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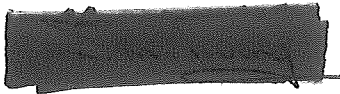
Re : Application for Review of the Premises Licences for
Liquid Lounge & The Light Bar
Chatsworth Road

Dear Mr Jones

Further to the Review application served on 22nd November 2012, please find enclosed a copy of additional evidence we wish to be considered.

A copy has been forwarded to Mr Yogesh Patel of Edward Hayes Solicitors.

Yours sincerely



Jean Irving

Force Licensing & Public Safety Manager

Mr S Jones
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Liquid Lounge & Light Bar Premises
Licences Review Application
Evidence Index

1st January 2013 02:46 & 04:33
Copies of initial reports to police

1st January 2013 00:15 hrs
PC Moore

28th December 2012
DS Dunn

25th December 2012
PC Watson
PC Vasey

14th December 2012
PC Ward
PC Vasey

9th December 2012
PS Lawrence

Tuesday 1st January 2013 02:46 & 04:33 hours

Two females attended Liquid Lounge on 31st January 2012. At 02:46 hours, one female contacted Sussex Police concerned that her ex boyfriend was outside the premises. She stating that he was harassing her and mentioned that the door staff had refused him entry. The female was drunk and tearful. Sussex Police spoke with the female's friend who stated that the aggrieved was very drunk. She confirmed that the door team were aware of this situation and a description of the male had been given to them.

At 04:15 hours a call was received by Sussex Police stating that the caller's friend, who works at the premises, had been punched in the face by her ex-boyfriend. The male, having seen the victim inside the premises attempted to open a locked door and failing to do so, punched through the door window, covering her in glass shards. The male was arrested after police located him at Worthing A & E, where he required medical attention for the injuries he had sustained.

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ISR Report:

01/01/2013 02:46:12	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	999	SUSSEX
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	WW1	Officer Dealing: CW119	
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	

Address Information

LIQUID LOUNGE, LIQUID LOUNGE

31 CHATSWORTH RD, WORTHING CENTRAL, WORTHING, BN11 1LY

Proximity: [X] Gazetteer Validation

Disposition Codes

CONCERN FOR SAFETY
CONCERN FOR SAFETY
NOT APPLICABLE

Complainant Information

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Notes:

Date / Time Information

[REDACTED]	01/01/2013	02:46:12
[REDACTED]	01/01/2013	02:48:19
[REDACTED]	01/01/2013	02:49:51
[REDACTED]	01/01/2013	03:25:58
[REDACTED]	01/01/2013	03:44:50
[REDACTED]	01/01/2013	04:07:35
[REDACTED]	01/01/2013	03:44:51
[REDACTED]	01/01/2013	07:33:58

Qualifiers

[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	4

ISR Relations

[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
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ISR Comments

[REDACTED]	01/01/2013	02:46:14	MS047	13420
[REDACTED]				
MY EXBOYFRIEND WONT LEAVE ME ALONE. I AM IN LIQUID LOUNGE	01/01/2013	02:46:45	MS047	13420
HE IS STANDING OUTSIDE, DOOR STAFF WILL NOT LET HIM IN	01/01/2013	02:47:22	MS047	13420
HIS NAME IS [REDACTED]	01/01/2013	02:47:33	MS047	13420
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	01/01/2013	02:50:01	MS047	13420
[REDACTED]	01/01/2013	02:51:11	MS047	13420
[REDACTED] IS ROUND THE CORNER OF THE CLUB.. NEAR THE BURGER VAN	01/01/2013	02:51:48	MS047	13420
A [REDACTED] IS DRUNK AND TEARFUL, WOULD NOT GIVE HER HOME ADDRESS DETAILS.	01/01/2013	02:52:21	MS047	13420
HAS NOW HUNG UP.	01/01/2013	02:52:32	MS047	13420
[REDACTED]	01/01/2013	02:53:06	MN017	21019
[REDACTED]	01/01/2013	02:54:01	MS047	13420
[REDACTED]	01/01/2013	03:00:48	MN011	22284
WW59 DISPATCH FROM ASSIGNMENT FORM	01/01/2013	03:25:58	MN017	15933
I HAVE CALLED THE MOBILE NUMBER IT BELONGS TO A FRIEND OF A [REDACTED] - SHE STATES A [REDACTED] IS VERY DRUNK, SHE THOUGHT SHE SAW HER EX-BOYFRIEND OUTSIDE THE CLUB WHILE SHE WAS IN THE	01/01/2013	03:39:43	WOR304	27500
SMOKING AREA. THERE HAS BEEN NO CONVERSATION BETWEEN THEM, DOOR STAFF ARE UNAWARE OF ANY PROBLEMS AND HAVE NOT HAD ANYTHING REPORTED TO THEM	01/01/2013	03:40:27	WOR304	27500
I HAVE OBTAINED A VAGUE DESCRIPTION OF O [REDACTED] FROM A [REDACTED]'S FRIEND AND THERE IS NOBODY MATCHING IT IN CHATSWORTH ROAD.	01/01/2013	03:41:17	WOR304	27500
I HAVE ASSURED A [REDACTED] AND HER FRIEND THAT THERE IS A CONSTANT POLICE PRESENCE OUTSIDE THE CLUB SHOULD HER EX-BOYFRIEND RE-APPEAR, SHE IS HAPPY WITH THIS ADVICE	01/01/2013	03:42:28	WOR304	27500
[REDACTED]				
[REDACTED]				
[REDACTED]				
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01/01/2013 04:33:36	140, C_VIOL	[REDACTED]	DIRECT	SUSSEX
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	WW1	Officer Dealing:CJ903	
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	

Address Information

ROAD ONLY, CHATSWORTH RD
 CHATSWORTH RD, WORTHING CENTRAL, WORTHING,

Proximlty:LIQUID LOUNGE

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Disposition Codes

DUPLICATE

DUPLICATE

NOT APPLICABLE

Complainant Information

[REDACTED]
 [REDACTED]
 S [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

Notes:

Date / Time Information

[REDACTED]	01/01/2013	04:33:36
[REDACTED]	01/01/2013	04:33:43
[REDACTED]	01/01/2013	04:34:44
[REDACTED]	01/01/2013	04:35:57

Qualifiers

[REDACTED]	NO QUAL APPLIC
[REDACTED]	ADMINISTRATION

ISR Relations

[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
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ISR Comments

19YR OLD FEMALE	01/01/2013	04:34:10	MS008	16693
PUNCHED IN FACE BY BOYFRIEND	01/01/2013	04:34:19	MS008	16693
GLASS IN HER FACE	01/01/2013	04:34:27	MS008	16693
AND POSS GLASS IN EYE	01/01/2013	04:34:34	MS008	16693
LOC. HISTORY VIEWED	01/01/2013	04:34:47	MS008	16693
[REDACTED]	01/01/2013	04:34:57	MS008	16693
[REDACTED]	01/01/2013	04:35:11	MS008	16693
MN018 For Control	01/01/2013	04:35:11	MN018	11845
FEMALE IS CALLED AT [REDACTED]	01/01/2013	04:35:18	MS008	16693
[REDACTED]	01/01/2013	04:35:24	MN018	11845
[REDACTED]	01/01/2013	04:35:36	MN018	11845

[REDACTED]

SXAMB GIVEN NEW CAD REF

01/01/2013 04:35:54

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Tuesday 1st January 2013 00:15 hours

A Police Officer conducting a licensing check within the premises immediately became aware of a male, apparently drunk, being ejected from inside the premises by door staff.



WITNESS STATEMENT

(CJ Act 1967, s.9; MC Act 1980, ss.5A(3) (a) and 5B: Criminal Procedure Rules 2005, Rule 27.1

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Statement of: Christopher James MOORE

Age if under 18: Over 18 (if over 18 insert 'over 18') Occupation: Police Constable

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

Signature:  Date 17/01/2013

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

On Tuesday 1st January 2013 at approximately 00:15 hours, whilst on duty in full uniform with PC MASTERS DM151, I attended Liquid Lounge Night Club, Chatsworth Road, Worthing to conduct a licensing check. When I attended I spoke with door staff that identified the licensee to me as James LANZ.

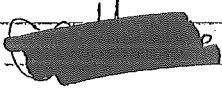
As I walked into the club the first thing I noticed was a member of security escorting a male out of the premises. In my opinion this male was drunk. The male was being escorted from the bar and dance floor area and was being taken to the cloak room to get his coat and then leave. I did not speak to the male or member of security.

I continued the licensing check by checking the toilets and other areas of the club. Empty glasses were being collected and drunken persons were being refused entry.

Once the check was completed I returned to Worthing Police Station to enter the result of the check onto our computer systems.



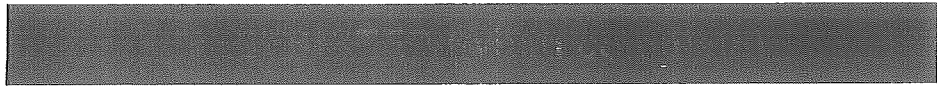
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Signature:  Signature witnessed by: _____



Friday 28th December 2012

A female contacted Sussex Police to reporting that she was the victim of a serious sexual assault committed by a stranger. Having spent the latter part of the evening in Liquid Lounge she left the premises and was making her way home on foot, when a male who had also been at the premises joined her and sexually assaulted her in the street. The initial investigation was hampered by the female's inability to remember what had happened or which route she had taken.



WITNESS STATEMENT

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Statement of: Simon Dunn

Age if under 18: Over 18 (if over 18 insert 'over 18') Occupation: Detective Sgt

This statement (consisting of 1 page(s) 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:

Date 18th Jan 2013

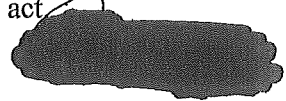
Tick if witness evidence is visually recorded (supply witness details on rear)

I am a serving detective sergeant within Sussex Police. I am currently based and work from Worthing CID Hub at Centenary House.

On Friday 28th December 2012 I was called in to work from home and asked of I could take ownership and manage and an allegation of a serious sexual assault (rape) that occurred in the East Worthing area in the early hours on the 28th. The complainant had stated to police that she had been drinking in the Liquid Lounge nightclub and due to her alcohol consumption; she was unable to give us any details. Her initial account was vague due to the complainant admitting that she was heavily intoxicated in the club. So much so was her level of intoxication that she was unable to give a detailed description of her attacker or the scene of the attack. This was a clear and frustrating stumbling point in the initial investigation.

The manager of the Liquid Lounge was contacted in the mid morning of the 28th. As a result of this, my officers were permitted to go to the nightclub and view CCTV footage according the complainants account. Fortunately, an image of the suspect was obtained and cross referenced to primary ID that was kept by the club as a condition of entrance. This was a significant breakthrough in the investigation.

In summary, the nightclub assisted in the apprehension of the suspect who has now been released without any action. However, the complainant in this case was so inebriated that she was unable to pass officers any significant information about the events of that evening. We now know that the complainant left the club with an unknown man and without informing any of her friends. This is not the first occasion of a serious sexual assault allegation that I have come across where by the complainant was in a state of complete drunkenness at the time of the alleged act



Tuesday 25th December 2012 02:06 hrs

A male was ejected from Liquid Lounge at 02:06 hours. It was necessary for police officers to intervene and remove him from the area. The male was drunk and smelt of intoxicants. As he left the area, he was heard to shout foul and offensive comments before proceeding to punch a road sign. The male was subsequently arrested for being Drunk and Disorderly and transported to Worthing custody where it was noted that he was too drunk to sign for his rights.



WITNESS STATEMENT

(CJ Act 1967, s.9; MC Act 1980, ss.5A(3) (a) and 5B; Criminal Procedure Rules 2005, Rule 27.1

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Statement of: Stephen Michael WATSON

Age if under 18: Over 18 (If over 18 Insert 'over 18') Occupation: Police Constable

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Signature: [Redacted] Date 18th January 2013

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

On 25th December 2012 I was on duty in full uniform with PC BAILEY DB612 on mobile patrol in Worthing. At 01:55 hours I drove along CHATSWORTH ROAD, WORTHING. As I drove along, I observed that the door staff at the Liquid Lounge were having issues with some males. I pulled over and approached the staff who advised that they had ejected 3 males who had caused some issues inside.

I saw 3 males who were very animated and upset about something, and they kept saying door staff had assaulted them when they removed them from the club.

[Redacted] one of the door staff, stated that these 3 males had started on another group, and had kicked off when asked to leave. These were all dressed in white trousers and sky blue jumpers.

I spoke with one of the males who I now know to be a [Redacted] and he gave an address of 1 [Redacted]. [Redacted]s eyes were glazed and he smelt strongly of intoxicating liquor - he was drunk. W [Redacted] refused to listen to me, and was swearing. I advised him to go home or be arrested.

As he walked off, he was joined by a few more friends, who were also drunk. As he walked away, I heard him make comments about the police, with words to the effect of "FUCKING PIGS."

I started to follow him, and again he swore, and suddenly lashed out at a road sign, punching it.

I ran across and took hold of him, a group of his friends surrounded me, and I pushed some of these away shouting "BACK OFF, BACK OFF."

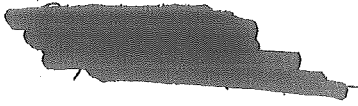
I told [Redacted] to put his hands behind his back, and he shouted "WHAT YOU GOING TO DO, WHAT YOU GOING TO DO." I forced his hands behind his back and told him at 02:06 hours "YOU ARE UNDER ARREST FOR BEING DRUNK AND DISORDERLY. CAUTION. THIS IS BECAUSE OF YOUR BEHAVIOUR."

I placed him in cuffs and he was conveyed to Worthing Custody.

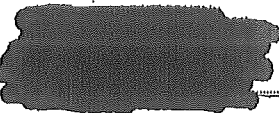
Whilst I was dealing with this incident I was wearing a BWV (Body Worn Video) camera. I have burnt this



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footage to disc, and produce this as exhibit SMW/1 ().



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Signature witnessed by:

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WITNESS STATEMENT

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Statement of: Ian David VASEY

Age if under 18: Over 18 (If over 18 Insert 'over 18') Occupation: Police Constable CV053

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Signature:

Date 18/01/2013

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

On Friday 18th January 2013, I was on duty in plain clothes working as part of the West Sussex Neighbourhood Licensing Team at CENTENARY HOUSE, WORTHING.

At 1300 hours I accessed our custody records system to look at the detention logs of two prisoners who had been arrested after incidents that had taken place in the vicinity of LIQUID LOUNGE NIGHTCLUB, CHATSWORTH ROAD, WORTHING.

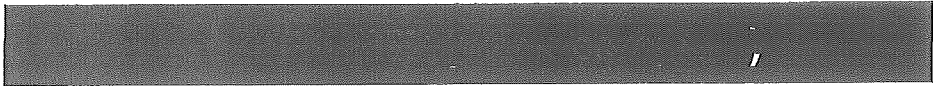
The first custody record, number 47WW/6326/12, detailed that between 0034 and 0037 hours on Saturday 15th December 2013, Police Sergeant Thurgood CT474 made entries stating that the detained person was unable to understand and sign for his rights as he was drunk and non compliant, the detained person was trying to kick officers on arrival at custody and had been placed in handcuffs and was wearing a split hood, a piece of equipment placed over the detained persons head to prevent them spitting at officers.

The second custody record, number 47WW/6505/12, detailed that between 0231 and 0233 hours on Tuesday 25th December 2013, Police Sergeant Fisher CF345 made entries onto the record stating that the detained person was too drunk to understand his rights and be able to sign for them. The male was handcuffed for his transportation to custody.

This statement was made at 1320 hours on Friday 18th January 2013 at CENTENARY HOUSE, WORTHING

Friday 14th December 2012 23:50 hours

A male was ejected from Liquid Lounge due to his behaviour within the premises. Once outside he threatened door staff, attempting to swing punches at them. Police assistance was required and the male was arrested for drunk and disorderly behaviour. On route to custody it was necessary to stop the vehicle to deal with his behaviour at which time he spat at the police officer dealing with him. He was further arrested for assaulting police. It was recorded at custody that the male was incapable of understanding and attempted to assault officers in the custody block. He was drunk and non-compliant and therefore unable to sign his record of rights needed constant monitoring in his cell.



WITNESS STATEMENT

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Statement of: Carol Penelope Ward

Age if under 18: Over 18 (if over 18 insert 'over 18') Occupation: Police Officer

This statement (consisting of 3 page(s) 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:

Date 15/12/12

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

On Friday 14th December 2012, I was on duty in uniform on foot patrol in Worthing Town Centre. At about 23:45 hours, I attended the Liquid Lounge Night Club, Chatsworth Road, Worthing following reports from door staff of a male causing a disturbance at this location. On arrival, a member of door staff indicated a male standing outside the nightclub. I now know this male to be M [REDACTED] born [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] was standing with a female. The door staff stated that [REDACTED] had been ejected from the nightclub and had become threatening to door staff, swinging punches at them and stating that he was going to bite their nose off and head butt them. They further stated that [REDACTED] was refusing to leave and was trying to start trouble with members of the public. I walked up to [REDACTED] with PC Watson CW426, PC Slaney CS474 and PC Jackson CJ041. PC Jackson started to speak with [REDACTED] and attempted to obtain his details. [REDACTED] refused to provide his details and became argumentative as he stated, "I'M NOT GOING ANYWHERE". PC Jackson repeatedly tried to reason with [REDACTED] in a calm and courteous manner telling him that he needed to go home due to the complaints we had received from him of his threatening behaviour. The female that was standing with [REDACTED] also kept trying to reason with him and tried to get him to leave the area. [REDACTED] however refused. I said to [REDACTED], "You need to leave the area now otherwise you will be arrested". [REDACTED] replied, "SO IF I MAKE A COMPLAINT ABOUT THEM YOU'LL ARREST THEM THEN". I said to [REDACTED], "No, if you do not leave, I will be arresting you". [REDACTED] smelled very strongly of alcohol and his speech was slurred. His eyes were glazed and he was unsteady on his feet. He was drunk. [REDACTED] continued to be argumentative and kept swearing, "[REDACTED] OFF". He also used the word "[REDACTED]". He was told by officers to "Stop swearing". I said to [REDACTED], "We have had complaints that you have attempted to swing punches at door staff and threaten to head butt them. You need to leave now or you will be arrested. [REDACTED] replied, "I'M NOT GOING ANYWHERE" and then proceeded to sit down on the kerb outside the nightclub. There were many people outside the nightclub at

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this time both in the entrance/exit area and the smoking area to the side of the club. Chatsworth Road is also a busy through road and is used regularly by members of the public, particularly on a Friday and Saturday night to gain access to the Taxi rank on Chapel Road, Worthing. I was concerned that T [REDACTED] behaviour would cause further problems at the nightclub and with members of the public in the immediate area. I walked over to T [REDACTED] and at 23:50 hours, I said to him, "I am arresting you for being Drunk and Disorderly". I took hold of T [REDACTED] arm and assisted him to a standing position and then applied handcuffs to the rear of T [REDACTED]. I noticed that T [REDACTED] had a superficial cut to one of his wrists. T [REDACTED] kept stating, "YOU DON'T KNOW WHO I AM DO YOU, MY UNCLES GOING TO GET YOU SACKED. THAT'S WHAT HE DID TO THE LAST ONES. YOU JUST WAIT, YOU'LL SEE, MY UNCLES IN THE POLICE". T [REDACTED] was escorted to a police vehicle which he was placed in the rear of. He continued to make threats towards officers stating that he was going to, "BITE YOUR NOSE OFF". He also repeatedly stated, "WHY AM I ARRESTED". I continued to tell T [REDACTED] that he had been arrested for being Drunk and Disorderly. I explained to T [REDACTED] that he had been making threats towards door staff and had failed to leave when told to do so repeatedly. PC Watson then proceeded to drive the police vehicle to Custody as I remained sitting beside T [REDACTED] in the rear of the vehicle. As we approached the Western end of Chatsworth Road, T [REDACTED] started to remove his mobile phone from his pocket and attempted to press the buttons on it. I immediately tried to retrieve the phone from him which he pulled away from me and continued to grip hold of. PC Watson stopped the police vehicle and opened the rear near side door where T [REDACTED] was sitting as I managed to prise the phone from T [REDACTED]'S hands. T [REDACTED] then turned to face PC Watson who was standing by the door. I then heard PC Watson shout as he informed me that T [REDACTED] had just spat at him. I pulled T [REDACTED] to my side of the vehicle so that his head was resting on the rear seat and placed my hand to the side of his head thus preventing him from spitting further. I said to T [REDACTED], "You are now further arrested for assault police". I then placed a 'spit hood' over T [REDACTED] head. This is a thin mesh fabric type hood designed to be placed over a suspects head enabling them to continue breathing without any difficulty whilst preventing them from spitting at any persons. T [REDACTED] was then assisted back into a sitting position. PC Jackson had now placed himself in the front passenger seat of the police vehicle. I placed my arm across the back of the front headrest to prevent T [REDACTED] from lurching forwards. I also placed my foot in the foot well, again to prevent T [REDACTED] lurching forwards to the front seats. We then continued on to Custody. T [REDACTED] continued to make threats that he would ensure we lost our jobs due to his uncle being in the police. On arrival at custody, T [REDACTED] continued to be argumentative and abusive. His detention was

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Signature witnessed by:

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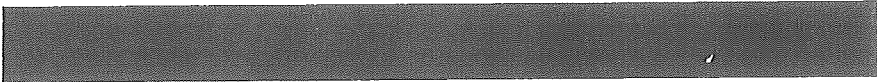
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PC WARD DW051.

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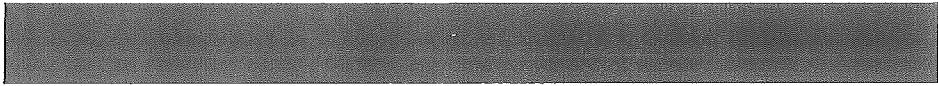
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This statement was made at 1320 hours on Friday 18th January 2013 at CENTENARY HOUSE, WORTHING

Sunday 9th December 2012

At approximately 02:00 hours, police officers responded to a disturbance outside Liquid Lounge. On arrival several groups of agitated people were identified, some of whom were members of the premises door staff. A number of door staff were seen by officers to quickly return inside the premises. One male was very vocal and complaining that he had been assaulted; another male was using the wall to hold him up. He had not been injured, but his friends stated that he had been drinking within Liquid Lounge. The Police Sergeant present was so concerned by his level of intoxication, that he considered calling an ambulance. It was established that additional incidents had taken place, including a confrontation between door staff and a further group who had been refused entry. The accounts of these events were inconsistent, with both the door staff and the refused males making counter allegations of assault.



WITNESS STATEMENT

(CJ Act 1967, s.9; MC Act 1980, ss.5A(3) (a) and 5B; Criminal Procedure Rules 2005, Rule 27.1

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Statement of: Alan LAWRENCE

Age if under 18: O'18 (If over 18 insert 'over 18') Occupation: Police Officer CL084

This statement (consisting of 2 page(s) 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:

Date 15/01/13

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

On the 9th December 2012 I was on duty in full uniform. My role on that evening was as a supervisor on Operation Marble, a weekly operation carried out by Sussex Police at a weekend surrounding the night time economy in the county. I was supervising a team of PC's, I believe it was 10 in total, and was in WORTHING TOWN CENTER when over the pub watch radio, which is a radio on the same network as the door staff, we heard that there was a large disturbance at LIQUID LOUNGE. I made my way up there with other officers and as we approached CHATSWORTH ROAD I could hear a loud commotion outside. On arrival there appeared to be several groups that appeared agitated, one of these groups contained door staff from LIQUID LOUNGE. As we arrived on scene I saw several of these door staff go back into the club quickly. I was aware of a male that my colleagues were talking to that opposite the club that was very vocal and agitated. I was also aware of a male that PC WILSON ended up taking into CHATSWORTH ROAD POLICE STATION that was stating that he had been assaulted and a group of three of his friends that appeared to be agitated as well, that were quickly ushered by police to outside the police station. I started to work my way round all the PC'S to establish what was being said by who and what injuries if any we had so I could make an educated decision on a suitable course of action when I also saw a young male using a wall opposite the police station to prop himself up. I went over to speak to him and he was heavily intoxicated, that much so he could not stand up unaided. I established that he was not injured and spoke to his friends who stated that he had been drinking in Liquid Lounge. Due to the level of intoxication he was showing I offered to get him an ambulance or medical aid, which he declined. His friends then almost carried him off home. I could not believe how drunk he was. After speaking to the officers and groups it became apparent that there were several different incidents that had happened simultaneously, one being a group of males that had been outside the club that I believe had tried to get in to the club unsuccessfully and the other was a group of three males that had been refused entry to the club and had tried to jump over the barriers. At this

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point the story from the group and door staff differed slightly. The door staff were saying that they were preventing the group from jumping over the fence when they, the door staff, were attacked and one of them, [REDACTED], was hit on the head and in his own words he then hit out in self defence. The group of males, and the young male that PC WILSON was speaking to, were saying that they tried to get in and then all of a sudden the door staff became aggressive and attacked them, and as they were being attacked one of their friends were assaulted. I spoke to all the door staff that may have been involved and what struck me was how vague some of them were, especially [REDACTED]. For someone that works in a profession that requires them to potentially deal with aggression and defuse situations I felt that he was being particularly vague as if he was hiding something. These accounts were in the presence of an officer that was wearing Body worn video. I can produce a copy of this as AGL/1. I have been a police officer for over 12 years and have worked in many different roles, and in my professional opinion the attitude I witnessed that evening from certain door staff summarises the attitude they display week in week out towards members of public. Several of the door staff, including the male that appears to lead the door staff team whose name I do not know, appear to work hard to diffuse problems and aggression, and later that night I witnessed him talking to a male that had been ejected for over 5 minutes calming him down before he went into the town centre. They however are let down by the ones that appear to lack the communication skills to deal with members of the public and calm situations before they escalate and appear to rely on their size and presence more. I have also noticed, particularly on that evening, that the demographics of the club seem to lean heavily towards males. I have noticed that on the evenings where it appears that the % of males is greater than the % females are the evenings that we seem to have to deal with more incidents of aggression from the club.

Signature

Signature witnessed by:

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