



CITY OF WESTMINSTER

MINUTES

Licensing Sub-Committee (6)

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of a meeting of the **Licensing Sub-Committee (6)** held on **Thursday 27th October, 2022**, Rooms 18.01 - 18.03 - 18th Floor, 64 Victoria Street, London, SW1E 6QP.

Members Present: Councillors Aziz Toki (Chair), Md Shamsed Chowdhury and Laila Cunningham

1. MEMBERSHIP

1.1 There were no changes to the membership.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

2.1 There were no declarations of interest.

1. 14 PARK STREET, W1K 2HY

1.1 The Licensing Sub Committee decided to adjourn this application.

2. PORTICO HOTEL VICTORIA, 30-32 ST GEORGE'S DRIVE, SW1V 4BN

WESTMINSTER CITY COUNCIL LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE N0.6
("The Committee")

Thursday 27 October 2022 – Item 2

Membership: Councillor Aziz Toki (Chairman)
Councillor Md Shamsed Chowdhury
Councillor Laila Cunningham

Officer Support: Legal Adviser: Vivienne Walker
Policy Officer: Daisy Gadd
Committee Officer: Sarah Craddock
Presenting Officer: Karyn Abbott

Other Parties: Noel Samaroo (Agent on behalf of the Applicant, NTAD
Consultants Ltd),

Ian Watson (Environmental Health Service)

Richard Brown, (Citizens Advice Westminster) representing
Hugo Wood and Rachel Bulcock
Rachel Bulcock

**Application for a New Premises Licence – The Portico Hotel Victoria 30-32
George’s Drive London SW1V 4BN – 22/08286/LIPN**

Full Decision

Premises

The Portico Hotel Victoria
30-32 St George’s Drive
London SW1V 4BN

Applicant

Greysby Limited

Ward

Pimlico North Ward

Cumulative Impact Area

N/A

Special Consideration Zone

N/A

Activities and Hours applied for

Sale by Retail of Alcohol (On Sales)

Monday to Sunday 00:00 to 00:00 hours

Hours Premises are Open to the Public

Monday to Sunday 00:00 to 00:00 hours

Summary of Application

This is an application for a New Premises Licence under the Licensing Act 2003 ("The Act"). The Premises are a newly refurbished London Hotel. The Applicant has stated that the hotel will not be providing mini bars. The bar will be closed at 23:00 hours to Non-Residents. Alcohol will only be available after 23:00 hours by way of vending machine situated in the reception area or directly from the reception to hotel residents. The reception is staffed 24 hours and covered by CCTV.

The Premises are located in Pimlico North Ward but not within the Cumulative Impact Zone or the Special Consideration Zone. Applications outside the West End Cumulative Impact Zone will generally be granted subject to matters identified in Policy HOT1. There is a resident count of 350.

Representations received

- Metropolitan Police Service (withdrawn on 3 October 2022)
- Environmental Health Service (EHS) (Ayesha Bolton)
- Four local residents (one resident withdrew on 17 October 2022)

Summary of Objections

The hours requested for the supply of alcohol will have the likely effect of causing an increase in Public Nuisance within the area and may impact on Public Safety.

The granting of the application as presented would have the likely effect of causing an increase in Public Nuisance and may impact on Public Safety within the area.

The main impact from the hotel is the people stepping out onto the pavement at the front to smoke. They can be noisy and often drop litter and cigarette butts.

The hotel brings undue noise, horrible smoking to step out into, crowds outside our door and residual cigarette butts that are left behind.

Policy Position

HOT1

Applications outside the West End Cumulative Impact Zone will generally be granted subject to:

1. The application meeting the requirements of policies CD1, PS1, PN1 and CH1.
2. The hours for licensable activities being within the Council's Core Hours Policy HRS1.
3. The sale by retail of alcohol, regulated entertainment and late-night refreshment must be an ancillary function to the primary purpose of the venue as a hotel.
4. The application and operation of the venue meeting the definition of a hotel as per Clause C

HRS1

Applications within the core hours set out in this policy will generally be granted for the relevant premises uses, subject to not being contrary to other policies in the Statement of Licensing Policy.

SUBMISSIONS AND REASONS

Ms Karyn Abbott, Senior Licensing Officer outlined the application to the Sub-Committee. She advised that representations had been received from the Environmental Health Service and four local residents (one resident withdrew the representations). She further advised that the Metropolitan Police Service had withdrawn their representation as conditions had been agreed with the Applicant. The Sub Committee noted that the Premises were located within the Pimlico North Ward but was not within a Cumulative Impact Zone or a Special Consideration Zone. She confirmed that the additional submissions from the Applicant, Environmental Health Service and the Interested Parties had been circulated to the Sub Committee.

Mr Noel Samaroo (Agent on behalf of the Applicant) addressed the Sub-Committee. He stated that the Portico Hotel was a small 40-bedroom hotel which had been operating since 1976. He explained that just before COVID the owners had undertaken an extensive transformation of the hotel to upgrade it to a three-star hotel and the Applicant now wished to offer their patrons a drink during the evenings to enjoy in the lounge area of the hotel and/or with their evening meal. He outlined that the Applicant had consulted with the Responsible Authorities and because of the feedback received from the Police, the Applicant had changed the application so only residents and their guests could use the bar facilities. He advised that there was no application for regulated entertainment.

Mr Samaroo advised that the Applicant had written to all residents and from their response it would appear that their main concern was the number of people smoking outside of the hotel and cigarette butts left in the street. He stated that there had never been an issue until six weeks ago when the Council had requested that the hotel remove the ashtrays attached to the railings at the front of the hotel. He advised that the Applicant proposed to place brass fire buckets either side of the double frontage doorway and notices requesting smokers to smoke in a particular area and extinguish their cigarette butts in the provided fire buckets. He explained that the area would be monitored and cleaned regularly and added that he hoped that the residents would see this as a positive and pro-active move as the Applicant

wished to be a good neighbour. He confirmed that there had been no complaints in the 40 years that the hotel had been operating in the area.

Mr Samaroo advised that after consultation with the Police the Applicant had decided that alcohol would not be available by way of vending machine and that all alcohol would be served from the reception area. He advised that the reception area was open 24 hours, seven days per week. He stated that the lounge area had space for approximately ten customers to sit and have a drink. He confirmed that the hotel was profitable without having the Premises Licence, and that the Applicant just wished to regulate the consumption of alcohol on the hotel Premises. He advised that this would reduce anti-social behaviour in the area as it would stop guests leaving the hotel to purchase alcohol from local off-licences. Guests would need to present their key card to the receptionist before being allowed to purchase alcohol.

In response to questions from the Sub Committee, Mr Samaroo advised that the Applicant had not realised that removing the cigarette ashtrays would create such a problem for residents. He stated that not all the 40 bedrooms were double rooms, and that the majority of their bookings were made via booking.com. He stated that the hotel did not allow people to walk in off the street to book a room. He confirmed there had never been a need for a SIA.

Mr Ian Watson, representing the Environmental Health Service (EHS), stated that he had visited the hotel. He explained that the reception was immediate at the front of the building, all guests needed to be buzzed into the hotel lobby, the entrance was covered by CCTV and the lounge and basement were all seated areas. He advised that there would be no sale of alcohol from vending machines or self-service and that all alcohol would be purchased from the receptionist. There were no mini bars located in the bedrooms. He confirmed that there would be no off-sales of alcohol and that the proposed extensive list of conditions should alleviate residential concerns.

Mr Watson stated that he did not know why the ashtrays had been removed from the railings, however, he considered that the fire buckets would be sufficient to collect cigarette butts. He advised that the hotel had been refurbished and that there was a mixture of single and double rooms. He stated that no complaints of public nuisance had been received from the public. He confirmed that alcohol would only be available to residents and their bona fide guests so no alcohol could be sold to passer-bys and it would not be a public bar.

Mr Richard Brown (Citizens Advice Westminster) on behalf of two residents advised that the residents have lived left of the hotel from the street. He outlined that their main concern was people gathering outside the front entrance of the hotel to smoke. He explained that very few off-licences remained open beyond 11pm so the granting of this Premises Licence would not necessarily reduce anti-social behaviour in the area. He advised that the residents were not against the sale of alcohol for consumption on the Premises. However, they were concerned about the availability of alcohol 24/7 and people drinking and smoking outside of the hotel and creating noise nuisance. He advised that the residents would ideally like the inclusion of two conditions a) that no consumption of alcohol would take place outside of the hotel rooms after 11pm and b) that no-more than four smokers be allowed outside of the hotel at any one time. He further stated that the residents would like there to be a

designated smoking area and for it to be marked on the plans. Mr Brown proposed that model condition 67 be added to the Premises Licence.

Ms Rachel Bulcock, resident, advised that when the smokers stood outside of the hotel, they could see directly into her living room, and she could hear their conversations as her flat did not have double glazing doors or windows. She stated that their cigarette butts often landed onto their steps down to their flat. She explained that her main concern was the number of people drinking and smoking in the street which would create noise nuisance and increase litter. She advised that there had been a vast increase in cigarette butts being discarded on to the pavement since the removal of the ashtrays. She requested that a condition limiting the number of guests of each patron be added to the Premises Licence and that the hotel actively monitor the number of people leaving the Premises to smoke.

In response to questions from Mr Brown, Mr Samaroo advised that the reception would monitor guests entering and leaving the building. He suggested that a condition be placed on the Premises Licence that the reception also monitors the designated smoking area regularly to prevent public nuisance and/or obstruction of the pavement. He emphasised that CCTV was in operation throughout the lobby area of the hotel.

During their summing up, Mr Watson stated that the hotel had no mini bars or vending machines containing alcohol and that all purchases of alcohol were supervised in the reception area. Mr Brown stated that he could not recall a hotel application that did not limit the number of guests of residents to a reasonable number. Mr Watson concluded that the proposed conditions were sufficient to alleviate residential concerns.

During his summing up, Mr Samaroo advised that the application was purely for the sale of alcohol (on) the Premises and not regulated entertainment. He emphasised that the number of smokers outside of the Premises would be monitored and that there would be a Premises Licence Holder on the Premises 24/7. He stated that it was important that the hotel offer of accommodation, food and drinks are attractive to customers as business was tough post pandemic.

Conclusion

The Committee has a duty to consider the application on its own individual merits and took into account all the committee papers, supplementary submissions made by the parties, and the oral evidence given by all parties during the hearing in its determination of the matter.

The Committee was satisfied that, in accordance with the Licensing Act 2003, Home Office Guidance, Westminster's Licensing Policy and on the evidence before it, that it was appropriate and proportionate, in all the circumstances, to **GRANT** the application.

In reaching its decision, the Committee had regard, but not exclusively to the fact that conditions had been agreed with the Responsible Authorities and that the Metropolitan Police Service was content with the application. The Committee noted that the Applicant had provided valid reasons as to why the granting of the

application would not undermine the licensing objectives. The Committee also noted that the Applicant was willing to liaise with residents on a regular basis.

The Committee concluded that the conditions attached to the licence would alleviate the parties' concerns and would address the concerns raised, in particular the smoking outside of the Premises.

Having carefully considered the committee papers and the submissions made by all parties, both orally and in writing, **the Committee has decided**, after taking into account all the individual circumstances of this case and the promotion of the four licensing objectives:

1. To grant permission for the **Sale by Retail of Alcohol (On Sales)** Monday to Sunday 00:00 to 00:00 hours.
2. To grant permission for the **Opening Hours for the Premises** Monday to Sunday 00:00 to 00:00 hours.
3. That the Licence is subject to any relevant mandatory conditions.
4. That the Licence is subject to the following conditions imposed by the Committee which are considered appropriate and proportionate to promote the licensing objectives.

Conditions imposed by the Committee after the hearing with the agreement of the Applicant

9. The premises shall install and maintain a comprehensive CCTV system as per the minimum requirements of the City of Westminster Police Licensing Team. 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 are 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. Viewing of recordings shall be made available immediately upon the request of Police or authorised officer throughout the entire 31-day period.
10. A staff member from the premises who is conversant with the operation of the CCTV system shall always be on the premises when the premises are open. This staff member must be able to provide a Police or authorised council officer copies of recent CCTV images or data with the absolute minimum of delay when requested.
11. If a serious assault is committed on the premises (or appears to have been committed) the management will immediately ensure that:
 - The Police (and, where appropriate, the London Ambulance Service) are called without delay.
 - All measures that are reasonably practicable are taken to apprehend any suspects pending the arrival of the Police.
 - The crime scene is preserved so as to enable a full forensic investigation to be carried out by the Police; and such other measures

are taken (as appropriate) to fully protect the safety of all persons present on the premises.

12. A Challenge 21 or Challenge 25 proof of age scheme shall be operated at the premises where the only acceptable forms of identification are recognised photographic identification cards, such as a driving licence, passport, or proof of age card with the PASS Hologram.
13. A record shall be kept detailing all refused sales of alcohol. The record should include the date and time of the refused sale and the name of the member of staff who refused the sale. The record shall always be available for inspection at the premises by the Police or an authorised officer of the Council whilst the premises are open.
14. An incident log shall be kept at the premises and made available on request to an authorised officer of the Council or the Police. It must be completed within 24 hours of the incident and will record the following:
 - (a) all crimes reported to the venue
 - (b) all ejections of patrons
 - (c) any complaints received concerning crime and disorder
 - (d) any incidents of disorder
 - (e) all seizures of drugs or offensive weapons
 - (f) any faults in the CCTV system, searching equipment or scanning equipment
 - (g) any refusal of the sale of alcohol
 - (h) any visit by a relevant authority or emergency service
15. The means of escape provided for the premises shall be maintained unobstructed, free of trip hazards, be immediately available and clearly identified in accordance with the plans provided.
16. The DPS will ensure that the premises operate in line with existing health and safety legislation and is aware that it is also the responsibility of the premises licence holder that this legislation is adhered to.
17. No noise generated on the premises, or by its associated plant or equipment, shall emanate from the premises nor vibration be transmitted through the structure of the premises which gives rise to a nuisance.
18. Notices shall be prominently displayed at all exits requesting patrons to respect the needs of local residents and businesses and leave the area quietly.
19. A direct telephone number for the manager at the premises shall always be publicly available whilst the premises are open. This telephone number is to be made available to residents and businesses in the vicinity.
20. During the hours of operation of the premises, the licence holder shall ensure sufficient measures are in place to remove and prevent litter or waste arising or accumulating from customers in the area immediately outside the premises, and that this area shall be swept and or washed, and litter and

sweepings collected and stored in accordance with the approved refuse storage arrangements by close of business.

21. No collections of waste or recycling materials (including bottles) from the premises shall take place between 23.00 and 08.00 hours on the following day.
22. No deliveries to the premises shall take place between 23.00 and 08.00 hours on the following day.
23. The premises licence holder shall ensure that any patrons smoking outside the premises do so in an orderly manner and are supervised by staff so as to ensure that there is no public nuisance or obstruction of the public highway.
24. No fumes, steam or odours shall be emitted from the licensed premises to cause a nuisance to any persons living or carrying on business in the area where the premises are situated.
25. The DPS will take full responsibility to ensure that all staff training is documented and to include obligations under the Licensing Act 2003, offences under the Act, underage sales, proxy sales, sales of alcohol to drunks, awareness and application of policies particular to the premises and with a comprehensive knowledge of Challenge 25, where the only acceptable forms of identification are recognised photographic identification cards, such as a driving licence, Passport or proof of age card with the PASS Hologram.
26. Training is to be fully documented and refreshed every six months. The training records will be presented to an authorised officer or the Police upon request.
27. A Personal Licence Holder will be on duty throughout the time licensable activity is taking place to authorise any sale of Alcohol.
28. Staff will receive training in terrorism awareness and procedures adopted by the premises licence holder in the event of a terrorist attack at or in the immediate vicinity of the premises. Such training will be recorded and updated in line with best practice and a copy of the training will be made available to the Metropolitan Police on request. The premises licence holder shall ensure that the management team register and successfully complete the nationally recognised counter terrorism training product referred to as ACT eLearning package or can demonstrate that the ACT eLearning product has been successfully completed within the preceding 12 months.
29. The Premises shall have policy on protecting children from child sexual exploitation. The policy shall include training for all staff on the signs and indications of child sexual exploitation as well as the reporting of suspicious activity to the appropriate authorities.
30. Appropriate signs/posters shall be displayed in a prominent position highlighting the signs of child sexual exploitation.

31. There shall be no supply of alcohol from vending machines on the premises.
32. The supply of alcohol at the premises shall only be to hotel residents and their bona fide guests.
33. The sale of alcohol to patrons' guests shall be between 10:00 to 23:00 hours.
34. Patrons permitted to temporarily leave and then re-enter the premises to smoke shall not be permitted to take drinks or glass containers with them.
35. Patrons permitted to temporarily leave and then re-enter the premises to smoke shall be limited to 4 persons at any one time and be restricted to a designated area to the left of number 32 St. George's Drive.

This is the Full Decision of the Licensing Sub-Committee which takes effect forthwith.

**The Licensing Sub-Committee
27 October 2022**

3. SOPHISTICATS, 3-7 BREWER STREET, W1F 0RF

WESTMINSTER CITY COUNCIL LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE N0.6
("The Committee")

Thursday 27 October 2022 – Item 3

Membership: Councillor Aziz Toki (Chairman)
Councillor Md Shamsed Chowdhury
Councillor Laila Cunningham

Other Parties: Jack Spiegler (Solicitor on behalf of the Applicant, Thomas & Thomas), Michael Bromley Martin (QC, on behalf of the Applicant), John McKeown (Applicant, John McKeown Clubs Ltd) and Tony Miah (City Inspector)

Application for the Renewal of a Sex Establishment Licence – Sophisticats
3-7 Brewer Street W1F 0RF – 22/08456/LISEVR

Full Decision

Premises

Sophisticats
3-7 Brewer Street
London W1F 0RF

Applicant

John Mckeown Clubs Limited

Ward

West End

Activities and Hours applied for

Partial Nudity Striptease Monday to Saturday 09:00 to 03:00 hours
Sunday 09:00 to 23:00 hours.

Summary of Application

This is an application for the Renewal of the Sex Establishment Licence under the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 as amended by the Policing and Crime Act 2009. The Premises have operated as a sex establishment since 2012. The Premises also has the benefit of a Premises Licence Reference 22/07500/LIPVM. The Applicant has provided supporting documents at pages 189 to 190 of the Agenda Pack. The Premises are located in West End Core CAZ North. There is a resident count of 446.

Representations were received from Westminster's City Inspector and two interested parties.

Representations received

City Inspector James Hayes (Licensing Enforcement)
Two local residents

Summary of Representations

The objections from Interest Parties were on the grounds of:

- Touting
- Public Nuisance

Policy Position

Suitability of applicant – SU1

The applicant has stated that no relevant offences have been committed. In addition, the Police and the Council's Licensing Inspectorate have carried out fit and proper persons checks and have not made any objections to the application.

SEV carried on for the benefit of another person – SU2

The Police and the Council's Licensing Inspectorate have undertaken appropriate checks and the comments from the City Inspectors are included in the objection which appears at Appendix E1.

Appropriate number of SEV in a locality – NO1

The appropriate number of sexual entertainment venues in the relevant localities is 25 in the Westminster core CAZ north. As the premises are currently licensed this application, if granted, will not exceed 25.

Character of the relevant locality – LO1

Brewer Street is in the heart of the West End with both pedestrian and vehicular access. Within a 100 metre radius of the premises, there is a resident count of 446.

Use of premises in the vicinity – LO2

The main use of the Premises in the immediate vicinity are commercial. There are three sex shops and two other SEV premises, within a 100 metre radius of the Premises. There is one school, and one place of worship within a 100 metre radius of the Premises. A map of the relevant locality is attached to this report as Appendix G.

Layout, character or condition of the venue – LO3

The Premises are spread over the basement and ground floor. Only the basement floor is included within the licensable area for Relevant Entertainment purposes.

Submissions

Ms Karyn Abbott, Senior Licensing, outlined the application. She advised that representations had been received by two Interested Parties. She confirmed that the additional submissions submitted by the Applicant had been circulated to the Sub Committee.

Mr Michael Bromley Martin QC, on behalf of the Applicant addressed the Sub-Committee. He outlined that since the implementation of the 1982 Act, the Applicant's management team had been deemed suitable to hold a SEV Licence 14 times by Westminster City Council. He emphasised that there had been no representations from any of the Responsible Authorities.

Mr Bromley Martin commented on the two anonymous objections both of which had made allegations about touting and various personal allegations against Mr Mckeown. He advised that Mr Mckeown was a very experienced and an impeccable operator and did not engage in unauthorised touting, which was consistent with the findings of the Licensing Inspector.

Mr Bromley Martin briefly outlined how the Premises had applied for and been granted a variation to their Premises Licence during Covid which had expired at the end of October 2022. During this time, the venue had not provided sexual entertainment.

Mr Bromley Martin advised of the City Inspector's three visits to the Premises and highlighted that no irregularities had been identified during any of the visits.

Mr Tony Miah, representing the City Inspectors, confirmed that he had visited the Premises and that they were well managed.

Decision

The Committee has considered an application for a new Sex Establishment Licence under the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 as amended ("The Act") for the premises known as Sophisticats, 3-7 Brewer Street, London W1F 0RF. The Committee noted that there were no objections to the application from the Police or the Licensing Authority.

The Committee having carefully considered the committee papers and the submissions made by the parties, both orally and in writing, **decided to grant** the renewal of the Licence for twelve months subject to the conditions specified below.

Standard Conditions:

1. Whilst Relevant Entertainment is taking place no person under the age of 18 shall be on the licensed premises and a clear notice to that effect shall

be displayed at entrance in a prominent position so that it can be easily read by persons entering the premises.

2. Whenever persons under the age of 18 are admitted to the premises there will be no promotional or other material on display within the premises which depicts nudity or partial nudity.
3. The licence or a clear copy shall be prominently displayed at all times so as to be readily and easily seen by all persons using the premises.
4. No provision of relevant entertainment, or material depicting nudity or relevant entertainment, shall be visible from outside the premises.
5. Menus and drinks price lists shall be clearly displayed at the front entrance of the club, reception area, tables and bar at such a position and size as to be easily read by customers. The price list shall show all consumable items and any minimum tariff including charges and fees applicable to Performers.
6. Except with the consent of the Licensing Authority, no advertisements of any kind (including placard, poster, sticker, flyer, picture, letter, sign or other mark) shall be inscribed or affixed at the premises, on the surface of the highway or on any building, structure, works, street furniture, tree or any other property or be distributed in the street to the public that advertises or promotes the relevant entertainment at the premises.
7. The licence holder or other person concerned in the conduct or management of the premises shall not seek to obtain custom by means of personal solicitation or touting, nor enter into any agreement with a third party to do so.
8. Adequate toilets, washing and changing facilities for use by the Performers shall be provided.
9. Either the licence holder or a named responsible person shall be present throughout the time the Relevant Entertainment takes place.
10. The premises will install and maintain a comprehensive CCTV system as per the minimum requirements of a Metropolitan Police Crime Prevention Officer that ensures all areas of the licensed premises are monitored including all entry and exit points will be covered enabling frontal identification of every person entertaining any light condition. All cameras shall continually record whilst the premises are open for licensable activities 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 immediately upon the request of Police or authorised officer throughout the preceding 31-day period with facilities for viewing.

11. 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 and this staff member should be able to show the Police recent data and footage with the absolute minimum of delay of the request.
12. An incident log shall be kept at the premises, and made available on request to the Licensing Authority 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) 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;
 - (i) Any breach of licence conditions reported by a Performer.
13. The licence holder shall produce a Code of Conduct setting out rules and obligations between the licence holder and performers whilst performing. All Performers shall sign the Code of Conduct in their proper name acknowledging that they have read, understood and are prepared to abide by the said Code of Conduct and a copy so signed shall be retained by the licence holder and shall be readily available for inspection by the Police and/or authorised persons upon reasonable request.
14. Individual records shall be kept at the premises of the real names, stage names and addresses of all Performers working at the premises. The record will include either a copy of their birth certificate, current passport, EU driving licence or national identity card and shall be made immediately available for inspection by the Police and/or the Licensing Authority upon request.
15. Details of all work permits and/or immigration status to persons working at the premises shall be retained by the licence holder and be readily available for inspection by the Licensing Authority, a Police Officer or Immigration Officer.
16. Relevant entertainment shall be given only by Performers and the audience shall not be permitted to participate in the relevant entertainment.
17. There shall be no physical contact between Performers whilst performing.
18. Performers will not request or give out any telephone number, address or any other contact information from or to any customer. Any such information given by a customer shall be surrendered to the premises

manager as soon as is practicable.

19. Relevant Entertainment shall take place only in the designated areas approved by the Licensing Authority as shown on the licence plan. Arrangements for access to the dressing room shall be maintained at all times whilst Relevant Entertainment is taking place and immediately thereafter.
20. Customers must remain fully clothes at all times. The performer must not remove any of the customer's clothing at any time.
21. Where Relevant Entertainment is provided in booths, or other areas of the premises where private performances are provided, the booth or area shall not have a door or other similar closure, the area shall be constantly monitored by CCTV, and access to the booth or other area shall be adequately supervised.
22. Whenever Relevant Entertainment is being provided there shall be no physical contact between Performers and customers or between customers and Performers except for the exchanging of money or tokens at the beginning or conclusion of the performance and only for the purpose of that performance. Clearly legible notices to this effect shall clearly be displayed in each private booth and in any performance area.
23. Performers must redress fully immediately after each performance.

Additional Conditions:

24. Whilst Relevant Entertainment takes place at least two door supervisors shall be employed in the part of the premises for table side dancing.
25. On any such night when Relevant Entertainment takes place, a minimum of four Westminster (now SIA licensed) door supervisors shall be employed on the premises during opening hours, at least two of whom shall be employed within the basement area monitoring striptease performance.
26. The maximum number of persons accommodated at any one time in the basement (excluding staff) shall not exceed 100 persons.
27. All emergency doors shall be maintained effectively self-closing and not held open other than by an approved device.
28. The edges of the treads of steps and stairways shall be maintained so as to be conspicuous.
29. Curtains and hangings shall be arranged so as not to obstruct emergency signs.
30. The approved arrangements at the premises, including means of escape provisions, emergency warning equipment, the electrical installation and mechanical equipment, shall at all material times be maintained in good

conditions and full working order.

31. The means of escape provided for the premises shall be maintained unobstructed, free of trip hazards, be immediately available and clearly identified in accordance with the plans provided.
32. All exit doors shall be available at all material times without the use of a key, code, card or similar means.
33. Any special effects or mechanical installations shall be arranged and stored as to minimise any risk to the safety of those using the premises. The following special effects will only be used on 10 days prior notice being given to the Licensing Authority where consent has not previously been given.
 - i. pyrotechnics including fire works
 - ii. firearms
 - iii. lasers
 - iv. explosives and highly flammable substances
 - v. real flame
 - vi. strobe lighting
34. No noise shall emanate from the premises nor vibration be transmitted through the structure of the premises which gives rise to a nuisance.
35. No Relevant entertainment shall take place at the premises until the premises have been inspected to the satisfaction of the Licensing Service and Environmental Health Department.

This is the Full Decision of the Licensing Sub-Committee which takes effect forthwith.

**The Licensing Sub-Committee
27 October 2022**

The Meeting ended at 5.05 pm