

REPORT OF THE GROUP DIRECTOR, NEIGHBOURHOODS AND HOUSING

<p>LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE:</p> <p>1ST OCTOBER 2020</p>	<p>Classification</p> <p>DECISION</p>	<p>Enclosure</p>
<p>Application for Review of Premises Licence:</p> <p>U 7 Lounge, Unit 7, 2-4 Orsman Road, Hackney, London, N1 5FB</p>	<p>Ward(s) affected</p> <p>Hoxton East & Shoreditch</p>	

1. SUMMARY

<p>Applicant: Licensing Authority</p>	<p>In SPA: Not Applicable</p>
<p>Date of Application 11 August 2020</p>	
<p>The Grounds for Review:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The prevention of crime and disorder • Prevention of Public Nuisance • Alleged Public Nuisance created by operation of the premises. • Alleged non-compliance with Conditions/Authorisation of premises licence 	
<p>Current Premises Licence Details: Premises Licence permitting</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Sale by retail of alcohol 2) Recorded music 3) Provision of Late Night Refreshment <p>See Appendix B for detail.</p>	
<p>Current Capacity</p>	<p>Unknown</p>
<p>Policies Applicable</p>	<p>LP1 (General Principles), LP2 (Licensing Objectives)</p>
<p>List of Appendices</p>	<p>Appendix A– Application requesting the review of the premises licence and supporting documents Appendix B – Current Licence Appendix C – Representations from responsible authorities Appendix D – Representations from other persons Appendix E - Location map</p>
<p>Relevant Representations</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Health Authority (Environmental Protection) • Police • Other Persons

2. APPLICATION FOR REVIEW OF PREMISES LICENCE

2.1 Licensing Authority, as a Responsible Authority under the Licensing Act

2003, have applied for the review of the premises licences granted for the premises known as **U 7 Lounge** on the grounds of prevention of crime and disorder and the prevention of public nuisance. The Licensing Authority seeking a revocation of the premises licence. For further application details, see Appendix A.

2.2 Representations supporting the review have been received from Environmental Protection Team (see Appendix C1), Police Authority (see Appendix C2) and local residents (see Appendices D1 – D5)

3. CURRENT POSITION/ HISTORY

3.1 The premises have been in possession of a premises licence since December 2017. A recent minor variation application to add off sales of alcohol was refused in May 2020. The current licence permits the following activities:

- 1) Sale by retail of alcohol
- 2) Recorded music
- 3) Provision of Late Night Refreshment

A copy of the licence is attached as Appendix B

3.2 TENs that have been submitted in the current calendar year as follows:

<u>Date of the event(S)</u>	<u>Hours</u>
31/12/2019 - 01/01/2020	18:00 to 04:00
11/01/2020 – 12/01/2020	20:00 to 04:00

4. REPRESENTATIONS: RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITIES

From	Relevant Representations details
Environmental Health Authority (Environmental Protection) Appendix C1	Representation received on the grounds of Prevention of Public Nuisance
Environmental Health Authority (Environmental Enforcement)	Have confirmed no representation on this application
Environmental Health Authority (Health & Safety)	No representation received
Weights and Measures (Trading Standards)	Have confirmed no representation on this application
Planning Authority	No representation received
Area Child Protection Officer	No representation received
Fire Authority	Have confirmed no representation on this application
Police Appendix C2	Representation received on the grounds of The Prevention of Crime and Disorder, and Prevention of Public Nuisance
Licensing Authority	Not applicable
Health Authority	No representation received

5. REPRESENTATIONS: INTERESTED PARTIES

From	Details
Representation received from and on behalf of local residents. Appendices D1 – D5	Representation received on the grounds of The Prevention of Crime and Disorder, Public Safety and Prevention of Public Nuisance,

6. REPRESENTATIONS: LICENSEE

6.1 None

7. POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

7.1 The Licensing Sub-Committee is required to have regard to the Hackney Statement of Licensing Policy (“the Policy”) adopted by the Licensing Authority.

7.2 Extracts from Licensing Policies are reproduced at the front of the agenda for this meeting.

7.3 The Policy applies to applications where relevant representations have been made. With regard to this application, policies, LP1 (General Principles), LP2 (Licensing Objectives) are relevant.

8. GUIDANCE CONSIDERATIONS

8.1 The Licensing Authority is required to have regard to any guidance issued by the Secretary of State under the Licensing Act 2003.

9. OFFICER OBSERVATIONS

9.1 The Licensing Authority are seeking the revocation of the licence.

10. REASONS FOR OFFICER OBSERVATIONS

10.1 Not Applicable.

11. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

11.1 A legal representative will be in attendance to advise Members.

12. LEGAL COMMENTS

12.1 The Council has a duty as a Licensing Authority under the Licensing Act 2003 to carry out its functions with a view to promoting the following 4 licensing objectives;

- The Prevention of crime and disorder
- Public Safety
- Prevention of public nuisance
- The protection of children from harm

12.2 It should be noted that each of the licensing objectives have equal importance and are the only grounds upon which a relevant representation can be made and for which an application can be refused or terms and conditions attached to a licence.

13. HUMAN RIGHTS ACT 1998 IMPLICATIONS

13.1 There are implications on Article 6, Article 8, Article 14 and the First Protocol of Article 1.

14. MEMBERS DECISION MAKING

14.1 Members must, having regard to the application and any relevant representations, take such steps (if any) as it considers necessary for the promotion of the licensing objectives.

14.2 The steps are:

- A. Option 1
Take no action**
- B. Option 2
Modify the conditions of the premises licence.**
- C. Option 3
Exclude a licensable activity from the scope of the premises licence.**
- D. Option 4
Remove the designated premises supervisor.**
- E. Option 5
Suspend the premises licence for a period not exceeding three months.**
- F. Option 6
Revoke the licence.**

15. CONCLUSION

15.1 That Members decide on the application for review of the premises licence.

GROUP DIRECTOR, NEIGHBOURHOODS AND HOUSING	Ajman Ali
Lead Officer (holder of original copy):	Sanaria Hussain Senior Licensing Officer Licensing Service 1 Hillman Street E8 1DY Telephone: 020 8356 4972

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS RELATING TO THIS REPORT

The following document(s) has been relied upon in the preparation of the report.

Description of document	Location
Office File: U 7 Lounge, Unit 7, 2-4 Orsman Road, Hackney, London, N1 5FB	Licensing Service 1 Hillman Street London E8 1DY

Printed matter

Licensing Act 2003

LBH Statement of Licensing Policy

APPENDIX A

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Application for the review of a premises licence or club premises certificate under the Licensing Act 2003

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Before completing this form please read the guidance notes at the end of the form. If you are completing this form by hand please write legibly in block capitals. In all cases ensure that your answers are inside the boxes and written in black ink. Use additional sheets if necessary.

You may wish to keep a copy of the completed form for your records.

I Channing Riviere on behalf of Hackney Licensing Authority

(Insert name of applicant)

apply for the review of a premises licence under section 51 / apply for the review of a club premises certificate under section 87 of the Licensing Act 2003 for the premises described in Part 1 below (delete as applicable)

Part 1 – Premises or club premises details

Postal address of premises or, if none, ordnance survey map reference or description

U7 Lounge, Unit 7,
2-4 Orsman Road
Hackney

Post town London

Post code (if known) N1 5QJ

Name of premises licence holder or club holding club premises certificate (if known)

Miss Hande Sezgin

Number of premises licence or club premises certificate (if known)

091178

Part 2 - Applicant details

I am

Please tick ✓ yes

1) an individual, body or business which is not a responsible authority (please read guidance note 1, and complete (A) or (B) below)

2) a responsible authority (please complete (C) below)

3) a member of the club to which this application relates

(please complete (A) below)

(A) DETAILS OF INDIVIDUAL APPLICANT (fill in as applicable)

Please tick ✓ yes

Mr Mrs Miss Ms Other title
(for example, Rev)

Surname

First names

I am 18 years old or over

Please tick ✓ yes

**Current postal
address if
different from
premises
address**

Post town

Post Code

Daytime contact telephone number

**E-mail address
(optional)**

(B) DETAILS OF OTHER APPLICANT

Name and address

Telephone number (if any)

E-mail address (optional)

(C) DETAILS OF RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY APPLICANT

Name and address Channing Riviere Licensing Service Hackney Service Centre ! Hillman Street E8 1DY
Telephone number (if any) 0208 356 4622
E-mail address (optional) channing.riviere@hackney.gov.uk

This application to review relates to the following licensing objective(s)

Please tick one or more boxes

- 1) the prevention of crime and disorder
- 2) public safety
- 3) the prevention of public nuisance
- 4) the protection of children from harm

✓

Please state the ground(s) for review (please read guidance note 2)

The review application has been submitted due to residents' complaints about the conduct of the premises, and issues of non-compliance by way of unauthorised alcohol sales. Council Officers have engaged with the Licensee regarding these issues but have seen little to no improvement.

Therefore I'm satisfied that the Prevention of Public Nuisance and Prevention of Crime and Disorder licensing objectives are being undermined by the operation of the premises.

Paragraph 11.10 of the Revised Guidance under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 (April 2018) states the following.

11.10 Where authorised persons and responsible authorities have concerns about problems identified at premises, it is good practice for them to licence holders' early warning of their concerns and the need for improvement, and where possible they should advise the licence or certificate holder of the steps they need to take to address those concerns. A failure by the holder to respond to such warnings is expected to lead to a decision to apply for a review. Co-operation at a local level in promoting the licensing objectives should be encouraged and reviews should not be used to undermine this co-operation.

Please provide as much information as possible to support the application
(please read guidance note 3)

The Licensing Service began receiving complaints about the premises U7 Lounge, Unit 7, 2-4 Orsman Road, Hackney, London, N1 5QJ in March 2019. Following further investigation in to these initial noise and ASB complaints, it was established that the events had been authorised via Temporary Event Notice(s) (TEN's).

Whilst carrying out routine inspection work on 11th July 2019, my colleague Mr David TUITT and myself visited the premises. When visiting the premises Officers noted that the premises appeared to be operating like a bar with no food menus present. Officers spoke with the Licensee Ms Hande Sezgin about the operation of the premises. The visit was followed up with an advisory letter from my colleagues Mr TUITT. The letter is attached as exhibit CR/1.

On 8/12/2019, the Licensing Service received a complaint that the premises was operating beyond its authorised hours. On 11/12/2019 my colleague Mr David TUITT and myself visited the premises in order to check compliance of the premises licence and conducted a test purchase of alcohol at approximately 19:17. The test purchase was conducted in order test compliance with condition 31 on the premises licence, condition 31 had specifically been mentioned in the previous letter (Exhibit CR/1) to the applicant.

Condition 31 states:

“31. Intoxicating liquor shall not be sold, supplied or consumed otherwise than to persons who are taking a substantial meal from the menu and that the consumption of alcohol by such persons is ancillary to taking such meals. The supply of alcohol shall be by waiter/waitress service only.”

The premises subsequently failed the test purchase of alcohol. A photograph of the alcohol that was purchased can be seen in exhibit CR/2, the receipt for the purchase can be seen in Exhibit CR/3 and my witness statement in exhibit CR/4.

Following the failed test purchase, on 06/01/2020 the licensee was invited to a formal recorded interview in accordance with the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 (PACE). The invitation letter can be seen in exhibit CR/5.

A further complaint from a local resident was received on the 25/01/2020 regarding the premises conducting an event between the hours of 21:00 to 02:00 on the 24/01/2020. The PACE interview was conducted at Hackney Service Centre, 1 Hillman Street, E8 1DY on 14/2/2020 at 11:08. A copy of the transcript of the interview can be seen in exhibit CR/6.

During the interview the licensee Ms Hande SEZGIN:
Demonstrated that she understood the purpose of the premises licence.

Interview transcript page 4, lines 22-28

CR I have got a copy of the Premises Licence; can you just, sort of, explain to me what you understand about the Premises Licence? I have a copy of it if you wish to view it. For the benefit of the tape, I have given a copy of the Premises Licence to Ms Hande Sezgin and Mr Muirhead. What is your understanding of Licensing and how to you perceive it?

HS It is what I am allowed and what I am not allowed to do within that premises. So, it outlines, you know, what I can and cannot do, pretty much.

Stated that condition 31 had been contravened on the 11/07/2019 when Officers made their initial visit to the premises.

Interview transcript Page 5, lines 18-25

CR When you are saying 'it was overlooked', are you referring to – because right now I am referring to 11th July, so, are you saying it was overlooked on 11th July 2019?

HS By the staff member, yes.

CR Condition 31?

HS Yes.

CR Okay, so that was not adhered to on 11th July?

HS Not on the 11th, no.

Outlined that staff had now been trained formally and that further contraventions of the premises would not be an issue.

Interview transcript page 5, lines 26-33 & page 6, lines 1-17

CR Okay, so; I do have a copy of the letter. For the benefit of the tape, I am handing Exhibit CR1, a copy of the letter my colleague, Mr Tuitt, sent to the Licensee Holder, Ms Sezgin, regarding the visit that took place on 11th July 2019. Since receipt of that letter, can you tell me, in detail, how the premises operated since you have received that letter from my colleague, Mr Tuitt?

HS Okay, so, the staff members have all been re-trained as to how to deal with customers, that they need to take a substantial meal, again, the reason being that we assume every customer that walks through our door – because we not advertising as a bar, we assume that every customer that comes in is going to sit down and eat, even if they take the menu, have a drink first and then sit down and then we expect them to come up; we go to them to take their order and in that case no food was asked for. So, now, we have made it so that every staff member knows that when someone is asking for a drink that they know they need to buy a substantial meal. So, it has been re-trained to staff and we have got notices around our area stating that, so customers know as well, when they walk in, that it is not just a bar, it is somewhere to eat.

CR When you say you have re-trained the staff, would you describe it as – is it like a formal training where they sign something after?

HS Yes, so they have been given contracts and it has been outlined that, the exact quotes that they need to know and they sign their contracts after and that is to state that they understood.

CR It is documented that they have been trained and they understand the Conditions of the Licence?

HS Yes.

Was aware that a minor variation application to remove condition 31 had been refused.

Interview transcript page 7, lines 27-36 & page 8, lines 1-13

CR Okay, so, we are going to move on to the Minor Variation Application received which, I believe, was to try and remove Condition 31 from the Premises Licence. For the benefit of the tape I am giving a copy of Exhibit CR5 to Mr Muirhead and Ms Sezgin which is a copy of the Minor Variation Application which seeks to remove Condition 31. In the Minor Variation, you are seeking to remove Condition 31, so, why would you like to remove Condition 31?

HS Because I didn't want something like this to happen again. Even if I am – I am on the premises almost all day, every day, but there are points when I am not, obviously to get stock and stuff, so, things like this I don't want to happen again and even though staff are being trained, if I am not there to know what they are doing constantly, unless I am the person serving, my concern was this could happen again, so, if I made the Minor Variation that this would not be an issue then.

CR Okay.

HS To try and eliminate this issue, because we do – again – we have people coming in, use it as a work space, wanting a drink as well, without food and, so, the amount of customers we are turning away, just on that basis, just to try and start a new business, it is quite hard at the moment. So, that was the initial reason why I wanted to have the Minor Variation, to not have this issue.

CR Are you aware that the Variation has been refused?

HS Refused, yes.

Was informed by the licensing officers what application was required if she wished to remove condition 31 from the premises licence.

Interview transcript page 8, lines 31-33

CR Okay, so, what I will say is; if you are seeking to vary the Condition you would probably need a Full Variation Application to go through that entire process in order to – if you wish to remove that Condition.

Was given further clarification on the expected operation of the premises in relation to the meaning of condition 31.

Interview transcript page 8, lines 36-37, entire page 9, page 10, lines 1-14

DT It is not so much a question; just to be very clear in what Condition 31 – what it says is:- “Intoxicating liquor shall not be sold, supplied or consumed otherwise than to persons who are taking a substantial meal from the menu and that the consumption of alcohol by such persons is ancillary to taking such meals”. So, the person is taking the meal and then they can order alcohol, rather than they order alcohol and they are told that they should have a meal, so, this Condition; the expectation is that it is a restaurant style operation, so, customers go to the premises, they may be seated, may not be seated, but, if they are going to take a meal then they can have alcohol. So, the alcohol sales are ancillary to the meal and it is not the other way around, so, you have just got to be really clear on that.

HS Okay.

DT The last part of the Condition is that “The supply of alcohol shall be by waitress service only”, so, that is – customers at the seat being served by a waitress or waiter; they come up to them, may hand them the menu, they order – they order food – they order drink and they might order a drink while they are looking at the menu – that sort of thing. That is the style of operation that Condition expects.

HS So, a restaurant, basically?

DT A restaurant, yes.

HS Okay, so that is maybe what I need to do in the Variation, is change it to a restaurant.

DT Well, you have got it as a restaurant now.

HS Okay.

DT Or this Condition applies- implies – restaurant style operation, so, if you wanted to change that you would need to seek some sort of Variation and have that approved by the Council or whoever, but, that is just to make it clear on what the expectation of that is.

HS Okay.

CR Is there anything further?

DT No.

CR Do you have any questions for us?

SOL Just clarification on the way - in terms of serving alcohol – so, clear waiter or waitress approaches client – or customer, sorry, says, ‘What would you like to order, would you like to see our menu?’. If the customer, at that point, says, ‘Yes, I would like to order but I would like to order drinks first’ – that often happens in restaurants; what is the position in terms of what staff are supposed to do?

CR If they make it clear to them that they have to have food as well and they can have a drink and get food after then that is fine.

SOL That is fine, okay.

CR Because that is a restaurant style.

SOL Yes. No, no, just in terms of training and making sure that staff members and everybody knows that.

CR As my colleague explained, alcohol is ancillary to food.

DT Yes, so you would go into a restaurant, isn’t it; you sit down, you get given the menu.

SOL Yes, given the menu, they say ‘Do you want drinks?’

DT They says ‘Do you want a drink or you choose’, - go away, come back with the drinks; ‘Are you ready to order?’, yes, no; if not they go away and come back again and you are ready to order.

SOL No problem.

On the 11/05/2020 a minor variation was received from the licensee was received and subsequently refused following opposition from local residents. A copy of the application can be seen in exhibit CR/7

On the 4/07/2020, the licensing service received a complaint from local residents that the premises were advertising “off sales” even though this was not authorised by the premises licence.

On 17/07/2020, Council Officers conducted a test purchase of alcohol from the premises at approximately 21:32. A statement from the officer who carried out the purchase, Samantha

MATHYS has been attached in support of this application. It contains an accompanying exhibit photo SM/1.

A further complaint was sent to the licensing service by a local resident on the 25/07/2020, the complainant was concerned about external drinking and loud music coming from the premises after 22:00 hrs.

Given the matters that have been outlined above, the Licensing authority have significant concerns about the Licensee's continued lack of compliance with the premises licence. The current method of operation has led complaints to the Licensing service from local residents and referred complaints from other council departments i.e. Environmental Protection (Noise) and Planning. The length of time that these issues have persisted and the fact that the Licensee is aware and has demonstrated understanding of the premises licence requirements, for the issues to still be present indicate either lackadaisical management and/or wilful contravention of the premises licence. This has led to a clear undermining of the licensing objectives, as such, the Licensing authority would recommend that this licence is revoked as we have no confidence in the Licensee to comply with the authorisation.

Please tick ✓

yes

Have you made an application for review relating to the premises before

If yes please state the date of that application

Day Month Year

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If you have made representations before relating to the premises please state what they were and when you made them

Please tick ✓

yes

- I have sent copies of this form and enclosures to the responsible authorities and the premises licence holder or club holding the club premises certificate, as appropriate
- I understand that if I do not comply with the above requirements my application will be rejected

IT IS AN OFFENCE, UNDER SECTION 158 OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003, TO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT IN OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS APPLICATION. THOSE WHO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT MAY BE LIABLE ON SUMMARY CONVICTION TO A FINE OF ANY AMOUNT.

Part 3 – Signatures (please read guidance note 4)

Signature of applicant or applicant's solicitor or other duly authorised agent (please read guidance note 5). **If signing on behalf of the applicant please state in what capacity.**

Signature

[Handwritten Signature]

Date

11th August 2020

Capacity

Principal Licensing Officer

Contact name (where not previously given) and postal address for correspondence associated with this application (please read guidance note 6)

Post town

Post Code

Telephone number (if any)

If you would prefer us to correspond with you using an e-mail address your e-mail address (optional)

**List of exhibits and attachments – U7 Lounge, Unit 7. 2-4 Orsman
Road, Hackney, London, N1 5QJ**

Item	Description
CR-1	Letter to Unit 7 Licensee
CR-2	Photo 11/12/2019
CR-3	Purchase receipt 11/12/2019
CR-4	C RIVIERE – Witness Statement
CR-5	Invitation to PACE letter
CR-6	PACE interview transcript
CR-7	Minor variation application
Attachment	S MATHYS – Witness Statement
SM-1	Photo – 17/07/2020

CR/1



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Miss Hande Sezgin

[REDACTED]
London
E14 [REDACTED]

19 July 2019

Dear Ms Sezgin,

Licensing Act 2003
U7 Lounge, Unit 7, 2-4 Orsman Road, London N1 5QJ


I write to inform you that the Council's Licensing Service are in receipt of complaints in relation to your premises. And, that suspect that the premises is not operating in accordance with the premises licence (ref: 91178).

Whilst undertaking routine inspections on Thursday 11 July 2019, officers visited your premises and spoke with you. Officers noted:

- the premises does not have a kitchen, nor were there any menus available.
- a fully stocked bar and bar stools have been installed in a manner which would normally be associated with a drinking establishment.
- Business cards advertising the premises as a "bar and lounge"

Officers also noted what appeared to be sound checks taking place for a live music event which you advised was private. However, officers then found evidence (screenshot enclosed) on social media that the event was advertised on tickets available for purchase.

I can advise you that Officers have since carried out subsequent web searches and have now obtained further evidence via the internet. The premises is described as "Hackney's newest and finest drinking establishment" on an Instagram page appearing to promote the venue.

A decorative graphic consisting of three parallel, curved lines that sweep upwards from the bottom right corner of the page.



I take this opportunity to remind you that the following condition is attached to the premises licence:

31. *Intoxicating liquor shall not be sold, supplied or consumed otherwise than to persons who are taking a substantial meal from the menu and that the consumption of alcohol by such persons is ancillary to taking such meals. The supply of alcohol shall be by waiter/waitress service only.*

Please be aware that a person commits an offence under Section 136 (1) of the Licensing Act 2003 if—

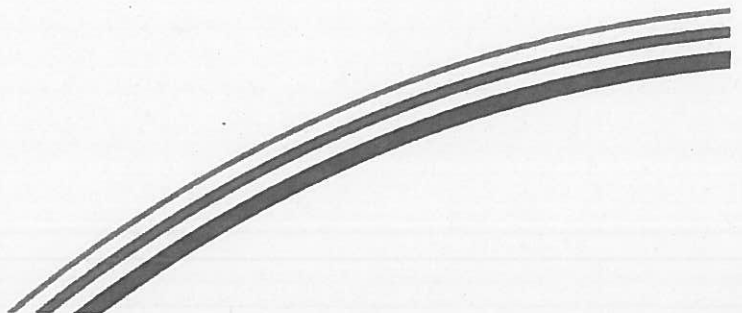
- (a) he carries on or attempts to carry on a licensable activity on or from any premises otherwise than under and in accordance with an authorisation, or**
- (b) he knowingly allows a licensable activity to be so carried on. Any person guilty of such an offence is liable to imprisonment for up to 6 months and/or an unlimited fine.**

This letter should be regarded as a warning that the Council can commence legal proceedings in the event of unauthorised licensable activities. Please also be aware that if problems persist, a review of the licence could be applied for which could ultimately lead to its revocation.

Yours Faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David Tuitt', written over a light blue horizontal line.

David Tuitt
Business Regulation Team Leader
Licensing | Technical Support



BAND

**&
LIVE MUSIC**

House band lead by
MARCUS MCNEISH

11|07|2019

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GUEST ARTIST

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Bas Da Ras

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TIME 11:15

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U7 Lounge
UNIT 7, 2-4 O'DONOVAN ROAD
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REPEATED POLICE EVIDENCE NOTICES (Vertical strip on the right edge)

CR/4

STATEMENT OF WITNESS

**Criminal Procedure Rules, r 27.2: Criminal Justice Act 1967, s.9:
Magistrates' Court Act 1980, s5B**

Statement of:	Channing Riviere	Page	1 of
		No.	2
Age of Witness:	Over 18		
Occupation:	Principal Licensing Officer – Licensing & Technical Support		
Business Address:	Licensing Service Hackney Service Centre 1 Hillman Street London E8 1DY		

This statement consisting of TWO pages, signed by me, is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

Dated the 29th July 2020

Signed: 

1. I am employed by the London Borough of Hackney as the Principal Licensing Officer – Licensing and Technical Support and based at the Hackney Service Centre, 1 Hillman Street, London E8 1DY. I am an authorised Officer who may enforce the provisions under the Licensing Act 2003 on behalf of the London Borough of Hackney via delegated authority.
2. On Wednesday 11th December 2019, I was carrying out routine licensing compliance work with my colleague Mr David TUITT in the Hoxton East area. At approximately 19:30 hours Mr David TUITT and I entered the premises U7 Lounge, 2-4 Orsman Road, N1 5FB. I noted that a bar was in operation at the premises, Mr TUITT and myself both sat at the bar counter. After a few minutes, the bar maid approached asked us if we would like something to drink. I requested a bottle of larger and purchased it for £??? with my debit

card. A photograph of the purchased beverage can be seen in exhibit CR/2. A receipt for the purchase can be seen in exhibit CR/3. I tasted the beverage and confirmed that it was alcoholic.

3. After finishing the beverage Mr David TUITT and I left the premises at approximately 19:55 hours.

Signed:.....

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'D. TUITT', written over a dotted line.

CR/5



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06th January 2020

Dear Sirs,

BY RECORDED DELIVERY

**Licensing Act 2003 - Section 136 (1): Unauthorised licensable activities
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Channing Riviere
Principal Licensing Officer

cc. Miss Hande Sezgin, U7 Lounge, Unit 7, 2-4 Orsman Road, London, N1 5QJ



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06th January 2020

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cc. Miss Hande Sezgin [REDACTED]

London, E14 [REDACTED]

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PACE INTERVIEW TRANSCRIPT
OF: MS HANDE SEZGIN

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5 **Date of Interview** : **14th February 2020**
6 **Commencement Time** : **11.08 hours**
7 **Termination Time** : **11.34 hours**

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11 **Person**
12 **Speaking** **Commentary**

13 CR I believe that is recording now. I am just going to go through some
14 formalities; the date is 14th February 2020, the time is **11.08 am**. I am
15 **CHANNING RIVIERE ["CR"]** Principle Licensing Officer for the London Borough
16 of Hackney. I am interviewing **HANDE SEZGIN ["HS"]** in relation to alleged
17 offences committed under Section 136 Part 1 of the Licensing Act 2003; the
18 offences are alleged to have taken place at premises known as U7 Lounge,
19 Unit 7, 2-4 Orsman Road, Hackney N1 5QJ. The interview is taking place in
20 interview room 54, Hackney Service Centre, 1 Hillman Street, London E8 1DY.
21 The interview will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of the
22 Police & Criminal Evidence Act 1984 for recorded interviews. Also present is
23 Mr **DAVID TUITT ["DT"]** Licensing and Technical Support Team Leader. If
24 everyone would like to introduce themselves, for the benefit of the
25 recording:-

26 SOL I am **MR MUIRHEAD ["SOL"]** here representing Hande Sezgin.

27 HS I am **MISS HANDE SEZGIN ["HS"]**.



28 DT I am **DAVID TUITT ["DT"]**.

29 CR A copy of the PACE Codes E and F that are to do with recorded interviews are
30 available for you to review at any time. You have the right to legal advice
31 before the interview or at any time during the interview. You are not under
32 arrest and you can leave at any time.

33 HS That's fine.

34 CR I am just going to go through a road map about what kind of topics I will be
35 going through. There are a few questions about the history of the premises,
36 how it is operated, what is the aim of the business, how are the staff
37 managed, what is your understanding as well about Licensing and Licensing
38 objectives and go through some of the previous applications and then we will
39 go through the alleged incident and answer questions about that, yes?

40 HS Yes.

	Person Speaking	Commentary
1	CR	At this point, I am going to read the caution:- You do not have to say
2		anything but it may harm your defence if you do not mention when
3		questioned something you later rely on in Court. Anything you do say may be
4		given in evidence. The time is now 11.10 am . Do you understand the
5		caution?
6	HS	Yes.
7	CR	Are you able to explain it back to me, what it means?
8	HS	I can't explain it; anything I say that could possibly be my defence, anything, if
9		this went further, anything I say now can be used in a Court of Law, perhaps.
10	CR	Well, I will say; you have an opportunity to say things now.
11	HS	Yes.
12	CR	If it did go further then it may harm your defence if you don't mention it now
13		- if it were to progress.
14	HS	Yes.
15	CR	I will just read it again: - You do not have to say anything but it may harm
16		your defence if you do not mention when questioned something you later
17		rely on in Court. Anything you do say may be given in evidence. So, the time
18		is now 11.11 am . Is that clear?
19	HS	Yes.
20	CR	Can you first just tell me what your date of birth is, please?
21	HS	
22	CR	Can you confirm your home address?
23	HS	
24	CR	Thank you. Can you tell me what your position is in relation to U7, 2-4
25		Orsman Road?
26	HS	I am the owner.
27	CR	You are the owner; are you also the Licensee of those premises?
28	HS	Holder, yes.
29	CR	Do you have any partners in the business with you?
30	HS	No.

	Person Speaking	Commentary
1	CR	So, it is just you?
2	HS	Yes.
3	CR	Is it a Limited Company?
4	HS	It is a Limited Company.
5	CR	What is the name of the Limited Company?
6	HS	U7 Limited.
7	CR	When did you become the owner, Director of the business?
8	HS	I set up as a Limited Company back in November, I think, November.
9	CR	How did you come into possession of the premises?
10	HS	A friend of mine holds the Freehold to the land and they had an opportunity
11		to convert the actual building into something similar to what I have got
12		before.
13	CR	So, the premises you got before, is it a similar operation?
14	HS	So, it's a cafe as well.
15	CR	Like a cafe, like a breakfast cafe or a lounge style cafe, just what kind of
16		operation?
17	HS	It's a cafe, hot food, cold food, hot drink, cold drinks; we've also got a
18		Premises Licence.
19	CR	What time does that close, roughly?
20	HS	8 pm.
21	CR	So, how would you describe, sort of, U7 Lounge in operation then?
22	HS	Currently we are running as a, sort of, work space, lounge, cafe, restaurant.
23		It is everything really.
24	CR	So, it is multipurpose?
25	HS	Yes, exactly that.
26	CR	Since you started, how would you say the business has been; has it been
27		good, bad?
28	HS	Trading wise, or?
29	CR	Trading wise.

	Person Speaking	Commentary
1	HS	Trading wise it is pretty quiet, at the moment, new business, so, it is to be
2		expected. We are getting ourselves out there, making ourselves known to
3		people, obviously not in the best of ways sometimes but we are doing a lot of
4		work with other companies, other charities, we are just trying to establish
5		ourselves.
6	CR	Have you got any relationship with the neighbours, or?
7	HS	Residential, no, well, it is a bad relationship with neighbours. So, when we
8		started the building works on the property; they were used to a quiet life and
9		when we have gone in to actually make the property soundproof, heatproof;
10		to make it up to standard, they wasn't happy with it. They liked it being
11		empty underneath, so we have gone in to make the property habitual in a
12		way because it was derelict for a long time and not looked after for a long,
13		long time.
14	CR	Are you responsible for the day to day running of the business?
15	HS	Yes.
16	CR	How often are you at the premises?
17	HS	All the time.
18	CR	Every day it is open?
19	HS	Yes.
20	CR	From open to close?
21	HS	Yes.
22	CR	I have got a copy of the Premises Licence; can you just, sort of, explain to me
23		what you understand about the Premises Licence? I have a copy of it if you
24		wish to view it. For the benefit of the tape, I have given a copy of the
25		Premises Licence to Ms Hande Sezgin and Mr Muirhead. What is your
26		understanding of Licensing and how to you perceive it?
27	HS	It is what I am allowed and what I am not allowed to do within that premises.
28		So, it outlines, you know, what I can and cannot do, pretty much.
29	CR	In relation to the incident that we are talking about, that we have invited you
30		here to discuss, I will go through some of the history, so, previously in 2019,
31		on 11 th July, Council Officers visited the premises and noted a music style
32		event was taking place.
33	HS	It wasn't an event, it was a music video; it was pre-filmed.

	Person Speaking	Commentary
1	CR	Okay, so, at that time they did notice a bar area inside the premises.
2		Following this, my colleague, Mr Tuitt, wrote on the 19 th July in relation to
3		the visit and in particular Condition 31.
4	HS	Sorry, I made a mistake there; the date you are talking about, the 11 th July.
5	CR	11 th July 2019.
6	HS	Yes, we had a music event on then but it wasn't a video.
7	CR	So it was a music event on that day.
8	HS	Yes.
9	CR	As I was saying, my colleague wrote to you in relation to Condition 31. You
10		can refer to Condition 31.
11	HS	Yes, I know what it is.
12	CR	Can you tell me if you have put any measures in place to get the staff to
13		comply with Condition 31?
14	HS	'Staff are always given training in regards to how to deal with customers,
15		what they are allowed to do and what they are not allowed to do; on this
16		case it was overlooked, for whatever reason, I cannot pin point why it was
17		done.
18	CR	When you are saying 'it was overlooked', are you referring to – because right
19		now I am referring to 11 th July, so, are you saying it was overlooked on 11 th
20		July 2019?
21	HS	By the staff member, yes.
22	CR	Condition 31?
23	HS	Yes.
24	CR	Okay, so that was not adhered to on 11 th July?
25	HS	Not on the 11 th , no.
26	CR	Okay, so; I do have a copy of the letter. For the benefit of the tape, I am
27		handing Exhibit CR1, a copy of the letter my colleague, Mr Tuitt, sent to the
28		Licensee Holder, Ms Sezgin, regarding the visit that took place on 11 th July
29		2019. Since receipt of that letter, can you tell me, in detail, how the premises
30		operated since you have received that letter from my colleague, Mr Tuitt?
31	HS	Okay, so, the staff members have all been re-trained as to how to deal with
32		customers, that they need to take a substantial meal, again, the reason being
33		that we assume every customer that walks through our door – because we

**Person
Speaking**

Commentary

- 1 not advertising as a bar, we assume that every customer that comes in is
2 going to sit down and eat, even if they take the menu, have a drink first and
3 then sit down and then we expect them to come up; we go to them to take
4 their order and in that case no food was asked for. So, now, we have made it
5 so that every staff member knows that when someone is asking for a drink
6 that they know they need to buy a substantial meal. So, it has been re-
7 trained to staff and we have got notices around our area stating that, so
8 customers know as well, when they walk in, that it is not just a bar, it is
9 somewhere to eat.
- 10 CR When you say you have re-trained the staff, would you describe it as – is it
11 like a formal training where they sign something after?
- 12 HS Yes, so they have been given contracts and it has been outlined that, the
13 exact quotes that they need to know and they sign their contracts after and
14 that is to state that they understood.
- 15 CR It is documented that they have been trained and they understand the
16 Conditions of the Licence?
- 17 HS Yes.
- 18 CR I will just draw your attention to Exhibit CR3, this is the original Application
19 for the premises. I have given a copy, for the benefit of the tape, of CR3
20 which is original Application for the premises. If I just draw your attention to
21 – if you turn the page and you see a highlighted text with a description of the
22 premises – and in the description for the premises it does, sort of, indicate
23 that you intend to operate a bar.
- 24 HS That was our original Application.
- 25 CR Have you not operated as a bar since getting the Licence, or; if that is your
26 original Application, you have got Condition 31, exactly how was the business
27 operated since before 11th July 2019? Has it operated as a bar?
- 28 HS Not technically, no. So, people are coming in; it is like a work space as well
29 now. So, since our original Application got refused we re-evaluated the type
30 of business we want to run and we worked through [genre] Application.
- 31 CR For the planning?
- 32 HS Yes, to have it as a multi-use purpose space. Yes, we have got a bar, we have
33 got a kitchen facility to supply food and alcohol but also as a cafe and a work
34 space as well.
- 35 CR What is the current status of your planning for the premises?
- 36 HS That is what we have got; those [genre], that is what we use now.

	Person Speaking	Commentary
1	CR	With you using it as a multi-use premises, is it always a restaurant or is it a
2		bar sometimes?
3	HS	No, our opening hours is always multi-use so you can come in at 9 o'clock at
4		night and sit with your lap top and work.
5	CR	Our concerns are mainly around your Licence and the Licence to do with
6		retail of alcohol, so, essentially what I am asking you is, are alcohol sales
7		conducted without food?
8	HS	No, there is always food with alcohol.
9	CR	And prior to 11 th July?
10	HS	As well, yes.
11	CR	There is always food with alcohol?
12	HS	Yes.
13	CR	I will move on to 11 th December 2019 which is when Council Officers actually
14		conducted a test purchase of alcohol without food from the premises. For
15		the benefit of the tape, I am giving a copy of Exhibit CR2 to Mr Muirhead and
16		Ms Sezgin which shows a photograph of the alcohol that was purchased in
17		the premises without a meal required by Condition 31. So, can you elaborate
18		first what may have happened on that day?
19	HS	I wasn't aware of that date, why that would happen. We would have had our
20		policies in place with the staff for meals to be – our signposted would be all
21		over the place as well so I am unsure why that would have happened again.
22	CR	Okay. As soon as we contacted you to invite you in to this interview and we
23		have mentioned that this sale took place, have you put any further measures
24		in place inside the premises?
25	HS	Yes, so staff were trained as soon as I found out about this and, I don't know,
26		staff were just re-trained as to why this should not happen.
27	CR	Okay, so, we are going to move on to the Minor Variation Application
28		received which, I believe, was to try and remove Condition 31 from the
29		Premises Licence. For the benefit of the tape I am giving a copy of Exhibit
30		CR5 to Mr Muirhead and Ms Sezgin which is a copy of the Minor Variation
31		Application which seeks to remove Condition 31. In the Minor Variation, you
32		are seeking to remove Condition 31, so, why would you like to remove
33		Condition 31?
34	HS	Because I didn't want something like this to happen again. Even if I am – I am
35		on the premises almost all day, every day, but there are points when I am
36		not, obviously to get stock and stuff, so, things like this I don't want to

Person Speaking	Commentary
1 2 3 4	happen again and even though staff are being trained, if I am not there to know what they are doing constantly, unless I am the person serving, my concern was this could happen again, so, if I made the Minor Variation that this would not be an issue then.
5 CR	Okay.
6 7 8 9 10 11	To try and eliminate this issue, because we do – again – we have people coming in, use it as a work space, wanting a drink as well, without food and, so, the amount of customers we are turning away, just on that basis, just to try and start a new business, it is quite hard at the moment. So, that was the initial reason why I wanted to have the Minor Variation, to not have this issue.
12 CR	Are you aware that the Variation has been refused?
13 HS	Refused, yes.
14 CR 15	So, if Officers were to visit the premises at some time in the future and test Condition 31 again, what would happen?
16 HS 17	There would not be an issue because food is being served and every customer is being told that they need to take a substantial meal.
18 CR 19	Okay, are there any further comments you want to add around what we have discussed already?
20 HS 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30	No, obviously I am just trying to make a living; starting my own business. It is hard going at some points as well and obviously we need to stick to rules and regulations on a daily basis and that is how we are moving forward, to constantly reiterate it to our staff, our customers, so that they – especially if we are getting regular customers in – to know that is the type of business we are operating, rather than it just being a bar. We never wanted to push it to just be a bar and now the staff know this as well, so, moving forward it should not be an issue again, in a sense, because, again, I want to be there. This is my livelihood and I am leading to be there for a long, long time as a business owner, so, to try and disrupt that in any sort of way is not my intention at all.
31 CR 32 33	Okay, so, what I will say is; if you are seeking to vary the Condition you would probably need a Full Variation Application to go through that entire process in order to – if you wish to remove that Condition.
34 HS	Which I have been told that, yes.
35 CR	Mr Tuitt, do you have any further questions?
36 DT 37	It is not so much a question; just to be very clear in what Condition 31 – what it says is:- “Intoxicating liquor shall not be sold, supplied or consumed

**Person
Speaking**

Commentary

- 1 otherwise than to persons who are taking a substantial meal from the menu
2 and that the consumption of alcohol by such persons is ancillary to taking
3 such meals". So, the person is taking the meal and then they can order
4 alcohol, rather than they order alcohol and they are told that they should
5 have a meal, so, this Condition; the expectation is that it is a restaurant style
6 operation, so, customers go to the premises, they may be seated, may not be
7 seated, but, if they are going to take a meal then they can have alcohol. So,
8 the alcohol sales are ancillary to the meal and it is not the other way around,
9 so, you have just got to be really clear on that.
- 10 HS Okay.
- 11 DT The last part of the Condition is that "The supply of alcohol shall be by
12 waitress service only", so, that is – customers at the seat being served by a
13 waitress or waiter; they come up to them, may hand them the menu, they
14 order – they order food – they order drink and they might order a drink while
15 they are looking at the menu – that sort of thing. That is the style of
16 operation that Condition expects.
- 17 HS So, a restaurant, basically?
- 18 DT A restaurant, yes.
- 19 HS Okay, so that is maybe what I need to do in the Variation, is change it to a
20 restaurant.
- 21 DT Well, you have got it as a restaurant now.
- 22 HS Okay.
- 23 DT Or this Condition applies- implies – restaurant style operation, so, if you
24 wanted to change that you would need to seek some sort of Variation and
25 have that approved by the Council or whoever, but, that is just to make it
26 clear on what the expectation of that is.
- 27 HS Okay.
- 28 CR Is there anything further?
- 29 DT No.
- 30 CR Do you have any questions for us?
- 31 SOL Just clarification on the way - in terms of serving alcohol – so, clear waiter or
32 waitress approaches client – or customer, sorry, says, 'What would you like to
33 order, would you like to see our menu?'. If the customer, at that point, says,
34 'Yes, I would like to order but I would like to order drinks first' – that often
35 happens in restaurants; what is the position in terms of what staff are
36 supposed to do?

	Person Speaking	Commentary
1	CR	If they make it clear to them that they have to have food as well and they can have a drink and get food after then that is fine.
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3	SOL	That is fine, okay.
4	CR	Because that is a restaurant style.
5	SOL	Yes. No, no, just in terms of training and making sure that staff members and everybody knows that.
6		
7	CR	As my colleague explained, alcohol is ancillary to food.
8	DT	Yes, so you would go into a restaurant, isn't it; you sit down, you get given the menu.
9		
10	SOL	Yes, given the menu, they say 'Do you want drinks?'
11	DT	They says 'Do you want a drink or you choose', - go away, come back with the drinks; 'Are you ready to order?', yes, no; if not they go away and come back again and you are ready to order.
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14	SOL	No problem.
15	HS	Say at one point they say 'No, we are not interested' and just leave?
16	DT	To be fair, if we were testing that, I think we would take that into consideration around how that order is made, but, generally, people sit down – I would say, generally – if they sat down, they are looking at the menu and the expectation is that they would then order a meal.
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20	CR	So, just before I conclude the interview; if I could get you to sign the Notice of Rights and I will sign it as well and I will also give you a letter about how you can get a copy of the recording if you want.
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23	HS	Okay.
24	CR	For the benefit of the tape, I am handing Ms Sezgin a Notice of Rights of Entitlement under the PACE Codes 1984. What I will also do; I will give you a copy of this letter and this shows, in there, information of how you can obtain a copy of the recording if you wish.
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28	HS	Okay.
29	CR	The time is now 11.34 am and I am going to stop the interview.
30	INTERVIEW CONCLUDED	
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↳ Hackney
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Application for a minor variation to a premises licence or club premises certificate under the Licensing Act 2003

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Before completing this form please read the Guidance Notes at the end of the form, especially Note 1.

If you are completing this form by hand please write legibly in block capitals. In all cases ensure that your answers are inside the boxes and in black ink. Use additional sheets if necessary.

Once completed please send your application to the relevant licensing authority. You may wish to keep a copy of the completed form for your records.

Hande Sezgin

(Insert name(s) of applicant)

being the premises licence holder(s)/club holding a club premises certificate, apply to vary a premises licence under section 41A/club premises certificate under section 86A of the Licensing Act 2003 for the premises described in Part 1 below.

Part 1 – Premises Details

Postal address of premises or, if none, ordnance survey map reference or description

UNIT 7 CANALSIDE STUDIOS
2 4 ORSMAN ROAD
HACKNEY

Post town LONDON

Postcode E14 8nu

Telephone number at premises (if any)

Premises licence number/club premises certificate number

091178

Brief description of premises (Please see Guidance Note 2)
CAFE/BAR/LOUNGE/WORKSPACE

Part 2 – Applicant Details

I am/we are the premises licence holder/club premises certificate holder. (Please delete as appropriate)

Contact phone number in working hours (if any)

[REDACTED]

Applicant Postal address IF DIFFERENT FROM PREMISES ADDRESS

Hande Sezgin

[REDACTED]

UK-England

Post town
LONDON

Postcode
E14 [REDACTED]

Please provide email address if you would prefer us to contact you by email (optional)

[REDACTED]

Part 3 – Proposed variation(s)

Please tick

Do you want the proposed variation to have effect as soon as possible?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If not, from what date do you want the variation to take effect?	
Do you want the proposed variation to have effect in relation to the introduction of the late night levy (Please see guidance note 3)	Yes
	No

Please describe the proposed variation(s) in detail in the box below and explain why you consider that they could not have an adverse effect on the promotion of any of the licensing objectives (See Guidance Note 1). This should include whether new or increased levels of licensable activities will be taking place indoors or outdoors (indoors may include a tent):

Details of proposed variation(s) (Please see Guidance Note 4)
WE WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO SELL ALCOHOL AS A TAKE AWAY (OFF LICENSE). THIS IS DUE TO POPULAR DEMAND FROM THE LOCAL AREA AS WELL AS THE CURRENT PANDEMIC SITUATION AFFECTING OUR BUSINESS SALES WHICH ARE CURRENTLY DOWN BY 100%. WE ARE LOOKING AT OPENING SOON AS A TAKE AWAY SERVICE BUT NEED TO BE ABLE TO OFFER ALCOHOL SALES ALSO.

Details of proposed variation(s) (Continued)

Part 4 – Operating Schedule

Please tick those parts of the Operating Schedule which would be subject to change if this application to vary were successful.

Provision of regulated entertainment	Please tick all that apply
(a) plays	<input type="checkbox"/>
(b) films	<input type="checkbox"/>
(c) indoor sporting events	<input type="checkbox"/>
(d) boxing or wrestling entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/>
(e) live music	<input type="checkbox"/>
(f) recorded music	<input type="checkbox"/>
(g) performances of dance	<input type="checkbox"/>
(h) anything of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Provision of late night refreshment	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sale by retail of alcohol	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(Note that this can only relate to reducing licensed hours or moving them without any overall increase between 7am and 11pm)	

Please tick to indicate you have enclosed the following:

I have enclosed the premises licence/club premises certificate	
I have enclosed the relevant part of the premises licence/club premises certificate	
I have included a copy of the plan (this is necessary if the proposed variation will affect the layout)	

If you have not ticked one of the previous three boxes, please explain why in the box below.

Reasons why you have not enclosed the premises licence/club premises certificate or relevant parts.

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Any further information to support your application. (See Guidance Note 6)

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CHECKLIST:

Please tick to indicate agreement

• I have made or enclosed payment of the fee; or	
• I have not made or enclosed the payment of the fee because this application has been made in relation to the introduction of the late night levy.	<input type="checkbox"/>
• I have enclosed the plan, if appropriate, of the premises in scale [1mm to 100mm], unless otherwise agreed with the licensing authority.	
• I have enclosed the premises licence/club premises certificate or relevant part of it or provided an explanation.	
• I understand that if I do not comply with the above requirements my application will be rejected.	
• I understand that I am required to advertise my application by posting a white notice at or on the premises for ten consecutive days commencing on, and including the day after the day when my application is given to the licensing authority.	

IT IS AN OFFENCE, UNDER SECTION 158 OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003, TO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT IN OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS APPLICATION. THOSE WHO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT MAY BE LIABLE ON SUMMARY CONVICTION TO A FINE OF ANY AMOUNT.

Part 5 – Signatures and Contact Details
(See Guidance Note 7)

Premises Licence: Signature of applicant (the current premises licence holder) or applicant's solicitor or other duly authorised agent (see Guidance Note 8). If signing on behalf of the applicant, please state your name and in what capacity you are authorised to sign:

Signature	Hande Sezgin
Date	11/5/2020
Capacity	London

Where the premises licence is jointly held, signature of 2nd applicant (the current premises licence holder) or 2nd applicant's solicitor or other authorised agent (See Guidance Note 9). If signing on behalf of the applicant, please state in what capacity.

Signature	London
Date	11/5/2020
Capacity	London

Where the premises are a club

I (insert full name) Hande Sezgin make this application on behalf of the club and have Authority to bind the club.	
Signature	London
Date	11/5/2020
Capacity	London

Contact name (where not previously given) and address for correspondence associated with this application. (See Guidance Note 10) Premises Address	
UK-England	
Post town	Postcode

STATEMENT OF WITNESS

(C.J. Act 1967 W.9, M.C. Act 1980 s.s.5A (3) (a) & 5B; M.C. Rules 1981 R.70)

STATEMENT OF	Samantha MATHYS
AGE OF WITNESS	Over 18
OCCUPATION OF WITNESS	Late Night Levy Manager
ADDRESS	Hackney Service Centre 1 Hillman Street, London E8 1DY

This statement (consisting of 1 page signed by me) is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything which I know to be false or do not believe it to be true.

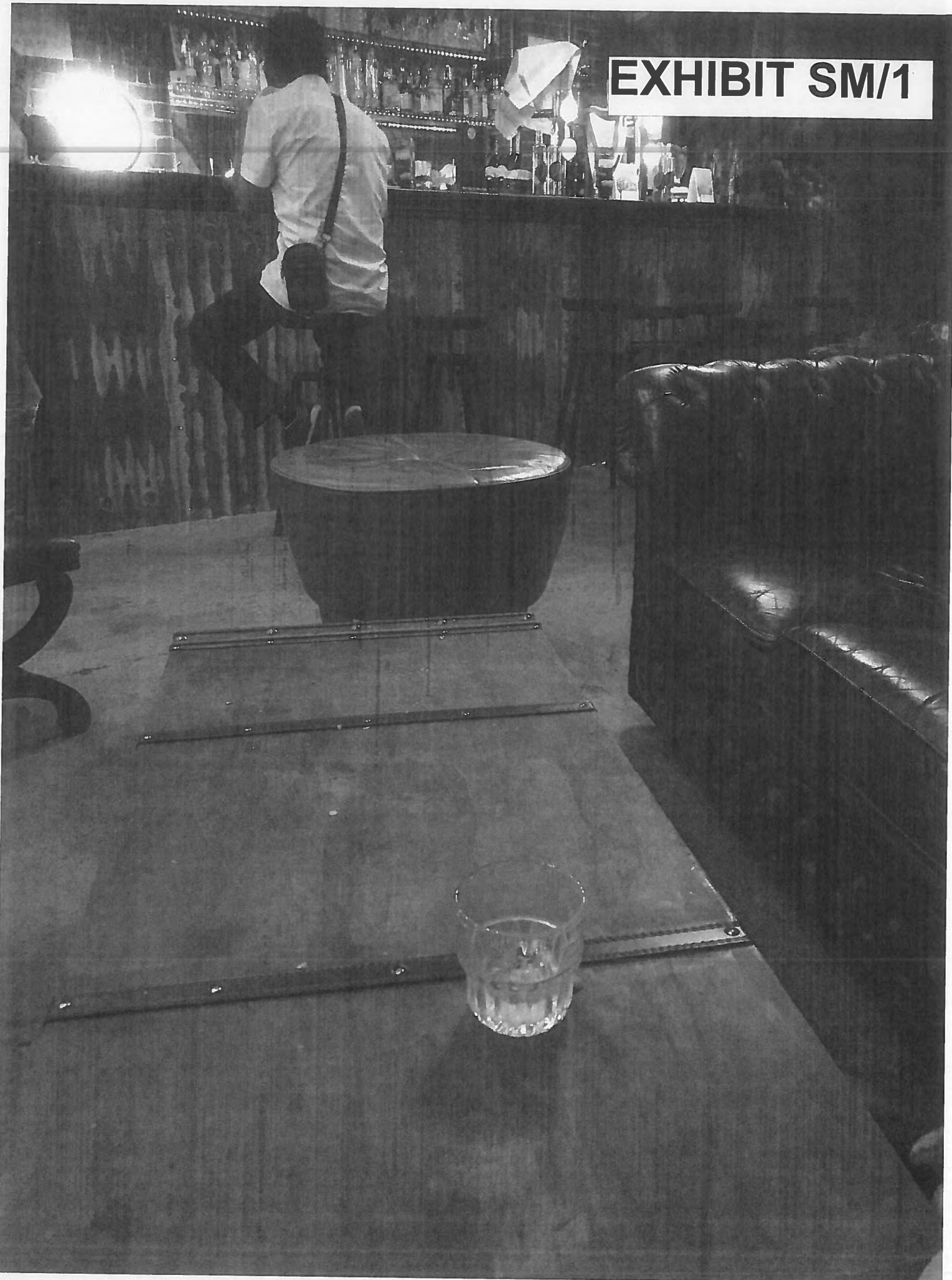
I am employed by the London Borough of Hackney as the Late Night Levy Manager Community, and part of my duties are to assist in the discharge of functions under the Licensing Act 2003.

On Friday 17th July 2020 I visited the premises known as "U7 Lounge", Unit 7, 2-4 Orsman Road, London N1 5QJ. I arrived at the premises at 21:32 and was accompanied by David TUITT, Business Regulation Team Leader, Licensing and Technical Support. I entered the premises whilst Mr TUITT waited outside. Upon entry, I noted there were 3 people in the premises. I approached the bar and ordered half a lager from the female bar tender. I was told there was no beer on draught so I ordered a gin and tonic instead. I was told there was no ice but I said that was fine. As I was handed the drink I was told it was £7.50. I paid for this using a £10 note and I was given £2 and £0.50p in change. I was not given a receipt. I took a photograph of the drink I had purchased. A print out of this photograph is attached as Exhibit SM/1. The female bartender that served me can be seen to the left of the photograph. I finished the drink and left the premises at 21:38.

SIGNED

DATE: 24/07/2020

EXHIBIT SM/1





APPENDIX B

This premises licence has been issued by:

Licensing Service
1 Hillman Street
London E8 1DY

PART A – PREMISES LICENCE

Premises Licence Number

091178

Part 1 – Premises details

Unit 7
2-4 Orsman Road
Hackney
London
N1 5QJ

Where the licence is time limited the dates

Not Applicable

Licensable activities authorised by the licence

Recorded Music
Late Night Refreshment
Supply of Alcohol

The times the licence authorises the carrying out of licensable activities

Recorded Music **Standard Hours:**

INDOOR:
Mon 12:00-23:30
Tue 12:00-23:30
Wed 12:00-23:30
Thu 12:00-23:30
Fri 12:00-23:30
Sat 12:00-23:30
Sun 12:00-23:30

Late Night Refreshment **Standard Hours:**

INDOOR:
Mon 23:00-23:30
Tue 23:00-23:30
Wed 23:00-23:30

Thu 23:00-23:30
Fri 23:00-23:30
Sat 23:00-23:30
Sun 23:00-23:30

Supply of Alcohol Standard Hours:

Mon 12:00-23:30
Tue 12:00-23:30
Wed 12:00-23:30
Thu 12:00-23:30
Fri 12:00-23:30
Sat 12:00-23:30
Sun 12:00-23:30

The opening hours of the premises

Standard Hours:

Mon 12:00-00:00
Tue 12:00-00:00
Wed 12:00-00:00
Thu 12:00-00:00
Fri 12:00-00:00
Sat 12:00-00:00
Sun 12:00-00:00

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

On Premises

Part 2 –

Name, (registered) address, telephone number and e-mail (where relevant) of holder of premises licence

Miss Hande Sezgin
70 Bowsprit Point
167 Wetsferry Road
London
E14 8NU

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

Not Applicable

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

Miss Hande Sezgin

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

Date of Grant: 18 December 2017

Signed:

**David Tuitt
Team Leader - Licensing**

Annex 1 - Mandatory Conditions

Supply of Alcohol

1. No supply of alcohol may be made under the premises licence:
 - (a) At a time when there is no designated premises supervisor in respect of the premises licence.
 - (b) At a time when the designated premises supervisor does not hold a personal licence or his personal licence is suspended.
2. Every supply of alcohol under the premises licence must be made or authorised by a person who holds a personal licence.
3. (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).
4. The responsible person must ensure that free potable water is provided on request to customers where it is reasonably available.
- 5.5.1. 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 sales or supply of alcohol.
- 5.2 The designated premises supervisor in relation to the premises licences must ensure that the supply of alcohol at the premises is carried on in accordance with the age verification policy.
- 5.3. 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

6. 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:

- beer or cider: 1/2 pint;
- gin, rum, vodka or whisky: 25ml or 35ml; and
- still wine in a glass: 125ml; and

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.

Minimum Drinks Pricing

7. 7.1 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.

7.2 For the purposes of the condition set out in paragraph 7.1 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 - $P = D + (D \times V)$

Where -

(i) P is the permitted price,

(ii) D is the rate 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.

7.3 Where the permitted price given by Paragraph 7.2(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.

7.4 (1) Sub-paragraph 7.4(2) below applies where the permitted price given by Paragraph 7.2(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.

Annex 2 – Conditions consistent with the Operating Schedule

8. The premises shall maintain a comprehensive CCTV system as per the minimum requirements of a Metropolitan Police Crime Prevention Officer. All public areas, 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. Recordings shall be made available immediately upon the request of Police or authorised officer.
9. A clear and legible notice outside the premises indicating the normal hours under the terms of the premises licence during which licensable activities are permitted.
10. An incident log shall be kept at the premises, and made available immediately to an authorised officer of the Hackney Borough Council or the Police, which will record the following:
 - a. All crimes reported to the venue
 - b. Any complaints received
 - c. Any incidents of disorder
 - d. Any faults in the CCTV system
 - e. Any refusal of the sale of alcohol
 - f. Any visit by a relevant authority or emergency service
11. Prominent, clear and legible notices will be displayed at the exit requesting the public to respect the needs of nearby residents and to leave the premises and the area quietly.
12. The movement of bins and rubbish outside the premises will be kept to a minimum after 11.00pm.
13. Adequate waste receptacles for use by customers will be provided in the local vicinity.
14. "Challenge 25" to operate at premises with signage displayed advising that anyone who is over 18 but looks under 25 to carry acceptable ID (a card bearing the PASS hologram, a photographic driving license or a passport) if they wish to buy alcohol. No noise shall emanate from the premises nor vibration be transmitted through the structure of the premises which may give rise to a nuisance
15. The applicant shall adequately ventilate the premises to allow doors and windows to remain closed during licensed entertainment.

16. The applicant shall close all entrance doors and windows when regulated entertainment takes place except for immediate access and egress of persons.
17. The applicant shall install a sound limiter device set by a registered member of the Institute of Acoustics and maintain to ensure that the music do not give rise to a nuisance to nearby residents and in the vicinity.
18. The applicant shall prominently display clearly legible signage at all patrons exits requesting that patrons leave the premises in a quiet and orderly manner that is respectful to the neighbours.
19. The applicant shall keep all the highway and public spaces in the immediate vicinity of the premises free from litter emanating from the premises while the premises are open.
20. There shall be no deliveries or collection between 22:00 -07:00 hours Monday-Sunday
21. The applicant shall properly present and place out all waste for collection no earlier than 30 minutes before collection times.
22. Light Installation at the premises shall not give rise to light nuisance to nearby residents
23. The extract system at the premises shall not give rise to noise and odour nuisance to nearby residents
24. There shall be no more than five persons permitted to smoke outside the premises at any one time after 22:00 hours
25. There shall be no glass, drinks or open containers taken outside of the premises at any time.
26. A staff member from the premises who is conversant with the operation of CCTV system shall be on the premises at all times when the premises are open to the public. This staff member shall be able to show Police or an authorised officer of Hackney Borough Council recent data or footage with the absolute minimum of delay when requested.
27. There shall be "CCTV in Operation" signs prominently displayed.
28. All instances of crime or disorder to be reported by the designated premises supervisor or responsible member of staff to an agreed police contact point, as agreed with the Police.

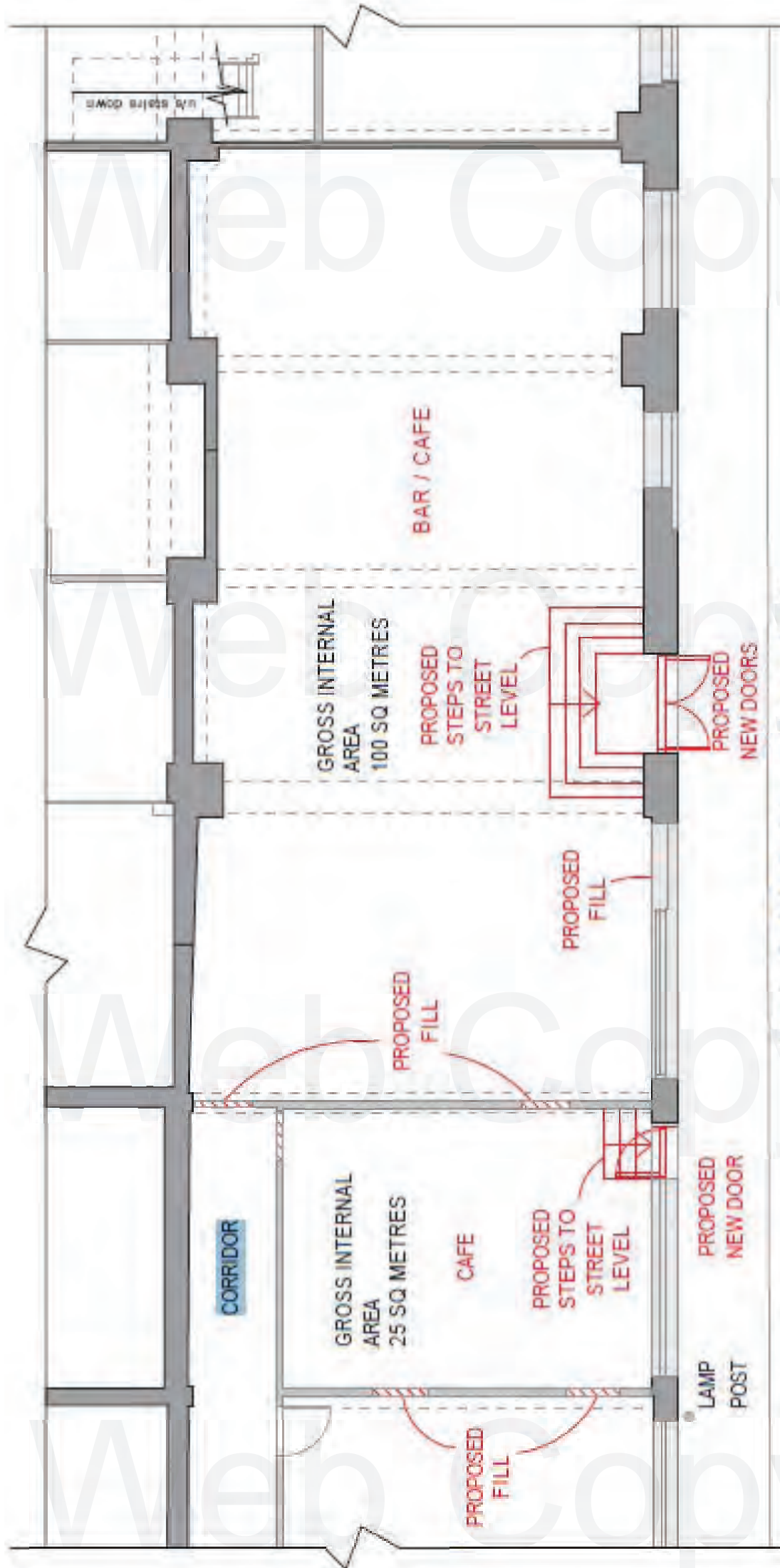
29. The premises will display and maintain appropriate signage advising customers of the contact details of the Designated Premises Supervisor/Duty Manager.
30. All staff will be given refresher training every twelve months on the legislation relating to the sales of alcohol to underage persons and drunken persons. Written records of this training shall be kept on the premises and produced to the Police or other authorised officer upon request.
31. Intoxicating liquor shall not be sold, supplied or consumed otherwise than to persons who are taking a substantial meal from the menu and that the consumption of alcohol by such persons is ancillary to taking such meals. The supply of alcohol shall be by waiter/waitress service only.
32. The premises shall adhere to Hackney Police Weapons and Drugs Policies and any updates thereof
33. When the licensable area is being used for licensable activities the capacity be restricted to a maximum of 40 patrons at any one time.
34. A revised plan outlining the reduced licensable area. The new area is delineated in the enlarged plan showing the Kitchen/Reception to the Office/Store room. The Office/Store room will become an extension of the public seating area and the revised plan will also identify the new entrance, which will be sited next to the lift shaft.

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

Not Applicable

Annex 4 – Plans

PLAN/091178/041018



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PROPOSALS SHOWN IN RED

ORSMAN ROAD

U/L staircase down

CORRIDOR

GROSS INTERNAL AREA 25 SQ METRES

CAFE

PROPOSED STEPS TO STREET LEVEL

PROPOSED FILL

PROPOSED NEW DOOR

LAMP POST

GROSS INTERNAL AREA 100 SQ METRES

BAR / CAFE

PROPOSED STEPS TO STREET LEVEL

PROPOSED FILL

PROPOSED NEW DOORS



APPENDIX C1

RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY REPRESENTATION: APPLICATION UNDER THE LICENSING ACT 2003

RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY DETAILS

NAME OF AUTHORITY	Environmental Protection Team
ADDRESS OF AUTHORITY	Environmental Protection team 1 Hillman Street London E8 1DY
CONTACT NAME	Olalekan Olaosebikan
TELEPHONE NUMBER	020 8356 4658
E-MAIL ADDRESS	olalekan.olaosebikan@hackney.gov.uk

APPLICATION PREMISES

NAME & ADDRESS OF PREMISES	Unit 7, 2-4 Orsman Road, Hackney, London, N1 5FB
NAME OF APPLICANT	

COMMENTS

I make the following relevant representations in relation to the above application.

- the prevention of crime and disorder
- public safety
- the prevention of public nuisance **x**
- the protection of children from harm

Representations (which include comments and/or objections) in relation to:

I am writing to make a representation in relation to this application. The proposal could lead to a negative impact on the promotion of the licensing objectives, in particular, the prevention of public nuisance.

The above representations are supported by the following evidence and information.

The Environmental Protection Team in the past received complaints about noise from the patrons outside the premises and loud music that emanated from the premises. Hence, a noise abatement notice was served in April 2019.

Are there any actions or measures that could be taken to allay concerns or objections? If so, please explain.

The licensee is to contact the Environmental Protection Team or Olalekan Olaosebikan to discuss noise mitigation measures to prevent further noise impact on the residents near the premises.

Date: 02/09/2020

APPENDIX C2

RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY REPRESENTATION: APPLICATION UNDER THE LICENSING ACT 2003

RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY DETAILS

NAME OF AUTHORITY	Metropolitan Police service
ADDRESS OF AUTHORITY	Licensing Unit, Stoke Newington Police Station 33 Stoke Newington High Street London N16 8DS
CONTACT NAME	PC 3691CE Kerrie RYAN
TELEPHONE NUMBER	020 7275 3022
E-MAIL ADDRESS	hackneylicensing@met.police.uk

APPLICATION PREMISES

NAME & ADDRESS OF PREMISES	U7 Lounge 2-4 Orsman Road London N1 5FB
NAME OF PREMISES USER	Hande SEZGIN

COMMENTS

I make the following relevant representations in relation to the above application to vary the Premises Licence at the above address.

- 1) the prevention of crime and disorder ◆
- 2) public safety
- 3) the prevention of public nuisance ◆
- 4) the protection of children from harm

Representations (which include comments and/or objections) in relation to:

Police make the following comments in relation to the application to review the Premises Licence at U7 LOUNGE, 2-4 ORSMAN ROAD, LONDON, N1 5FB by Hackney Licensing Authority for the following reason(s);

This review application has been made by London Borough of Hackney Licensing enforcement officers due to complaints received by residents. Police have been made aware of these complaints and have visited the premises since licenced premises re-opened in July 2020.

On 5th July 2020 at 1919hrs, police attended this premises to conduct a licensing visit. As we arrived at the premises we could see a large printed banner hung above the door advertising 'Take Away Beers and Food'. This premises did not have the authority to sell alcohol for consumption at the premises. The manager/DPS was advised accordingly and police left the venue. It was noted that when police passed by a couple of days later, the banner had been removed. (See Photo 1 attached)

On 17th July 2020, police attended the premises again. As they approached from the other side of the canal, several people could be seen in the rear garden of the premises consuming alcohol – this contrary to condition 25 that states that 'there shall be no glass, drinks or open containers taken outside the premises at any time'. Also, having looked closely at the picture, it is noted that these customers do not have any food – this is contrary to condition 31 states that 'Intoxicating liquor shall not be sold, supplied or consumed otherwise than to persons who are taking a substantial meal from the menu....' (See Photo 2 attached)

This area, previous to lockdown, was very busy, and several complaints were received from residents. Since licensed venues have re-opened the complaints have continued, despite the late night bars in the immediate vicinity remaining closed. Despite the visits to the premises by police, we have seen little improvement. It is very often the case that the premises have had someone stationed outside in anticipation of police arriving in order to warn the management inside.

Police note that an application to vary the licence has been received. Police have huge concerns around this for the reasons stated above.

The above representations are supported by the following evidence and information.

Are there any actions or measures that could be taken to allay concerns or objections? If so, please explain.

Signed
PC3691CE RYAN (By E-mail)

Name (printed)



**TAKE AWAY
BEERS &
FOOD**





Sanaria Hussain <sanaria.hussain@hackney.gov.uk>

Fwd: opposing Unit 7 Licensing

1 message

APPENDIX D1

Licensing (Shared Mailbox) <licensing@hackney.gov.uk>
To: Sanaria Hussain <sanaria.hussain@hackney.gov.uk>

20 August 2020 at 13:08

Kind Regards,

Licensing Service
London Borough of Hackney
Tel: 020 8356 2431
Email: licensing@hackney.gov.uk
www.hackney.gov.uk/licensing

----- Forwarded message -----

From: [REDACTED]
Date: Thu, 20 Aug 2020 at 13:03
Subject: opposing Unit 7 Licensing
To: licensing@hackney.gov.uk <licensing@hackney.gov.uk>

hi there

i wish to oppose Unit 7's Licence

I have complaint numerous times over the past years about the misconduct of Unit 7, and provided evidence of costumers drinking alcohol and speaking loudly on Orsman RD pavement, also of late night opening hours, noise and no social distancing there were advertisement of Unit 7 as a night club!

There has been no respect for the residents at Orsman RD. Orsman Rd in a narrow street (120meter from our door to Unit 7!) this is where working people live, and do not wish to be living next-to or under a night-club! Unit 7 has no respect for the residents next, opposite and above it.(We have a pub next door that understands and respects that.)

Unit 7 premises and the street is not suitable for an alcohol drinking facility (Unit 7's the intention was always and still is to make money out of selling alcohol and running a noisy late night club!)

During lockdown while everyone had to stay at home, Unit 7 staff kept No distance from each other, the business open with the staff going in and out of the premises every day- they do not reside here! And shouldn't have been here during that time.

I don't understand why the council would want to risk their many law-abiding resident's health, piece of mind and well being for the sake of one person (not local) who wants to make money from a night club? Why cant the guy not open a day time café without alcohol with late night openings?

[REDACTED]



Sanaria Hussain <sanaria.hussain@hackney.gov.uk>

Fwd: Unit 7, 2-4 Orsman Road party Friday night

1 message

Licensing (Shared Mailbox) <licensing@hackney.gov.uk>
To: Sanaria Hussain <sanaria.hussain@hackney.gov.uk>

20 August 2020 at 10:51

Kind Regards,

APPENDIX D2

Licensing Service
London Borough of Hackney
Tel: 020 8356 2431
Email: licensing@hackney.gov.uk
www.hackney.gov.uk/licensing

----- Forwarded message -----

[REDACTED].com>
Date: Wed, 19 Aug 2020 at 18:13
Subject: Fwd: [Unit 7, 2-4 Orsman Road](#) party Friday night
To: <licensing@hackney.gov.uk>
Cc: [REDACTED] >**RE: License Review for [Unit 7, 2-4 Orsman Road](#)**

Below is an email I have forwarded on as evidence of a recent event held at Unit 7 this year

As you can see there was an event held at Unit 7 on Friday 24th January, which breached the licensing regulations.

This was not the first time that this has happened. There are many incidents where the licensing agreement has been breached by the management of Unit 7. Where the Environmental team have been called out to deal with excessive noise and anti-social behaviour caused by events happening in Unit 7.

It's really important to the community that the Council is reviewing this license, as the license has been breached on many occasions, which as a resident I have witness, and has caused a lot of unnecessary and undue stress on the local residents and the surrounding local area.

kind regar [REDACTED]

Begin forwarded message:

From: [REDACTED]
Date: 25/01/2020
To: licensing@hackney.gov.uk, planning@hackney.gov.uk
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Unit 7 party Friday night**[Unit 7 2-6 Orsman Road](#)**

This is to notify Hackney Council Licensing department and Planning department that there was an event held at [Unit 7, 2-6 Orsman Road](#) Friday 24th from 9pm till the 2am at this location. A private party, with music.

The premisses does not permission to operate after 11pm on any night. The owner was in breach of Planning.

The premises does not have a license to sell alcohol after 11pm, so the owner was in breach of it's licensing permit.

Please can someone from Licensing respond to this email and acknowledge that it's been received and that the license department will work with the residents for the owner to not continue to operate how he likes in a neighbourhood that residents are living in and to continue to be in breach of it's license and planning.

best [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]



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Sanaria Hussain

From: Kam Adams (Cllr) <kam.adams@hackney.gov.uk>
Sent: 02 September 2020 19:03
To: David Tuitt
Subject: Fwd: Concerns over bar licensing application

APPENDIX D3

Hi David,

Hope you are well.

Please find below a written statement from one of the residents from [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Orsman Road objecting to the ongoing licence application and review of the premises licence of U7 Lounge (Licence 091178)

This resident doesn't want [REDACTED] identity revealed to the owners of U7 Lounge.

[REDACTED] wants the points raised in [REDACTED] email below to be taken into consideration in determining the outcome of this application.

Kind regards,

Kam.

----- Forwarded message -----

From: [REDACTED]
Date: Tue, 1 Sep 2020 at 21:57
Subject: Concerns over bar licensing application
To: <kam.adams@hackney.gov.uk>

Dear Councillor Adams,

I write in regards to a concern over potential noise, nuisance and disturbance of peace due to a local bar, which I hope you will be able to raise on my behalf in any discussions of its ongoing licence application and review. The premises in question is the U7 Lounge, 2-4 Orsman road, London, N15FB, which has applied for a licence variation, and is also subject to a licence review by the Licencing Authority.

I am resident at [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Orsman road, which faces on to a small car park. The U7 lounge recently installed an outside area, with seating and railings, just across the car park from my house. This outside area is no more than 15 metres from my front door, and obstructs access to a small garden area near the canal which has been enjoyed by local residents for many years.

The bar has a licence (licence number 091178), and in August applied for changes to this licence, to allow for the serving of alcohol outdoors in this area, along with playing music until 3am.

I believe this will impinge upon my right to live peacefully in my own home. I say this for two reasons:

1. Previously, prior to the seating area being installed, the bar has appeared to use the area as a smoking area late at night, allowing customers to congregate very close to my home, causing loud noise and nuisance. Further to this, the bar failed to stop some customers spreading out into the car park and sitting on seating outside residents' houses. They also appeared to be given the access code to a private gate to the car park.
2. During the summer of 2020, when the new seating area was installed, the bar served alcohol to customers outside for several days. Again, customers were loud very close to my home and again were using the car park gate to access the bar, sometimes carrying drinks. It later transpired the bar did not have the correct licence to be serving in this way, and were summarily asked to cease by the police.

Together, following these past events, I have a strong belief that a licence granted to the U7 Lounge now will mean a continued disturbance to peace and safety of myself and local residents. Given that the licence owners have previously illegally contravened their licence, and allowed customers to use the area in front of the house inappropriately, I do not have confidence that the licence holders will conduct the bar responsibly or respectfully of residents, or operate within the terms of their licence should they receive one.

I hope you will be able to raise these concerns on my behalf, as I do not feel comfortable raising these concerns publicly via a representation to the licence.

Please let me know if you require any further information from me as you raise the concern.

██████████
██████████

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Cllr Kam Adams

Speaker of Hackney

Councillor, Hoxton East & Shoreditch

020 8356 3373

kam.adams@hackney.gov.uk

www.welovehoxtonandshoreditch.blogspot.com

@welovehands



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He wants the points raised in his email below to be taken into consideration in determining the outcome of this application.

Kind regards,

Kam.

----- Forwarded message -----

From: [REDACTED]
Date: Tue, 1 Sep 2020 at 21:47
Subject: Concerns of disturbance of peace due to local bar licence application
To: kam.adams@hackney.gov.uk <kam.adams@hackney.gov.uk>

APPENDIX D4

Dear Councillor Adams,

I write in regards to a concern over potential noise, nuisance and disturbance of peace due to a local bar, which you will be able to raise on my behalf in any discussions of its ongoing licence application and review. The pre question is the U7 Lounge, 2-4 Orsman Rd, London N1 5FB, which has applied for a licence variation, and is subject to a licence review by the Licencing Authority.

I am resident at Unit [REDACTED] Orsman Road, which faces on to a small car park. The U7 lounge recently install outside area, with seating and railings, just across the car park from my house. This outside area is no more tl metres from my front door, and obstructs access to a small garden area near the canal which has been enjoyed by local residents for many years.

The bar has a licence (licence number 091178), and in August applied for changes to this licence, to allow for serving of alcohol outdoors in this area, along with playing music until 3am.

I believe this will impinge upon my right to live peacefully in my own home. I say this for two reasons:

1. Previously, prior to the seating area being installed, the bar has appeared to use the area as a smoking late at night, allowing customers to congregate very close to my home, causing loud noise and nuisance. Further to this, the bar failed to stop some customers spreading out into the car park and sitting on sea outside residents' houses. They also appeared to be given the access code to a private gate to the car park.
2. During the summer of 2020, when the new seating area was installed, the bar served alcohol to customers outside for several days. Again, customers were loud very close to my home and again were using the gate to access the bar, sometimes carrying drinks. It later transpired the bar did not have the correct licence to be serving in this way, and were summarily asked to cease by the police.

Together, following these past events, I have a strong belief that a licence granted to the U7 Lounge now will result in continued disturbance to peace and safety of myself and local residents. Given that the licence owners have previously illegally contravened their licence, and allowed customers to use the area in front of the house inappropriately, I do not have confidence that the licence holders will conduct the bar responsibly or respectfully towards local residents, or operate within the terms of their licence should they receive one.

I hope you will be able to raise these concerns on my behalf, as I do not feel comfortable raising these concerns publicly via a representation to the licence.

Please let me know if you require any further information from me as you raise the concern.

Kam.

----- Forwarded message -----

From: [REDACTED]
Date: Tue, 1 Sep 2020 at 22:04
Subject: Public Nuisance Concerns (Licence 091178)
To: Kam Adams (Cllr) <kam.adams@hackney.gov.uk>

APPENDIX D5

Dear Councillor Adams,

I am writing to express a concern over potential noise, nuisance and disturbance of peace due to a local bar, I hope you will be able to raise on my behalf in any discussions of its ongoing licence application and review. The premises is the U7 Lounge,

[2-4 Orsman Rd, London N1 5FB](#), which has applied for a licence variation, and is also subject to a licence review by the Licensing Authority.

I am a resident of Unit [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] [Orsman Road](#), which faces on to a small car park. The U7 lounge recently installed an outside area, with seating and railings, just across the car park from my house. This outside area is no more than 15 metres from front door, and obstructs access to a small garden area near the canal which has been enjoyed by local residents for many years.

The bar has a licence (licence number 091178), and in August applied for changes to the licence, to allow for the serving of alcohol outdoors in this area, along with playing music until 3am.

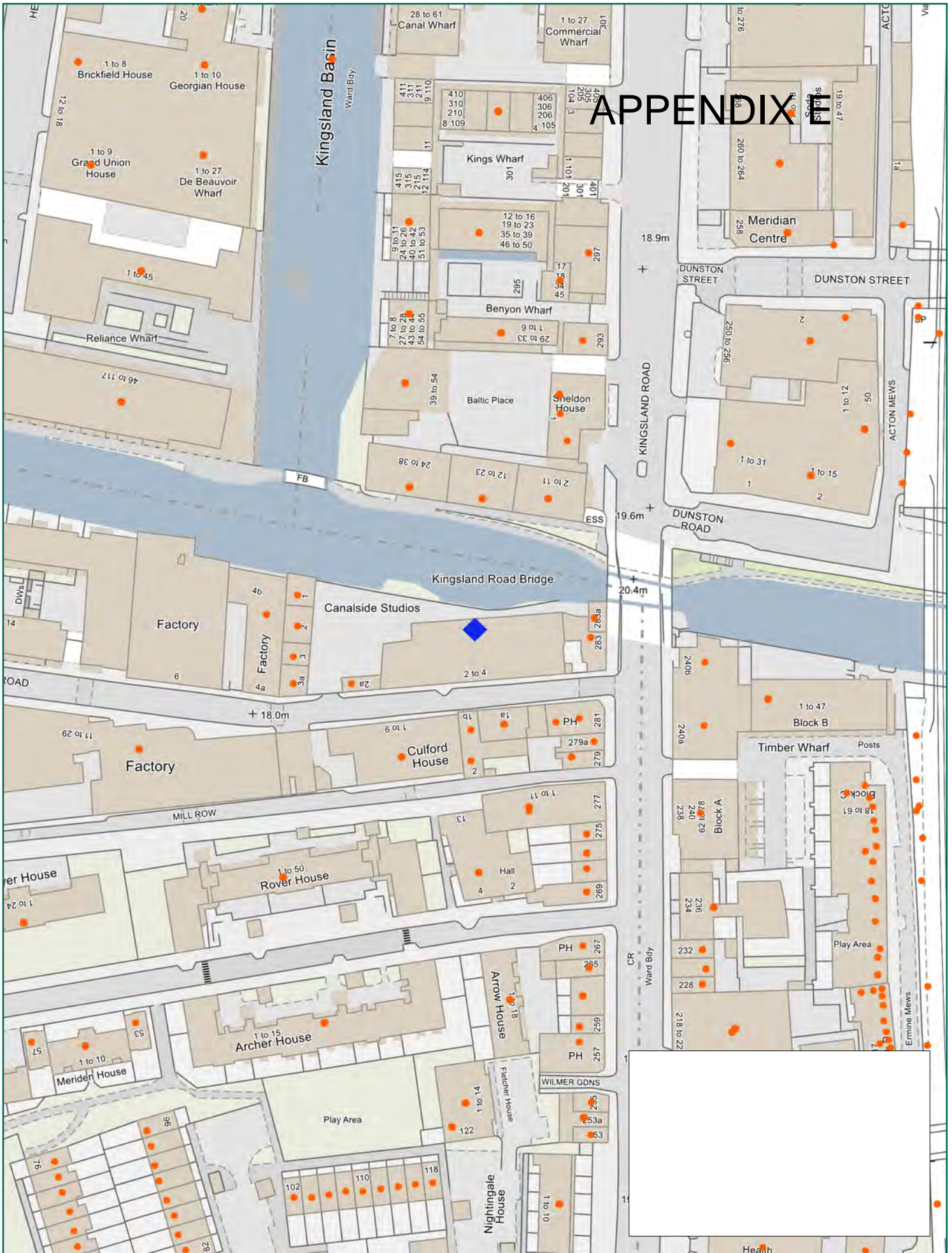
I believe this will impinge upon my right to live peacefully and feel safe in, and when accessing, my own home for the following reasons:

1. Previously, prior to the seating area being installed, the bar has appeared to use the area as a smoking area late at night, allowing customers to congregate very close to my home, causing loud noise and a nuisance. Further to this, the bar failed to stop some customers spreading out into the car park area sitting on seating outside residents' houses. They also appeared to be given the access code to a gate to the car park.
2. During the summer of 2020, when the new seating area was installed, the bar served alcohol to customers outside for several days. Again, customers were loud very close to my home, were not observing social distancing rules, and were using the car park gate to access the bar, sometimes consuming drinks. It later transpired the bar did not have the correct licence to be serving in this way, and has since been asked to cease by the authorities.

Given this previous experience of the bar operating I believe the granting of the licence variation will continue to pose a public nuisance and disturb the peace of residents, and I have little confidence that the licence holders will run the premises responsibly or respectfully towards residents and within the terms of any licence granted.

I therefore respectfully request that you raise these concerns on my behalf, as I do not feel able to openly express these concerns via a representation to the licence.

APPENDIX E



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U7 Lounge
2-4 Orsman Road



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