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14/12/2018

Police **further** representation to the Temporary Event Notice for:

Masti 576-582 High Road, Wembley, HA0 2AA

I certify that I have considered the notice and I wish to make representations that the use of the premises for the temporary event would undermine the prevention of crime and disorder and prevention of public nuisance objectives for the reasons indicated below.

Officer:	Nicola McDonald (Licensing Constable)
	PC 2157NW

An officer of the Metropolitan Police, in whose area the premises are situated, who is authorised 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 Inderjeet Barmi for regulated entertainment, sales of alcohol and late night refreshment for a New Year party on 1st January 2018 from 2000 to 1st January 2019 0500 hours.

Police are formally making representations to the notice under section 104 Licensing Act 2003. The Police representation is primarily concerned with the prevention crime and disorder, prevention of public nuisance and Public Safety licensing objectives.

I made initial representations on 5th December 2018 and requested more information about the event. The applicant replied to this request on 14th December 2018. In the meantime I have investigated the operation and discovered Masti customers are generating alcohol fueled crime and disorder during the early hours of the morning when emergency service resources are stretched.



The premise holds a licence which allow it to be open from 1000 hours until 0430 hours daily with licensable activities ceasing 30 minutes prior, with the exception of Sunday which is until midnight.

This is sufficient timings for New Year Eve celebrations.

Drunkenness is an issue with this venue which has led to violence and disorder. There have been numerous crimes linked to the venue in the last 12 months, as detailed below

11/12/17 Common Assault Suspects pushed victim's turban off his head, the victims, husband and wife were in the club dancing when two suspects started dancing with the wife, her husband did not like this and intervened this turned into an argument and male victims turban was knocked off, police attended and spoke to the victims who were both very intoxicated and it was not possible for officers to take a full account from them.

07/01/2018 04:00am it's alleged that suspect grabbed the victim around the neck causing reddening after altercation on the dance floor.

14/01/2018 at 0215 ABH report that a door supervisor assaulted a female customer by pushing her to the ground

4/2/2018 at 0429 hours. Police were called to reports of a female being strangled and ran to the toilets crying. This female was heavily intoxicated and had a dispute with drunk partner, she left the premises and made her way to Harrow Police Station to report.

2/4/2018 at 0400hrs Female alleged she was assaulted by another female. CCTV was provided however the exact location of the assault could not be identified as the victim had consumed a large amount of alcohol.

8/4/2018 at 0154hours a fight broke out after a female alleged she had been touched in a sexual nature on the dance floor by a drunken male. A fight then ensued between friends of the male and female.

13/4/2018 at exact time unknown whilst is Masti female was assaulted by the mother of another female who had been harassing her.

6/5/2018 at 0308 hours Large fight outside the venue involving customers leaving. Two people were arrested and during interview suspect claimed to have consumed amongst other alcoholic drinks '10 shots of Jamiesons Whiskey'.

5/8/2018 at 0238 hours male customers leaving Masti began fighting. Spotted on LBB CCTV cameras. Victim with injuries walked to Wembley Police station to report. He was drunk.

12/8/2018 at 0225 hours Customers leaving Masti began fighting, using weapons (bars and belts) spotted by LBB CCTV



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25/11/2018 at 0246 hours victim assaulted on the dance floor received gash to face, heavily under the influence of alcohol.

Police fear that if this notice is granted with excessive hours, there is a very real possibility of crime, disorder, drunkenness and nuisance to residents with up to 300 people attending the event.

It is apparent from the above crime reports that there is an issue with violence and drunkenness and allowing the venue to extend its hours will only increase the risk of more disorder. Police intend to speak to the premises licence holder and resolve the problems through interaction in the new year.

Police say that given the risks to the licensing objective with this notice in terms of excessive hours, crime/disorder and drunkenness associated to this venue police would respectfully ask that this notice is refused.

Yours Sincerely,

Nicola McDonald 2157NW
Licensing Constable for Brent Police