Certificate under Section 53A(1)(b)





of the Licensing Act 2003

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

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

both serious crime and serious disorder

Premises (include business name and address and any other relevant identifying details):

Masters Free House

217 Kenton Road

Harrow

Middlesex

HA3 0HD

Premises licence number (if known): 201354

Name of premises supervisor (if known): Mr Lauriston Lorrainey

I am a Superintendent <sup>1</sup> in the Metropolitan Police Service.

I am giving this certificate because I am on the opinion that other procedures under the Lisensing Act are inappropriate in this case because<sup>2</sup>:

The premises has a long history of crime and disorder attached to it.

Police Licensing, Council Licensing and Community Safety Officers have worked comprehensively with the management of the premises to address this. My Licensing team have given advice, pointed out offences on numerous occassions and in accordance with the Licensing Act Guidance produced an Action Plan with the management in order to reduce crime and disorder. However the management have failed to implement the Action Plan in full and the operation of this establishment still fails to uphold the licensing objectives culminating in the attempted murder on the 9th June 2013. Other procedures have been considered. Closures under sec 160 and 161 do not address the long term issues which have continued sporadically for over five years. A standard licence review could take months to reach a conclusion especially if taken to appeal and the evidence is that this premises will continue to contribute to serious assaults and disorder if the premises is not prevented from opening. This is crucial as the violent crime occuring at the premises is more prevalent during the warmer weather which we are now having. The expedited process is necessary to prevent further crime and disorder occurring pending the full review, giving the statutory authorities the ability to work with the management to address the issues behind the problems whilst ensuring public safety.

Signed:

G. SPRINGER.

Date: 01.06.2013°√

Retention period: 7 years

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Insert rank of officer giving the certificate, which must be superintendent or above.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</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.