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Application for the review of / Representation in respect of a Premises licence or Club Premises certificate under the Licensing Act 2003

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Before completing this form, please refer to FPP 07001 (Licensing (Licensing Act 2003))

I <u>PC 2903 Brian Swallow</u>, on behalf of the Chief Officer of Hampshire Constabulary, (Insert name of applicant)

 \boxtimes Apply for the review of a premises licence.

Apply for the review of a club premises certificate.

(Select as applicable)

Make a representation about a premises licence/club premises certificate

Premises or Club Premises details

| Postal address of premises: | Rockhouse 41 London Street Andover |
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| Postcode (if known): | SP10 2NU |

Name of premises licence holder or club holding club premises certificate *(if known)* The Abel Foundation (Charity)

Number of premises licence or club premises certificate (*if known*)

Details of responsible authority applicant

| Mr 🗌 Mrs 🗌 Mis | s 🗌 Ms 🗍 Other | title / Rank: | |
|--------------------|---------------------|----------------|-------|
| Surname: PC Swallo | w I | First Names: | Brian |
| | C/O Bishops Waltham | Police Station | |
| Current postal | Hoe Road | | |
| address : | Bishops Waltham | | |
| | Hampshire | | |
| Postcode: | SO32 1DS | | |
| Daytime telephone | | | |
| number: | | | |
| E-mail address: | | | |
| (optional) | | | |

Hampshire Constabulary is a responsible authority and the applicant has the delegated authority of the Chief Officer of Police in respect of his responsibilities under the Licensing Act 2003

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

| | | Select one or more boxes |
|----|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1) | The prevention of crime and disorder | \boxtimes |
| 2) | Public safety | \boxtimes |
| 3) | The prevention of public nuisance | |
| 4) | The protection of children from harm | |

Please state the grounds for review which must be based on one or more of the licensing objectives together with supporting information:

The Chief Officer of Police seeks a review of the premises licence to the Rockhouse for the purpose of seeking the removal of the DPS Tony Noakes.

The premises licence holder is unusually a charity, The Abel Foundation. The chairperson of the charity is Claire Noakes, the wife of Tony Noakes. The charity was set up in the name of their son who sadly suffers from a serious illness.

The premises itself suffers from a disproportionate level of alcohol related anti-social behaviour and crime and disorder compared to other venues in the town and the night time economy.

The police have in place a management system that documents incidents related to licensed premises. When these incidents rise above a tolerance level, police licensing officers attempt mediation to offer support, advice and tactical options to the venue and its operators in an attempt to mitigate the incidents

Tony Noakes does not readily accept this. In fact, more often than not, when the incidents, some of a very serious nature occur, such as an alleged rape on 10th April 2023, with the suspect being a now ex member of staff and the victim being a patron of the club. On email, Noakes belittled the incident and attempted to advise me (incorrectly) of the judicial process and made completely inappropriate comments about police officers. This is not an acceptable attitude for a DPS.

When attempting to address the number and severity of incidents at the venue, Noakes is obstructive and belligerent and has even made spurious and unfounded allegations of police officers mishandling controlled substances seized by the venue.

Serious incidents continue to occur at the Rockhouse with the latest being the 19th September 2023 whereby a male was seriously assaulted in the toilets.

There is a general manager in place at the venue who assists the police with evidence in a very timely manner and is an active and supporting member of the local Pubwatch. Unfortunately, with regards to the Licensing Act 2003, she has no legal standing with regards the licensable activities at the venue, this remains with Tony Noakes.

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The majority of incidents at the Rockhouse occur past 01:00 mainly on weekends and the majority of those incidents involve unacceptable levels of intoxication of either the perpetrators or victims.

I would normally propose additional conditions on the licence in respect of ID scanning, additional SIA security staff, updated policies especially in relation to welfare and vulnerability and strongly consider a reduction in licensable hours.

However, I am mindful that this venue supports a very worthwhile charity and that it should not be punished because of the attitude and failings of one individual. As such, as a measured stepped approach, I am of the opinion that the removal of the DPS will have a positive impact on the venue.

Have you made an application for review relating to these premises before: Yes | No

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

N/A

Please tick

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 have sent a copy of this representation to the principal licensing officer ofTest Valley Borough Council

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

Signature of Officer Completing

| Name | Brian Swallow | Collar Number: | 2903 |
|------------|---------------|----------------|-----------|
| Signature: | B. Swallow | Date: | 27/9/2023 |

Signature of Authorising Officer (Inspector or above)

| Name | Stu Jackson | Collar Number: | 3354 |
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| Signature: | S. Jackson | Date: | 27/9/2023 |

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