

FORM FOR APPLYING FOR A SUMMARY LICENCE REVIEW

[Insert name and address of relevant licensing authority and its reference number (optional)]

Coventry Licensing Authority
 One Friargate
 Coventry
 CV1 2GN

Application for the review of a premises licence under section 53A of the Licensing Act 2003 (premises associated with serious crime or disorder)

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Before completing this form please read the guidance notes at the end of the form. If you are completing the form by hand please write legibly in block capitals. In all cases ensure that your answers are inside the boxes and written in black ink. **Use additional sheets if necessary.**

I PC 1752 Flowers [on behalf of] the chief officer of police for the West Midlands police area apply for the review of a premises licence under section 53A of the Licensing Act 2003.

1. Premises details:

Postal address of premises, or if none or not known, ordnance survey map reference or description:

**Club M
 Hertford Place
 City Centre**

Post town: Coventry

Post code (if known): **CV1 3JZ**

2. Premises licence details:

Name of premises licence holder (if known): Westbourne Leisure Ltd

Number of premises licence holder (if known):

3. Certificate under section 53A(1)(b) of the Licensing Act 2003 [Please read guidance note 1]:

I confirm that a certificate has been given by a senior member of the police force for the police area above that in his opinion the above premises are associated with serious crime or disorder or both, and the certificate accompanies this application.

(Please tick the box to confirm)

4. Details of association of the above premises with serious crime, serious disorder or both:

[Please read guidance note 2]

At approximately 05:20hrs on Saturday 1st September 2018 a large scale disorder was reported at Club M, Hertford Place, Coventry whereby a large group were fighting and weapons had been seen. Police attended the incident and found a male with serious stab wounds a short distance away (City Arcade). Subsequent to this a further male was found at the rear of Club M with serious stab wounds. The male found at the rear of Club M subsequently died as a result of his injuries; the other male remains in hospital with significant life changing injuries. A murder investigation has been launched by West Midlands Police.

Due to the serious nature of the incident a closure notice was served on Club M for 24hrs preventing them from opening on Saturday 1st September in to Sunday 2nd September. I can confirm they intended to open on the evening of Saturday 1st September despite the serious disorder, life threatening injuries sustained by one of the victims and the male who died as a result of the stabbing related to this disorder.

Whilst the investigation is in its infancy the homicide team have confirmed via CCTV that two groups were involved in disorder inside Club M and this spilled onto the streets outside.

Historically this Club has been involved in serious disorder and were taken to review in 2016. The Club is currently on a Police Action Plan due to serious disorder outside the location in July 2018.

West Midlands Police feel the premises pose a serious threat to the Public if it remains open. The Premises continues to create an unacceptable level of risk to the safety and wellbeing of patrons, staff and emergency services responding to incidents.

The Police therefore request that consideration be made for interim steps to be taken and that the premises licence be suspended pending a summary review.

Signature of applicant:
Date: 03/09/2018
Capacity:

Simon Flowers

PP



Police Sergeant
20458 WITTS

Contact details for matters concerning this application:

Address: **West Midlands Police, Coventry Central Police Station, Little Park Street, Coventry, CV1 2JX**

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Notes for guidance:

1. A certificate of the kind mentioned in the form must accompany the application in order for it to be valid under the terms of the Licensing Act 2003. The certificate must explicitly state the senior officer's opinion that the premises in question are associated with serious crime, serious disorder or both.

Serious crime is defined by reference to section 81 of the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000. In summary, it means:

- conduct that amounts to one or more criminal offences for which a person who has attained the age of eighteen and has no previous convictions could reasonably be expected to be sentenced to imprisonment for a term of three years or more; or
- conduct that amounts to one or more criminal offences and involves the use of violence, results in substantial financial gain or is conduct by a large number of persons in pursuit of a common purpose.

Serious disorder is not defined in legislation, and so bears its ordinary English meaning.

2. Briefly describe the circumstances giving rise to the opinion that the above premises are associated with serious crime, serious disorder, or both.

