

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

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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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I Jasminder Viridi PC 392QA

(Insert name of applicant)

apply for the review of a premises licence under section 51 (delete as applicable)

Part 1 – Premises or club premises details

Postal address of premises or, if none, ordnance survey map reference or description Masons Arms Public House, 75 High Street	
Post town Edgware	Post code (if known) HA8 7DD

Name of premises licence holder or club holding club premises certificate (if known) Cristina Rodipa Golescu 

Number of premises licence or club premises certificate (if known) LN/000000719/2012/8&9
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Part 2 - Applicant details

I am

Please tick yes

- 1) an interested party (please complete (A) or (B) below)
- a) a person living in the vicinity of the premises
 - b) a body representing persons living in the vicinity of the premises
 - c) a person involved in business in the vicinity of the premises
 - d) a body representing persons involved in business in the vicinity of the premises

- 2) a responsible authority (please complete (C) below)
- 3) a member of the club to which this application relates (please complete (A) below)

(A) DETAILS OF INDIVIDUAL APPLICANT (fill in as applicable)

Please tick

Mr Mrs Miss Ms Other title
(for example, Rev)

Surname

First names

I am 18 years old or over

Please tick yes

Current postal address if different from premises address

Post town

Post Code

Daytime contact telephone number

E-mail address (optional)

(B) DETAILS OF OTHER APPLICANT

Name and address

Telephone number (if any)

E-mail address (optional)

(C) DETAILS OF RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY APPLICANT

Name and address Harrow Police Unit 1 Harrow Central Depot Forward Drive Harrow HA3 8NT

This application to review relates to the following licensing objective(s)

Please tick one or more boxes

- 1) the prevention of crime and disorder
- 2) public safety
- 3) the prevention of public nuisance
- 4) the protection of children from harm

Please state the ground(s) for review (please read guidance note 1)

- 1) The prevention of crime and disorder.
- 2) Public safety.
- 3) The prevention of public nuisance.

In the past 18 months there have been numerous calls for police to urgently attend the venue and deal with allegations of assaults, theft of personal property and members of public being at risk. There have been occasions whereby noise has caused the intervention of police and other enforcement agencies to prevent further nuisance to members of public. The manager who is also the Designated Premises Supervisor (DPS) has admitted to using business practices that amount to tax evasion. The DPS has been accorded several opportunities to get a grip on the establishment and operate it in a more professional and trouble-free manner. These premises have come to the attention of police whereby all the parties involved have been drunk. There have been incidents whereby the door supervisors have chosen not to proceed with any allegation that they have allegedly been victims of assault. This prevents proper investigation of any incident where excessive force may have been used.

Please provide as much information as possible to support the application
(please read guidance note 2)

CRIS no. 2001728/13 refers.

On 8th FEBRUARY 2013 at approximately 00:30 there was a fight at the venue which started in the toilet and spilled over into the bar area. There was evidence that suggested a cannister of CS spray had been discharged during the incident. There were no witnesses as to who the suspect. Therefore no one arrested or charged. It took seven days before the CCTV was made available to police.

CRIS no. 2403810/13 refers.

On the 14th February 2013 there was fight at the venue. The injuries suffered by the victim amounted to cuts to lips & tongue. Bruises to face and apparently other parts of body and loose teeth as result of being punched. Initially police were informed that the incident had been captured by the CCTV system at the venue. There were at three documented attempts by the OIC to have the CCTV images downloaded but it appears that the DPS and some of other staff failed to show any urgency in dealing with the requests. On the 13th of March 2013 when the OIC personally attended the venue, the DPS informed police that for some reason the CCTV were irretrievable due to being lost from the CCTV system. Although the suspect was charged with a lesser charge of common assault, the DPS was not at all helpful in the investigation.

CAD nos 679, 713, 764, 777 and 809 of 9th March 2013 are all phone calls made to police between the time of 01:29 and 01:47 hours. They were about a disturbance at the venue. The caller alleged at various times that there were males outside the venue waiting to beat him up. Allegedly one of the males who had assaulted the caller happened to be husband of his girlfriend. Eventually none of the persons wished to make any allegations. CAD 679:09MAR2013 clearly states that all the parties involved are intoxicated.

CRIS no. 2003016/13 refers.

On the 9th March 2013 at approximately 23:45 hours, there was a drunk male who had been evicted from the venue. The male claimed that the door supervisors had been very heavy handed and sworn at him which resulted in him throwing barrier. The suspect male was extremely drunk. His behaviour could have caused injuries to other members of public and damage to public property. Yet the door supervisors or the management of the Masons Arms did not wish to substantiate any allegations.

CRIS no 2004892/13 refers.

This is an allegation of harassment that occurred between the dates of 15th April 2013 and 23rd April 2013. It was alleged that the victim was approached by a gang of Romanian males who asked to be lent some money, clothes and the use of his car. The victim remembers lending them £20. On another occasion when the victim did not comply with their demands, he was told it was seen as an act of provocation. They told him that they knew where he lived. The victim also observed a strange vehicle parked outside his house. When he spoke to the suspects, they told that it was not difficult to find him. On the 23rd of April, the suspects demanded that he hand over his belt and tried to snatch it off him. In the process the belt was damaged. The victim wished to remain anonymous as he alleges that the Masons Arms pub manager knows the this gang of Romanian males. The investigation was discontinued as the victim would not disclose the identity of the suspects and was not very co-operative with progressing the investigation to a suitable conclusion.

CRIS no. 2008377/13 refers.

On the 13th July 2013, a very drunk male had been detained by the door supervisors. It was initially alleged that the male had been evicted from the venue for disorderly behaviour and he had assaulted one of the door supervisors. The drunk

suspect had alleged punched the victim in the face causing the skin on the bridge of the nose to split. There were signs of swelling to the area and blood was flowing freely from the nostrils. In an interview under caution, the suspect denied punching the victim. The victim declined to substantiate any allegation of the assault and described his injuries as minor. As a result of there was no further action taken against the suspect and the crime report was closed as an undetected allegation.

CRIS no. 2010448/13 refers.

On the 1st September 2013, a drunk male was found injured on the roadside near Masons Arms. The highly intoxicated male had also been drinking at the venue at some point during the night. He was assaulted in the street and fallen backwards and had suffered a cut in the back of his head and bleeding from the head, nose and ear region. The victim had been punched in the face causing to fall back and bang his head on the ground. In this state of intoxication he was a risk to himself and any others who were associated with him. According the CCTV footage the victim was assaulted shortly after he left the venue.

Following the above mentioned incident, on the 30/10/2013, the Designated Premises Supervisor of Masons Arms PH, Ms Cristina Golescu accepted an action plan designed to help her deal with the incidents of crime and disorder emanating from her premises. A copy of the letter encompassing the action has been included with this application.

CRIS no. 2013394/13 refers.

On the 10th November 2013, at approximately 01:00 hours there was a call to police stating that there was a fight outside the Masons Arms. There was an intoxicated male standing nearby with a swollen upper lip. He stated that he tried to enter the premises a little while earlier and the door supervisor had barred him. He alleged that had been assaulted by the door supervisors. Because this male was intoxicated it was very difficult to obtain an accurate account of how he had suffered his injuries and matter was closed as an undetected crime because the victim failed return to the police station to assist with the investigation.

CRIS no. 2011011/13 refers.

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CRIS no. 2012759/13 refers.

On 27th October 2013 at 00:15 hours, a customer had been refused entry. Apparently this customer has in past caused criminal damage at the venue. The door supervisor did not allow this person entry and the male. He returned a short and pointed a firearm at the door supervisor and fired it. It appeared to be a BB gun. The DPS was only able to provide a picture of the suspect from a post on a Facebook account. The DPS has never attended any Pubwatch to discuss the banning of this person with the other pub licensees in the vicinity.

On Sunday 26th November 2013, Harrow Council Environmental Health Officers heard loud music emanating from the venue because the doors were left wide open. One of their condition is to that noise or vibration will not be permitted to come out of the venue as to cause a nuisance. The DPS was interviewed under caution, was not able to offer any defences and fully admitted the violation. For this incident the DPS was given an official Licensing Warning on the 12th of December 2013.

On 30th December 2013, there was another noise nuisance complaint from a local

resident CAD no. 309:30DEC13 refers. Police attended and dealt with the situation.

In a report created by PC 307QA Thomas Watson, he stated that there 12 to 15 people still on the premises. 6 to 8 people were still seated at a table a few metres from the bar. There were at least 4 - 6 containers of full pints on the table. There were 1 or 2 pint containers still on the bar that were 3/4 full. The premises is allowed to sell alcohol until midnight on a Sunday and is supposed to close by 00:30. The

DPS was very reluctant to ask these customers to leave and the persons were escorted off the premises by 01:00 hours. CCTV footage of the venue was viewed and it was apparent that no drinks were served from the bar after midnight. However neither the DPS nor the door supervisors made any attempt to ask to customers to leave after the licensed hours. The DPS, Ms Golescu, was interviewed under caution and failed to offer any defence to the incident. Ms Golescu stated that the customers were from the local Traveller Community and always tended to ignore her demands for to leave the premises or to stop making noise. She was reminded of responsibility to uphold the licensing objective of prevention of public. She was reminded that she has to ensure that she is responsible for the conduct of her customers whilst they are on her premises. She admitted that she has trouble controlling certain segment of her customers. A licensing caution issued on 10/03/2014 and she advised that she needs review the quality of service of her door supervisors. Ms Golescu was told that she needs to recruit door supervisor who will assist her

On 26th February 2014 as part of Op Secure Streets Day of Action Police and several other partner enforcement agencies visited several venues on Burnt Oak Braodway. There was information via Crimestoppers that the staff of Masons Arms were selling counterfeit spirits and cigarettes. It was alleged that were also serving homebrewed alcoholic drinks. There was also information that unspecified drugs were being kept under the bar counter. In attendance were police, Trading Standards Officers and HMRC Officers. In all 16 bottles of flavoured Smirnoff seized by customs and excise officers on suspicion of being untaxed sprirts.

CRIS no. 2002963/14 refers.

On the 9th March 2014, a customer's phone and four watches were stolen by two other Romanian males. One of them had approached him to use the victim's to make a phone call. Whilst the victim went outside into the beer garden to make the phone call the second suspect stole four watches from his jacket. When victim chased after the second suspect, the first suspect made off with his phone.

The Police respectfully request that the Licensing Sub Committee consider revocation of the premises licence. Failing that consider the following recommendations:-

- 1) Removing the current Designated Premises Supervisor and being replaced by one who will robustly manage the premises in the true spirit of the four licensing objectives.
- 2) Completion of incident books and logs to include training of staff in their correct use
- 3) Training records to be kept and regularly updated for all staff
- 4) Reduction of the licensed hours by a minimum of an hour on each day
- 5) Specify a minimum number of door supervisors e.g 1 per 50 customers with a minimum of 5 on days when the premises have live or recorded music being played.
- 5) Amend, delete and add conditions as seen fit by Licensing Sub Committee.

Please tick yes

Have you made an application for review relating to this premises before

If yes please state the date of that application

Day Month Year

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If you have made representations before relating to this premises please state what they were and when you made them

Please tick yes

- I have sent copies of this form and enclosures to the responsible authorities and the premises licence holder or club holding the club premises certificate, as appropriate
- I understand that if I do not comply with the above requirements my application will be rejected

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 3)

Signature of applicant or applicant's solicitor or other duly authorised agent (See guidance note 4). **If signing on behalf of the applicant please state in what capacity.**

Signature

[Redacted Signature]

Date

~~23/04/2014~~ 07/05/2014

Capacity Harrow Police Licensing Officer

Contact name (where not previously given) and postal address for correspondence associated with this application (please read guidance note 5)

Jasminder Viridi PC 392QA
Harrow Police Station
Unit 1, Harrow Central Depot
Forward Drive

Post town
Harrow

Post Code
HA3 8NT

Notes for Guidance

1. The ground(s) for review must be based on one of the licensing objectives.
2. Please list any additional information or details for example dates of problems which are included in the grounds for review if available.
3. The application form must be signed.
4. An applicant's agent (for example solicitor) may sign the form on their behalf provided that they have actual authority to do so.
5. This is the address which we shall use to correspond with you about this application.



Territorial Policing

Ms Christina Golescu
The Masons Arms Public House
75 High Street,
Edgware.
Harrow.
HA8 7DD

**QA - Harrow Borough
QA - Harrow Police Station**

Licensing Department
Harrow Central Depot
Forward Drive
Harrow
HA3 8NT

Your ref:
Our ref:
30 October 2013

Dear Ms Christina Golescu

Further to our meeting at The Harrow Central Depot, Forward Drive, Harrow HA3 8NT, on 17th October 2013. I propose the some recommendations that I would like you to incorporate within your management procedures for The Masons Arms Public House. The intention of this action plan to assist your organisation in the meeting the Licensing Act objectives, which are:-

- The prevention of crime and disorder;
- Public safety;
- The prevention of public nuisance;
- The protection of children from harm

My recommendations are as follows:-

- Instruct your door supervisors to monitor the behaviour of your customers more actively with regular patrols of the pub floor and beer gardens.
- Consider providing the door security staff with miniature body cameras to record their actions whilst on duty.
- Instruct the bar staff to proactively monitor the amount of alcohol consumed by the customers to combat underage drinking and prevent drunkenness.
- Organise courses for bar-staff from the British Institute of Innkeepers or other such organisations that would the assist the development and performance of the staff. These include courses such as Preventing Underage Sales, Customer Care and Responsible Alcohol Retailing.

I would further like to advise you to apply for a minor variation in a licensing condition regarding the employment of door supervisors. I recommend that you employ a minimum of 5 door supervisors on Friday and Saturday or at least One for every 50 customers, whichever is the higher figure. This variation would allow your door supervisors to routine patrol the whole premises and still maintain cover at the main entrance.

I would also like to inform you that if you do not respond within the next 14 days, I will then consider taking steps to have a full review of your premises licence.

Yours sincerely,

Jasminder Viridi

Community and Environment
Corporate Director – Brendon Hills

Ms C. R. Golescu


Thursday, 12 December 2013

Our ref: ce/css/pc/

Your ref:

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Dear Madam,

Re. Regulated Entertainment beyond permitted hours. .

On Sunday 26th November 2013 at 01:22. Officers from this authority drove past your premises and heard loud music emanating from the premises. Your premises licence shows that all regulated entertainment should cease at 0100 hours also Condition 4 of Annex 3 of your premises licence states that: "Noise or vibration shall not be permitted to come out of the premises as to cause a nuisance." The doors of your premises were wide open which allowed the noise to come out and cause a nuisance. Condition 7 of Annex 3 states: "Doors and windows must be kept shut during hours when regulated entertainment takes place, save for entry and exit through the doors of the premises". On driving past it was clearly visible to the officers that the doors were wide open and that clients were standing outside of the doors, a door supervisor was also seen standing in the doorway and making no attempt to close the doors.

On being interviewed you admitted the offences and could give no suitable defence to the offences committed.

This letter is to inform you that we have decided to deal with this offence by way of an official warning. If there are any further breaches of conditions of the licence by either yourself or any of the staff acting on your behalf this will not be dealt with by way of a warning. As the owner of the premises you are responsible for the behaviour of your staff, if Court proceedings are taken this could result in a fine of up to £2,500.

This letter will go on your file as an official warning.

Yours sincerely




WITNESS STATEMENT

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

Statement of **Jasminder Virdi** URN:


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Age if under 18 **Over 18**..... (if over 18 insert 'over 18') Occupation: **Police Officer 208263**

This statement (consisting of: **1**..... pages 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:

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

I hereby confirm that on Wednesday 26th February 2014 I was on duty in full uniform in my current capacity of the Police Licensing Officer for the London Borough of Harrow. I have been working in this position since September 2013. On the day I was tasked to be part of Operation Secure Streets. I was working in conjunction with Trading Standards Officers and Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs Officers. We were tasked to visit licensed premises in the Burnt Oak Broadway area. Anonymous information had been provided via Crimestoppers that the staff of Masons Arms Public House, 75 High Street, Edgware, HA8 7DD, were selling counterfeit cigarettes and spirits. The report also stated that they were supplying home-brewed alcoholic drinks and that unspecified drugs were being stored under the bar counter. A search of the premises revealed 16 bottles of flavoured Smirnoff vodka which were seized by HMRC officers. It was suspected that duty had not been paid on these bottles. These Smirnoff bottles should have been exported to other countries without any tax or duty, including VAT, imposed on them. They were not intended to be for sale in the United Kingdom without the relevant being paid. The manager, Ms Cristina Rodipa Golescu, dob 12/07/1967, of 1 Parkfield Close, Edgware, Middlesex, HA8 9AJ, admitted that these bottles were gifts from people known to her. She did not state that they were for her personal consumption. There were several options open to the HMRC officers as to how they could deal with this incident, including a formal warning, caution or by prosecution in a court. At the time of recording this statement I had not been formally informed of the final result of the proceeding by HMRC officers against Ms Cristina Golescu. 

Signature:  Signature witnessed by:

Witness contact details

Home address:

Postcode:

Home telephone number Work telephone number

Mobile/pager number Email address:

Preferred means of contact:

Male / Female-(delete as applicable) Date and place of birth:

Former name: Ethnicity Code (16+1): Religion/belief:

Dates of witness non-availability

Witness care

- a) Is the witness willing and likely to attend court? **Yes**. If 'No', include reason(s) on **MG6**.
- b) What can be done to ensure attendance?
- c) Does the witness require a Special Measures Assessment as a vulnerable or intimidated witness?
No. If 'Yes' submit **MG2** with file.
- d) Does the witness have any specific care needs? **No**. If 'Yes' what are they? (Disability, healthcare, childcare, transport, , language difficulties, visually impaired, restricted mobility or other concerns?)

Witness Consent (for witness completion)

- a) The criminal justice process and Victim Personal Statement scheme (victims only) has been explained to me Yes No
- b) I have been given the Victim Personal Statement leaflet Yes No
- c) I have been given the leaflet 'Giving a witness statement to police — what happens next?' Yes No
- d) I consent to police having access to my medical record(s) in relation to this matter: (obtained in accordance with local practice) Yes No N/A
- e) I consent to my medical record in relation to this matter being disclosed to the defence: Yes No N/A
- f) I consent to the statement being disclosed for the purposes of civil proceedings e.g. child care proceedings, CICA Yes No
- g) The information recorded above will be disclosed to the Witness Service so they can offer help and support, unless you ask them not to. Tick this box to decline their services:

Signature of witness: Print name:

Signature of parent/guardian/appropriate adult: Print name:

Address and telephone number if different from above:

Statement taken by (print name): **PC 392QA 208263 Jasminder Viridi** Station: **Harrow - QA**

Time and place statement taken:

WITNESS STATEMENT

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Statement of **Jasminder Virdi PC 392QA** URN:

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This statement (consisting of: **4** pages 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: ...

[Redacted Signature]

Date:

6th May 2014

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

I hereby confirm that I am the above mentioned person. I have been working in my current capacity as the Licensing Officer for the Borough of Harrow since September 2013. The licensed premises of Masons Arms Public House, 75 High Street, Edgware, HA8 7DD has persistently come to the attention of police on several occasions over the past 18 months. On 8th February 2013 at 00:30 hours there was a fight at the venue which started off in the toilets and spilled over into the bar area. There was evidence to suggest that a canister of CS spray (pepper spray) had been discharged during the incident. The police officers who had attended the scene stated that they recognised the distinctive smell of CS spray that lingered in the air. They also recognised the burning sensation in their nostrils. Nobody was able to identify the suspect. It took the management seven days to provide CCTV footage of the incident. Thus no one was arrested or charged with the allegation and the matter was closed as such. (Crime report number 2001728/13 refers.)

On the 14th of February 2013 there was another fight at the venue. The injuries suffered by the victim amounted to cuts to the lips and tongue, bruises to the face and other parts of the body and loose teeth as a result of being punched. Initially police were informed that the incident had been captured by the CCTV system at the venue. There were at least three documented attempts by the investigating officer to have the images downloaded but the Designated Premises Supervisor (DPS) and the other failed to show any urgency in dealing with the requests. On the 13th of March 2013 when the investigating officer personally attended the venue, the DPS informed police that the CCTV footage was irretrievable because it had been lost from the system. Although the suspect was eventually charged with the less serious allegation of Common Assault, the DPS was not at all helpful in the investigation.

On the 9th of March 2013, in the space of 18 minutes, between the times of 01:29 and 01:47 hours there were five calls made to police. The caller alleged that there were males outside the venue waiting to beat him up. One of the males was allegedly the husband of his girlfriend. Eventually none of parties involved, wanted to pursue any allegation. It was noted on one of the Computer Aided Despatch (CAD) reports that all parties involved were

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Continuation of Statement of **Jasminder Virdi PC 392QA**.....

intoxicated. There is no mentioned any actions taken by the management of the venue to alleviate the matter. (CAD Nos. 679, 713, 764, 777 and 809 of 9th March 2013 refers.)

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This is an allegation of harassment that occurred between the dates of 15th April 2013 and 23rd April 2013. It was alleged that the victim was approached by a gang of Romanian males who asked to be lent some money, clothes and the use of his car. The victim remembers lending them £20. On another occasion when the victim did not comply with their demands, he was told it was seen as an act of provocation. They told him that they knew where he lived. The victim also observed a strange vehicle parked outside his house. When he spoke to the suspects, they said to him that it was not difficult to find him. On the 23rd of April, the suspects demanded that he hand over his belt and tried to snatch it off him. In the process the belt was damaged. The victim wished to remain anonymous as he alleges that the Masons Arms pub manager knows this gang of Romanian males. The investigation was discontinued as the victim would not disclose the identity of the suspects and was not very cooperative with progressing the investigation to a suitable conclusion. (Crime Report No. 2004892/13 refers.)

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Continuation of Statement of **Jasminder Viridi PC 392QA**.....

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Continuation of Statement of **Jasminder Viridi PC 392QA**.....

no drinks were served from the bar after midnight. However neither the DPS nor the door supervisors made any attempts to ask the customers to leave the premises after the licensed hours. The DPS, Ms Golescu, was interviewed under caution and failed to offer any defence to the incident. Ms Golescu stated that the customers were from the local Traveller Community and had a habit of ignoring her demands when asked to leave the premises or to stop making noise. She was reminded of responsibility to uphold the licensing objective of prevention of public. She was reminded that she is responsible for the conduct of her customers whilst they are on her premises. She admitted that she has trouble controlling a certain segment of her customers. A licensing caution was issued on 10/03/2014 and she advised that she needs to review the quality of service of her door supervisors. Ms Golescu was told that she needs to recruit door supervisors who will assist her in maintaining order in her establishment.

On 26th February 2014 as part of Op Secure Streets Day of Action Police and several other partner enforcement agencies visited several venues on Burnt Oak Broadway. There was information provided via Crimestoppers that the staff of Masons Arms were selling counterfeit spirits and cigarettes. It was alleged that they were also serving homebrewed alcoholic drinks. There was also information that unspecified drugs were being kept under the bar counter. In attendance were police, Trading Standards Officers and HMRC Officers. In ^{all of} ~~all~~ 16 bottles of flavoured Smirnoff seized by customs and excise officers on suspicion of being untaxed spirits.

On the 9th March 2014, a customer's phone and four watches were stolen by two other Romanian males. One of them had approached him to use the victim's mobile phone to make a call. Whilst the victim went outside into the beer garden to make the phone call the second suspect stole four watches from his jacket. When the victim chased after the second suspect, the first suspect made off with his phone. (Crime Report No. 2002963/14 refers.)

The following crime reports No 2001728/13, 2403810/13, 2003016/13, 20044892/13, 2008377/13, 2010448/13, 2013394/13, 2011011/13, 2012759/13, 2002963/14, are all included in the evidence but will not be part of this report as they are Restricted Documents and cannot be made available to the public. They will however be available for the committee at the hearing should they be required.

All the above incidents support my belief that Ms Cristina Golescu is unable to keep order and control in the licensed premises known as Masons Arms Public House, 75 High Street, Edgware, HA8 7DD. Therefore she is unsuitable to remain in the role of the Designated Premises Supervisor. 

Signature: 

Signature witnessed by:

Witness contact details

Home address:
..... Postcode:

Home telephone number Work telephone number

Mobile/pager number Email address:

Preferred means of contact:

Male / Female (delete as applicable) Date and place of birth:

Former name: Ethnicity Code (16+1): Religion/belief:

Dates of witness non-availability

Witness care

- a) Is the witness willing and likely to attend court? **Yes.** If 'No', include reason(s) on **MG6.**
- b) What can be done to ensure attendance?
- c) Does the witness require a Special Measures Assessment as a vulnerable or intimidated witness?
No. If 'Yes' submit **MG2** with file.
- d) Does the witness have any specific care needs? **No.** If 'Yes' what are they? (Disability, healthcare, childcare, transport, , language difficulties, visually impaired, restricted mobility or other concerns?)

Witness Consent (for witness completion)

- a) The criminal justice process and Victim Personal Statement scheme (victims only) has been explained to me Yes No
- b) I have been given the Victim Personal Statement leaflet Yes No
- c) I have been given the leaflet 'Giving a witness statement to police — what happens next?' Yes No
- d) I consent to police having access to my medical record(s) in relation to this matter: (obtained in accordance with local practice) Yes No N/A
- e) I consent to my medical record in relation to this matter being disclosed to the defence: Yes No N/A
- f) I consent to the statement being disclosed for the purposes of civil proceedings e.g. child care proceedings, CICA Yes No
- g) The information recorded above will be disclosed to the Witness Service so they can offer help and support, unless you ask them not to. Tick this box to decline their services:

Signature of witness: Print name:

Signature of parent/guardian/appropriate adult: Print name:

Address and telephone number if different from above:

Statement taken by (print name): **PC 392QA 208263 Jasminder Virdi** Station: **Harrow - QA**.....

Time and place statement taken: **6th May 2014, 17.00 hr**