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**Contact Camden**

Application for Transfer of licence - Premises Ref no. 135545

**Are you an agent?** Yes - I am an authorised agent

**Agent details**

**First name** Kashka

**Last name** Ray

**Name of business** Kiss

**Agent address** 7 Camden High Street  
NW1 7JE  
London

**Email address** [REDACTED]

**Telephone number** [REDACTED]

**Have you given Interim Authority Notice under section 47 of the Licensing Act 2003?** Yes

**Premises licence number** PREM-LIC\2883

**Are you able to return the existing premises licence?** Yes

**Premises licence number** PREM-LIC\2883

**Licensee(s)** Twilight Leisure Limited

**Premises address** 7 Camden High Street  
Greater London  
NW1 7JE  
London

**Who is applying?** As a limited company

**Company registration number** 16742569

**Name of business** Camden Hospitality Services Ltd

**Address** 33 Parkway  
NW1 7PN  
London

**Email address** [REDACTED]

**Telephone number** [REDACTED]

**Who should we correspond with in regards to this application?** Applicant

**When would you like the transfer to take effect?** Immediately

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Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2026

Dear Sir/Madam,

### **Transfer of licence Representation – Reference / 135545.**

**With reference to the above Application, the Metropolitan Police Service (MPS) wishes to make a Representation.**

I certify that I have considered this application on its own merit, and the Representation is based on the likely indirect impact the grant may have on the locality. I provide a basis for my concerns within this document in the hope the Applicant and I can facilitate a compromise, as it is not the intention of the MPS to restrict any commercial ambition. As contained within the notes of guidance for the Licensing Act 2003, it is the responsibility of the Police and Local Authority to promote the Prevention of Crime and Disorder, Promote Public Safety, Prevent Public Nuisance and Protect Children from Harm.

### **Policing Camden**

Police in Camden value our diverse and vibrant night-time economy and seek to provide a safer environment for our residents, workers and visitors. The London Borough of Camden attracts a high number of visitors and has a high concentration of valued licensed venues.

### **Key Policing Challenges**

#### **Gender violence**

Women have told us they feel unsafe being alone in Camden's streets during later hours and that they suffer from verbal harassment, unwanted staring and some are even followed. These incidents are especially more prevalent where there are higher concentrations of late-night venues. The Camden Safety Hub has been launched as a new safe space initiative for anyone in Camden Town in need of assistance, support or someone to talk to when on a night out. The workers associated with the Camden Night Safety bus have recently told us that they are packing up early and leaving the area due to how unsafe they feel.

### **Drink spiking**

Defined as applying a noxious substance to a drink with intent to cause harm. Such incidents in Camden have averaged one per week and are more likely to happen inside late-night vertical drinking venues. Women are more likely to be targeted, and these incidents are difficult for Police evidentially. Police provide Welfare and Vulnerability Engagement (WAVE) training to licensed venues and provide advice on spotting the signs of vulnerability and suggestions on how to make venues more hostile to perpetrators.

### **Street violence**

The main issues the emergency services encounter are on the street once the alcohol purchased has been consumed. Late night refreshment venues, off licences, public spaces can become flash points of violence when groups from different venues congregate together. Indeed, alcohol related violence with injury inside pubs, bars and clubs is now overshadowed by what occurs in the street. Street robbery where intoxicated customers leaving night clubs and other late-night venues are a regular occurrence. Camden has two Police Tasking teams patrolling hot spot areas for violence. Regrettably, during the weekends the tasking teams are quickly diminished due to high demand and the high concentration of late-night venues.

### **Drug dealing**

Drug dealing is pervasive in town centres such as Camden Town, Kings Cross and St Giles. The anti-social behaviour and crime linked to the drug trade impacts innocent people and creates a permissible environment for other anti-social behaviour. The suspects who offer to supply people drugs often target customers of late-night venues and the streets nearby, especially as venues have improved search regimes making it harder to deal drugs inside venues.

### **Public nuisance**

Camden Council Licensing Officers and the Environmental Noise Teams usually handle complaints arising from public nuisance. However, quite often the Police also must respond to such complaints, and we regularly provide assistance to Council teams. Public nuisance such as litter, urination, vomit, noise, vehicle traffic, unauthorised sound systems in open spaces are regular complaints linked to the nighttime economy. Areas with high levels of public nuisance tend to suffer from higher levels of criminal behaviour.

### **Unique Application Issues**

The Applicant has applied for a Transfer of licence. The venues address is 7 Camden High Street NW1 7JE.

### **The MPS would like to object to this Transfer under the crime and prevention licensing objective.**

The proposed Premises Licence Holder called Camden Hospitality Services Ltd (Company number 16742569) has a sole director called Ray Kashka. He has been in control as a Premises licence holder for a few venues in Camden Borough over the last few years and the MPS have had

numerous concerns in relation to crime and disorder, continued breach of conditions, operating a venue without a Designated Premises Supervisor and in general bad management relating to these venues.

**Here are the venues in Camden whereby we have had dealing with Mr Kashka and what has transpired.**

**1 - New Market Ale House 17 York Way NW1 – Premises Licence 1590 refers.**

Late 2024 – early 2025.

- Mr Kashka was sub-letting the hotel and pub from the landlord.
- Pub had no DPS but was still serving alcohol, Manager (same manager who was working at The Camden), was warned several times but continued to operate and sell alcohol. Paperwork was issued.
- Pub continued to have lock ins.
- Hotel above that was linked to the pub was linked to drugs and prostitution, this led to a warrant conducted by Camden Council and the Neighbourhood Police Team.
- Once the landlord was contacted, Mr Kashka was removed from the venue and the premises closed.

**30/06/2024 – 01/192011/24 – ASB Intel Report.**

On Sunday 30th June 2024, Camden Square SNT visited the venue to conduct enquiries following numerous reports from residents living on Agar Grove NW1 that the venue is a brothel. According to residents, there is constantly young people entering and exiting the venue without proper supervision. The venue is a hotel above the pub. The entrance is on Agar Grove NW1. To access the hotel, a PIN code is required. Inside the venue, there are approximately 15 - 20 rooms. Each room has its own PIN code to gain access. At the time, there was nobody working on the reception. There was no staff contact number or email on reception desk. The hotel has approximately three floors. Officers tried to engage with occupants, only one answered. This occupant stated NO answers and has said that she rents the room from the landlord TONY and has been staying at the accommodation for approximately 2-3 months. Officers engaged with the manager of the pub next door, he stated TONY is the lease holder for the pub and hotel. Allegedly, TONY does not properly supervise who hires the room and there are constantly bad characters staying at the hotel. According to the pub manager, he has informed TONY (Kashka) that he will no longer be renting the pub from him due to concerns that the hotel is a source of criminality.

In 2024 the venue was visited by the local Neighbourhood Policing Team as several residents in the area had reported the pub and hotel above were being used as a brothel.

Due to all the intelligence stating the venue was being used for prostitution and drugs, the Camden Square Safer Neighbourhoods Team assisted Camden Council on the 08.08.24 at 0800 HOURS in the execution of a S240 Housing Act 2004 warrant. Their **landlord** – Mr Ray Anthony KASKHA

**Licensing Visit - SATURDAY 19<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2024 at 01:55am** and found the venue lights still on and doors open. A male later identified himself as the Designated Premises Supervisor, which was later found to be false. The venue was in a poor dilapidated state and not responsibly operated.

**Crime Report - 01/1096872/24 – Burglary.**

On the 22/11/2024 police received a report of Burglary. However, reading the victims report there were safeguarding concerns too.

This report that appears to mention the presence of an unknown chemical in the venue. It suggests that someone in the building may have access to it, but at this stage it is unconfirmed.

Victim's words, 'I was in a small hotel as a long-term tenant. A lot of people had their rooms broken into and girls sexually assaulted. I went back tonight and put my bag down, went near my bed and I smelt a strong chemical smell. I felt like I could taste it in my mouth, and I started to feel sick. It was strong.

- This has happened before, and I fell asleep straight away. When I woke up, I found stuff was stolen from my room. There is a man that works there, and he is weird; he follows me around and made inappropriate comments to girls and can be aggressive. All my underwear has gone missing. Sometimes the missing underwear turns up in my room smelling like vomit.'

**The tenancy of the New Market Ale House and Hotel/Hostel was cancelled by the landlord due to all the bad management and suspected criminality.**

**2 - Kiss the Sky Bar - 11-13 CAMDEN HIGH STREET, NW17JE.**

**-Venue was reviewed in December 2024.**

**The MPS asked for the licence to be revoked on the back of an attempted Murder crime report relating to the venue.**

**-Licence was not revoked but received extra conditions. These have been continually breached.**

**Crime Report 2338205/23 Attempted Murder refers.**

On the 18/11/2023 a call was passed on to police from London Ambulance service stating that they were on route to a patient stabbed in the street. Injuries were stab wounds to his spine and arm. Officers arrived on scene and victim was lying on the floor. Victim stated that he and his friend were at a party for the evening in **Kiss the Sky Bar** where he purchased a bottle of alcohol worth £150. Victim asked for this to be refilled, and a female member of staff began pouring his bottle down the sink and informed him that the party was finishing early.

The staff member then said to the victim, words to the effect of: 'I WILL GET MY BOYS ON YOU'. The victim replied with, 'I'VE GOT BOYS TOO'. An argument over this took place and the staff member has pushed the victim. All members of the party then left the venue. The staff member also left the venue and went over to her friend who was in a black SUV, parked directly outside the bar.

Both suspects have then approached the victim and pushed him in his face. An altercation between suspects and the party had then started, the male from the vehicle has then produced a knife and stabbed the victim in his back and his right forearm. Victim has then run off; the brother of the victim attempted to help and was also stabbed in the inner thigh by the suspect. The suspect was arrested and charged. The suspect worked or used to work at the venue as manager/security and at The Camden run by Mr Kashka.

**Counter Allegation 25/04/2024 - 01/265849/24 - Assault without Injury** - Victim (worker) reports that two males were being aggressive towards her during her shift at Kiss the Sky bar. The victim reports that the males have followed her as she has left the bar and walked to a waiting car driven by another male, to be taken home, and they have hit her on the head with a glass bottle.

-These two crime reports relate to the same incident. Of concern is that police were never called by the venue or by any worker from the venue. This second report (counter allegation) was only recorded once the initial report was reported.

-Numerous breaches of conditions.

-Were not particularly forthcoming or helpful with regards to the investigation.

-Initially obstructive and not forthcoming in relation to the female staff member and the security (suspect) who worked at the venue.

-CCTV was jumpy at the time of the altercation and some footage was missing.

**-Intelligence Report: 01/6296366/25**

Venue pays staff cash in hand with questionable employment methods, using whatsapp to recruit people and friend of a friend recruitment. They have been employing people who did not have the right to work in the UK. There have also been pay disputes with several members of staff never receiving payment and eventually leaving.

**-Second Review hearing 1<sup>st</sup> May 2025 was relating to Immigration and condition breaches on the Venue received a suspension for 6 weeks.**

**Overall synopsis relating to this venue:**

- Reviewed on two occasions, one following a manager who stabbed two customers and one due to issues with the immigration status of an employee and several condition breaches, including those added at the 1<sup>st</sup> review.
- Constant breaches of conditions throughout the operation.
- Worst complaint was that one of the members of staff (female) involved in the stabbing was banned from the venue via a review condition, this person was allowed in the venue on a regular basis.
- Did not call the Police to the incidents of violence.
- Notice of forfeiture obtained from the courts, whereby the landlord has taken back possession of the venue. (Suspected on the back of noise complaints from the flats above the venue.)

### 3 – The Camden 61-65 Crowndale Road NW1 1TN - PREM-LIC\1624 refers.

- Only started operating in 2024 and currently been taken to its **second review**
- Constant breaches of conditions, most alarmingly around security, calling Police and providing CCTV to Police.
- Reviewed in 2025 whereby conditions were added. These conditions have also been breached constantly.
- Poor management of venue.
- Crime and disorder occurring at venue and being handled poorly.
- Frequent noise complaints during the day, night and early hours of the morning.

Overall, a poor-quality operator that comes with an extensive list of issues.

#### **Background:**

**2021 – Venue not in Camden but relevant as Mr Kashka was PLH.**

**Kiss the Sky 18-20 Park Road London N8 8TD** – Venue taken to review by residents for Noise Nuisance.

Judgment of DJ(MC) Newton in the matter of an appeal under s.181 and Schedule 5 of the Licensing Act 2003 (“LA 2003”) against a decision of the Respondent Council on 27 July 2021 relating to premises known as Kiss the Sky, 18-20 Park Road London N8 8TD following hearing on 21 June and 21 July 2022.

#### **Conclusion**

The view of the MPS is that this Application should be rejected in its entirety. Mr Kashka is not a suitable Premises licence holder due to his bad management, and his venues have added to serious crime and disorder. Overall, a poor-quality operator that comes with an extensive list of issues. If this transfer is granted this venue will add to crime and disorder, and anti-social behaviour in this area that already suffers from a higher-than-average amount of crime in the borough of Camden.

Police licensing has been engaging with the Applicant through the years in relation to all the venues he has overseen, and nothing has changed. The applicant seems to be taking short cuts which is to the detriment of the venues in question.

The MPS recommend that this application be rejected in its entirety.

Yours sincerely,



**Christopher Malone, Police Constable 2487CO**  
**Camden Police Licensing Team, Central North BCU**  
 Kentish Town Police Station, 12A Holmes Road, NW5 3AE





London Borough of Camden, Town Hall,  
Judd Street, London, WC1H 9JE

**Premises Licence**  
London Borough of Camden Licensing Authority

<b>Premises licence number</b> PREM-LIC\2883
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**Part 1 – Premises details**

<b>Postal address of premises, or if none, ordnance survey map reference or description</b>  Simmons Bar 7 CAMDEN HIGH STREET LONDON NW1 7JE
<b>Telephone number</b>   020 7383 7707

<b>Where the licence is time limited the dates</b> N/A
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<b>Licensable activities authorised by the licence</b>	
(e) Live Music:	Yes
(f) Recorded Music:	Yes
Late Night Refreshments:	Yes
Retail of Alcohol:	Yes

<b>The times the licence authorises the carrying out of licensable activities</b>	
<b>(e) Live Music:</b>	
Friday - Saturday	20:00 - 02:00
<b>Acoustic Only</b>	
<b>(f) Recorded Music:</b>	
Sunday - Wednesday	07:00 - 21:00
Thursday	07:00 - 00:00
Friday - Saturday	07:00 - 02:00
<b>Late Night Refreshments:</b>	
Monday - Wednesday	23:00 - 00:30
Thursday	23:00 - 01:30
Friday - Saturday	23:00 - 02:00
<b>Retail of Alcohol:</b>	
Monday - Wednesday	12:00 - 00:00
Thursday	12:00 - 01:00
Friday - Saturday	12:00 - 02:00
Sunday	12:00 - 22:00

**The opening hours of the premises**

Monday - Wednesday	06:30 - 00:30
Thursday	06:30 - 01:30
Friday - Saturday	06:30 - 02:30
Sunday	09:00 - 22:30

**Where the licence authorises supplies of alcohol whether these are on and/or off supplies**

Sale by retail of alcohol is permitted for consumption ON the premises

**Part 2****Name, (registered) address, telephone number and e-mail (where relevant) of holder of premises licence**

Twilight Leisure Limited  
7 Camden High Street  
London  
NW1 7JE

**Registered number of holder, for example company number, charity number (where applicable)**

08653536

**Name, address and telephone number of designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises the supply of alcohol**

Jody Keen  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]



**Personal licence number and issuing authority of personal licence held by designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises the supply of alcohol**

Personal Licence Number: [REDACTED]  
Issued by: [REDACTED]

**Signed on behalf of the Director, Culture and Environment Directorate**



**Date Licence Amended: 18/02/2025 - APP\PREMISES-VARYDPS\126372  
Date Licence Amended: 10/08/2024 - APP\PREMISES-VRYDPS\122644  
Date Licence Amended: 06/03/2024 - APP\PREMISES-VARYDPS\119208  
Date Licence Amended: 11/07/2023 - APP\PREMISES-VARYDPS\115679  
Date Licence Amended: 16/02/2023 - APP\PREMISES-VARY\113346  
Date Licence Amended: 25/07/2022 - APP\PREMISES-VARYDPS\111151  
Date Licence Amended: 18/06/2021 - APP\PREMISES-VARYDPS\105431  
Date Licence Amended: 15/10/2019 - APP\PREMISES-VARYDPS\098593  
Date Licence Amended: 22/01/2018 - APP\PREMISES-VARYDPS\087897  
Date Copy Licence: 02/06/2017 - APP\PREMISES-LICOPY\0214  
Date Licence Amended: 06/08/2015 - APP\PREMISES-VARY\000905  
Date Licence Amended: 17/01/2014 - APP\PREMISES-VARY\000823  
Date Licence Amended: 19/09/2013 - APP\PREMISES-VARYDPS\002923  
Date Licence Amended: 19/09/2013 - APP\PREMISES-TRANS\001119  
Date Licence Amended: 07/02/2013 - APP\PREMISES-TRANS\001034  
Date Licence Amended: 17/11/2008 - APP\PREMISES-TRANS\000416  
Date Licence Granted: 02/05/2007**

## Annex 1 - Mandatory conditions

1. The supply of alcohol is prohibited at a time when there is no designated premises supervisor in respect of the premises.
2. The supply of alcohol is prohibited at a time when the designated premises supervisor does not hold a personal licence or his/her licence is suspended.
3. Every supply of alcohol under the premises licence must be made or authorised by a person who holds a personal licence.
4. Where a premises licence includes a condition that at specified times one or more individuals must be at the premises to carry out a security activity, the licence must include a condition that each such individual must
  - (a) be authorised to carry out that activity by a licence granted under the Private Security Industry Act 2001; or
  - (b) be entitled to carry out that activity by virtue of section 4 of that Act.
5. But nothing in subsection (4) requires such a condition to be imposed -
  - (a) in respect of premises within paragraph 8(3)(a) of Schedule 2 to the Private Security Industry Act 2001 (c. 12) (premises with premises licences authorising plays or films), or
  - (b) in respect of premises in relation to -
    - (i) any occasion mentioned in paragraph 8(3)(b) or (c) of that Schedule (premises being used exclusively by club with club premises certificate, under a temporary event notice authorising plays or films or under a gaming licence), or
    - (ii) any occasion within paragraph 8(3)(d) of that Schedule (occasions prescribed by regulations under that Act).
6. For the purposes of this section
  - (a) “security activity” means an activity to which paragraph 2(1)(a) of that Schedule applies[ and which is licensable conduct for the purposes of that Act (see section 3(2) of that Act)], and
  - (b) paragraph 8(5) of that Schedule (interpretation of references to an occasion) applies as it applies in relation to paragraph 8 of that Schedule.
7. (1) The responsible person must ensure that staff on relevant premises do not carry out, arrange or participate in any irresponsible promotions in relation to the premises.
 

(2) In this paragraph, an irresponsible promotion means any one or more of the following activities, or substantially similar activities, carried on for the purpose of encouraging the sale or supply of alcohol for consumption on the



premises

(a) games or other activities which require or encourage, or are designed to require or encourage, individuals to

(i) drink a quantity of alcohol within a time limit (other than to drink alcohol sold or supplied on the premises before the cessation of the period in which the responsible person is authorised to sell or supply alcohol), or

(ii) drink as much alcohol as possible (whether within a time limit or otherwise);

(b) provision of unlimited or unspecified quantities of alcohol free or for a fixed or discounted fee to the public or to a group defined by a particular characteristic in a manner which carries a significant risk of undermining a licensing objective;

(c) provision of free or discounted alcohol or any other thing as a prize to encourage or reward the purchase and consumption of alcohol over a period of 24 hours or less in a manner which carries a significant risk of undermining a licensing objective;

(d) selling or supplying alcohol in association with promotional posters or flyers on, or in the vicinity of, the premises which can reasonably be considered to condone, encourage or glamorise anti-social behaviour or to refer to the effects of drunkenness in any favourable manner;

(e) dispensing alcohol directly by one person into the mouth of another (other than where that other person is unable to drink without assistance by reason of disability).

8. The responsible person must ensure that free potable water is provided on request to customers where it is reasonably available.

9. (1) The premises licence holder or club premises certificate holder must ensure that an age verification policy is adopted in respect of the premises in relation to the sale or supply of alcohol.

(2) The designated premises supervisor in relation to the premises licence must ensure that the supply of alcohol at the premises is carried on in accordance with the age verification policy.

(3) The policy must require individuals who appear to the responsible person to be under 18 years of age (or such older age as may be specified in the policy) to produce on request, before being served alcohol, identification bearing their photograph, date of birth and either



- (a) a holographic mark, or
  - (b) an ultraviolet feature.
10. The responsible person must ensure that
- (a) where any of the following alcoholic drinks is sold or supplied for consumption on the premises (other than alcoholic drinks sold or supplied having been made up in advance ready for sale or supply in a securely closed container) it is available to customers in the following measures
    - (i) beer or cider: ½ pint;
    - (ii) gin, rum, vodka or whisky: 25 ml or 35 ml; and
    - (iii) still wine in a glass: 125 ml;
  - (b) these measures are displayed in a menu, price list or other printed material which is available to customers on the premises; and
  - (c) where a customer does not in relation to a sale of alcohol specify the quantity of alcohol to be sold, the customer is made aware that these measures are available.
11. A relevant person shall ensure that no alcohol is sold or supplied for consumption on or off the premises for a price which is less than the permitted price.
12. For the purposes of the condition set out in paragraph 11
- (a) “duty” is to be construed in accordance with the Alcoholic Liquor Duties Act 1979
  - (b) “permitted price” is the price found by applying the formula
 
$$P = D + (D \times V)$$
 where
    - (i) P is the permitted price,
    - (ii) D is the rate of duty chargeable in relation to the alcohol as if the duty were charged on the date of the sale or supply of the alcohol, and
    - (iii) V is the rate of value added tax chargeable in relation to the alcohol as if the value added tax were charged on the date of the sale or supply of the alcohol;
  - (c) “relevant person” means, in relation to premises in respect of which there is in force a premises licence
    - (i) the holder of the premises licence,



(ii) the designated premises supervisor (if any) in respect of such a licence, or

(iii) the personal licence holder who makes or authorises a supply of alcohol under such a licence;

(d) “relevant person” means, in relation to premises in respect of which there is in force a club premises certificate, any member or officer of the club present on the premises in a capacity which enables the member or officer to prevent the supply in question; and

(e) “valued added tax” means value added tax charged in accordance with the Value Added Tax Act 1994.

13. Where the permitted price given by Paragraph (b) of 12 above would (apart from this paragraph) not be a whole number of pennies, the price given by that sub-paragraph shall be taken to be the price actually given by that sub-paragraph rounded up to the nearest penny.
14. (1) Sub-paragraph (2) applies where the permitted price given by Paragraph (b) of paragraph 2 on a day (“the first day”) would be different from the permitted price on the next day (“the second day”) as a result of a change to the rate of duty or value added tax.  
  
(2) The permitted price which would apply on the first day applies to sales or supplies of alcohol which take place before the expiry of the period of 14 days beginning on the second day.

## **Annex 2 - Conditions consistent with the Operating Schedule**

15. There must be a minimum of 2 members of staff present whilst the premises remains open to the public.
16. All fire equipment must be serviced on an annual basis.
17. Prominent, clear and legible notices shall be displayed at all exits requesting the public to respect the needs of local residents and to leave the premises and the area quietly. This shall be reinforced by staff.
18. The shop frontage area must be kept clean and clear of rubbish.
19. Drinks shall not be allowed to be taken outside after 23:00
20. The licence holder shall reserve the right of admission.
21. Staff shall be trained in respect of relevant licensing law, the implementation of licence conditions, health and safety, first aid and alcohol and drug awareness.
22. A strict dispersal policy shall be implemented and agreed with the Police and



Licensing Authority.

23. The Designated Premises Supervisor and their staff shall at all times remain aware of their responsibility for the prevention of crime and disorder on the premises and demonstrate a responsible attitude to the marketing and sale of alcohol.
24. Upgraded search and entry policies shall be implemented and agreed with the Police and Licensing Authority.
25. The licence holder shall take all reasonable steps to ensure that fire and safety equipment and procedures including evacuation procedures are maintained and comply with current legislation.
26. A sound limiting device shall be installed and set at a level agreed by Environmental Health.
27. During the opening hours that security staff are present, a constant watch shall be kept on noise levels involving customers entering and exiting the premises.
28. All doors leading to public spaces shall be fitted with self closing mechanisms.
29. Both verbal and visual directions shall be given to customers advising them of the closest licensed taxi/minicab service, which is less than 50 meters from the premises.
30. Refuse such as bottles shall be placed outside at a time that shall minimise disturbance to nearby properties.
31. The licence holder shall display the contact number of the premises licence holder/DPS/Duty manager inside the premises in such a way that it is clearly visible from the outside without the need to enter the premises.
32. All flat surfaces in toilet cubicles, including any curved toilet roll holder ellipses, are to be 'designed-out' - to the satisfaction of the MPS - in order to prevent drugs misuse.
33. When the venue is open for licensable activities, the toilets are to be checked by staff at least every two (2) hours and these checks are to be documented on each visit.
34. For any event involving a promoter, their associates, DJ or artist (e), or one where the venue has been booked by an outside agent with a view to selling tickets to the public for profit; the licensee shall complete a full risk assessment via open-source material, reference checks from previous venues performed and if there are concerns following all these checks, to inform [www.safersounds.org.uk](http://www.safersounds.org.uk) and Camden Police Licensing team at least 14 days



before the event occurs.

35. Where the premises are open for licensable activities on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturday and Bank Holiday Sundays from 22:00 hours, a minimum of one SIA registered door supervisor shall be employed at the premises until 30 minutes after close to ensure all patrons are dispersed peacefully from the area.
36. All SIA staff on duty are to remain on duty for half an hour after the close of the venue to ensure all patrons are dispersed peacefully from the area.
37. The licensee /DPS will ensure that all staff that are customer facing/engaging at the venue are trained, as appropriate, in respect of Welfare and Vulnerability Engagement (through and that all new staff sit through this presentation. Refresher training to be conducted every six months. A record will be kept of when the training took place and will be made available for inspection by Police or other responsible authority, upon request.

### **Annex 3 - Conditions attached after a hearing by the licensing authority**

38. CCTV system shall be installed and working to the satisfaction of the Police and Licensing Authority within six months to include at least one camera to cover the entrance/exits to/from the venue..
39. CCTV to operate at all times whilst the premises remains open to the public (including during private parties) and all images captured to be recorded and stored on site.
40. Recordings shall be of a sufficient quality to identify persons on the recordings.
41. Recordings shall be maintained for a minimum period of 31 days.
42. Copies of the recordings shall be made available to the Police and the Licensing Authority on request.
43. If the CCTV equipment is inoperative, or is otherwise not installed and working to the satisfaction of the Police and Licensing Authority, then within 24 hours the Police to be notified and an estimate given of the repair timescale and the premises to comply with all reasonable requests from the Police which may include the suspension of licensable activities if necessary.
44. Notices shall be displayed at the entrance to the premises, and in prominent positions throughout the premises, advising that CCTV is in operation.



45. For the purpose of these CCTV conditions 'the Police' refers to the licensing/partnership office of Holborn Police Station, and 'the Licensing Authority' refers to the Licensing Authority of the London Borough of Camden.

**Hearing date: 06/08/2015**

46. Children shall be accompanied by adults at all times. Children under 18 years of age shall not be allowed in the venue from 1900hrs onwards, even when accompanied by a supervising adult.
47. At least one member of the management team on duty after 1800 hours whilst the premises remain open is to hold a personal licence under the Licensing Act 2003.
48. The venue shall operate a "Challenge 25" policy. Evidence of age shall be a passport, photographic driving licence, or Proof of Age card carrying a "PASS" logo; and shall include a photograph of the customer.
49. No persons carrying open or sealed glass bottles shall be admitted to the premises at any time that the premises are open for any licensable activity.
50. There shall be no entry or re-entry for customers (except for smokers) after 0030hrs on nights when the venue is open beyond that time.
51. Unless there is a tables & chairs licence and associated licence for off-sales, no drinks shall be taken outside. This must be adequately monitored and controlled by the management.
52. Where the premises are open for licensable activities on any day after midnight, a minimum of one SIA-registered door supervisor shall be employed at the premises from 2000hrs until at least 20 minutes after close.
53. All door supervisors shall wear high-visibility jackets or vests while working at entry/exit points and around the exterior of the building.
54. Unless there is a valid tables and chairs licence, there shall be no more than 10 smokers at any time outside the premises and these patrons and numbers must be adequately monitored and controlled by the management.
55. An incident log shall be kept at the premises, and made available on request to an authorised officer of the Council or the Police, which will record the following:
  - (a) all crimes reported to the venue
  - (b) all ejections of patrons
  - (c) any complaints received

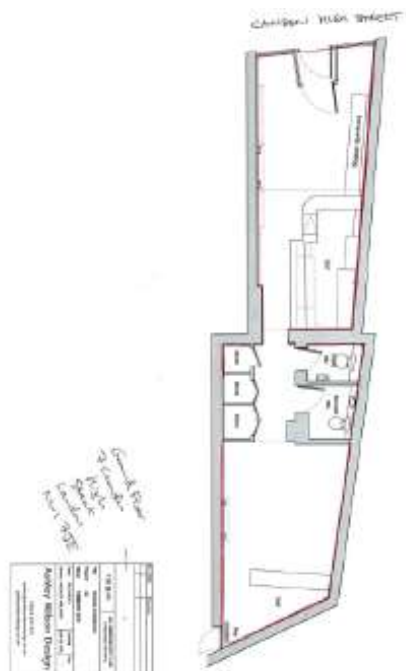
- (d) any incidents of disorder
- (e) all seizures of drugs or offensive weapons
- (f) any faults in the CCTV system or searching equipment or scanning equipment
- (g) any refusal of the sale of alcohol
- (h) any visit by a relevant authority or emergency service

56. The capacity of the venue shall be limited to no more than 100 at any time.

#### **Additional Conditions agreed by the Licensing Panel on 16 February 2023**

- 57. The applicant will commit to installing additional CCTV cameras, or other or other video recording devices, and will ensure that they cover the street and pavement in front of the premises.
- 58. Notices shall be prominently displayed at all exits requesting that patrons respect the needs of local residents and businesses, leave the area quietly, keep their valuables safe and deter thieves by not using mobile phones openly on the streets
- 59. The premises will support the 'Ask Angela' campaign or any successor to it. This will include displaying appropriate signage in the premises and regular staff training to ensure that any incidents of harassment to women are quickly identified, reported and tackled.

#### **Annex 4 - Plans**





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Judd Street, London, WC1H 9JE

**Premises Licence Summary**  
London Borough of Camden Licensing Authority

**Premises licence number**  
PREM-LIC\2883

**Part 1 – Premises details**

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

Simmons Bar  
7 CAMDEN HIGH STREET  
LONDON  
NW1 7JE

**Telephone number** 020 7383 7707

**Where the licence is time limited the dates**

N/A

**Licensable activities authorised by the licence**

(e) Live Music:	Yes
(f) Recorded Music:	Yes
Late Night Refreshments:	Yes
Retail of Alcohol:	Yes

**The times the licence authorises the carrying out of licensable activities**

<b>(e) Live Music:</b>	
Friday - Saturday	20:00 - 02:00
<b>Acoustic Only</b>	
<b>(f) Recorded Music:</b>	
Sunday - Wednesday	07:00 - 21:00
Thursday	07:00 - 00:00
Friday - Saturday	07:00 - 02:00
<b>Late Night Refreshments:</b>	
Monday - Wednesday	23:00 - 00:30
Thursday	23:00 - 01:30
Friday - Saturday	23:00 - 02:00
<b>Retail of Alcohol:</b>	
Monday - Wednesday	12:00 - 00:00
Thursday	12:00 - 01:00
Friday - Saturday	12:00 - 02:00
Sunday	12:00 - 22:00

**The opening hours of the premises**

Monday - Wednesday	06:30 - 00:30
Thursday	06:30 - 01:30
Friday - Saturday	06:30 - 02:30
Sunday	09:00 - 22:30

**Where the licence authorises supplies of alcohol whether these are on and/or off supplies**

Sale by retail of alcohol is permitted for consumption ON the premises

**Part 2****Name, (registered) address of holder of premises licence**

Twilight Leisure Limited  
7 Camden High Street  
London  
NW1 7JE

**Registered number of holder, for example company number, charity number (where applicable)**

08653536

**Name of designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises the supply of alcohol**

Jody Keen

**State whether access to the premises by children is restricted or prohibited**

Children shall be accompanied by adults at all times. Children under 18 years of age shall not be allowed in the venue from 1900hrs onwards, even when accompanied by a supervising adult.

## Section 1: Background comments of the Borough Solicitor

- 1.1 The purpose of Camden's Statement of Licensing Policy is to make it clear to applicants that wider considerations will be taken into account when determining applications. It is intended to guide the Licensing Panel when considering licence applications. However, the Licensing Panel must always consider each application on its own merits and allow exceptions to the normal policy where the circumstances of the application justify allowing an exception. The burden is on the applicant to show that they comply with the policy.
- 1.2 Members should only address those matters that have formed the subject matter of relevant representations. Matters that arise that are not the subject of relevant representations fall outside the function that the Panel is exercising when it holds a hearing
- 1.3 Members must determine, having regard for the evidence, whether granting the application for a premises licence will impact adversely on the policy criteria listed in paragraph 3 of this report.
- 1.4 In accordance with the provisions of Part 1 of Schedule 5 of the Act, where a Licensing Authority rejects in whole or in part, an application for a new premises licence, the applicant may appeal against the decision, to a magistrate's court within 21 days of being notified of the decision.
- 1.5 Similarly, where a person who made relevant representations in relation to the application contends that the licence ought not to have been granted, or that different or additional conditions should have been imposed on the licence, he may appeal against the decision to a magistrate's court within 21 days of being notified of the decision.
- 1.6 **The Human Rights Act 1998** incorporates the key articles of the European Convention on Human Rights into domestic law. Decisions on licensing matters are actions of a public authority and must be compatible with Convention rights. Consequently, Members of the Panel must be aware of the rights contained in the Convention (particularly those set out below) when making licensing decisions.
  - (a) **Article 6: Right to a fair trial**  
In the determination of his civil rights and obligations, everyone is entitled to a fair and public hearing within a reasonable time by an independent and impartial tribunal established by law.
  - (b) **Article 8: Right to respect for private and family life**  
Everyone has a right to respect for his or her private life, his home and correspondence.

**(c) Article 1 of the First Protocol: Protection of property**

Every natural or legal person is entitled to the peaceful enjoyment of his possessions, including a licence. No one shall be deprived of his possession except in the public interest and subject to the conditions provided for by law and by the general principles of international law.

**(d) Article 10: Freedom of Expression**

Everyone has the right to freedom of expression. This right shall include freedom to hold opinions and to receive and impart information and ideas without interference by public authority and regardless of frontiers. This Article shall not prevent States from requiring the licensing of broadcasting, television or cinema enterprises.

The exercise of these freedoms since it carries with it duties and responsibilities may be subject to such formalities, conditions, restrictions or penalties as are prescribed by law and are necessary in a democratic society, in the interests of national security, territorial integrity or public safety, for the prevention of disorder or crime, for the protection of health and morals, for the protection of the reputation or rights of others, for preventing the disclosure of information received in confidence, or for maintaining the authority and impartiality of the judiciary.

**(e) Article 14: Prohibition of discrimination**

The enjoyment of the rights and freedoms set forth in this Convention shall be secured without discrimination on any ground such as sex, race, colour, language, religion, political or other opinion, national or social origin, association with a national minority, property, birth, or other status.

- 1.7 When formulating policy local authorities must have regard to the **Equality Act 2010**. The Act provides protection from discrimination in respect of certain protected characteristics, namely: age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or beliefs and sex and sexual orientation. It places the Council under a legal duty to have due regard to the advancement of equality in the exercise of its powers including licensing powers. Members of the panel must be mindful of this duty when determining all licensing applications.

**The section 149 Public Sector Equality Duty**

(1) A public authority must, in the exercise of its functions, have due regard to the need to—

- (a) eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation and any other conduct that is prohibited by or under this Act;
- (b) advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it;
- (c) foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it.

(2) A person who is not a public authority but who exercises public functions must, in the exercise of those functions, have due regard to the matters mentioned in subsection (1).

(3) Having due regard to the need to advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it involves having due regard, in particular, to the need to—

(a) remove or minimise disadvantages suffered by persons who share a relevant protected characteristic that are connected to that characteristic;  
 (b) take steps to meet the needs of persons who share a relevant protected characteristic that are different from the needs of persons who do not share it;  
 (c) encourage persons who share a relevant protected characteristic to participate in public life or in any other activity in which participation by such persons is disproportionately low.

(4) The steps involved in meeting the needs of disabled persons that are different from the needs of persons who are not disabled include, in particular, steps to take account of disabled persons' disabilities.

(5) Having due regard to the need to foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it involves having due regard, in particular, to the need to—

(a) tackle prejudice, and  
 (b) promote understanding.

(6) Compliance with the duties in this section may involve treating some persons more favourably than others; but that is not to be taken as permitting conduct that would otherwise be prohibited by or under this Act.

1.8 In determining any application, the Council must comply with the public sector equality duty in s.149 of the 2010 Act. This is a duty to have regard to the need to achieve the statutory goals of s.149, rather than to achieve a particular result. The s149 duty sits alongside and does not override statutory requirements in relation to determining licensing applications, including the duty to consider all evidence on its merits and the legislative criteria listed at paragraphs 3 & 4.

1.9 When members have before them representations or other material on issues relevant to s149, even outside the scope of "standard" licensing considerations such material must still be specifically assessed in the context of s149. However, because s149 creates a requirement to "have regard" the fact a matter raised is relevant to s149 will not automatically translate into a reason for refusing an application that would be sustainable in any subsequent appeal, given the legal requirement to determine applications in compliance with licensing legislation.

**Section 2: Financial Comments**

- 2.1 Following consideration there are no financial implications concerning this application. The Executive Director Corporate Services has been consulted in the preparation of this report and has no further comments to add.