

WITNESS STATEMENT

(CJ Act 1967, s.9; MC Act 1980, ss.5A(3)(a) and 5B; MC Rules 1981, r.70)

Statement of Michael SULLIVAN URN: [] [] [] []

Age if under 18 Over 18 (if over 18 insert 'over 18') Occupation: POLICE OFFICER

This statement (consisting of: 3..... pages each 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 anything in it which I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.

Signature: [Signature] Date: 1st June 2017

Tick if witness evidence is visually recorded [] (supply witness details on rear)

I am a Police Constable of 12 years experience, all of which I have worked on the London Borough of Brent, I am currently attached to the licensing unit for the Borough, I have been authorised via a delegated authority to represent the Borough Commander of the London Borough of Brent and for the Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police Service to act on Licensing matters.

This statement is in relation to Jet Set night club, 252, High Street Harlesden, NW10 4TD, on the 12th April 2017 I submitted a review to Brent Council, after several incidents of disorder in and outside the venue. Below I will detail evidence gathered from Brent Council CCTV which is situated a short distance from the club and CCTV footage from inside the venue.

The first footage I exhibit is dated the 05/03/2017 from inside Jet Set, and is in relation to CAD Report 1512 dated the 05/03/2017 at 03.57 hours - reports of a fight and shots fired, Crime Reports - 1905465/17 Refers to an Assault and Robbery where a male had his gold chain snatched from his neck and was hit over the head with a bottle - Crime report - 1905777/17 Refers to a Theft.

The footage starts at 03.36 hours and shows a very busy bar area, there appears to be an argument between two males on the stairs and people try and get between them, one of the males is then hit over the head with a bottle which sparks a large fight, numerous fights break out., when Mr. Martin was asked about this incident he stated that a rival gang from South London had been sent down to cause trouble in an attempt to get his club closed down.

I exhibit this footage as MJS/1

Further footage from Brent Council CCTV which is situated across the road from the venue picks up the crowds leaving the club in the early hours of the morning where numerous disturbances can be seen happening before police arrival. I exhibit this footage as MJS/2.

12/03/2017 - camera 10 high street Harlesden JW Furness Road

The footage starts at 01.02, the camera turns around and focuses on the front of Jet Set, there appears to be a number of door Supervisors (SIA) on duty, none of them are wearing clothing that would identify them as being door staff, this is a condition on the licence which reads - There shall be a minimum of two SIA qualified supervisors wearing high visibility jackets deployed at the front of the premises away from the door on Friday and Saturday nights. They shall remain in position until the crowd has fully dispersed so as to ensure the safe and quiet dispersal from the premises. This condition was added to the licence after a review hearing.

At 01.05 people can be seen arriving and entering the club, again at 01.11 hours three females enter the club, 01.14 hours another male enters the venue, and again at 01.19 hours three more females arrive and are allowed to enter the club, followed by two males at 01.20, and then another two people at 01.21 followed by another group of people, at 01.26 two more people enter, at 01.31 hour three more people arrive and enter the venue followed by several more groups.

Further footage of the same date timed 02.00 to 02.15 shows people still entering the club.

The next footage from the same night starts at 02.23 to 02.53 hours again shows people being allowed into the club.

Again at 03.06 hours Mr Martins is seen outside the club smoking and makes no attempt to stop people entering the club, footage ends at 03.20 hours.

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The next footage starts at 03.31 hours until 03.43 hours and again shows people arriving and going into the club
The next piece of CCTV is timed 03.58 and ends at 04.33 hours shows the club emptying people are seen in the road, large crowds standing around.

The next footage is dated the 18/03/2017 and starts at 01.43 to 01.48 hours this footage is of licensing officers conducting a visit, and shows a large crowd outside trying to enter the club, during the visit a large amount of breaches were found as highlighted in the review, the crowd waiting to enter later walk of down the road and into an alleyway which leads to the rear of the club, it is believed they were gaining entry into the club, however this was not witnessed.

The final footage is dated the 2/4/17 and starts at 03.48 hours large groups seen leaving later in the footage people are seen in the road, people are being dragged away after what appears to be some sort of altercation, and males can be seen urinating up against fencing, traffic is stopped as people are seen standing and running across the road there are then several fights that break out and this continues until police arrive and arrest two males.

I exhibit all the above CCTV footage as MJS/ 3

The venue has a condition on its licence that reads - *No entry or re-entry shall be permitted after 01:00 hours.*
This condition is clearly being breached.

I further submit an email from Acting Inspector Riley and exhibit it as MJS/4, he was on duty on the 29/10/2016 when police were called to a serious assault at a nearby venue to Jet Set where patrons from Jet Set were trying to enter the Shisha Bar, and were becoming aggressive at being refused entry to the bar which was now a crime scene, Mr Martin was asked about this and stated that he was unaware of any incidents involving his customers, CCTV was requested, but Mr Martin was unable to produce the CCTV, he stated that it had been deleted as the system was not working correctly, he was given a final written warning for this breach which I exhibit this as MJS/5.

On the 18/03/2018 I along with PC Whitcomb and PC McDonald conducted a licensing visit at the venue, the venue was open and it was very busy,

The manager Ms. Tatiana Couto was spoken too, she claimed the club was holding a 'private function'. We went down the stairs into the bar area, alcohol was being sold from the bar. Recorded amplified music was being played by a DJ. The sound level was high; we then went through all of the licence conditions in the staff office with Tatiana. There were numerous breaches to the 44 conditions. The following were being breached:

Condition 1 - No I.d Scanner, the scanner has not been used for years as it is broken.

Condition 2 - There should be two door supervisors present after 2200 hours - there was only one on duty.

Condition 3 - The SIA security log had not been completed for the evening. The last time it was completed was 11/03/2017.

Condition 4 - No entry/re-entry after 0100 hours - People were being allowed in after this time at 0115 hours.

Condition 7 - Manager was unable to give police unhindered access to the CCTV via the internet

Condition 9 - No licence summary on display at the entrance.

Condition 11 - No notice regarding admission policy on searching on display at the entrance.

Condition 13 - No notice on display explaining drug policy at the entrance.

Condition 17 - No toilet attendants - The last time there was one was about one year ago apparently.

Condition 22 - No Transport information on display.

Condition 32 - No notices asking customers to leave quietly at the entrance.

Condition 33 - Manager did not know who was the 'dedicated cab firm' for the club.

Conditions breached which were put on by the committee following a review in April 2015:

Condition 40 - SIA officer was not wearing his high visibility jacket.

Condition 41 - No facility provided within the premise for customers to await taxis.

Condition 43 - Licence holder failing to adhere to existing licence conditions.

15 breaches in total were found to be being breached.

The DPS Mr Martin arrived as officers were finishing their licensing visit and he was informed of the breaches identified a meeting was asked for however he stated that he was going to Turkey for two weeks and would be unable to attend any meeting until his return.

There have been two previous reviews on this premises and it appears that very little improvement has been made, the committee at the first review determined that the club should have a Club Scan, and that photographic ID is to be produced by all patrons (driving licence, passport, oyster card) to staff and electronic records to be kept on Club Scan and checked every time a patron attends the premises. This clearly hasn't been happening as during a licensing visit on the 18/03/2017 the manager informed officers that the ID scanner had not worked for years.

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This venue is a nightclub which opens predominately at the weekends, the history of violence and disorder over the years is horrendous, and two previous review hearings have done nothing to improve the running of the premises. Mr. Martins seems to have little to no concern when asked about these serious incidents and I believe is under the impression that this is what is expected of what happens when running a nightclub, he is dismissive and nearly always blames everyone else for the problems, but he does not want to take responsibility for his lack of management.

This venue is very near to residential premises which have had to endure the constant crime and disorder along with the Anti-Social behavior from the patrons of JET SET night club. When serving Mr Martin with the review he indicated that he had made mistakes and that things had declined, he stated that he was intending turning the club around and changing the music and type of people to an older crowd, unlike what it currently attracts, he said he has seen a change in the people that were attending his club, and there appeared to be a gang type element, Mr Martin said he would keep in regular contact with officers from the licensing unit and inform us of when the changes had been implemented, to date he has not contacted any officer from this unit.

I have considered all possible options that are open to me under the licensing act, asking for a suspension would have little to no affect as this has been implemented previously and even after having this time to improve nothing has changed. Asking for the DPS to be removed would serve little to no purpose as Mr Martins would in my opinion still be in day to day charge of the venue and again no real prospect of improvement would be made.

Asking for more conditions to be added to the licence would be unmanageable as the licence already has 44 conditions, most of which are not currently being adhered too.

A reduction in hours would not work as this is a night club which sees most of its patrons arriving at around midnight to party until the early hours of the morning.

After all other options have previously been tried and failed I ask that the committee consider revoking the clubs licence, as there is no real prospect that the club is likely to improve its track record and will only continue to have incidents of crime and disorder if allowed to continue operating.

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MJS/4

Sullivan Michael J - QK

From: Riley Paul - QK
Sent: 13 April 2017 23:28
To: Sullivan Michael J - QK
Subject: RE: CADS JET SET

Mike

I do remember this incident.

The assault, crime scene and subsequent enquiries ultimately led to the closure of xxxxxx xxxxxxx

The investigation was being hampered by a number of people leaving Jet Set and trying to get into the shisha café after it was closed as a scene. They were drunk, argumentative and confrontational. The officers managing the scene had to physically block the door to stop people trying to enter and eventually pulled the shutters down.

The overall impression I took from the situation was the egress from Jet Set was uncontrolled and unmonitored. Not only were the customers leaving in large rowdy groups but vehicles were blocking the thoroughfare and causing disruption.

What should have been a reasonably straight forward investigation for an assault was complicated by unmanaged .lub goers. The staff at Jet Set appeared to take no responsibility for their customers behaviour as they left the venue.

If you need clarification on any of my comments, please ask.

Kind regards

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From: Sullivan Michael J - QK
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To: Riley Paul - QK
Subject: CADS JET SET

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As discussed

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>> << File: INC05656-29OCT16.RTF >>

Thanks

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Date 30th November 2016

Dear Mr Martins

I recently requested CCTV from **Jet Sete** after an alleged incident in High street Harlesden, involving customers from your club, you then informed me that after checking your CCTV system that you had found a fault where the hard-drive deletes all images on the 31st day of each month and starts again.

I must remind you that you have conditions on your licence that state, CCTV shall be installed and maintained in a working condition, and All CCTV recordings shall be kept for 31 days and shall be made available to police and licensing officers if requested.

I must point out that these breaches amount to an offence under section 136 Licensing Act 2003, namely conducting licensable activities without authority, which carries an unlimited fine and/or up to 6 months imprisonment.

However, I have taken into account that you have informed me that a new hard-drive has been installed and is now recording and saving the CCTV correctly.

Please accept this as a Final warning.

A further condition on your licence reads - Police Officers will be given unhindered access via the internet to view live images from the CCTV at any time when the premises is open to the public.

Can you please supply me with the IP address for the CCTV in the club.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours Sincerely,