



TOTAL POLICING

Certificate under Section 53A(1)(b) of the Licensing Act 2003

Metropolitan Police Service | New Scotland | Yard 8-10 Broadway | London | SW1H 0BG

I hereby certify that in my opinion the premises described below are associated with:
serious crime

Premises (Include business name and address and any other relevant identifying details):

Postal address of premises or club premises, or if none, ordnance survey map reference or description:

Orleans, 259 - 261 Seven Sisters Road, Islington

Post town:	London	Post code: (if known)	N4 2DD
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Premises licence number (if known):

LN/8462-150319

Name of premises supervisor (if known):

Ms Davina John

PROTECTIVE MARKING

I am a Superintendent* in the Metropolitan Police Service.

*Insert rank of officer giving the certificate, which must be superintendent or above.

I am giving this certificate because I am of the opinion that other procedures under the Licensing Act are inappropriate in this case because:

(Give a brief description of why other procedures such as a standard review process are thought to be inappropriate, e.g. the degree of seriousness of the crime and/or disorder, the past history of compliance in relation to the premises concerned)

This application relates to an incident involving serious crime, namely an affray and serious assault (GBH) with a weapon on a patron of Orleans by security staff. The incident is directly linked to Orleans, 259-261 Seven Sisters Road, N4 2DD.

In the early hours of Christmas day, a male was ejected from the premises by security staff owing to over intoxication. Once outside the venue, the male attempted to antagonise the 3 security staff working at the venue entrance. The male has thrown punches at security and eventually thrown a can or bottle at them. One of the security supervisors has then taken a metal pole from inside the venue and attacked the male with it, hitting him multiple times causing significant bleeding to his head. The male victim falls to the floor and is then further attacked by the other 2 security guards who kick him multiple times. The male is left lying on the ground by security who return to the venue entrance. No first aid is provided.

Passing Police officers have been alerted to the situation by a member of the public. Police discover the male unconscious on the floor with a significant head injury. Upon speaking to the security and staff, all stated that they do not know how the male came by his injuries. They stated that he was ejected from the venue and the doors closed. CCTV clearly contradicts this account as it clearly shows the venue security attacking the male with a pole and by kicking him. The three security guards involved in the attack were arrested at the scene on suspicion of GBH. The initial officers who attended the scene reported that staff at the venue cleared the crime scene before Police arrival and refused to provide their details to them in order to assist with the investigation.

It is of note that in June 2019 Police Licensing team have had reason to conduct a joint officer panel with the venue management owing to continued breaches of the licence and incidents of violence. One of the most concerning incidents being where the venue management failed to report to Police that a door supervisor was stabbed in the neck.

I have considered authorising a standard review of the premises licence. I do not feel this step to be appropriate as the incident was so serious that the case must be put before a licensing committee as soon as possible in order for measures to be put in place to address the risk to the public that this venue poses. I have serious concerns regarding the management of this venue to operate without posing a risk to public safety. It is my view that such critical failings, highlighting as they do grave deficiencies in the actions of the staff on duty, and of the broader management of the venue, constitute ongoing risk of serious crime.

Signature

SUPERINTENDENT	
Signature: David Morhead	Date: 30/12/2019