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I - Supt Andrew Parsons

(on behalf of) the chief officer of Police for the West Midlands Police area apply for the review of a premises licence under section 53A of the Licensing Act 2003

1. Premises details:

**Electric
1 Hurst Street
Birmingham
West Midlands
B5 4AS**

2. Premises Licence details:

Name of premise licence holder (if known): Dooba Investments II Limited

Number of premise licence (if known): 4156

3. Certificate under section 53A (1)(B) of the Licensing Act 2003 (Please read guidance note 1)

I confirm that this is a certificate has been given by a senior member of the police force for the police area above that in his/her 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:

(Please read guidance note 2)

On Friday 24th July, the Electric Nightclub was open for business. The operating times for a Friday being 10:00 hours until 04:00 hours. On this particular night, an externally promoted event was in operation from 11pm until 4am.

At approximately 03:50 hours on Saturday 25th July, West Midlands Police were notified that two males had presented themselves at hospital with gunshot wounds to their legs. The two males independently stated that they have received gunshot injuries from being in the same venue, Electric Club, Hurst Street, Birmingham. One male has a

bullet wound to his left lower thigh, where the bullet became lodged and the male requires surgery to remove it. The other male has a grazing entry and exit wound to his left thigh.

CCTV in the premises shows a disorder on the main dance floor in front of the DJ booth. At around 03:22 hours, a large number of individuals clear the dance floor immediately and a male can be seen being walked away across the dance floor, out towards the corridor and exit. Due to the rapid clearance of the dance floor it would suggest that this is when the firearm, is discharged. A similar disorder is seen on another camera covering a corridor area, whereby there is a sudden, dynamic dispersal of people, as if they are trying to get away from something very quickly. Shortly after these incidents, people start to leave the venue.

CCTV shows a lack of control. A male in the corridor is smoking, numerous customers have head and facial coverings, one male in particular zips up his hood with goggles, before going back into the main dance area.

Officers conducted a search of the premises after the incident. During this search, no shell casings were recovered. Officers did discover blood by one of the bars and also bloodied tissues in the main room. This is currently being examined by forensic experts. In addition, during the search, drugs paraphernalia was found inside the venue; including empty dealer bags, cannabis roll ups and remnants of herbal cannabis on the floor and tables. There were also a number of cigarette butts on the floor of the premises.

The manager, Ryan Booth has told officers that he was aware of a disorder in the venue where bottles were thrown. However, this was not reported to police officers at any time during the incident.

Further information has today been received from Nottinghamshire police stating that a male has received medical treatment in Nottingham for a stab wound. The male has stated he was stabbed on the dance floor, following a dispute with other males.

Police officers have today recovered a knife from an office block adjacent to the venue. CCTV shows males running from the Electric into the SB2 office area.

This is a catalogue of serious incidents which has culminated in three offences of Section 18 wounding's being committed at Electric. One with a knife and two with a firearm.

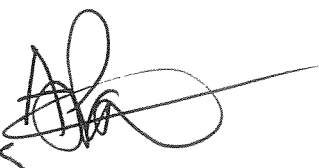
West Midlands police have serious concerns about these premises. It is clear that the search procedure wasn't adequate, allowing a firearm into the premises. The additional finding of a substance believed to be herbal cannabis on the table and floor adds to this concern.

As a result of the above, West Midlands Police are seeking the expedited review of these premises and the immediate suspension of the licence as an interim step.

Signature of applicant:

Date:

Rank/Capacity:


27/7/15
SUPERINTENDENT 6655 PARSONS

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Notes for guidance:

1. A certificate of the kind mentioned in the form must accompany the application in order for it to be valid under the terms of the Licensing Act 2003. The certificate must explicitly state the senior officer's opinion that the premises in question are associated with serious crime, serious disorder or both.

Serious crime is defined by reference to section 81 of the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000. In summary, it means:

- conduct that amounts to one or more criminal offences for which a person who has attained the age of eighteen and has no previous convictions could reasonably be expected to be sentenced to imprisonment for a term of three years or more; or
- conduct that amounts to one or more criminal offences and involves the use of violence, results in substantial financial gain or is conduct by a large number of persons in pursuit of a common purpose.

Serious Disorder is not defined in legislation, and so bears its ordinary English meaning.

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

West Midlands Police

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.

Premises: SBQ (Known as Electric)

Premise Licence Number: 4156

Premise Licence Holder: Dooba Investments II Limited

Designated Premise Supervisor: John Bunce

I am a Superintendent in West Midlands Police.

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

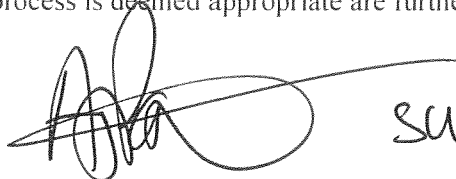
The seriousness of the crime warrants the use of this power.

The prevention of crime and disorder and public safety are two of the four licensing objectives. WMP have no confidence that the premises licence holder can promote these, as three serious crimes have occurred during the same event within a very short space of time.

I have considered the use of the normal review procedure but I do not feel this would be appropriate in these circumstances due to the above reasons. In order to maintain the licensing objective of preventing crime and disorder the normal review procedure would not be sufficient.

I am conscious of the DCMS guidance on the use of "Expedited Reviews" and given the emphasis that is given to use of this power to tackle serious crime and disorder, my feelings that this process is deemed appropriate are further enforced.

Signed

 Supt 6655 PARSONS

Duly authorised and on behalf of the Chief Constable.