

## FORM FOR APPLYING FOR A SUMMARY LICENCE REVIEW

[Insert name and address of relevant licensing authority and its reference number (optional)]

Lancaster City Council, Town Hall, Dalton Square, Lancaster LA1 1PJ

**Application for the review of a premises licence under section 53A of the Licensing Act 2003 (premises associated with serious crime or disorder)**

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**PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS FIRST**

Before completing this form please read the guidance notes at the end of the form. If you are completing the 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.

I Police Constable 2338 Andrew Taylor [on behalf of] the chief officer of police for the Lancashire police area apply for the review of a premises licence under section 53A of the Licensing Act 2003:

**1. Premises details:**

Postal address of premises, or if none or not known, ordnance survey map reference or description:

**The Bradford Arms Public House  
40 Queen Street**

Post town: Morecambe

Post code (if known): LA4 5EL

**2. Premises licence details:**

Name of premises licence holder (if known): Bravo Inns II Ltd

Number of premises licence holder (if known): LAPLWA0245

**3. Certificate under section 53A(1)(b) of the Licensing Act 2003 [Please read guidance note 1]:**

I confirm that a certificate has been given by a senior member of the police force for the police area above that in his opinion the above premises are associated with serious crime or disorder or both, and the certificate accompanies this application.

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(Please tick the box to confirm) ☒

**4. Details of association of the above premises with serious crime, serious disorder or both:**

[Please read guidance note 2]

The Bradford Arms Public House is situated on Queen Street in the Town Centre of Morecambe. The Premises Licence holder is Bravo Inns II Ltd and the DPS is [REDACTED]. The DPS is on maternity leave at the moment and the DPS has indicated that [REDACTED] is managing the premises in her absence.

Also living and working at The Bradford Arms are [REDACTED] and [REDACTED].

Between 11th October 2016 and 24th November 2016 Lancashire Constabulary ran an under-cover drugs operation called 'Nimrod' targeting drug activity at The Bradford Arms. This operation was based on intelligence of drug dealing at the pub.

At 1842 hours on 11th October 2016 under-cover Officer 'A' will say that he entered The Bradford Arms. He built a rapport with [REDACTED] who was working behind the bar and residing on the premises. Officer 'A' later that evening met [REDACTED] in The Bull Public House in Morecambe. In there he also met [REDACTED] (an associate of [REDACTED]) and enquired about obtaining cocaine. All 3 met outside and [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] then supplied a bag of white powder to the Officer for £40 which was later analysed and confirmed as cocaine. Officer 'A' then asked if they could supply drugs at a later date and they confirmed that they could and telephone numbers were exchanged.

At 1725 hours on Tuesday 18th October 2016 Officer 'A' exchanged texts with [REDACTED] where a request for the supply of cocaine was made. They arranged to meet on the car-park at the rear of The Bradford Arms. [REDACTED] was then seen to approach Officer 'A' who was sat in his vehicle. [REDACTED] then supplied 2 snap bags containing white powder and the Officer paid £80 for the pair. This white powder was later analysed and confirmed as cocaine.

At 1811 hours on Wednesday 26th October 2016 Officer 'A' contacted [REDACTED] via mobile requesting the supply of drugs. At 1930 hours the same day Officer 'A' met [REDACTED] on Deansgate near to the Bradford Arms. There he was supplied with 2 bags of white powder for £80 which was later analysed and confirmed as cocaine.

At 2058 hours on Tuesday 8th November 2016 Officer 'A' contacted [REDACTED] via mobile requesting the supply of drugs. Following various texts the 2 met on the car park at the COOP at Heysham. [REDACTED] then supplied a snap bag with white powder for £40 which was later analysed and confirmed as cocaine.

At 1513 hours on Friday 18th November 2016 Officer 'A' entered The Bradford Arms. Inside he saw [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] was stood at the end of the bar wearing pyjama bottoms. Also stood inside with [REDACTED] was [REDACTED]. Officer 'A' asked if [REDACTED] could supply him a half (cocaine) and [REDACTED] said he would in 20 minutes. [REDACTED] confirmed to Officer 'A' that [REDACTED] was called [REDACTED] and that he

was [redacted] then spoke to [redacted] and [redacted] then stated he could sort him (Supply) in 2 minutes. All 3 males then went into a private door at The Bradford leading to the upstairs accommodation. At this time no drugs exchanged hands and Officer 'A' left the premises at 1635 hours.

At 1655 hours on Thursday 24th November 2016 Officer 'A' approached The Bradford Arms on Queen Street, Morecambe. Stood on the stairs to the pub was [redacted]. Officer 'A' asked whether he could sort him out (supply drugs) and [redacted] informed him that [redacted] was inside. Inside Officer 'A' said hello to [redacted] [redacted] was then seen to come out of the private door and go behind the bar. Officer 'A' then ordered a drink. Officer 'A' then asked [redacted] if he could sort him out and he confirmed he could. [redacted] then spoke to [redacted] and [redacted] went into a door marked "private" and was gone a couple of minutes. Officer 'A' played on the fruit machine which was about a foot away from the private door. [redacted] then came out of the private door with a closed fist and handed something to [redacted]. [redacted] then immediately turned to Officer 'A' and he could see [redacted] was holding 3-5 snap bags containing white powder. [redacted] held them up and asked him which one he wanted. Officer 'A' picked the snap bag containing the largest amount of white powder before handing [redacted] £40. This white powder was later analysed and confirmed as cocaine. At 1820 hours the same day the officer left the premises.

At 0500 hours on Wednesday 15th March 2017 Police Officers attended The Bradford Arms to arrest [redacted] and [redacted]. All 3 males were inside living at the premises but refused Officers entry and force was needed to gain entry. All three males were arrested on Suspicion of Conspiracy to Supply Class A drugs.

At 0900 hours on Wednesday 15th March 2017 PC 2338 Andrew Taylor, Licensing Officer, spoke to the DPS for the Bradford, [redacted]. She confirmed that [redacted] has been managing the Bradford Arms since 1st December 2016 as she is currently off work on maternity leave.

As a result of the serious crime activity associated with The Bradford Arms, namely drug dealing of class A drugs by staff members [redacted] and [redacted], the Police believe that the premises is associated with serious crime and request that the Premises Licence is suspended pending a full review hearing. A standard review application under s.51 Licensing Act 2003 would not be appropriate as this would allow the premises to remain open and trading pending a review hearing and for the current activities (class A drug dealing) to continue to take place.

Signature of applicant:

Date:

Capacity: Police Constable 2338 Andrew Taylor on behalf of, Chief Officer of Police

**Contact details for matters concerning this application:**

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Notes for guidance:

1. A certificate of the kind mentioned in the form must accompany the application in order for it to be valid under the terms of the Licensing Act 2003. The certificate must explicitly state the senior officer's opinion that the premises in question are associated with serious crime, serious disorder or both.

Serious crime is defined by reference to section 81 of the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000. In summary, it means:

- conduct that amounts to one or more criminal offences for which a person who has attained the age of eighteen and has no previous convictions could reasonably be expected to be sentenced to imprisonment for a term of three years or more; or
- conduct that amounts to one or more criminal offences and involves the use of violence, results in substantial financial gain or is conduct by a large number of persons in pursuit of a common purpose.

Serious disorder is not defined in legislation, and so bears its ordinary English meaning.

2. Briefly describe the circumstances giving rise to the opinion that the above premises are associated with serious crime, serious disorder, or both.



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**CERTIFICATE UNDER SECTION 53A(1)(b) OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003**

I hereby certify that in my opinion the premises described below are associated with serious crime / serious disorder / both serious crime and serious disorders.

Premises: Bradford Arms  
40 Queen Street  
Morecambe  
Lancashire  
LA45EL

Premises licence number (if known): LAPLWA0245

Name of premises supervisor (if known):

I am a Superintendent in the Lancashire Police Force.

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

I am briefed on the circumstances of this application and I am satisfied that there is evidence of serious crime having taken place, directly linked to both the premises and the management of the premises.

I believe that the issuing of this certificate and subsequent proceedings and actions is proportionate to the nature of criminality and impact on public safety (continued overleaf).

Signed:

SUPERINTENDENT MARK WINSTANLEY.

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