 16 December 2021 and will expire on 15 December 2022.

Relevant Entertainment (namely table dancing and pole dancing and involves implied nudity, full and partial nudity) may be provided during the following times:

Monday to Saturday	09:00 to 03:00
Sunday	09:00 to 23:00

Relevant Entertainment may only be provided in the permitted areas outlined in red shown on the plans attached at Appendix 1.

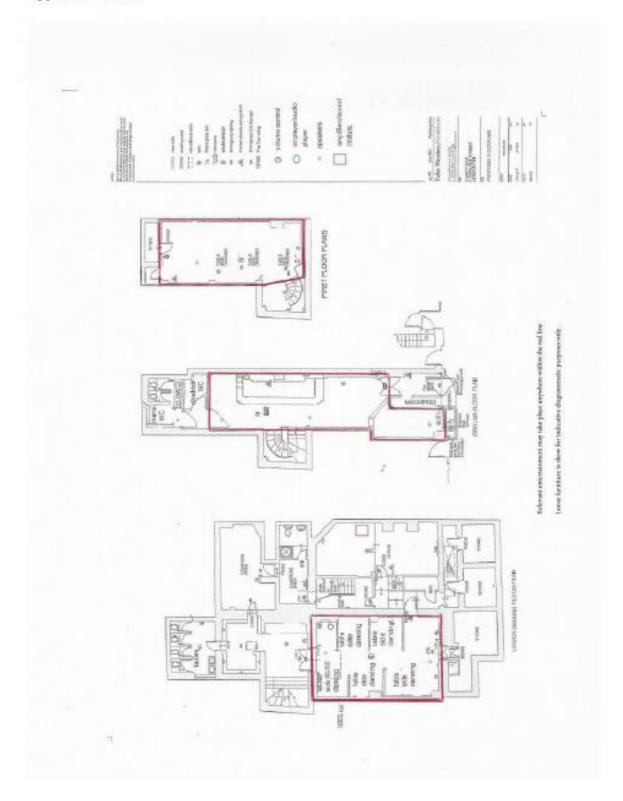
This licence is granted subject to the conditions attached at Appendix 2.

DATE: 6 JANUARY 2022 SIGNED:

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On behalf of the Director – Public Protection and Licensing

# Appendix 1-Plans



#### Appendix 2 – Conditions

#### Standard Conditions:

- Whilst Relevant Entertainment is taking place no person under the age of 18 shall be on the licensed premises and a clear notice to that effect shall be displayed at the entrance in a prominent position so that it can be easily read by persons entering the premises.
- Whenever persons under the age of 18 are admitted to the premises there will be no promotional or other material on display within the premises which depicts nudity or partial nudity.
- The licence or a clear copy shall be prominently displayed at all times so as to be readily and easily seen by all persons using the premises.
- No provision of relevant entertainment, or material depicting nudity or relevant entertainment, shall be visible from outside the premises.
- Menus and drinks price lists shall be clearly displayed at the front entrance of the club, reception area, tables and bar at such a position and size as to be easily read by customers. This price list shall show all consumable items and any minimum tariff including charges and fees applicable to Performers.
- 6. Except with the consent of the Licensing Authority, no advertisements of any kind (including placard, poster, sticker, flyer, picture, letter, sign or other mark) shall be inscribed or affixed at the premises, on the surface of the highway or on any building, structure, works, street furniture, tree or any other property or be distributed in the street to the public that advertises or promotes the relevant entertainment at the premises.
- The licence holder or other person concerned in the conduct or management of the premises shall not seek to obtain custom by means of personal solicitation or touting, nor enter into any agreement with a third party to do so.
- Adequate toilets, washing and changing facilities for use by the Performers shall be provided.
- Either the licence holder or a named responsible person shall be present throughout the time the Relevant Entertainment takes place.
- 10. The premises will install and maintain a comprehensive CCTV system as per the minimum requirements of a Metropolitan Police Crime Prevention Officer that ensures all areas of the licensed premises are monitored including all entry and exit points will be covered enabling frontal identification of every person entering any light condition. All cameras 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. Recordings shall be made available immediately upon the request of Police or authorised officer throughout the preceding 31 day period together with facilities for viewing.

- 11. 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 to the public and this staff member should be able to show Police recent data and footage with the absolute minimum of delay of the request.
- An incident log shall be kept at the premises, and made available on request to the Licensing Authority or the Police, which will record the following:
  - (a) all crimes reported to the venue:
  - (b) all ejections of patrons;
  - (c) any complaints received:
  - (d) any incidents of disorder:
  - (e) seizures of drugs or offensive weapons;
  - (f) any faults in the CCTV system or searching equipment or scanning equipment;
  - (g) any refusal of the sale of alcohol;
  - (h) any visit by a relevant authority or emergency service;
  - (i) any breach of licence conditions reported by a Performer.
- 13. The licence holder shall produce a Code of Conduct setting out rules and obligations between the licence holder and performers whilst performing. All Performers shall sign the Code of Conduct in their proper name acknowledging that they have read, understood and are prepared to abide by the said Code of Conduct, and a copy so signed shall be retained by the licence holder and shall be readily available for inspection by the Police and/or authorised persons upon reasonable request.
- 14. Individual records shall be kept at the premises of the real names, stage names and addresses of all Performers working at the premises. The record will include either a copy of their birth certificate, current passport, EU driving licence or national identity card and shall be made immediately available for inspection by the Police and/or the Licensing Authority upon request.
- Details of all work permits and/or immigration status relating to persons working at the premises shall be retained by the licence holder and be readily available for inspection by the Licensing Authority, a Police Officer or Immigration Officer.
- Relevant entertainment shall be given only by Performers and the audience shall not be permitted to participate in the relevant entertainment.
- There shall be no physical contact between Performers whilst performing.
- 18. Performers will not request or give out any telephone number, address or any other contact information from or to any customer. Any such information given by a customer shall be surrendered to the premises manager as soon as is practicable.
- 19. Relevant Entertainment shall take place only in the designated areas approved by the Licensing Authority as shown on the licence plan. Arrangements for access to the dressing room shall be maintained at all times whilst Relevant Entertainment is taking place and immediately thereafter.

- Customers must remain fully clothed at all times. The Performer must not remove any of the customer's clothing at any time.
- 21. Where relevant entertainment is provided in booths, or other areas of the premises where private performances are provided, the booth or area shall not have a door or other similar closure, the area shall be constantly monitored by CCTV, and access to the booth or other area shall be adequately supervised.
- 22. Whenever Relevant Entertainment is being provided there shall be no physical contact between Performers and customers or between customers and Performers except for the exchanging of money or tokens at the beginning or conclusion of the performance and only for the purpose of that performance. Clearly legible notices to this effect shall clearly be displayed in each private booth and in any performance area.
- Performers must redress fully immediately after each performance.

### Additional Conditions:

- No Relevant Entertainment shall take place unless CCTV adequately covers and monitors the stage area to the satisfaction of the Environmental Health Consultation Team and the Licensing Service.
- Relevant Entertainment shall be restricted to the area outlined in red. On the ground floor performers may only perform on the stage area.
- 26. Whilst Relevant Entertainment is taking place at the premises, the maximum number of persons accommodated at any one time (excluding staff and dancers) shall not exceed 9 persons in the basement, 55 persons on the ground floor and 25 persons on the first floor.
- All emergency doors shall be maintained effectively self closing and not held open other than by an approved device.
- The edges of the treads of steps and stairways shall be maintained so as to be conspicuous.
- Curtains and hangings shall be arranged so as not to obstruct emergency signs.
- The approved arrangements at the premises, including means of escape
  provisions, emergency warning equipment, the electrical installation and
  mechanical equipment, shall at all material times be maintained in good condition
  and full working order.
- The means of escape provided for the premises shall be maintained unobstructed, free of trip hazards, be immediately available and clearly identified in accordance with the plans provided.
- All exit doors shall be available at all material times without the use of a key, code, card or similar means.

- 33. Any special effects or mechanical installations shall be arranged and stored so as to minimise any risk to the safety of those using the premises. The following special effects will only be used on 10 days prior notice being given to the Licensing Authority where consent has not previously been given.
  - i. pyrotechnics including fire works
  - ii. firearms
  - iii. lasers
  - explosives and highly flammable substances.
  - v. real flame.
  - vi. strobe lighting.
- No noise shall emanate from the premises nor vibration be transmitted through the structure of the premises which gives rise to a nuisance.
- There shall be at least one SIA registered door supervisor on duty on every floor where Relevant Entertainment is provided for the entire time the Relevant Entertainment is provided.
- All windows and external doors shall be kept closed at any time when Relevant Entertainment takes place, except for the immediate access and egress of persons.
- 37. A noise limiter must be fitted to the musical amplification system set at a level determined by and to the satisfaction of an authorised officer of the Environmental Health Service, Premises Management so as to ensure that no noise nuisance is caused to local residents or businesses. The operational panel of the noise limiter shall then be secured by key or password to the satisfaction of officers from the Environmental Health Service and access shall only be by persons authorised by the Premises Licence Holder. The limiter shall not be altered without prior agreement with the Environmental Health Service. No alteration or modification to any existing sound system(s) should be effected without prior knowledge of an authorised Officer of the Environmental Health Service. No additional sound generating equipment shall be used on the premises without being routed through the sound limiter device.
- 38. No sexual entertainment performances will take place which will involve the passing round of a glass or jar or any other container that has to be filled with money before the performers remove any clothing.
- 39. The licence holder will employ a designated member of staff who will work in Carlisle Street outside the venue during the early hours of the morning, up until closure and a period thereafter for dispersal of customers and staff.
- 40. The designated member of staff will be tasked with encouraging pedicab drivers that look for fares in the Dean Street area to respect the needs of local residents by being quiet and also ask them to move away /not congregate in Carlisle Street or near the venue.
- The designated member of staff will record any unresolved disputes with rickshaw or pedicab drivers in the venue's incident log. The venue will share information

with Westminster City Council in furtherance of any specific enforcement work by the authorities around nuisance caused by pedicabs in the Soho area.