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<b>Meeting:</b>	Licensing Hearings Sub-Committee
<b>Meeting date:</b>	28 September 2023
<b>Title of report:</b>	An application from Greater Manchester Police for a Summary Review of the Premises Licence in respect of the Hub Bar, 1 Haslam Street, Bury
<b>Report by:</b>	Executive Director (Operations)
<b>Decision Type:</b>	Council
<b>Ward(s) to which report relates</b>	Moorside

**Executive Summary:**

This report relates to an application by the Chief Constable of Greater Manchester Police in respect of the licensed premises the Hub Bar, 1 Haslam Street, Bury, for a Summary Review of the Premises Licence and subsequent Review. The interim steps were taken in advance of this review in accordance with Sections 53A to 53C of the Licensing Act. The reason for the application is because the police believe that the premises are associated with serious crime and/or disorder.

**Recommendation**

**Options & recommended option**

- To modify the conditions of the licence
- To exclude the retail sale of alcohol from the licence
- To remove the Designated Premises Supervisor from the licence
- To suspend the licence for a period not exceeding 3 months.
- To revoke the licence.
  
- Following the review under section 53C, Members of the Licensing Hearings Sub-Committee must review the interim steps that are currently in place and determine whether it is appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives for the steps to remain in place, or if they should be modified or withdrawn.

## Key considerations

This is a Council Function that is delegated to the Licensing Hearings Sub-Committee by the Council's Constitution.

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## Community impact / Contribution to the Bury 2030 Strategy

Not applicable

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## Equality Impact and considerations:

A GM-wide Equality Impact Assessment has been undertaken and a copy is available on request.

*Under section 149 of the Equality Act 2010, the 'general duty' on public authorities is set out as follows:*

*A public authority must, in the exercise of its functions, have due regard to the need to -*

- (a) eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation and any other conduct that is prohibited by or under this Act;*
- (b) advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it;*
- (c) foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it.*

*The public sector equality duty requires us to consider how we can positively contribute to the advancement of equality and good relations, and demonstrate that we are paying 'due regard' in our decision making in the design of policies and in the delivery of services.*

*The Licensing Service have considered the Equality Act 2010 and due to each application being dealt with on its own merits there is no positive or negative on any of the protected characteristics*

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## Assessment of Risk:

The following risks apply to the decision:

Risk / opportunity	Mitigation
Not applicable	

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## Consultation:

Not applicable

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**Legal Implications:**

Under the legislation the Council is required to determine representations. The report is in accordance with the appropriate legislation.

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**Financial Implications:**

The cost of the licensing function are funded through the fees and charges levied by the Council. There may be additional costs if appeals are lodged with the Magistrates and Crown Courts.

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**Please include a glossary of terms, abbreviations and acronyms used in this report.**

Term	Meaning
DPS	Designated Premises Supervisor

**Background papers:**

Current Premises Licence  
Section 53A application, Certificate and supporting evidence  
Licensing and Safety Panel Report (interim steps hearing) – 8 September 2023  
Licensing and Safety Panel Minutes (interim steps hearing) – 8 September 2023

**1.0 INTRODUCTION**

- 1.1 On the 6 September 2023, Greater Manchester Police submitted an application to the Licensing Authority for a Summary Review in respect of the Hub Bar, 1 Haslam Street, Bury, because they believe that the premises are associated with Serious Crime and/or Serious Disorder.
- 1.2 Summary reviews can be undertaken when the police consider that the premises concerned are associated with serious crime or serious disorder (or both). The summary review process allows interim conditions to be quickly attached to a licence and a fast-track licence review.
- 1.3 A 10 working-day public consultation exercise has been undertaken in accordance with Licensing Act 2003 regulations; requiring the application to be advertised by the displaying of a blue notice at or on the premises and details of the application published on the Council's website.

- 1.4 Within 48 hours of receiving a summary review application, under s53B of the Licensing Act 2003 the licensing authority must consider whether it is necessary to take interim steps pending the review of the licence for the promotion of the licensing objectives.
- 1.5 On 8 September 2023 a Licensing Hearings Sub Committee interim steps hearing was held, following receipt of the Summary Review application from Greater Manchester Police, Members of the Licensing and Safety Panel considered whether interim measures should be taken in respect of the Premises Licence for the purpose of promoting the Licensing Objectives.
- 1.7 The Panel resolved that in order to promote the said licensing objectives, it was necessary to impose interim steps and that it must suspend the premises licence immediately and to remove the designated premises supervisor. The reasons for the Panel's decision are attached at Appendix One.
- 1.8 The premises licence holder may make representations against the interim steps taken by the licensing authority. Under s53B of the Licensing Act 2003 the licensing authority must within 48 hours of the time of its receipt of the representations, hold a hearing to consider those representations.
- 1.9 At the time of writing this report, the premises licence holder has not made representations against the interim steps taken by the licensing authority.
- 1.10 On the date of the review hearing, the licensing authority is required to review any interim steps that are in place and consider whether it is appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives for the steps to remain in place, or if they should be modified or withdrawn.
- 1.11 Under section 53C of the Licensing Act 2003, the licensing authority must hold a full review of the premises licence and determine the review within 28 days after the day of receipt of the application.
- 1.12 Following the review under section 53C, the licensing authority must then review the interim steps in place and determine whether it is appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives for the steps to remain in place, or if they should be modified or withdrawn.
- 1.13 The premises licence in respect of the Hub Bar has been held by Miss Natalie D Cummings since 15 July 2020. Mr Antony Davidson has been the Designated Premises Supervisor since 28 June 2021.
- 1.14 The Licensing Act 2003 (as amended by the Violent Crime Reduction Act 2006) and the Licensing Act (Hearings Regulations) 2005 (as amended) is the relevant legislation.
- 1.15 The Panel will make a decision on the day of the hearing and the parties will be notified subsequently of the decision and the reasons for it by letter from the Licensing Office.

## **2.0 BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 The Chief Superintendent has issued a certificate under section 53A (1)(b) of the Licensing Act 2003 in which he states the following:-

On the 1<sup>st</sup> of September officers executed a warrant under the misuse of drugs act and as a result obtained clear evidence that the premises are currently being used for the cultivation of cannabis and the supply of cocaine.

The basement of the premises as been fitted out as a cannabis farm in order to facilitate the cultivation process and a large quantity of cocaine with an approximate value of £20,000 has been recovered from the premises.

The DPS has been arrested and charged in relation to this matter. Due to the above circumstances a standard review would not be appropriate as it is likely that the premises would continue to be used for the cultivation and supply of controlled drugs.

Attached to this report at Appendix Two (Application by Greater Manchester Police for the Summary Review) and Appendix Three (Certificate issued by the Chief Superintendent) respectively.

### **3.0 REPRESENTATIONS**

3.1 As part of the statutory process the Responsible Authorities and interested parties are entitled to make representations in relation to the review of a licence. The Licensing Authority has given Notice of this review by placing a Notice on the premises, at the Council Offices and on the Council website. Where further representations are made by either the Responsible Authorities or from local residents / businesses and not withdrawn, Members are required to determine them. Greater Manchester Police will give evidence at the hearing.

3.2 Representations must be relevant to the licensing objectives defined within the Act. The objectives are:-

- a. The prevention of crime and disorder
- b. Public safety
- c. Prevention of public nuisance
- d. Protection of children from harm

### **3.3 REPRESENTATION FROM INTERESTED PARTIES**

The Licensing Service has received representations from one interested party under the Licensing Act 2003. This representation is attached at Appendix Four.

The interested party's representation can be summarised as follows:

- Dangerous parking
- Customers blocking the pavement
- Noise from music and loud voices
- Anti-social behaviour

### **4.0 CURRENT LICENSABLE ACTIVITIES**

4.1 The premises licence which shows the current licensable activities and conditions is attached at Appendix Five.

### **5.0 THE SECRETARY OF STATE'S GUIDANCE TO THE LICENSING ACT 2003**

5.1 The Secretary of State's Guidance to the Licensing Act 2003 is provided to licensing authorities in relation to the carrying out of their functions under the 2003 Act. It also provides information to magistrates' courts hearing appeals against licensing decisions and has been made widely available for the benefit of those who run licensed premises, their legal advisers and the general public. It is a key medium for promoting best practice, ensuring consistent application of licensing powers across England and Wales and for promoting fairness, equal treatment and proportionality.

5.2 Section 4 of the 2003 Act provides that, in carrying out its functions, a licensing authority must 'have regard to' guidance issued by the Secretary of State under section 182. The Guidance is therefore binding on all licensing authorities to that extent. However, the

Guidance cannot anticipate every possible scenario or set of circumstances that may arise and, as long as licensing authorities have properly understood this Guidance, they may depart from it if they have good reason to do so and can provide full reasons.

- 5.3 Departure from the Guidance could give rise to an appeal or judicial review, and the reasons given will then be a key consideration for the courts when considering the lawfulness and merits of any decision taken.

## **6.0 CONCLUSION**

- 6.1 A licensing authority must carry out its functions under this Act (“licensing functions”) with a view to promoting the licensing objectives:

- the prevention of crime and disorder
- public safety;
- the prevention of public nuisance; and
- the protection of children from harm.

- 6.2 In considering the matter, the Sub-Committee should take into account any representations or objections that have been received from responsible authorities or other persons, and representations made by the applicant. In reaching the decision, regard must also be had to relevant provisions of the national guidance and the Council’s licensing policy statement.

- 6.3 The Sub-Committee must consider what steps are appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives taking into account any change in circumstances since any interim steps were imposed, any relevant representations, and review the interim steps already taken (if any).

- 6.4 In making its final determination, the steps the Sub-Committee can take are:

- To modify the conditions of the premises licence
- To exclude from the scope of the licence any of the licensable activities to which the application relates;
- To remove the designated premises supervisor from the licence;
- To suspend the licence for a period not exceeding 3 months;
- To revoke the premises licence.

- 6.5 The conditions of the licence, with the exception of mandatory conditions of the premises licence, may be modified to alter or omit any of them or to add any new condition, including restricting the times at which licensable activities authorised by the licence can take place.

- 6.6 All licensing determinations should be considered on the individual merits of the application.

- 6.7 The Sub-Committee’s determination should be evidence-based, justified as being appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives and proportionate to what it is intended to achieve. Findings on any issues of fact should be on the balance of probability.

- 6.8 It is important that a licensing authority should give comprehensive reasons for its decisions in anticipation of any appeals. Failure to give adequate reasons could itself give rise to grounds for an appeal.

- 6.9 The Sub-Committee is asked to determine what steps, as set out in 6.4 above, are appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives.

- 6.10 The Sub-Committee’s determination of the review does not have effect until the end of the 21 day period given for appealing the decision, or until the disposal of any appeal that is lodged.

- 6.11 To ensure that there are appropriate and proportionate safeguards in place at all times, the licensing authority is required to review any interim steps that it has taken that are in place on the date of the final review hearing. This is to be done immediately after the determination of the review under s53C. In reaching its decision, the panel must consider any relevant representations made.
- 6.12 The steps available to the Sub-Committee are:
- To modify the conditions of the licence;
  - To exclude the sale of alcohol by retail from the scope of the licence;
  - To remove the designated premises supervisor from the licence; and
  - To suspend the licence.
- 6.13 Upon the determination of the licence review, the Sub-Committee is asked to review the interim steps in place and determine whether it is appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives for the steps to remain in place, or if they should be modified or withdrawn

Licensing Hearing Sub-Committee -  
Interim Steps Hearing Minutes of 8  
September 2023



# Appendix One

**Minutes of:** LICENSING HEARING SUB COMMITTEE

**Date of Meeting:** 8<sup>th</sup> September 2023, 10.00am

**Present:** Councillor G. McGill (in the Chair)  
Councillors G. Marsden and M. Walsh  
  
M. Bridge (Licensing Unit Manager)  
M. Cunliffe (Democratic Services)  
O. Osinuga (Legal Services)  
B. Thomson, (Head of Public Protection)

**Also in attendance:** PC P. Eccleston (Greater Manchester Police)  
Premises Licence Holder  
Bury Times

**Public Attendance:** The Hearing was held virtually and interested members of the public were provided with a link to access the hearing online via Microsoft Teams or could be telephoned into the meeting via audio only. No members of the public were in virtual attendance.

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## **AN APPLICATION FROM GREATER MANCHESTER POLICE FOR A SUMMARY REVIEW OF THE PREMISES LICENCE IN RESPECT OF THE HUB BAR, 1 HASLAM STREET, BURY, BL9 6EQ.**

The Licensing Authority received an application by the Chief Constable of Greater Manchester Police in respect of the licensed premises The Hub Bar, 1 Haslam Street, Bury, BL9 6EQ for a Summary Review of the Premises Licence and for interim steps to be taken in advance of that review in accordance with Sections 53A to 53C of the Licensing Act. The reason for the application was because the police believe that the premises are associated with serious crime and/or disorder.

The nature of the application and consideration of options was detailed in the report which was presented to the Members of the Sub-Committee by the Licensing Unit Manager, Mr M. Bridge.

The options available were:

- To modify the conditions of the licence
- To exclude the retail sale of alcohol from the licence
- To remove the Designated Premises Supervisor from the licence
- To suspend the licence.

Attention was drawn to background papers which included:

Current Premises Licence  
Section 53A application, Certificate and supporting evidence  
Bury Council's Licensing Policy  
Guidance issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003

## Licensing Act (Hearings) Regulations 2005

The Licensing Authority must consider whether interim steps are required pending a full summary review hearing.

Summary reviews can be undertaken when the police consider that the premises concerned are associated with serious crime or serious disorder (or both). The summary review process allows interim conditions to be quickly attached to a licence and for the review of the licence to be fast tracked.

A 10 working-day public consultation exercise is undertaken in accordance with Licensing Act 2003 regulations, requiring the application to be advertised by the displaying of a blue notice at or on the premises and details of the application to be published on the Council's website.

Under section 53C of the Licensing Act 2003, the licensing authority must hold a full review of the premises licence and determine the review within 28 days after the day of receipt of the application

Following the review under section 53C, the licensing authority must then review the interim steps in place and determine whether it is appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives for the steps to remain in place, or if they should be modified or withdrawn.

The premises licence in respect of the Hub Bar has been held by Miss Natalie D Cummings since 15 July 2020. Mr Antony Davidson has been the Designated Premises Supervisor since 28 June 2021.

The Licensing Act 2003 (as amended by the Violent Crime Reduction Act 2006) and the Licensing Act (Hearings Regulations) is the relevant legislation.

The Local Authority is required to consider whether interim steps should be imposed for the promotion of the licensing objectives and what the steps should be. Any such measures and the reasons for them must be immediately notified to the premises licence holder.

The Panel would make a decision in relation to interim steps on the day of the hearing and the parties will be notified subsequently of the decision and the reasons for it by letter from the Licensing Office.

The Chief Superintendent had issued a certificate under section 53A (1)(b) of the Licensing Act 2003 in which he stated the following:-

The premises are associated with serious crime.

On the 1<sup>st</sup> of September officers executed a warrant under the misuse of drugs act and as a result obtained clear evidence that the premises are currently being used for the cultivation of cannabis and the supply of cocaine.

The basement of the premises had been fitted out as a cannabis farm in order to facilitate the cultivation process and a large quantity of cocaine with an approximate value of £20,000 has been recovered from the premises.

The DPS has been arrested and charged in relation to this matter. Due to the above circumstances a standard review would not be appropriate as it is likely that the premises would continue to be used for the cultivation and supply of controlled drugs.

Attached to agenda pack at Appendix 1 was the Application by Greater Manchester Police for the Summary Review and at Appendix 2 the Certificate issued by the Chief Superintendent.

The Premises Licence showed the current licensable activities and conditions and was attached at Appendix 3 in the agenda pack.

PC P. Eccleston from Greater Manchester Police provided a summary to the hearing of Operation Golf which had targeted organised crime groups within the Bury area.

The current DPS had allowed drugs to be sold over the bar to patrons and following a warrant being obtained a strike day took place. 2 people were detained which included the DPS and nearly a kilo of cocaine had been found inside the premises which was a class A drug. Snap bags, scales, money and debt lists had been uncovered which were all related to the sale of drugs and traces of substances had been found behind the bar area related to the preparation for customers. A search of the premises also uncovered a cannabis farm with cropped plants along with heating and lighting to aid cultivation. 68 plants were found behind a false wall and the electricity supply to the premises had been by-passed which was a fire risk to the bar and surrounding properties.

The DPS was arrested and charged with several offences and had been remanded in custody with a hearing taking place later today. PC P. Eccleston added that anyone aged 18 or over with no previous convictions who sold class A drugs and cultivated cannabis could be sent to prison for 3 years or more.

It was confirmed that the value of cocaine seized had a value of around £20,000.

The Premises Licence holder, addressed the hearing to state she had no involvement with the bar for over 2 years and when the DPS took over he was meant to change the licence over with his details. She stated the circumstances were disgusting and only questioned was the cannabis farm relevant as it was found in a non-licensed part of the premises. PC P. Eccleston confirmed that it was relevant and did not matter if it was not part of the licensed area within the premises.

A Member of the hearing questioned why electricity extraction had not been part of the charges brought against the DPS and PC P. Eccleston was unsure why they had not been included.

The Premises Licence Holder added she was in shock and apologised for the whole affair and thought it was the responsibility of the new owners to change the previous premises licence holder. The Licensing Unit Manager confirmed it was the responsibility of the Licence Holder to change the details.

The Licensing Unit Manager also reported that on a visit to the premises this week a blue notice had been displayed on Wednesday and questioned why by Thursday, had this been removed. The Premises Licence Holder confirmed that the only people with keys to the premises was the landlady and the notice had since been redisplayed. The Licensing Unit Manager added how the licence holder could ensure the premises did not re-open if the licence was suspended and the Premises Licence Holder confirmed that only the landlady had the keys and it would remain closed. She also added later in the hearing that the brewery was removing the bar system of taps and pumps next week.

The Sub-Committee then heard information from PC Eccleston that the licensing objectives had not been met and there was an issue of public safety with the premises located in a residential area with lots of families and children.

The Sub-Committee then duly retired to consider the matter and all of the information provided.

The Members of the Sub-Committee were advised by the Legal Officer as to their duties under Section 4 of the Licensing Act 2003 to at all times consider the promotion of the Licensing Objectives, these being:

- 1) the prevention of crime and disorder
- 2) public safety
- 3) the prevention of public nuisance

4) the protection of children from harm

The Members were also advised of their duties in carrying out those functions in relation to relevant provisions of national guidance and the Council's licensing policy statement.

In addition, Members were advised to give appropriate weight to the steps that are appropriate to promote the licensing objectives and the representations presented at the meeting.

**DELEGATED DECISION**

The Sub-Committee carefully considered the representations and evidence provided which demonstrated serious crime, public safety and failure of the protection of children from harm. It was therefore unanimously **resolved to remove the Designated Premises Supervisor from the licence and the Suspension of the licence** in order to promote the licensing objectives.

The Sub-Committee was therefore satisfied that there was sufficient evidence to mean interim steps were necessary.

The evidence presented had demonstrated the following licensing objectives had not been met and failed the:-

- the prevention of crime and disorder
- public safety
- the protection of children from harm.

The reasons by the sub-committee, included:-

- Evidence of serious organised crime taking place at the premises with drug dealing of class A and B drugs therefore not promoting the Licensing Objective of Prevention of Crime and Disorder.
- The Licensing Objective of Public Safety was not being promoted at the premises due to the danger and fire risk of neighbouring properties by extracting electricity.
- The illegal drug related activities occurring at the premises were a risk to the protection of children from harm as the premises was located in a residential area.

**COUNCILLOR G. MCGILL**

**Chair**

**(Note: The meeting started at 10.00am and ended at 10.50am)**

Application for the review of a premises  
licence under section 53A of the  
Licensing Act 2003 (premises associated  
with serious crime, serious disorder or  
both)

**GREATER MANCHESTER POLICE  
SCHEDULE 8A**

**Application for the review of a premises licence under section 53A of the Licensing Act 2003 (premises associated with serious crime, serious disorder or both)**

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I. Police Sergeant Andrew Vernon

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

**1. Premises details**

**Postal address of premises.**

The Hub Bar, 1 Haslam Street

**Post town:** Bury

**Postcode:** BL9 6EQ

**2. Premises licence details**

**Name of Premises licence holder (if known);**

Natalie D Cummings

Number of Premises Licence PL1173

**I confirm that a certificate has been given by a senior member of the police force for the police area above, that in his opinion the above premises are associated with serious crime or serious disorder or both, and the certificate accompanies this application.**

***(Please tick the box to confirm)***

4. Details of association of the above premises with serious crime, serious disorder or both:

**Serious Crime.**

Operation Golf is Greater Manchester Police's response targeting Organised Crime Groups based in the Borough of Bury and is centred around the supply of Class A drugs namely Cocaine.

Officers engaged in the operation identified that OCG activity involving the suspects had been in place since at least February 23. One of the suspects is also the DPS of the Hub bar where it is believed that drugs have been sold over the bar to patrons.

On the 1<sup>st</sup> of September the investigation resulted in a strike day where officers targeted various locations.

On this date police executed a search warrant at The Hub Bar and detained two people inside the premises, one of these was the Designated Premises Supervisor.

During the execution of the warrant officer found evidence of supply of Class A drugs in the form of ¾ of a kilo of cocaine, snap bags, scales, a debtors list, and cash. The cocaine was found in various places within the premises including behind the bar where small deals had already been prepared for sale to patrons.

A further search of the premises led to the discovery of a cropped cannabis farm within the basement area, with lighting and heating equipment in place for the cultivation of the cannabis. Officers then discovered 68 cannabis plants hidden behind a false wall and were drying out as part of the production process.

Officers also found that the electricity at the property had been bypassed.

As a result of the evidence obtained during the execution of the warrant the DPS along with the second male were arrested on suspicion of conspiracy to supply class A drugs.

The DPS was subsequently charged with the offences of

- 1/ Conspiracy to supply cocaine
- 2/ Possession of Cocaine with intent to supply
- 3/ Production of cannabis

He was remanded in custody and will appear at Magistrates Court on the 7<sup>th</sup> of September 2023.

From the evidence obtained it is apparent that this licensed premises has been used for cultivation of cannabis and the supply of cocaine both of which amount to serious crime.

The meaning of serious crime-

- (a) The offence or one of the offences, which is or would be constituted by the conduct concerned is an offence for which a person has reached the age of 18 and has no previous convictions could reasonably be expected to be sentenced to imprisonment for a term of 3 years or more, or
- (b) The conduct involves the use of violence, results in substantial financial gain or is a conduct by a large number of persons in pursuit of a common purpose.

Signature of Applicant:



Date: 5<sup>th</sup> September 2023

Capacity: Police Licensing Sergeant

Contact details for matters concerning this application:

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Telephone number: 0161 856 8177

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Certificate under Section 53A(1)(b) of  
the Licensing Act 2003 issued by  
Superintendent



**CERTIFICATE UNDER SECTION 53A(1)(b) OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003**

I hereby certify that in my opinion the premises described below are associated with serious crime / serious disorder / both serious crime and serious disorder<sup>1</sup>.

*Premises*<sup>2</sup>:

The Hub Bar. 1 Haslam Street, Bury, BL9 6EQ

Premises licence number (if known): PL1173

Name of premises supervisor (if known): Anthony Davidson

I am a Chief Superintendent<sup>3</sup> in the Greater Manchester police force.

I am giving this certificate because I am of the opinion that other procedures under the Licensing Act are inappropriate in this case, because<sup>4</sup>:

The premises are associated with serious crime.

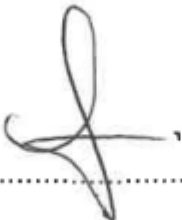
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The DPS has been arrested and charged in relation to this matter. Due to the above circumstances a standard review would not be appropriate as it is likely that the premises would continue to be used for the cultivation and supply of controlled drugs.

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- <sup>1</sup> Delete as applicable.
- <sup>2</sup> Include business name and address and any other relevant identifying details.
- <sup>3</sup> Insert rank of officer giving the certificate, which must be superintendent or above.
- <sup>4</sup> Give a brief description of why other procedures such as a standard review process are thought to be inappropriate, e.g. the degree of seriousness of the crime and/or disorder, the past history of compliance in relation to the premises concerned.



06/01/23

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(Signed)

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(Date)

## Appendix Four

I am a resident of Haslam st and have been for 30years .

The amount of dangerously parked vehicles on the corner of the street, all The hub punters. Its a wonder there hasnt been a major accident!

The amount of people blocking the pavement outside , having a cigarette is intimidating!!!

Unsavourly characters are attracted to the place and the noise level from music and loud voices prevents us from keeping windows open .

In Aug I telephoned the police as a punter from there was intoxicated and leaning on my fence with a full pint of ale in his hand.

Its not acceptable on a residential street.

If we'd have wanted to buy a house with a pub on it, all those yrs ago, we would have!

The street has always been a nice friendly street to live on but its totally gone downhill since The Hub opened.

Originally saying it was a bistro...we never saw any food being served .

It was ridiculous to give a license in the first place and I completely oppose another being given.

Premises Licence for Hub Bar, 1  
Haslam Street, Bury