

Licensing Team

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Application for the review of a premises licence or club premises certificate under the Licensing Act 2003

### 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 this 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.

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Part 1 - Premises or club premises deta	îls			
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Post town Deptford	Post code (if known) SE8 4NS			
Name of premises licence holder or clul known)  Trilachan Sanghera and Ajit Sanghera	b holding club premises certificate (if			
Number of premises licence or club pre	mises certificate (if known)			

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# Part 2 - Applicant details

I am	Please tick ✓ yes
1) an individual, body or business which is not a responsible authority (please read guidance note 1, and complete (A) or (B) below)	
2) a responsible authority (please complete (C) below)	$\boxtimes$
a member of the club to which this application relates     (please complete (A) below)	
(A) DETAILS OF INDIVIDUAL APPLICANT (fill in as applica	able)
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Surname First names	
I am 18 years old or over	Please tick ✓ yes
Current postal address if different from premises address	
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# (B) DETAILS OF OTHER APPLICANT

Name and address	
Telephone number (if any)	
E-mail address (optional)	
(C) DETAILS OF RESPONSIBLE AUTHORIT	Y APPLICANT
Name and address	
Frank Olaniran Crime, Enforcement and Regulation Service 9 Holbeach Road Catford SE6 4TW	
Telephone number (if any) 020 8314 8052	
E-mail address (optional) Frank.Olaniran@lewisham.gov.uk	
This application to review relates to the follo	wing licensing objective(s)
	Please tick one or more boxes
<ol> <li>the prevention of crime and disorder</li> <li>public safety</li> <li>the prevention of public nuisance</li> <li>the protection of children from harm</li> </ol>	

Please state the ground(s) for review (please read guidance note 2)

# The Prevention of Crime and Disorder

S140 of The Licensing Act 2003 - Allowing disorderly conduct on licensed premises etc.

S141 of The Licensing Act 2003 – Sale of alcohol to a person who is drunk S142 The Licensing Act 2003 -Obtaining alcohol for a person who is drunk

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Please provide as much information as possible to support the application (please read guidance note 3)

The Crime, Enforcement and Regulation Service seeks an application for review of the premises referred to as Mace Stores, 111 Deptford High Street, London SE8 4NS.

The service has been proactively trying to engage with local businesses across Deptford High Street to tackle street drinking and alcohol related anti-social behaviour.

The service have also received reports from local residents about anti-social behaviour from street drinkers who cause noise nuisance late at night, urinate on walls, and intimidate residents through loitering. Residents have also reported issues with drug dealing and taking in the area. Most reports centre on the problems caused by the street drinkers.

On the 17 August 2018, Officers from the Crime, Enforcement and Regulation Service and Officers from the local Safer Neighbourhood Team attended Margret McMillan Park, Douglas Way and Giffin Square to carry out enforcement of the Public Space Protection order.

During this operation, in excess of 25 bottles/cans of alcohol were voluntarily surrendered by those found to be street drinking and disposed of. Many of the males who had had the alcohol take off them became aggressive and threatening towards officers due to their intoxicated state.

2 Community Protection Notices were issued on the day and 1 male known to the service was found to be in breach of his Community Protection Notice Warning and will be issued with a full Community Protection Notice.

The street drinkers engaged with saw no issues with loitering around the area in intoxicated states and causing noise nuisance, when asked to move on, many of the males seemed to only want to circulate around Margret McMillan Park, Douglas Way and Giffin Square.

On the day, Police arrested a known street drinker as a result of being drunk and disorderly. I refer to the statement of Police Sergeant Jo Hughes of Deptford Safer Neighbourhood Team as FO/1 where she highlights the behaviour of the male arrested and confirms the inebriated state of the male.

Concerns about the operation of licenced premises arose during the enforcement day when officers noticed street drinkers who had earlier surrendered their alcohol returning back to the area with more alcohol.

Upon enquiring where the alcohol was purchased from, a male advised that he had been sold alcohol at Mace Stores. When I seized the alcohol, the male became confrontational and threatened to "Spark me out".

Concerns have been raised with regards to Mace Stores' ability to safeguard key licensing objectives, most notably the prevention of crime and disorder.

On 21 August 2018, I attended Mace Stores to request CCTV footage from within the premise during the enforcement of the Public Space Protection Order. While on the premise, officers observed a proxy sale by a tall black male who smelt strongly of

alcohol and with a can of Guinness in his hand, purchased a mini bottle of rum. While staff seemed hesitant to sell, the male advised that the bottle was not for him nor was it his type of drink, the sale was then authorised. The male then proceeded to request another can which was refused.

While officers remained on the premise, officers recognised several of the street drinkers frequenting the premise purchasing chaser drinks such as boost energy drink.

During my conversation with the DPS, they advised that it was difficult to refuse to sell to the street drinkers as often they would issue threats to harm them or damage stock.

When asked if they had reported these issues to the Police, the DPS advised that the Police do not respond to calls of that nature. Officers challenged this view using the actions of the Crime Enforcement and Regulation Service and the Police on the 17 August 2018 as evidence. The impression conveyed was that the staff and management of Mace stores were more afraid of the threatened consequence of refusing to sell to street drinkers than preserving their licence.

Officers requested to view the business' sale refusal log, officers observed that the last entry for a refused sale was on 3 August 2017. When challenged about this, staff advised that they found it difficult to detect if someone was drunk. I refer to FO/2 which demonstrates the lack of sale refusal operated by the business.

Arrangement was later made for officers to return to the store on 28 August 2018.

I attended the premise with my colleague Crime, Enforcement and Regulation Officer Dan Power on 28 August for the purpose of reviewing the CCTV footage from the 17 August 2018. Dan Power was the officer operating the playback of the unit where officers observed 4 intoxicated sales of alcohol taking place at; 15:33, 15:41, 15:43 and 15:43. I refer to the statement of Dan Power as FO/3 confirming the content of the footage viewed.

Officers are confident these were intoxicated sales as we recognised the males from the enforcement day on 17 August 2018 and had seized alcohol off them.

When challenged about the 4 sales within 10 minutes, staff apologised and again explained their difficulty in identifying drunk customers and refusing to sell to threatening street drinkers as a result of lack of Police support. This was challenged by officers making reference to the previous work done to assist the business in operating in compliance with their licence.

I make reference to the supplementary statement of Dan Power and his exhibits as FO/4 where he highlights the previous work by the Service carried out with local retailers and specifically Mace Stores as a means of tackling the abovementioned issues.

The footage of the proxy sale on the 21 August 2018 was accessed for the staff of Mace stores to see. Officers pointed out that the sale took place with officers on the premise and with the customer already holding an open can of alcohol. Staff again apologised for this incident and tried to assure officers that it would not happen again.

Upon reviewing the businesses' sale refusal log, officers were surprised to see that

the business had entered 8 sale refusals since the previous visit on 20 august 2018. Frefer to FO/5 which demonstrates the new entries. The legitimacy of the entries was questioned as they were not made on the same refusal sheet signed by officers on 21 August 2018 (FO/2). Officers were unable to confirm the authenticity of these entries by cross checking them with CCTV footage.

I exhibit the statement of Crime, Enforcement and Regulation Officer Alfene Rhodes as FO/6 which supports the statement of Sgt Jo Hughes (FO/1) however also draws attention to the obstructive manner of the Premises Licence Holder when questioned by an authorised officer.

It is clear that Mace stores is central to the alcohol related issues that have been reported and have adopted a lax approach to enforcing responsible sales.

I am of the opinion that enough support is in place to help the business, however the management and staff are using the excuse of customers threatening them as they reasons for transacting intoxicated sales.

As the business is situated within the immediate proximity of an existing Cumulative Impact Zone, I am not convinced that there is strict policing of alcohol sales, prompting concerns of the DPS' ability to ensure the safeguarding of the key licensing objectives. Additionally, it is evident that the oversight of key responsibilities placed upon a Designated Premises Supervisor has only served to exacerbate current issues in relation to anti-social behaviour, these include but are not limited:

- s140 of The Licensing Act 2003 Allowing disorderly conduct on licensed premises etc.
- s141 of The Licensing Act 2003 Sale of alcohol to a person who is drunk
- s142 The Licensing Act 2003 Obtaining alcohol for a person who is drunk

I am equally of the opinion that without the addition of condition put in place for Mace Stores, they will continue to contribute to the issues taking place in the area by encouraging street drinkers to frequent the premise and the area. This in turn will undermine the work of the Crime, Enforcement and Regulation Service.

#### Recommendations:

The Crime, Enforcement and Regulation Service considers the following measures appropriate as a means of ensuring the safeguarding of the key licensing objectives. It is hoped that these measures will assist in tackling the ongoing issues.

- Removal of the current Designated Premises Supervisor Trilachan Sanghera
- Staff training to take place every four months to cover all aspects of the Licensing Act 2003. Copies of training undertaken to be made available to responsible authorities on request.
- An incident log shall be kept at the premises, and made available on request to an authorised officer of the Council or the Police, which will record the following:

- (a) All crimes reported to the venue
- (b) All ejections of patrons
- (c) Any complaints received
- (d) Any incidents of disorder
- (e) All seizures of drugs or offensive weapons
- (f) Any faults in the CCTV system or searching equipment or scanning equipment
- (g) Any refusal of the sale of alcohol
- (h) Any visit by a relevant authority or emergency service.
- The premises will operate a Challenge 25 age verification scheme and will only accept current passport, photo driving licence or PASS approved identification.
- The premises shall install and maintain a comprehensive CCTV system. All entry and exit points will be covered enabling frontal identification of every person entering in any light condition. The CCTV system shall continually record whilst the premises is open for licensable activities and during all times when customers remain on the premises. All recordings shall be stored for a minimum period of 31 days with date and time stamping. Recordings shall be made available upon the request of Police or authorized officer throughout the preceding 31 day period, such copies shall in any event be provided within forty-eight (48) hours.
- A staff member from the premises who is conversant with the operation of the CCTV system shall be on the premises at all times when the premises are open to the public. This staff member must be able to show a Police or authorised council officer recent data or footage with the absolute minimum of delay when requested.

In addition to the CCTV conditions, officers would like to the see the current placement of CCTV on the premise revised to cover point of sales.

- Notices shall be displayed advertising that CCTV is in operation.
- No super-strength beer, lagers or ciders of 6.5 ABV (alcohol by volume) or above shall be sold at the premises singularly with the exception of premium and craft beers, stout and cider
- The premise will ensure that at the point of sale, a member of staff will mark each container of alcohol (bottles, cans, 6% ABV and above) with a permanent ultra violet pen.

In this instance the code will be as follows:



Additionally, each container must be clearly marked at its base for an authorised officer (police and local authority) to detect with a UV scanner.

 As soon as possible, and in any event within 1 month from the grant of this license, the premises shall join The Safer London Business Partnership approved by the police, and local radio scheme if available.

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- I understand that if I do not comply with the above requirements

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IT IS AN OFFENCE, LIABLE ON CONVICTION TO A FINE UP TO LEVEL 5 ON THE STANDARD SCALE, UNDER SECTION 158 OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003 TO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT IN OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS APPLICATION

Part 3 - Signatures (please read guidance note 4)

Signature of applicant or applicant's solicitor or other duly authorised agent (please read guidance note 5). If signing on behalf of the applicant please state in what capacity.

Signature		
Date	11.09.2018	
Capacity	Frank Olaniran (Crime, Enforc	ement and Regulation Officer)
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#### **Notes for Guidance**

- 1. A responsible authority includes the local police, fire and rescue authority and other statutory bodies which exercise specific functions in the local area.
- 2. The ground(s) for review must be based on one of the licensing objectives.
- 3. Please list any additional information or details for example dates of problems which are included in the grounds for review if available.
- 4. The application form must be signed.
- 5. An applicant's agent (for example solicitor) may sign the form on their behalf provided that they have actual authority to do so.

  6. This is the address which we shall use to correspond with you about this
- application.



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## WITNESS STATEMENT

Criminal Procedure Rules, r 16.2; Criminal Justice Act 1967, s. 9

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Occupation: police sergeant

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Signature:

(witness)

Statement of: PS 78PL Johanne Hughes

Age if under 18: plus 18 (if over 18 Insert over 18)

Date: 17/08/2018

This statement is made in relation to the arrest of Mr Clement Mahoney dob 17/06/1962 of 45 a Hunsdon Road SE14 5RD

On Friday 17th Auguest 2018 I was in plain clothes in company with PC 181PL HILL we were working with Lewisham ASB team to combat complaints from local residents regarding ASB and drinking problems around the Douglas way and Deptford High Street area. The ASB team were issuing CPN to persons with opened cans of alcohol within those areas. I am aware Clement Mahoney was provided with a CPN regarding his behaviour and drinking of intoxicating liquor. He was loud and obstructive making the officers follow him around and shouting at them

My attention was drawn to Clement Mahoney he was staggering on his feet and he continued to be very loud his behaviour was disorderly- he was 'unruly, unrestrained, rude and his behaviour was offensive I saw a three year old boy crying because Mahoney had said something to the child, I did not hear what had been said, the boys father picked him up and carried him away I heard the boys father say "don't you every get scared like that again". I tried to get hold of the male with the boy for a statement but they both got lost in the crowd of the Deptford Market. As a turned Mahoney had gone. PC Hill and the ASB team entered a MACE off licence on Douglas Way, Mahoney turned up to buy alcohol he tried to get into the shop wherby PC Hill had told him the shop was closed for a few minutes he tried to push passed her grabbing her arm and pushed her. I could smell intoxicating liquor from his breathe his eyes were glazed his speech slurred he was drunk, he slurred something I said I want to speak with you he staggered away towards the High Street and he then returned holding a small black carry bag containing a bottle of alochol and he returned to the the corner of Douglas way I requested the other officers to assit in the stop Mahoney was in a group continuing his disorderly behaviour. I said I am arresting you fro drunken disorderly I placed one hand cuffed on his right wrist he started to stuggle I shouted stop struggling and I contined to arrest his from being drunk and disorderly and cautioned him at 1635 hours. The handcuffs was placed on the front stack and double locked. The arest was necessary to prevent tuterh disorder and protect vulunerbal person and Mahoney own welfare. PC Karerani held his cuff while Mahoney continued to shout at her calling her stupid and evil several times, he was playing to the person passing by. I police van was called and arrived conveying him to custody.

Douglas wasy and Deptford High street is a heavy with foot traffic of all ages and Mahoney behaviour was not acceptable

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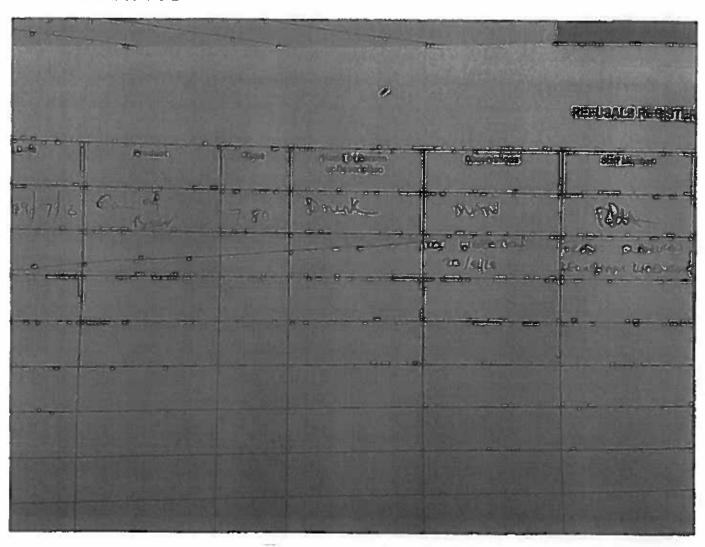
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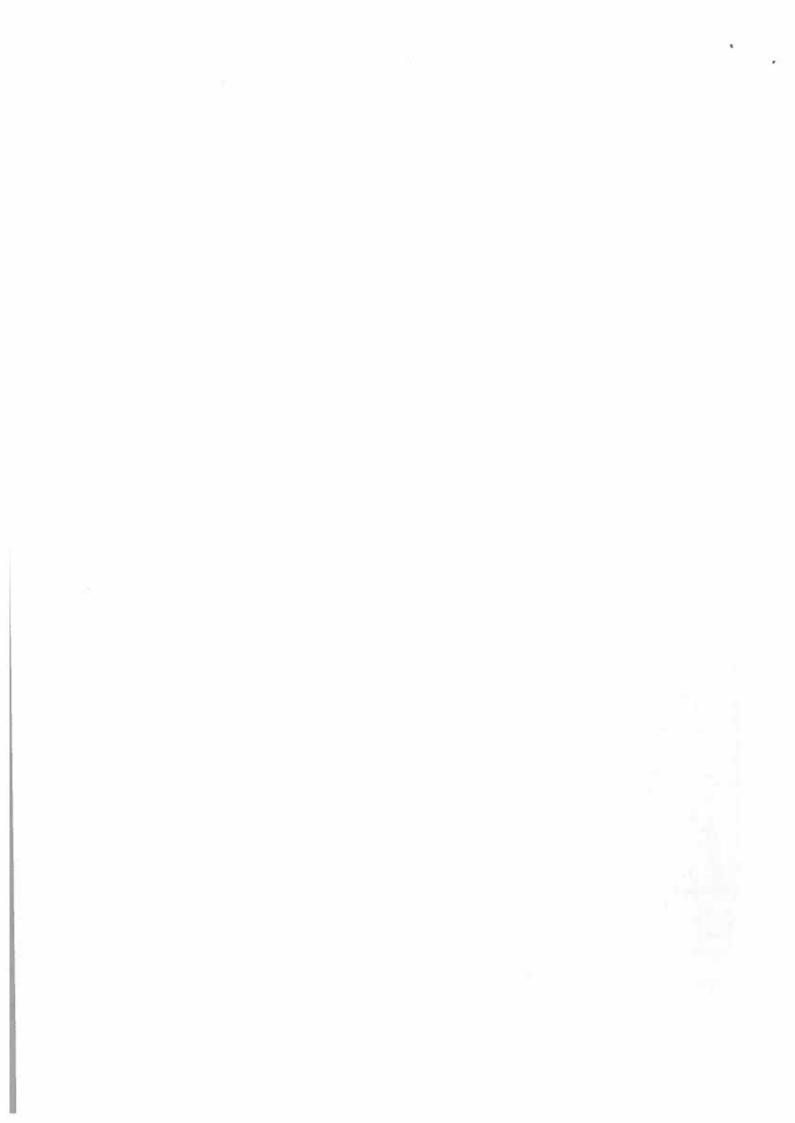
Direct Line 02083148052 frank.olaniran@lewisham.gov.uk

Name: Frank Olaniran

<u>Description of Items:</u> Sale refusal log viewed on 21 August 2018 (the incorrect date was entered on the log)

Item Reference: FO/2





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#### STATEMENT OF WITNESS

(Criminal Procedure Rules, r. 27.2; Criminal Justice Act 1967, s. 9, Magistrates' Courts Act 1980, s.5B)

STATEMENT OF:

**Daniel Power** 

Age of witness:

Over 18

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

I DANIEL POWER, am a Crime, Enforcement and Regulation Officer of the London Borough of Lewisham's Community Services Directorate. I have been employed since May 2014, my duties include investigating complaints of noise nuisance as specified via The Environmental Protection Act 1990, licensing enforcement as designated via The Licensing Act 2003 and anti-social behaviour as defined via the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014.

I make this statement as a means of confirming a visit I undertook with my colleague Frank Olaniran to Mace Stores, 111 Deptford High Street, SE8 4NS on Tuesday 28th August 2018 as a means of assisting the Premises Licence Holders Mr Ttiliachan Sanghera and Mrs Ajit Sanghera in operating CCTV in line with a request made to investigate the alleged sales of alcohol by the premise to persons in an intoxicated state, contrary to s141 of The Licensing Act 2003.

On operating the available CCTV footage, in relation to Friday 17th August 2018, which coincided with The Crime, Enforcement and Regulation Service fulfilling powers as delegated via The Public Space Protection Order to request the removal of alcohol from persons considered as causing alcohol related anti-social behaviour.

Officers noted the following sales to persons subsequently served with requests via s63 of The Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014, Consumption of alcohol in breach of prohibition in order, on the following occasions;

- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> August 2018 15:25 IC3 Male, Known Street Drinker
   Clement Mahoney The male was later arrested at 16:35 by PS Johanne
   Hughes 78PL on suspicion of drunk and disorderly behaviour.
- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> August 2018 -15:33 IC4 Male, purchased a bottle of Guinness Stout (325ml, 7.5% ABV). The gentleman was later approached by The Crime, Enforcement & Regulation Service. I requested that alcohol be removed from the person.
- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> August 2018 -15:41- IC3 Male purchased several alcoholic beverages whilst in the presence of an IC5 Male, the sale amounted to a proxy sale. The IC5 Male, was subsequently found in a drunken state and was requested to relinquish alcohol on the person. The gentleman was

subsequently served a Community Protection Notice Warning as officers considered his behaviour as amounting to causing alarm to other persons located within the vicinity of Douglas Way.

• Friday 17th August 2018 -15:43 – IC1 Male purchased a single can of Stella Artois (568ml, 5.2% ABV) the gentleman was later asked to relinquish the vessel from his control, however, on doing so he verbally abused my colleague Frank Olaniran, going on to add the following to the aforementioned officer, 'I will spark you out'. Officers considered this as a threat of violence.

Furthermore, whilst reviewing CCTV footage in relation to a subsequent visit made to the premises by officers Frank Olaniran and Nadya Gencheva, I confirmed the following sale amounting to a proxy sale;

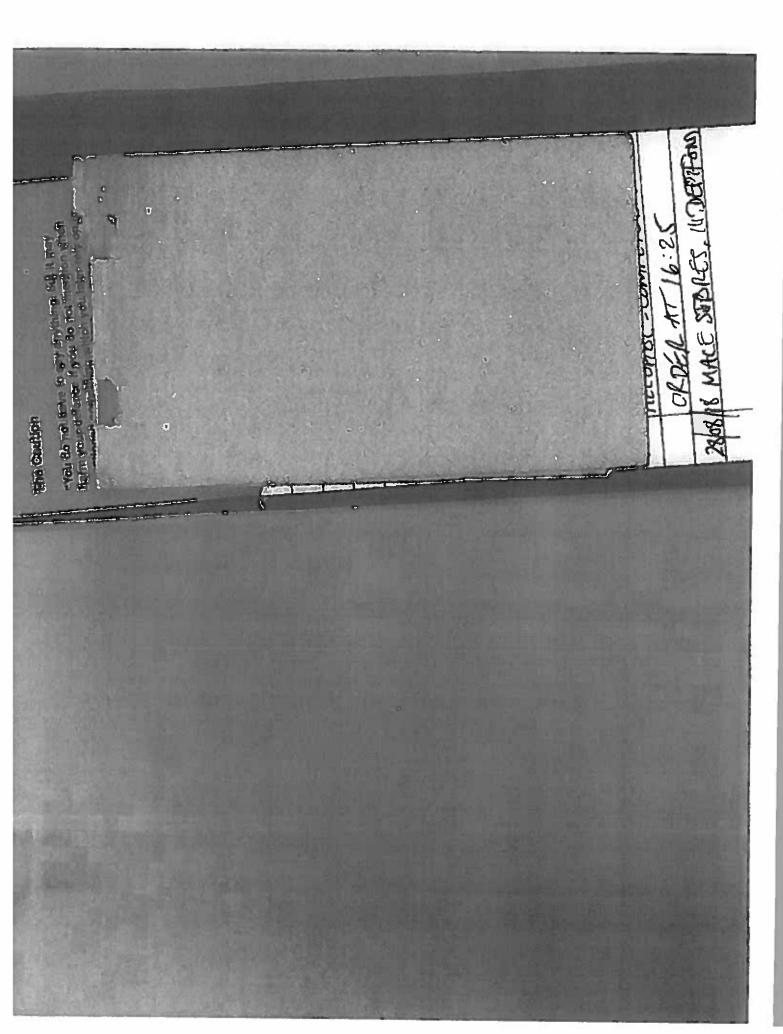
 Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> August 2018 – 15:25 – IC3 Male purchased a miniature bottle of Wray & Nephew, White Rum (50ml, 40% ABV), nevertheless, despite his obvious drunken state the gentleman attempted to purchase an additional vessel of alcohol, however, this was only refused at the point of officers entering the premise, despite previously undertaking a sale.

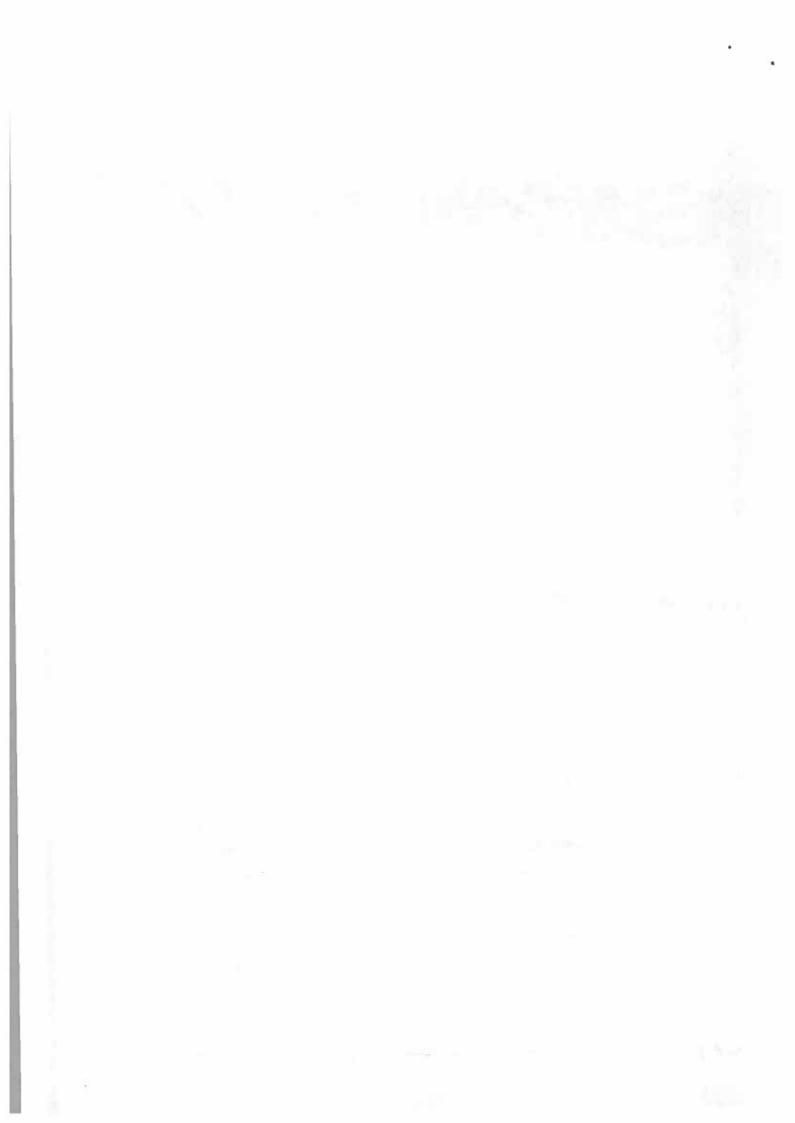
I can confirm that the content of my statement reflects the findings as a consequence of reviewing CCTV footage in relation to Friday 17<sup>th</sup> August 2018 and Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> August 2018.

Additionally, the availability of still images to confirm my findings were not available, nevertheless, I make available exhibit DP/1 which provides notes available within the officer handbook made after the visit.

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## STATEMENT OF WITNESS

(Criminal Procedure Rules, r. 27.2; Criminal Justice Act 1967, s. 9, Magistrates' Courts Act 1980, s.58)

STATEMENT OF:

**Daniel Power** 

Age of witness:

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I make this statement as a means of confirming previous interaction I have had whilst serving as a Crime, Enforcement and Regulation Officer and prior to this as a Neighbourhood Community Safety Officer with Mr Trilachan Sanghera, the joint Premises Licence Holder and current Designated Premises Supervisor of Mace Stores, 111 Deptford High Street, SE8 4NS.

The premise is located on the junction of Deptford High Street and Douglas Way, Deptford, SE8 3NS. Additionally, the area has been identified by the local authority as acutely affected by the associated effects of alcohol related anti-social behaviour with an increasing presence of street drinking as well as disproportionately high day time population of vulnerable adults with substance misuse issues as a consequence of the concentration of support services located within close proximity to Deptford High Street.

Furthermore, consideration in relation to the above is evident within the Licensing Authority's *Licensing Policy 2015-19* in which the area has been incorporated within the Cumulative Impact Zone for New Cross.

As a means of tackling increasing concerns with regard to the associated effects of alcohol related anti-social behaviour, The Neighbourhood Community Safety Service in partnership with New Cross & Evelyn Safer Neighbourhood Teams established a Super Strength Alcohol Responsible Retailer Scheme. The Scheme provided retailers the opportunity to work in partnership with the local authority as well as the local policing team in addressing concerns in relation to safety of staff, intoxicated sales, encouraging licensees to report criminal activity and promoting responsible drinking.

Additionally, DP/1 confirms Mr Sanghera joining the scheme on Tuesday 29th July 2014. Throughout the six month trial period Mace Stores, 111 Deptford High Street, SE8 4NS attended 6 monthly forums intended to encourage the reporting of any concerns held by local retailers to the local authority and/or the local policing teams whilst attempting to enforce measures agreed as a consequence of the Super Strength Alcohol Responsible Retailer Scheme.

It was intended that on completion of the scheme, licensees were well versed in reporting any concerns to partner agencies, were confident in upholding conditions as specified via their premises licences and made a real commitment in safeguarding the key licensing objectives most notably in this instance the prevention of crime and disorder and the prevention of public nulsance.

As a means of reiterating the local authority's commitment of assisting licensees in combating alcohol related anti-social behaviour, additional efforts to reiterate both the obligations of a licensee as well as stressing the importance of reporting anti-social behaviour were made during a Licensing Workshop event facilitated by The Crime, Enforcement and Regulation Service on Monday 12th June 2017, confirmation of the workshop are provided via DP/2, whilst the attendance of Mr Sanghera is noted via DP/3.

Additionally, DP/4 continues to demonstrate repeated efforts on the part of the local authority to work in partnership with licencees as a means of reinforcing the importance of ensuring responsible alcohol retailing, this has included efforts to work with licencees and staff potentially exposed to verbal abuse whilst attempting to take a more stringent approach to sales.

Nevertheless, despite the best efforts of the local authority, officers have found repeated incidents whereby the premise has failed in its obligations to safeguard the licensing objectives, this is most notable via repeated sales to persons who are intoxicated, enabling individuals to purchase alcohol for persons who are drunk and enabling customers to consume alcohol on the immediate surrounding parts of the premise. It is evident that the premise bears responsibility with regard to the following offences:

- s 140 of The Licensing Act 2003 Allowing disorderly conduct on licensed premises etc.
- s 141 of The Licensing Act 2003 Sale of alcohol to a person who is drunk
- s 142 of The Licensing Act 2003 Obtaining alcohol for a person who is drunk

I am of the opinion that a defence of due diligence and/or alleging a fear of reprisals by refusing sales are unfounded as a consequence of the failure on the part of the premise to seek the assistance of the local authority at any point, despite continued efforts on the part of the local authority to engage with the store since July 2014.

With the above in mind I support the application to review the premises licence as despite repeated attempts on the part of the local authority, the premise has routinely facilitated offences via the Licensing Act 2003 which has evidently exacerbated alcohol related anti-social behaviour within the immediate locality of the premise, adversely affecting local residents.

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Signed: LSMa Date:  $1-9\cdot18$ 





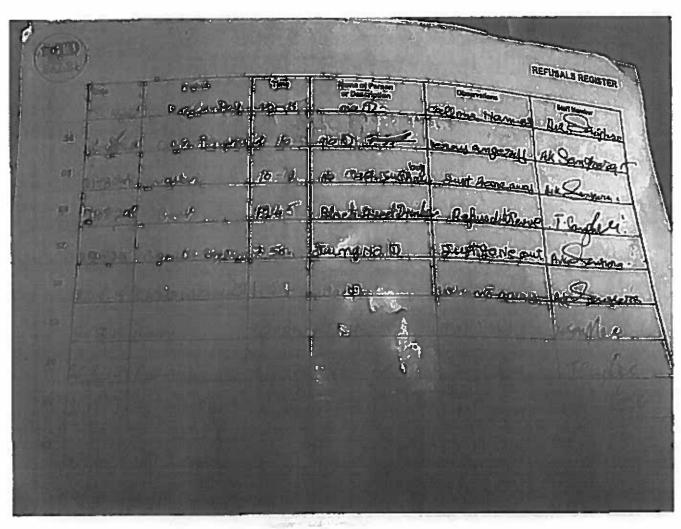
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Description of Items: Sale refusal log viewed during officer's visit on 28 August 2018

Item Reference: FO/5





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## Witness Statement

(Criminal Procedure Rules, r 27.2; Criminal Justice Act 1967, s. 9, Magistrates' Courts Act 1980, s.5B)

Statement of:

Mrs Alfene Rhodes

(Name)

Over 18

Age of witness:

(if over 18 enter "over 18")

This statement (consisting of 1 page) 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 in it anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

Dated 11th day of September 2018

I am employed as a Crime, Enforcement & Regulation Officer for London Borough of Lewisham. I am an authorised officer for the purposes of ensuring compliance of the Licensing Act 2003

On Friday 17th August I was in MACE STORES Deptford High Street.

Nadya & I entered Mace Stores in Deptford High Street with Sgt Jo Hughes and PC Elisha Hill There were 4 people behind the counter of the store, 2 males & 2 females and 1 male on the shop floor who was part of the staffing team.

Sqt Hughes asked 1 female behind the counter for the manager and was told there was no-one on site to assist the police with any enquiries. Sgt Hughes then asked for the most senior member of staff who was in charge of the store at that time, again she was told no-one was there by the same female. I stepped in and showed my ID to the female in question she gave me her name on request and I asked that the displayed Premises Licence be taken off the wall and shown to me. The licence has her name on it as the Premises Licence holder along with her husband who was standing behind her. I explained the trouble it causes when a licence holder doesn't identify themselves to authorities and she said it was because they have never had any help from the police. During our time in the store PC Hill was at the front door letting customers know the store was temporarily closed. Sgt Hughes returned to the conversation and spoke to the licence holders about the allegation of them selling to people already drunk and also allowing some to have the alcohol on 'tick'. We also spoke about the street drinking and the fact that they provide the street drinkers with the alcohol by knowingly selling to them. Both licence holders were informed that they will be visited by the licensing officer for Deptford in the near future.

While we were in the store a customer was unhappy about being stopped from coming in the store and pushed through PC Hill. He was later arrested.

Signature (11000)

Signature of witness: ...

# **Statement continuation**

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