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Dear Sirs

RE: CABIN BAR AND BREEZE NIGHTCLUB, PORTHCAWL

We write with reference to the above named premises and can confirm that Blackfords LLP have been instructed to act on their behalf with regards to the application for a review of the premises licence.

We would be grateful if all correspondence could be copied to our firm during the course of this matter.

It is noted that a decision has been made to hear the application for a review of the premises licence as a 'closed hearing'. We respectfully request details as to why such a decision has been made and indicate that our client wishes to be present during the hearing, along with their legal representatives.

We can confirm that witness statements and supporting documents by way of representation will be forwarded to the council during the course of this week.

It is noted that full grounds for review have not been made available to our client and we would request that this be forwarded as a matter of urgency.

We also request full details and copies thereof, of all representations made by interested parties with regards to the application.

Yours faithfully

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**IN THE MATTER OF AN APPLICATION FOR REVIEW
OF A PREMISES LICENCE UNDER S.51 OF THE LICENCING
ACT 2003**

AND IN THE MATTER OF CABIN BAR AND BREEZE NIGHTCLUB

WITNESS STATEMENT OF KARL SVENSON

1. My name is Karl Svenson and I acquired the lease of The Cabin Bar on 31st October 2014.
2. As of the 31st October 2014, I became the Designated Premises Supervisor.
3. Further to the acquisition of the lease, I subsequently refurbished the first floor of the premises and opened 'Breeze Nightclub and Function Suite' in July 2015.
4. I have managed several licenced premises over the last twenty years as 'DPS'.
5. I have an impeccable record of complying with all requirements and stipulations related to licenced premises
6. I currently employ fifteen members of staff at the venue, including a manageress.
7. All members of staff receive comprehensive training and support to ensure that they comply fully with licencing laws and operate in a safe manner (KS/1).
8. It has been surprising and saddening that South Wales Police are reviewing the premises licence of The Cabin Bar and Breeze Nightclub, given my willingness to cooperate and my continuous efforts to try and maintain a positive working relationship with South Wales Police.
9. I will deal with each of the allegations in order:

Licencing Objectives

"There are numerous, persistent and an unacceptable number of incidents, many of these occurrences have resulted in injury to customers, some severe, where alcohol has played a prominent part"

10. In recent months, the number of incidents at the venue has declined, this is as a result of the consistency and hard work of the Door Supervisors in adopting a zero tolerance approach to antisocial behaviour and the bar staff's vigilance when dispensing alcohol to customers.
11. We keep a comprehensive record of all incidents that occur on the premises.
12. Since January 2016, there have been only four recorded incidents (KS/2):
 - a. 16th April 2016
 - b. 22nd April 2016
 - c. 19th June 2016
 - d. 29th July 2016
13. Of these incidents, only one (22nd April 2016) resulted in injury to a customer/member of the public.
14. Violent behaviour is not tolerated and we always aim to prevent any such incidents occurring.

“Customers have had to be forcibly handcuffed, whilst one was so violent that he had to be subdued with a taser weapon i.e what is commonly referred to as ‘tasered’”

15. It is inevitable, given the nature of the business that occasionally the police will need to detain members of the public.
16. In relation to this specific incident (1st August 2016), we challenge the description of the event that has been put forward by South Wales Police.
17. A member of the public [REDACTED] was refused entrance to the premises. He was found to have a substance on him who the Door Supervisor's believed could be illegal drugs.
18. It is acknowledged that he could have been a potential customer, he did not, in fact, enter our premises.
19. He was arrested more than 150 yards from the premises and the premises' security staff supported South Wales Police in detaining the individual [REDACTED]

“In the last few months a number of police officers summoned to deal with disturbances have also been assaulted”

20. It is acknowledged that there have been two incidents where police officers have been injured in the vicinity of the venue.
21. The first incident (1st August 2016) could have been prevented. The Security Officers who were on duty at the premises assisted the police to put a member of the public to the floor. They were then ordered to release him which subsequently resulted in him causing injury to the police officer.
22. We are aware of a second incident involving two female police officers at the entrance to Eastern Promenade.
23. This was again a situation where the premises' security staff assisted the police in detaining an individual.
24. We have no written incident log as the incident did not happen at our premises or in the immediate vicinity.
25. The individual involved had not entered the premises and our security staff confirmed this to the police at the time.
26. We made available our CCTV footage to South Wales Police but the incident was too far away and, as a result, there was no evidence which assisted.

“The most serious offences have been committed under the Licencing Act 2003”

27. Given the wide range of offences which this Act covers, a further breakdown of the offences would assist in our understanding of the Police's allegations against the premises.

“Similarly, serious offences have been detected under other legislation which is appended to the Applicant”

28. We would reiterate that clarification of such allegations is required in order for us to fully address matters.

“In fact, the list of incidents associated with the premises highlights that it has an extended history of violence and disorder”

29. As a venue, we work tirelessly to ensure that we operate in a manner which ensures the safety of both our customers and our staff.

30. In recent months, the number of incidents at the venue has decreased. This is as a result of the consistency and hard work of the Door Supervisors in fostering a zero tolerance approach to antisocial behaviour and the bar staff's vigilance when dispensing alcohol to customers.

"These occurrences and offences recorded to date are totally unacceptable and even if they were to remain constant a review is warranted, however, they have increased since 2014 and will increase further unless drastic changes take place"

31. We challenge that incidents will increase further unless drastic changes take place. As already explained there has been a decline in disorderly incidents at the venue in recent months.

32. Staff have received, and will continue to receive, extensive training in order to minimise any incidents of alcohol related disturbances. It should be acknowledged that prior to my acquiring the lease for this venue, it was in a very poor state of repair and subsequently held a small number customers. It was often shut by 9p.m in the evening.

33. Due to the vast improvement in the building and facilities of the venue, the volume of customers will naturally increase. Unfortunately this can result in an increase in anti-social behaviour which we are constantly working hard to reduce.

34. There have not been any incidents at the venue for over three months. This has been during our busiest time, including the Elvis weekend.

"Since Karl Svenson became DPS in late 2014 and the nightclub reopened in July 2015 having been unused for a number of years as it had fallen into disrepair, there has been an increase in alcohol related violence, crime and disorder"

35. As outlined at paragraphs 33-34, the improvement in the premises has had a knock-on effect in increasing customer footfall and therefore increasing the possibility of incidents of anti-social behaviour. We continue to work hard to reduce such incidents.

“Additionally the licencing objectives have been further and seriously undermined by events during the Elvis Festival”

36. Further clarification is required in relation to the events alleged by South Wales Police.
37. Elvis Weekend was a successful weekend for the venue, even though footfall had significantly increased as a result of the event, there were no reported incidents of any type at the premises.

“From 2015 up to and including September 2016 numerous occurrences have been reported many of which have subsequently been recorded as criminal offences”

38. It is acknowledged that there have been occasions where criminal offences have been committed, it should be noted that there have been incidents where one member of the public has been charged with several offences.
39. We suggest that the list is somewhat skewed as a result of not being related to specific incidents, to show the exact number of incidents relate to such offences.

Theft

40. We are unaware of any incidents of theft directly related to our venue or our customers.
41. We can recall one occasion where a customer alleged her mobile telephone had been stolen and myself, along with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were subsequently interviewed at Bridgend Custody Suite.
42. No further action was taken in respect of this offence.

Sexual Assault

43. We are unaware of any incidents of sexual assault at our premises.
44. Officers from South Wales Police attended the premises and sifted through over three hours of CCTV footage with the assistance of [REDACTED]

45. It was concluded by the Police Officer in attendance that the offence in question happened at a premises with 'steel stairs' which this venue does not have.

46. The officer therefore acknowledged that the incident could not have taken place at The Cabin Bar/Breeze Nightclub.

Possession of Class A, B and C Drugs

47. The venue has a strong anti-drugs ethos and conducts frequent searches of a wide cross-section of customers.

48. A female Door Supervisor has been employed in order to ensure that both male and female customers can be searched.

49. Although we frequently conduct searches we have not found any customers with drugs since December 2015.

50. Prior to this date, four people were refused entry to the premises on separate occasions (KS/5):

- a. 1st August 2015
- b. 7th August 2015
- c. 28th August 2015
- d. 18th December 2015.

51. As a venue, we endeavour to eliminate all instances of possession of illegal substances but again, due to the nature of the business, this will always be a challenge, however, it is a challenge that all similar venues will face and we continue to be vigilant and ensure our staff are appropriately trained.

Offences under the Private Security Act

52. Further clarification is required in order to ensure we are in a position to address these points.

53. In relation to the Elvis Weekend, the premises licence states: "The premises licence holder will ensure that two SIA registered supervisors are employed at the premises on Fridays and Saturdays from 2200 hours until closure" and "The premises licence holder will ensure that two SIA registered supervisors are employed at the premises on the Saturday only of the 'Elvis Weekend' from 1400 until closure.

54. Both of these conditions were fully satisfied and, in fact, the number of registered SIA registered supervisors exceeded the mandatory number at all times.

55. Our attention was drawn to an incident where a member of staff incorrectly signed the premises supervisor 'signing in' log. The member of staff in question has been spoken to and disciplinary proceedings have been instigated (KS/6)

"It is also significant that customers have become very violent and many have been so intoxicated on arrest that custody officers have had to conduct regular 30 minute welfare visits to the cells to monitor their demeanour"

"Custody records detail that prisoners are still drunk many hours after arrest and visits have taken place from the commencement of their detention until their release many hours after their arrival at the police station".

56. As previously explained, all of our staff are highly trained in order to identify customers that have consumed too much alcohol. We are concerned that customers to whom we have refused entry because of their levels of intoxication, are subsequently engaging in alcohol related crime and are being linked to our premises even though they have been refused entry.

57. Furthermore, when arrests are made in the vicinity it is worth noting that there are several venues positioned within a small radius.

Engagement

"South Wales Police have engaged in different approaches to promote the licencing objectives including warning/advice letters and meetings. There has, in fact, been two letters served recently.

There was also a failed attempt by the police to convene a meeting at Bridgend Police Station in July 2016 to address matters.

However; the two meetings which have taken place as well as the letters served have had no impact and incidents involving drunken, violent customers as well as other serious occurrences continue to be recorded. "

58. The initial meeting in August of last year addressed concerns regarding incidents relating to the venue. Although it is stated that there were incidents on the 8th, 9th, 16th, 28th and 29th August 2015, this was soon after the meeting.

59. The number of incidents at the venue has consistently declined since we opened in July 2015 and there have been no recorded incidents since July 2016.
60. It was alleged that the venue had failed to provide CCTV, however, historically, the venue has provided CCTV many times to the police and on occasions remained at the venue until the early hours of the morning in order to ensure the police retrieve evidence as promptly as possible.
61. This has also resulted in additional members of staff being paid in order to attend the venue and extract CCTV to a memory stick.
62. The CCTV which we have on site is a system which cost around £7,500.00. It has extensive coverage of both inside and outside the venue and features a high quality picture.
63. I was unaware that the police required any CCTV footage and, as I explained at the meeting, have never withheld any CCTV from the police. In the past I have gone above and beyond in order to ensure the police receive access to CCTV footage in a timely manner.
64. During the meeting a plan was put in place in order to ensure there is now a single point of contact for when CCTV is required by the police. This will ensure that there is no further confusion in the future.
65. There have been no further issues regarding CCTV since the meeting with the police.
66. It is disputed that there were failed attempts to convene a meeting. This was not due to Mr Evans' unwillingness and South Wales Police were invited to attend the venue but this failed to materialise.
67. A meeting did take place between myself and South Wales Police.
68. There was no refusal to attend the meeting by any party, only a suggestion for the meeting to be held at the premises rather than at the police station.

“Despite the meeting, serious matters were subsequently evidenced during a joint-agency enforcement operation at the Porthcawl Elvis Weekend in September 2016”

69. Again, we would request further information as to the allegations which are being put forward by the police regarding the Elvis Weekend.
70. We have outlined the requirements of the premises licence at paragraph 53.

Warning/advice letters served on the licence holder and DPS by South Wales Police

“The incident again highlighted that a customer’s intake of alcohol was excessive and played a significant part in the assault.

At 02:03 hours on Saturday 23rd July 2016 (Friday trading) customers became involved in a disturbance upon leaving causing officers to alight from a vehicle and intervene in an attempt to part the factions.

Sergeant 4717 Davies was taken to the ground where he was punched in the face by a customer who, after a struggle, was eventually arrested and handcuffed. He was very intoxicated.”

71. I raise the same concerns that it is difficult to be certain that they had, in fact, been inside our premises and had not been refused entry due to their level of intoxication. There are numerous licenced premises in the vicinity and it should be noted that the location of our premises is at a through route for people walking from the town centre venues and returning to Trecco Bay. With this in mind, it cannot always be attributed that individuals who have consumed too much alcohol and who are situated outside our venue have necessarily been one of our customers.

“These concerns are strengthened given that the advice and warnings have been given and meetings held, yet there continues to be a failure to promote the objectives. In fact, the management are in denial of what is regularly occurring.”

72. Only one of the meetings held referred to alcohol related incidents and this was over 12 months ago. Since that meeting there have been no concerns raised, other than an issue regarding CCTV which was concluded by both parties disagreeing with the events which resulted in the CCTV not being provided.

73. A way forward was agreed with regards to the provision of CCTV in the future and there have been no subsequent issues.

74. Had I been made aware of the concerns which have now been raised by South Wales Police, then I would have ensured that I worked with the police and licencing in order to overcome any difficulties.

75. I am concerned, with the exception of the meeting which was held on 14th August 2015, that no concerns regarding alcohol related incidents have been raised with me or with the premises holder.

76. We seek to work in collaboration with South Wales Police and to foster a positive working relationship. In order to do so then it is essential that we have an open and honest dialogue.

77. It is frustrating that rather than address these issues with me, you have taken the step to review the premises licence.
78. Further confusion is added by the agreement on the 8th September 2016 to grant two Temporary Event Notices (TEN) allowing me to remain open until 4am on 24th September 2016 (Saturday trading Elvis Weekend) and also the same hours for the forthcoming Boxing night (26th December 2016).
79. In light of the incidents which are alleged to have taken place at the premises, then this I find it difficult to comprehend the authorisation of the TENs.
80. Throughout the allegations, there have been common themes which relate to the difficulty in determining where members of the public have been consuming alcohol prior to offences being committed.
81. Furthermore, it has been highlighted that some incidents have occurred as a result of individuals being refused entry because they are too intoxicated. We cannot take responsibility for individuals who have consumed alcohol at other venues.
82. As a venue, we have a comprehensive set of documents to certify that we work effectively and safely in order to ensure the well-being of staff and customers alike. These include:
 - a. Training Manuals
 - b. Health and Safety Risk Assessments
 - c. Fire Safety Records
 - d. Prevention of Underage Drinking and Drug and Alcohol Violation
 - e. Challenge 21 Policy
 - f. Tool Box Talk Scheme
 - g. Incident Logs
83. It should be noted that since November 2014, the Cabin Bar has experienced an exceptionally small number of incidents, only two of which have required the attendance of the Police.
84. I disagree with some of the statements which have been put forward by South Wales Police in respect of the premises but it is evident that there do need to be changes made to further ensure the safety of customers, staff and the wider public. With this in mind, we have considered a number of 'Action Points':
 - a. Staff training to continue to be a vital part of ensuring customer and public safety;
 - b. From this weekend, two SIA approved Security Officers will assist in the dispersion of customers once the venue has closed with the aim of eliminating any incidents.

- c. Upon reviewing the time it takes customers to disperse following the closure of the premises, it is clear that there is often a lack of taxis available and in light of this, we have engaged with PD Travel, who have agreed to provide taxis from the venue on Friday and Saturday nights from 11pm onwards.

SIGNED:

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DATED: 25.10.16

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Date: 26 October, 2016

Dear Sirs

RE: CABIN BAR AND BREEZE NIGHTCLUB, PORTHCAWL

We write with reference to the above named premises, for which an application to review a premises licence has been made by South Wales Police.

We enclose copies of signed statements which put forward our representations in respect of the application which is before the council.

We reiterate the contents of our letter dated 24th October 2016 and believe that it would be prudent for our clients to have sight of the full application, together with copies of any other representations which have been made by interested parties.

This will ensure that the licencing committee have are appraised of all relevant information and the committee will note that there are areas which our client has some difficulty in answering, due to the vague outline of allegations which has been provided to date.

We of course reiterate our request for this hearing to be held in such a manner that our client and/or their representatives can attend. We are sure that the council are as keen as our clients to ensure that there is full transparency when such decisions are being taken by the licencing committee.

Yours faithfully

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Appendix ①



KS/1.

Breeze Night Club & Function Suite - Training & Induction Matrix

Health & Safety		Training Understood	Yes	No	Comments	Employee Sign Off	Manager Sign Off
Manual Handling							
COSHH							
PPE							
Check Fire Exits							
Check For Slips, Trips, and Falls Hazards							

Fire & Life

Fire & Life		Training Understood	Yes	No	Comments	Employee Sign Off	Manager Sign Off
Fire Evacuation Procedure							
Fire Extinguisher Locations							
Correct Fire Extinguisher Use							
Location of First Aid Kits							

Appliances

Appliances		Training Understood	Yes	No	Comments	Employee Sign Off	Manager Sign Off
Correct Use of Dish Washer							
Correct Use of Ice Machine							
How to Use The Tills							



Breeze Night Club & Function Suite - Training & Induction Matrix

Preparation of Bar

Training Understood	Yes	No	Comments	Employee Sign off	Manager Sign Off
Check the Tills, Float etc.					
Check Bar Runners are out					
Check The Fridge Stock					
Rotate Stock					
Check Spirits					
Check The Dish Washer					
Check Table Tops Are Clean					
Check Beer Mats Are Out					
Check Floors Areas Are Clean					
Check Toilets					
Remove all waste Before Opening					



Breeze Night Club & Function Suite - Training & Induction Matrix

Individual Training

Correct use of Radios					
Understanding Other Roles					
How To Deal With Aggressive Customers					
How To Communicate With Door Team					
Incident / Accident Reporting					
How To Complete Timesheets					
Weights & Measurements					
Correct Refusal Of Alcohol					
Recognising Legal Identification					
Correct Understanding of Challenge 21 Policy					

I have been fully trained and understand each of the above points

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: ___/___/___

Appendix ②

Site Number	Breeze	Date	16/04/16	Day	Saturday
Radios Checked		CCTV System Checked		All Keys Present	
Visiting Manager Name					

Signature Of Duty - I certify that I have read and understood the assignment instructions, risk assessments, and any amendments, temporary or otherwise, communicated to me at the start of my shift

	Name	Signature	Time On Duty	Time off Duty	Licence Number	Re
1	[Redacted]	[Redacted]	22:00		[Redacted]	
2	[Redacted]	[Redacted]	22:00		[Redacted]	
3	[Redacted]	[Redacted]	22:00		[Redacted]	
4	[Redacted]	[Redacted]	22:00		[Redacted]	
5	[Redacted]	[Redacted]			[Redacted]	
6	[Redacted]	[Redacted]			[Redacted]	

Serial	Enter details, including time of all important and unusual occurrences	Time	Initial
163.	[Redacted] completed cellar walk & all Exits clear.	22:00	[Redacted]
164.	Male in white T-shirt named [Redacted] medium height, large build short dark hair went for a Polish male with black top connecting a punch with his nose. [Redacted] attempted to use glasses against the door staff so [Redacted] turned the table upside down taking all glasses from within his reach. Large male in white vest & taller male with dark beard, short dark hair also in white T-shirt attempt to calm him down, both males speak briefly with [Redacted] and leave venue walking off in the direction of Bears Fish Shop. Polish male not seriously hurt & did not require first Aid.	01:08	[Redacted]
165.	Male in pink T-shirt wearing blue & white patterned jumper became aggressive with another male. The same male mentioned above in Ref No. 164 who was wearing a white vest, male escaped from premises down by [Redacted] & [Redacted] he refused to calm down & continued to shout abusive comments to the door staff, his friend wearing a green	01:20	[Redacted]

PTO-

165 - body warmer also began arguing with [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] due to first male's behaviour. In the
park top he's continuous aggressive behaviour
Manager [REDACTED] contacted 101, SWP
arrived and a shot while later SWP move
male on in green body warmer 1st male in
park top left in taxi situation resolved. 01:27.

NFTR [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

16-04-16.

Breakdown of night.

~~2~~ 2 - refused NO FD.

1 - positive drug search packaging found male
refused entry.

4 - Ejected for Rowdy / aggressive behaviour.



Appendix

(3)



The Breeze Nightclub & Functions Suite - Incident Report

Name: [REDACTED]

Date & Time: 00.32

Location of Incident: in front of DJ Area

Duty Manager Informed: Yes / No

Police/Ambulance/Fire attended at: yes

Incident Type:
male (A) in grey t shirt jeans dark short hair very tall hit a dark haired short male (B) black t shirt jeans in face [REDACTED] restrained male A and walked him to the doors a third male (C) tried to get to male (A) but was stopped by [REDACTED] male (B) suffered injuries to his face Doorstaff gave first aid ambulance called.

Print: [REDACTED]

Signature: [REDACTED]

Date: 22/04/14

Appendix

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The Breeze Nightclub & Functions Suite - Incident Report

Name: [REDACTED]

Date & Time: 19/6/16. Time approx 01:30 AM.

Location of Incident: Main entrance of Breeze.

Duty Manager Informed: Yes / No

Police/Ambulance/Fire attended at: Police attended.

Incident Type:
at approximately 01:30 am. I was on front door of Breeze night club. I had heard someone shouting and turned around & Door Supervisor [REDACTED] was behind them and [REDACTED] he then started on a male approx 5ft 4inch with white T-shirt and blue jeans. [REDACTED] asked him to leave [REDACTED] took the male who with white T-shirt and blue jeans away from the situation and told him go back upstairs. Then outside the club 3 males. 1 male 6ft black top (T-shirt) started shouting abuse then the other 2 males followed suit 1 male then tried pushing his way past I stopped him then 2 males tried I pushed him back then 1 male punched me then I used reasonable force to get him away from building then the other 2 males come at forward towards me and used reasonable force on 3 males. to get them away from building (Police attended.)

Print: [REDACTED]

Signature: [REDACTED]

Date: 19/6/16



The Breeze Nightclub & Functions Suite - Incident Report

Name: [REDACTED]

Date & Time: 19/6/16

Location of Incident: Breeze

Duty Manager Informed: Yes / No Myself

Police/Ambulance/Fire attended at: police.

Incident Type:

AT 1:30am I was still on tu at front door, I heard football chanting coming down the stairs. It was a young male wearing a tight black top & blue jeans.


He was chanting at another lad who was english - I know this as I had spoken to him when he arrived at club.

It got heated between both just inside of door. Myself and door supervisor D. Samuels diffused situation and sent the lad wearing black out the door P.

Print: [REDACTED]

Signature: [REDACTED]

Date: 19/6/16

and the other back into club. HU resolved a
this time _____ 



The Breeze Nightclub & Functions Suite - Incident Report

Name:

Date & Time:

APPROX 01:30 am 19/6/16

Location of Incident:

Breeze - front door

Duty Manager Informed: Yes / No

Police/Ambulance/Fire attended at:

Police ATTENDED

Incident Type:

AT APPROX 01:30am AN ALTERCATION OCCURRED OUTSIDE BREEZE, I WAS CALLED BY MANAGER [REDACTED] TO ASSIST. AS I GOT OUTSIDE BREEZE OBSERVED MANY PEOPLE FIGHTING. I WAS ABLE TO WALK AWAY I MADE WEARING STRIPED TOP WHO I BELIEVED WAS ONE OF MAIN CAUSING TROUBLE. I WALKED HIM AWAY AND STAYED WITH FOR SOME TIME FOR MY COLLEAGUES TO TRY AND STOP AND OTHER FIGHTING. I WAS OBLIVIOUS TO WHAT WAS GOING BEHIND ME AS MY CONCERN WAS KEEPING PRO

Print: [REDACTED]

Signature: [REDACTED]

Date: 19/6/16

thus make away not to have it escalate
again



Appendix

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SECURITY SERVICES
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Site Number	BREZZE	Date	01-08-15	Day	SATURDAY
Radios Checked	✓	CCTV System Checked	✓	All Keys Present	—
Visiting Manager Name	_____				

Signature Of Duty - I certify that I have read and understood the assignment instructions, risk assessments and any amendments, temporary or otherwise, communicated to me at the start of my shift.

	Name	Signature	Time On Duty	Time off Duty	Badge Number
1	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	21:00	02:30	[REDACTED]
2	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	21:00	02:30	[REDACTED]
3	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	22:30	02:30	[REDACTED]
4	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	21:00	02:30	[REDACTED]
5	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	21:00	02:30	[REDACTED]
6	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	21:00	02:30	[REDACTED]

Serial	Enter details, including time of all important and unusual occurrences.	Time	Initial
1	Back fire got checked ready for open	21:00	[REDACTED]
2	1 female stepped searched 1 x small bag white substance Black hair & purple T-shirt - picture on CCTV system.	22:22	[REDACTED]
3	1x male ejected. Refused to leave. Reprimanded and removed from club.	00:26	[REDACTED]
4	3x males fighting outside club. 1x male arrested & assaulted police officer.	00:51	[REDACTED]
5	2 males ejected for fighting.	01:01	[REDACTED]
6	seen fight outside, went out to calm the situation and assist the with arrest.	01:35	[REDACTED]
7	two supervisors [REDACTED] & [REDACTED] were assisting police arrest & detain male in polo shirt for assaulting M.O.P. at this time a male who I now know to be [REDACTED] that white polo top became aggressive with another M.O.P. he then attacked a police		

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KS/3.

Summary Log 01.08.15

INCIDENT 1 of 01.08.15

This incident took place at the entrance of Breeze, where a male known as [REDACTED] was refused entry after a search was carried out and drugs were found in his possession.

[REDACTED] was at no time on our premises.

Once [REDACTED] had been instructed to leave the entrance of Breeze, he became abusive towards door staff along with the 2 x males that accompanied him.

All 3 x males left the area later to return where they were faced with the Police who dealt with the said incident.

Please note:

[REDACTED] was intoxicated prior to his arrival and the incident took place away from our venue.

Please see attached log from our records.

INCIDENT 2 of 01.08.15

A dispute took place outside the venue where the police were present. Door staff detained 1 x male and on command from officers was told to let him go. As he was let go, he assaulted a police officer.

This could of easily been avoided if police officers had listened to door staff in the beginning.

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Site Number	BREZZE	Date	01-08-15	Day	SATURDAY
Radios Checked	✓	CCTV System Checked	✓	All Keys Present	—
Visiting Manager Name	_____				

Signature of Duty - I certify that I have read and understood the assignment instructions, risk assessments, and any amendments, temporary or otherwise, communicated to me at the start of my shift.

	Name	Signature	Time On Duty	Time off Duty	Badge Number
1	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	21:00	02:30	[REDACTED]
2	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	21:00	02:30	[REDACTED]
3	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	22:30	02:30	[REDACTED]
4	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	21:00	02:30	[REDACTED]
5	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	21:00	02:30	[REDACTED]
6	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	21:00	02:30	[REDACTED]

Serial	Enter details, including time of all important and unusual occurrences	Time	Initial
1	Back fire ext checked ready for OFN	21:00	[REDACTED]
2	1 male stepped searched 1 x small bag white substance Black Hair & purple t-shirt - picture on CCTV system	22:22	[REDACTED]
3	1x male ejected. Refused to leave. Reprimanded and removed from club.	00:26	[REDACTED]
4	3x males fighting outside club. 1x male assaulted & assaulted police officer.	00:51	[REDACTED]
5	2 males ejected for fighting.	01:01	[REDACTED]
6	seen fight outside, went out to calm the situation and assist the with arrest	01:35	[REDACTED]
7	two supervisors [REDACTED] & [REDACTED] were assisting police arrest & detain male in hoodie for assaulting M.O.P. at this time a male who I now know to be [REDACTED] that white polo top became aggressive with another M.O.P. he then attacked a police		

Site Number: RREZZE	Date: 01-08-15	Day: SATURDAY
Patrols Checked: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CCTV System Checked: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	All Keys Present: <input type="checkbox"/>
Visiting Manager Name: _____		

Signature of Duty - I verify that I have read and understood the assignment list, duties, risk assessments and any amendments, temporary or otherwise, communicated to me at the start of my shift.

	Name	Signature	Time On Duty	Time off Duty	Badge Number
1	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	21:00	02:30	[REDACTED]
2	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	21:00	02:30	[REDACTED]
3	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	22:30	02:30	[REDACTED]
4	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	21:00	02:30	[REDACTED]
5	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	21:00	02:30	[REDACTED]
6	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	21:00	02:30	[REDACTED]

Serial	Enter details, including time of all important and unusual occurrences	Time	Initial
1	Back the car checked ready for OPA	21:00	[REDACTED]
2	1 female stepped searched 1 x small bag white substance Black hair & purple T-shirt - picture on CCTV system.	22:22	[REDACTED]
3	1 x male ejected. Refused to leave. Reprimanded and removed from club. Front door	00:26	[REDACTED]
4	3 x males fighting outside club. 1 x male arrested & assaulted police officer.	00:51	[REDACTED]
5	2 males ejected for fighting.	01:01	[REDACTED]
6	SAW FIGHT OUTSIDE, WENT OUT TO CALM THE SITUATION AND ASSIST POLICE WITH ARREST	01:35	[REDACTED]
7	NEAR SUPERVISORS [REDACTED] & [REDACTED] were assisting police arrest & detain male in polo shirt for assaulting M.O.P. At this time a male who I now know to be [REDACTED] that white polo top became aggressive with another M.O.P. he then attacked a police		

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Summary Log 01.08.15

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All 3 x males left the area later to return where they were faced with the Police who dealt with the said incident.

Please note:

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Site Number	BREZZE	Date	01-08-15	Day	SATURDAY
Radios Checked	✓	CCTV System Checked	✓	All Keys Present	—
Visiting Manager Name	_____				

Signature of Duty - I certify that I have read and understood the assignment instructions, all systems, and any amendments, temporary, or otherwise, communicated to me at the start of my shift.

	Name	Signature	Time On Duty	Time off Duty	Badge Number
1	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	21:00	02:30	[REDACTED]
2	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	21:00	02:30	[REDACTED]
3	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	22:30	02:30	[REDACTED]
4	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	21:00	02:30	[REDACTED]
5	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	21:00	02:30	[REDACTED]
6	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	21:00	02:30	[REDACTED]

Serial	Enter details, including time of all important and unusual occurrences	Time	Initial
1	BAC fire got checked ready for open	21:00	[REDACTED]
2	1 female stepped searched 1 x small bag white substance Black Hair & purple T-shirt - picture on CCTV system	22:22	[REDACTED]
3	1 x male ejected. Refused to leave. Resubmitted and removed from club.	00:26	[REDACTED] lv
4	3 x males fighting outside club. 1 x male arrested & assaulted police officer.	00:51	[REDACTED] 200 PCC
5	2 males ejected for fighting.	01:01	[REDACTED] R
6	SEEN POLICE OUTSIDE, WENT OUT TO CALM THE SITUATION AND ASSIST POLICE WITH ARREST	01:35	[REDACTED] R
7	Next supervisors [REDACTED] & [REDACTED] were assisting police arrest & detain male in polo shirt for assaulting M.O.P. at this time a male who I never know to be [REDACTED] that white polo top became aggressive with another M.O.P. he then attacked a police		

Site Number	RREZZG	Date	01-08-15	Day	SATURDAY
Radios Checked	✓	CCTV/System Checked	✓	All Keys Present	—
Visiting Manager Name	_____				

Signature: _____ I hereby declare that I have read and understood the assignment, instructions, risk assessments, and any amendments, temporary or otherwise, communicated to me at the start of my shift.

	Name	Signature	Time On Duty	Time off Duty	Badge Number
1	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	21:00	02:30	[REDACTED]
2	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	21:00	02:30	[REDACTED]
3	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	22:30	02:30	[REDACTED]
4	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	21:00	02:30	[REDACTED]
5	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	21:00	02:30	[REDACTED]
6	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	21:00	02:30	[REDACTED]

Serial	Enter details, including time of all important and unusual occurrences	Time	Initial
1	BACK fire exit checked ready for OPEN	21:00	[REDACTED]
2	1 female stepped searched 1 x small bag white substance Black hair & purple T-shirt - picture on CCTV system	22:22	[REDACTED]
3	1x male ejected. Refused to leave. Reprimanded AND removed from club. FRONT DOOR	00:26	[REDACTED]
4	3x males fighting outside club. 1x male arrested & assaulted police officer.	00:51	[REDACTED]
5	2 males ejected for fighting.	01:01	[REDACTED]
6	Small fight outside, went out to calm the situation AND assist police with arrest	01:35	[REDACTED]
7	After supervisors [REDACTED] & [REDACTED] were assisting police arrest & detain male in foot street for assaulting M.O.P. At this time a male who I don't know to be [REDACTED] but white polo top became aggressive with another M.O.P. he then attacked a police		

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Summary Log 07.08.15

INCIDENT 1 of 07.08.15

1 x male was ejected from front door for smoking inside the premises.

1 x male was arrested outside by police for refusing to leave site.

1 x male refused entry as an empty bag of white substance was found on his possession

The above 3 incidents were not related to our venue. However, below there was a fight that occurred in our venue and was dealt by our door staff and no police were needed

4 x males ejected for fighting in the club.

2

Site Number	38501	Date	7-8-15	Day	FRIDAY
Radios Checked	✓	CCTV System Checked	✓	All Keys Present	—
Visiting Manager Name					

Signature Of Duty - I certify that I have read and understood the assignment instructions, risk assessments, and any amendments, temporary or otherwise, communicated to me at the start of my shift.

	Name	Signature on Duty	Time On Duty	Time off Duty	Signature off Duty
1	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	21:00	02:30	[REDACTED]
2	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	21:00	02:30	[REDACTED]
3	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	21:00	02:30	[REDACTED]
4	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	21:00	02:30	[REDACTED]
5	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	22:30	02:30	[REDACTED]
6	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	22:30	02:30	[REDACTED]

Serial	Enter details, including time of all important and unusual occurrences	Time	Initial
1	BACK FIRE exit checked. READY for OPEN	2100	[REDACTED]
2	ONE MALE ESCAPED FROM FRONT DOOR for Refusing to LEAVE AND ATTEMPTING TO SMOKE INSIDE. SECOND MALE ALREADY OUTSIDE ARMED BY POLICE for refusing to leave site.	2350	[REDACTED]
3	3x males searched. EMPTY BAG found on one male WITH WHITE powder showing. Two males escorted	0010	[REDACTED]
4	1x male brought for search 1x bag found empty male asked to leave premises	00:24	[REDACTED]
5	TWO MALES ESCAPED FOR FIGHTING BY BACK	00:50	[REDACTED]
6	TWO MALES ESCAPED FOR FIGHTING BY BACK FIRE exit.	0110	[REDACTED]
N/FR			
[REDACTED]			

Site Number	B5501	Date	7-8-15	Day	FRIDAY
Radios Checked	✓	CCTV System Checked	✓	All Keys Present	—
Visiting Manager Name					

Signature Of Duty - I certify that I have read and understood the assignment instructions, risk assessments, and any amendments, temporary or otherwise, communicated to me at the start of my shift

	Name	Signature on Duty	Time On Duty	Time off Duty	Signature off Duty
1	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	21:00	02:30	[REDACTED]
2	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	21:00	02:30	[REDACTED]
3	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	21:00	02:30	[REDACTED]
4	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	21:00	02:30	[REDACTED]
5	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	21:30	02:30	[REDACTED]
6	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	22:30	02:30	[REDACTED]
			22:30	02:30	

Serial	Enter details, including time of all important and unusual occurrences	Time	Initial
1	BACK FIRE EXIT CHECKED. READY FOR OPEN	2100	[REDACTED]
2	ONE MALE EJECTED FROM FRONT DOOR FOR REFUSING TO LEAVE AND ATTEMPTING TO SMOKE INSIDE. SECOND MALE ALREADY OUTSIDE ARMED BY POLICE FOR REFUSING TO LEAVE SITE.	2350	[REDACTED]
3	3X MALES SEARCHED. EMPTY BAG FOUND ON ONE MALE WITH WHITE POWDER SHOWING. TWO MALES EJECTED	0010	[REDACTED]
4	1X MALE BROUGHT FOR SEARCH 1X BAG FOUND EMPTY MALE ASKED TO LEAVE PREM.	00:24	[REDACTED]
5	TWO MALES EJECTED FOR FIGHTING BY BACK	00:50	[REDACTED]
6	TWO MALES EJECTED FOR FIGHTING BY BACK FIRE EXIT.	01:10	[REDACTED]
	NFR		
	[REDACTED]		

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DOOR STAFF ELVIS

DATE	TIME	STAFF	License No
FRIDAY 23RD	14:00 - 02:00		
	17:00 - 02:00		
	19:00 - 02:00		
	21:45 - 02:00		
	22:00 - 02:00		

DATE	TIME	STAFF	Licence No
SAT 24TH	11:00 - 02:00		
	11:00 - 02:00		
	14:00 - 02:00		
	19:00 - 21:00		

SUNDAY 25TH	TIME	STAFF	License No
	11:00 - 02:00		
	11:00 - 02:00		
	14:00 - 02:00		
	14:00 - 02:00		
	19:30 - 01:00		

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Investigation outcome – Final Written Warning

27th September 2016

[REDACTED]

I write to confirm the outcome of the investigation meeting held conducted by myself, Karl Svensen, Executive Manager on 26th September 2016 at the Cabin Bar in Porthcawl.

The allegation that was discussed at the investigation meeting was:

- **Signing the Door Supervisor Register on 23rd September 2016.**

It was discussed with yourself that you signed the door register on behalf of the door team as you did not want to get anyone into trouble not realising the full extent of your actions. I acknowledge this is something you have never done before and this is an isolated occasion due to the willingness to help.

On this occasion, your conduct/performance was unsatisfactory your actions resulted in potentially damaging the company's reputation therefore I have decided that given the serious nature of this incident but also taking onto account your honesty in admitting the incident and previous conduct you will receive a **Final Written Warning**. This warning will be placed in your personal file but will be disregarded for disciplinary purposes after a period of **12 months**, provided your conduct improves/performance reaches a satisfactory level.

A) The nature of the unsatisfactory conduct or performance was:
Signing the Door Supervisor Register

B) The conduct or performance improvement expected is:
To ensure this is an isolated incident which does not reoccur

C) The timescale within which the improvement is required is:
Immediate

D) The likely consequence of further misconduct or insufficient improvement is:

Dismissal

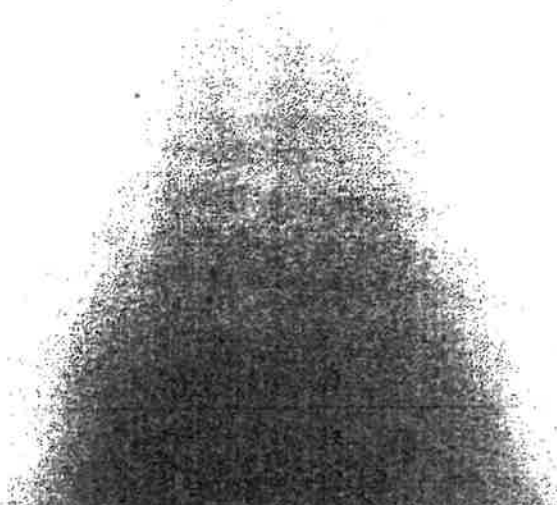
You have the right of appeal against this decision. Please [write] to Karl Svensen. Within 7 days of receiving this disciplin

I'd like to thank you for your patience during the investigation. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you wish further.

Yours Sincerely



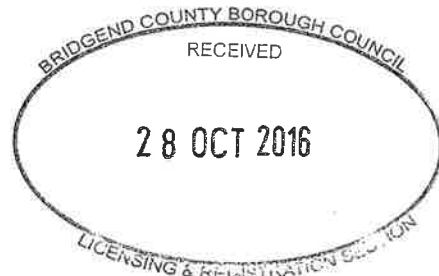
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Dear Sirs

RE: CABIN BAR & BREEZE NIGHTCLUB, PORTHCAWL

We write further to our previous correspondence dated 24th October and 26th October and with reference to the application of South Wales Police for a premises licence review of the above named venue.

Please find enclosed a signed statement from Mr Patrick Evans by way of representations to be considered as part of the review process.

This statement should be read in conjunction with that of Mr Karl Svenson which has already been served upon the council.

Yours faithfully

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**IN THE MATTER OF AN APPLICATION FOR
REVIEW
OF A PREMISES LICENCE UNDER S.51 OF THE
LICENCING
ACT 2003**

**AND IN THE MATTER OF CABIN BAR AND BREEZE
NIGHTCLUB**

WITNESS STATEMENT OF PATRICK EVANS

1. The family have owned the freehold to the Cabin Bar since 1979.
2. Until last year, the licence was tendered out and the licence ran alongside any tenancy.
3. There were several individuals who had managed the premises over the years.
4. I have held the premises licence without any significant incident and there has always been an excellent working relationship with the police.
5. I do not seek to address specific issues in this statement as I am not at the premises on a day-to-day basis.
6. I have always been willing to cooperate and to assist when the police required. For example, I have been approached for CCTV footage on a number of occasions, as my CCTV cameras cover a very wide area.
7. I even assisted in providing CCTV footage for a murder which took place last year in Trecco Bay.

8. The Eastern Promenade is a thoroughfare from the town centre. When all of the venues in town are closing, people use this as a walking route to Trecco Bay Caravan Park. Locals also use it as a route home.
9. As the Cabin Bar is the only venue with a late licence, it is always a final port-of-call for those who have been drinking elsewhere. I have always had complete faith in the door security staff to refuse entry to those individuals who should not be in the premises.
10. With regards to the meeting which was suggested by South Wales Police, I would like to clarify that there was never a refusal to attend.
11. I suggested that it might be more appropriate to meet at the venue itself, in order to discuss any issues and so that if access to CCTV was required, then it could be provided at the time.
12. This request was not answered.
13. I am aware that Karl Svenson has been approached on occasion to provide CCTV footage and that he has always complied with such requests. I have no reason to believe that he would have refused on this occasion.
14. The police are aware of the coverage that my CCTV system has and I can confirm that no request was made to me to obtain any CCTV footage from my systems.
15. I have an excellent working relationship with Karl Svenson and have complete trust in him to operate the venue in accordance to all licencing laws.

Moreover the annual lease granted to him requires [the Tenant] to “take all reasonable and necessary steps to maintain the Premises licence”

16. His desire to run the venue in accordance to legislation has been evidenced by the low number of incidents which have occurred at the premises since he took over.
17. He has invested in the premises and has undertaken to renovate it to a very high standard. This has an effect in attracting the right sort of customers.
18. We have been considering entering into formal discussions with the council and police regarding opening the old function suite which is adjacent to the Cabin Bar. Obviously operating our venues to a high standard of safety is important and this is something which we would seek to foster in any future business venture of licenced premises.
19. We would be seeking to employ at least 30 people if the function suite re-opens and obviously any impact on our licence could have a knock on effect for such future employment, as well as for the individuals who are already employed by Karl Svenson at the Cabin Bar.
20. I would seek a detailed breakdown of all allegations which are being put forward by South Wales Police with regards to the review of the premises licence to ensure that they understand that some allegations relate to the same incidents.

SIGNED: 

DATED: 25/10/16