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Police Objection to the Temporary Event Notice for Greene's Bar, 362 Neasden Lane North, NW10 on 28th and 29th August 2015.

I certify that I have considered the notice shown above and I wish to make **representations** that the use of the premises for the temporary event would undermine the crime prevention initiative, for the reasons indicated below.

Officer: Nicholas Mortimer

An authorised officer of the Metropolitan Police, in whose area the premises are situated, for the purposes of exercising its statutory function as a 'Responsible Authority' under the Licensing Act 2003.

A Temporary Event Notice has been given under section 100 Licensing Act 2003 by Mr Timothy Sheahan, received in this office on Monday 17th August 2015. Police are formally objecting to the notice under section 104 Licensing Act 2003. The Police objection is primarily concerned with the crime and disorder and public safety objectives:

The notice is to allow for the use of the premises on the 28th and 29th August 2015 , the licensable activity is for the sale of alcohol and provision of regulated entertainment. The nature of the event is described as a Bank Holiday celebration.

The premise has the following history:

4th October 2013 2350hrs. PC's McDonald and Lewis-Evans visited Greenes Bar. Tim Sheahan was managing the bar, the designated premises supervisor (DPS) was not there. Mr Sheahan informed Police he was applying to become the DPS. There was a handful of customers and evidence that smoking was being permitted within the premises. There was a strong smell and haze of cigarette smoke and an ashtray on the bar containing cigarette butts. Mr Sheahan was advised of the Health Act legislation.

10th January 2014 0120 hrs PC's McDonald and Lewis-Evans visited Greenes Bar. The front external shutters were closed and the entrance door was locked. Officers knocked on the door and it was opened, before officers could identify themselves the unknown male who opened it said 'if you want a drink you had better hurry and come in before you are seen'. As officers entered the Bar they saw approximately seven customers drinking beer from pint glasses. Some customers were smoking cigarettes. There were three members of a band packing away their musical equipment. There was a white male behind the bar, Officers identified themselves and at this point the staff member began telling customers the premises were closed. Mr Sheahan was in bed, the member of staff went to wake him. Mr Sheahan was aware his licence was until 2300 hours. Officers advised him to operate the premises within the authority or apply to vary the premises licence or submit Temporary Event Notices.

A warning letter was posted to Mr Sheahan (See Attached)

9th March 2014 0415hrs

CRIS 1905687/14 CAD1856/09MAR14

Female member of the public phoned 999 that a group of men had come out of Greenes Bar and were fighting in the street. Upon Police arrival one Irish male was taken to hospital with a head injury. The remainder of the Irish males claimed he had fallen over. All the males were heavily intoxicated. The front door of Greenes Bar had been locked and Police could not get a reply from their knocking.

There was a TEN in place for the night of 8th to 9th March however the event was to finish at 0200 hours. (See attached)

21st March 2014

Complaint received from local resident and witness to the above incident.

Complaints refer to noise music, and drunkenness at Greenes Bar. Complainant spoken to by licensing Officers (see attached)

5th April 2014

CAD 1113/05APR 0212 hours 362 High Road, NW10.

Complaints from local resident A local resident reported a noise nuisance from the pub and he could hear glasses being broken. He confirmed that the pub was spilling out and the people were being very rowdy and very drunk. He stated there were approx 20 males and females gathered outside all very drunk. (see attached)

6th April 2014 0600hrs

Cris 1908116/14 CAD 2378

Police were called to a male who had been assault by other males. Witness saw the victim leave Greenes and walk along Neasden lane to the Cab office at 447 Neasden Lane . After a short time he came running back towards Greenes and was being chased by three other white males who attached him. Victim was taken to hospital. He was heavily intoxicated. He refused to make a statement to Police. Officers visited Greenes and spoke to the female member of staff named Lee. She could not operate the CCTV. Mr Sheahan provided CCTV footage but it was an incorrect format.

15th April 2015-04-10 Nick Mortimer Brent Police Licensing made representations to a TEN submitted for 4th and 5th May 2014. this TEN was refused

19th April 2014

CRIS 1909279/14 CAD 1849/18APR14 time of origin 0703hrs

Cab driver phoned Police after collecting three males from Alperton area.

They requested to be taken to Greenes Bar Neasden Lane North and on arrival asked to be taken round the back of the pub as the door would be open.

They were already drunk and presumably wanted to go drinking in the bar. They seemed to know that the back door would be open.

Suspect asked driver to get out and knock on the door for them. He refused and then there was an argument which culminated in a scuffle where the driver was punched and kicked by suspect.

Investigating Officer PC Cox spoke to staff at Greenes Bar on 9th May 2014 and he viewed the CCTV system. For the month of April there is footage available from 22nd onwards but no recorded footage available from 01 - 21st, therefore there is no footage available from the 18th

It is not known whether this was because of a faulty system or whether it is merely that footage is only kept for a short period of time.

I outlined the fact that the national standard for CCTV footage being obtained is 31 days and that this falls below that. They are aware and will be ordering an engineer to solve this issue.

There is insufficient evidence from this investigation to be able to identify the suspect of this assault.

CRIS 1909586/14 CAD 5648/21APR14

Victim and friend met up and decided to go for a drink at GREENES in NEASDEN.

They arrived at approx 2220 hours and Victim states that between this time and approx 0010 hours they had 3 drinks and were in a jovial mood. Victim states that he was stood near the pool table in the corner of the pub when he noticed Suspect walk past him towards a pool cue that was stood up in the corner behind Victim. Victim suspected that he was getting it to play pool when Suspect picked it up in the middle and using the butt end of the cue hit Victim at eye level across the face.

VIW states that this point he had not had any conversation with SUS at all and his nose exploded. He had blood pouring down his face and before he could react he had the two bouncers had grabbed him and was marching him towards the door.

Closely followed by the Owner of GREENES. Victim was taken back to his H/A by a taxi where when he entered the premises he collapsed. He was then taken by friend to CMH where it was diagnosed he had concussion.

Investigating officer spoken to the assistant manager Lee at Greenes 19/5/14. She was aware of the incident. She will speak to the manager when he returns to get the cctv burned. She has informed me that the cctv inside the pub has been temperamental recently so it may not have recorded.

Investigating Officer spoke with Lee from Greenes on 31/5/14 She states they had lost my number. She has passed my details on to the manager to call me when he is free. Lee has told me that they did look through the footage to see if the incident had recorded but it does not appear to have recorded. The problem being that they had more cameras installed and the hardrive capacity remained the same so not all of the cameras footage has been retained. They are looking into getting a larger hardrive. I await confirmation of this from the manager

The manager of Greenes, Tim has called the investigating officer 5th June 14. He has explained that the CCTV is no longer available as the system was upgraded when 4 new cameras were added and this has affected the memory.

22nd July 2014

Meeting held with Tim Sheehan, Ray Hagan and Brent Police Licensing at Brent Civic Centre. Meeting to discuss recent assaults and late night opening without authority. Brent Police licensing have made representations to recent temporary event notices made by Mr Sheehan due to crime and disorder at the location. The licensing sub committee heard the evidence on 25th April and refused the TEN;s. It was agreed the following actions to be implemented by Mr Sheehan at the venue:

CCTV recording for 31day, door supervisors, and a 'members only' entry policy in the interim. Mr Sheahan would like to meet after a few months to discuss the venue extend the licensable activity times permanently.

8th Feb 2015

CAD 1684/08FEB15 0400 hrs.

Caller is complaining about noise at Greenes PH, Neasden Lane North. Caller states she called Brent Council noise team but they finished at 0200 hrs. She believes the pub knows this and they turn the music up louder.

8th Feb 2015 0415 hours

PC McDonald was driving past Greenes Bar off duty and saw the front entrance door open. Attention was drawn to the location by the verbal noise emanating from inside the premises; it looked very busy with customers. There was no Temporary Event Notice in place for this date, the premises should have been closed.

8th Feb 2015

CAD refers 2469 0800hrs

CAD refers 2478

Emergency calls made to Police from members of public concerned for the welfare of a drunken distressed female in the North Circular Road near the junction of Neasden lane North. Statements received from a Police traffic officer and local Brent Police Officer who attended this call and assisted the drunken female who alleged to have left Greenes Bar between 0630 - 0700hrs on 8th Feb.(Statements attached)

21st February 2015

Letter sent to Mr Sheahan requesting CCTV footage from 0200 to 0600 hours on 8th February 2014. Request also sent via Email to Mr Sheahan

27th February 2015

Email to Mr Sheahan requesting the CCTV footage as the above request.

20th March 2015 2300hrs

Premises visited by PC McDonald and PC Whitcomb, Mr Sheahan was expecting the visit and arranged for the above CCTV footage to be downloaded and available for collection.

There were approximately 30 customers, all but one was male. A high proportion appeared to have Irish accents and was in workman's clothes. One male wearing a high visibility jacket and trousers was drunk and due to his unsteadiness officers had problems walking around him in the small bar area. Officers spoke to the lone male member of staff, Frank, who provided a memory stick left by Mr Sheahan containing the CCTV footage from 8/2/15. As the officers left the bar, the drunk male in the high visibility jacket also walked out into the street. This male staggered to the nearby lamp post and urinated in full view of the public. At this point Frank also came out of the pub and called to the Officers that Mr Sheahan was coming downstairs to speak to them. Frank also saw the drunk male urinating, he spoke to him, the male staggered around on the pavement for a short while before unlocking a door adjacent to the lamp post and entered the premises. When Mr Sheahan appeared on the pavement the officers explained what they had witnessed pointing out the urine now in full flow down the street. Mr Sheahan could not understand and explained the male actually lives in the premises next to the lamp post. Officers told Mr Sheahan it was probably as he had been allowed to get drunk in his pub. Officers spoke briefly about the incident on 8th February and he openly said he had permitted licensable activities outside his authorised hours. Mr Sheahan is convinced he runs a 'tight ship' in a tough area. His members' only rule is keeping the Eastern European gangs

and travellers' out of the premises and such deserves a late licence.

24th March 2015

PC McDonald attempted to view the CCTV footage provided by Mr Sheahan of the events on 8th February. Unfortunately the memory stick contained two files that were empty. PC McDonald telephoned Mr Sheahan and left a voice mail and explained the problem. PC McDonald has taken the memory stick to the specialist CCTV unit at Wembley Police Station and they confirmed the files are empty. There is no reason to pursue this matter as there are no conditions attached to this premise licence requesting CCTV.

14th April 2015

More advertisements on social media highlighting late licence and music and entertainment at the venue.

19th April 2015

Cad 1537 at 0332 hours. Complaints from local resident to noise and music at Greenes Bar.

On 5th June 2015 the premise was reviewed by the Metropolitan Police and appeared before the Licensing Committee where the evidence shown above was tendered. The determination reached was that the DPS Mr Timothy Sheahan could no longer remain on the licence, to date this change has not been made.

In addition there was a further incident on 16th August 2015 at 1520 CRIS 1918983/15 refers, when a member of the public was assaulted. The current DPS was arrested as a result of this allegation.

I have also received an email dated 17th August 2015 from Ms J Nesbitt, a public safety officer of Brent Council stating the following :

Just a brief description of what was witnessed at Greene's over the last 2 weekends whilst undertaking proactive visits on the Noise Team shift.

Saturday 8th August - proactively walked past premises at 23.19 – the front door was open and there was a 2 piece band playing amplified music clearly audible from the street immediately outside and from further down the pathway. I went into premises and spoke with the barman who eventually got Mr Sheahan for me. We went into pool room to speak as there was no-one in there.

Advised that he was currently operating outside of the licence, he had no real explanation for this, said it was last song and then went and told them that. A couple of mins later whilst still talking the band started playing another song! There were a number of people in the premises between- 6-10.

I advised Mr Sheahan that this would provide us with evidence to be used against him if he appealed the committee decision. He then mentioned that he was applying for a late licence, we had a similar conversation again regarding the likelihood of that being accepted, also referred to a TENS for 22nd for a party as County Kerry football was on, asked what time, he said possibly 3am.

He then mentioned he did have security that night, he pointed to man at the end of the bar and then took me outside to the benches where a white male he called Dave was sitting. Mr Sheahan advised he was security. I asked the man if I could see his SIA badge to which he replied he didn't have one, advised Mr S that this was not considered security.

Saturday 15th August – walked past Greenes at 23.05 – Music clearly audible from outside (Irish fiddle type but amplified- though quieter than last week), 2 people

sitting at bench outside, no SIA or door supervisors in sight. Internal doors were closed over but outer lobby doors both open, people seen inside pub through window. Male vocal heard over microphone at 23.07, left area a couple of minutes later.

It is my opinion that should this TEN go ahead that the licensing objectives would be breached and further complaints about anti social behaviour and crime and disorder will take place.

I reserve the right to add any additional evidence should this go before the Licensing Committee.

Yours sincerely

Nick Mortimer

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