### APPLICATION RELATING TO A REVIEW OF A PREMISES LICENCE UNDER SECTION 53C OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003

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Basement and Ground Floor				
74 Chancery Lane, London, WC2				
Licence Holder:		Mira Management Club	Limited	
Applicant:		Metropolitan Police		
Local Government Act 1972 –	1) The Licensing Act 2003 ("the Act")			
Access to Information -	2) Camden Statement of Licensing Policy 2022-2027			
Documents used in the	("the Policy")			
preparation of this report	3) Amended Guidance issued under section 182 of the			
	Licensing Act 2003 (August 2023) ("the Guidance")			
Appendices	Appendix 1) Map of premises			
	Appendix 2) Application form and certificate			
	Appendix 3) Decision Notice			
	Appendix 4) Other representations			
	Appendix 5) Current premises licence			
	Appendix 6) Legal and Finance Comments			
Signed by: Jamie Akinola, Director of Public Safety				
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Date: 27 November 2024

# 1. Application

- 1.1 This is an application for a review of a premises licence made by the Metropolitan Police ("the Police) under section 53C of the Licensing Act 2003.
- 1.2 Any determination of the Licensing Panel shall not have effect until:
  - a) the end of the period given for appealing against the decision; or
  - b) If the decision is appealed against, until the appeal is disposed of.
- 1.3 The premises is licensed for:
  - a) Supply of Alcohol (For consumption on the premises)

10:00 – 23:30 Monday to Thursday 10:00 – 01:30 Friday to Saturday 11:00 – 22:30 Sunday

### b) Live Music, Recorded Music, and Performance of Dance

10:00 – 23:30 Monday to Thursday 10:00 – 01:30 Friday to Saturday 11:00 – 22:30 Sunday

## c) Late Night Refreshment 23:00 – 01:30 Friday to Saturday

Delivery only 01:30 – 02:00 Friday to Saturday

d) Opening hours

 08:00 – 03:00 Monday to Saturday
 08:00 – 01:00 Sunday

### 2. Reason for the review

- 2.1 A summary review application has been made by the Police because it is their opinion that the premises are associated with serious crime and serious disorder.
- 2.2 In the application the Police state: the owner/manager assaulted a worker over a dispute over pay. Investigation states the owner/manager has potentially informally employed the worker illegally by keeping their documents and underpaying their wages. The worker stated he was homeless and has been sleeping at the premises, so potentially modern-day slavery offences taking place.

The owner/manager also has another venue in Camden and the Police do not have faith that the owner/manager can uphold the licensing objectives.

Owner/manager has been arrested on suspicion of GBH and Modern- Day Slavery.

- 2.3 On 7 November 2024, the Licensing Authority having considered the application for a summary review and hearing evidence from the Police and Licence Holder resolved to take interim steps as follows:
  - i. suspend the premises licence pending a full review hearing.
- 2.4 The decision was confirmed in writing to the licence holder Mira Management Club Limited on 21 November 2024. **Appendix 3**

### 3. Representations

3.1 One relevant representation has been received in relation to the application.

3.2 The representation supports the review application and is received from the Licensing Authority, responsible authority Appendix 4

## 4. Policy

Licensing Objectives (Chapter Four - Pages 20-25 of the Policy):

- 4.1 The licensing objectives engaged by this application are:
  - a) The Prevention of Crime and Disorder

Hours Policy (Chapter Five - Pages 36-38 of the Policy):

4.2 The hours policy is engaged by this application in relation to the proposed start times for licensable activities. The framework hours are given in the Policy as:

#### **On Sales**

Monday to Thursday	10:00 until 23:30
Friday and Saturday	10:00 until midnight
Sunday	10:00 until 22:30

### **Off Sales**

Monday to Saturday	08:00 until 23:00
Sunday	10:00 until 22:30

### No sale or supply of alcohol

Monday to Thursday	09:00 until 23:30
Friday and Saturday	09:00 until midnight
Sunday	09:00 until 22:30

4.3 The times for framework hours on any given day are not (and should not be regarded as) the 'usual' or 'normal' hours for licensable activities in the Borough. Instead, the framework hours serve to identify those cases where the Licensing Authority will pay particular regard to the likely effect on the local neighbourhood of carrying out the proposed licensable activities.

### 5. Recommendations

- 5.1 To determine the application for a review of premises licence under section 53C of the Licensing Act 2003.
- 5.2 Having considered the application, the representation(s) submitted in relation to this application, the legislative provisions, the Statement of Licensing Policy, and the Guidance issued by the Secretary of State, Members have the following options available to them by virtue of the Licensing Act 2003, Section 53C (3):

- a) Allow the licence to continue operating as before
- b) Modify the conditions of the licence
- c) Exclude a licensable activity from the scope of the licence
- d) To remove the designated premises supervisor
- e) To suspend the licence for a period not exceeding three months
- f) To revoke the licence
- 5.3 As with all options members will need to consider what is necessary and proportionate to ensure the promotion of the licensing objectives.

#### 6. Conclusion

6.1 Members are required to determine the review application in light of all the relevant information.