

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

Application for the review of a premises licence or club premises certificate under the Licensing Act 2003

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Before completing this form please read the guidance notes at the end of the form. If you are completing this form by hand please write legibly in block capitals. In all cases ensure that your answers are inside the boxes and written in black ink. Use additional sheets if necessary. You may wish to keep a copy of the completed form for your records.

I Aimee Taylor

(Insert name of applicant)

apply for the review of a premises licence under section 51 / apply for the review of a club premises certificate under section 87 of the Licensing Act 2003 for the premises described in Part 1 below (Unable to delete but can confirm review of premise license)

Part 1 – Premises or club premises details

Postal address of premises or, if none, ordnance survey map reference or description Diamond Banqueting Suite, 2 Skinner Street, City Centre,	
Post town Wolverhampton	Post code (if known) WV1 4LD

Name of premises licence holder or club holding club premises certificate (if known) Mr Paramjit Singh
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Number of premises licence or club premises certificate (if known)

Part 2 - Applicant details

I am

Please tick ✓ yes

- 1) an individual, body or business which is not a responsible authority (please read guidance note 1, and complete (A) or (B) below)
- 2) a responsible authority (please complete (C) below)
- 3) a member of the club to which this application relates (please complete (A) below)

(A) DETAILS OF INDIVIDUAL APPLICANT (fill in as applicable)

Please tick ✓ yes

Mr Mrs Miss Ms Other title
(for example, Rev)

Surname

First names

I am 18 years old or over

Please tick ✓ yes

**Current postal
address if
different from
premises
address**

Post town

Post Code

Daytime contact telephone number

**E-mail address
(optional)**

(B) DETAILS OF OTHER APPLICANT

Name and address

Telephone number (if any)

E-mail address (optional)

Please state the ground(s) for review (please read guidance note 2)

Failing to uphold the licensing objective Prevention of Crime and Disorder due to the fact that a substantial cannabis cultivation was found inside the premise.

Please provide as much information as possible to support the application (please read guidance note 3)

On 20th April 2021 the Licensing and Regulatory Officer, Aimee Taylor, based at Wolverhampton Police Station attended Diamond Banqueting suite following a telephone call from a City Centre PCSO expressing concerns regarding the smell of cannabis coming from the location.

On Officer Taylor's arrival the Premise License Holder Mr Singh was identified being present inside the premise.

Officer Taylor spoke with the Premise License Holder who refused entry to the premise. He denied having a key to his premises and stated that he has leased it out for the last 3 weeks. When Officer Taylor asked Mr Singh direct questions about the details of the person who it was being leased to he stated he didn't know. Mr Singh could not provide any details including, name, address and telephone number of the person leasing the venue. Officer Taylor informed Mr Singh that she would like a copy of the lease contract by 16:00 on that day. An email address was provided to the Premise License Holder Mr Singh. Officer Taylor has never been contacted by Mr Singh.

Mr Singh admitted entry to Officer Taylor to a kitchen area and stated it was full of dresses and that's what he does now. It was apparent that all CCTV cameras in that room had been covered over with duct tape. This raised Officer Taylor's suspicion about the activity taking place within. Whilst in this kitchen area, Mr Singh phoned somebody and spoke in a foreign language and would not disclose who he was talking to or what was being said.

During the visit, the Premise License Holder refused entry to any other part of the premise and informed Officer Taylor to go round to the front of the building and ring the bell. Then when Officer Taylor does this, Mr Singh gets in his car and leaves the location.

Following police intelligence and reports of concern from members of the public, Sergeant Yeomans from the Police Station attempted to make contact with the Premise License Holder in order to facilitate entry with a key. Sergeant Yeomans left numerous voice messages and text messages but West Midlands Police received no correspondence from the Premise License Holder.

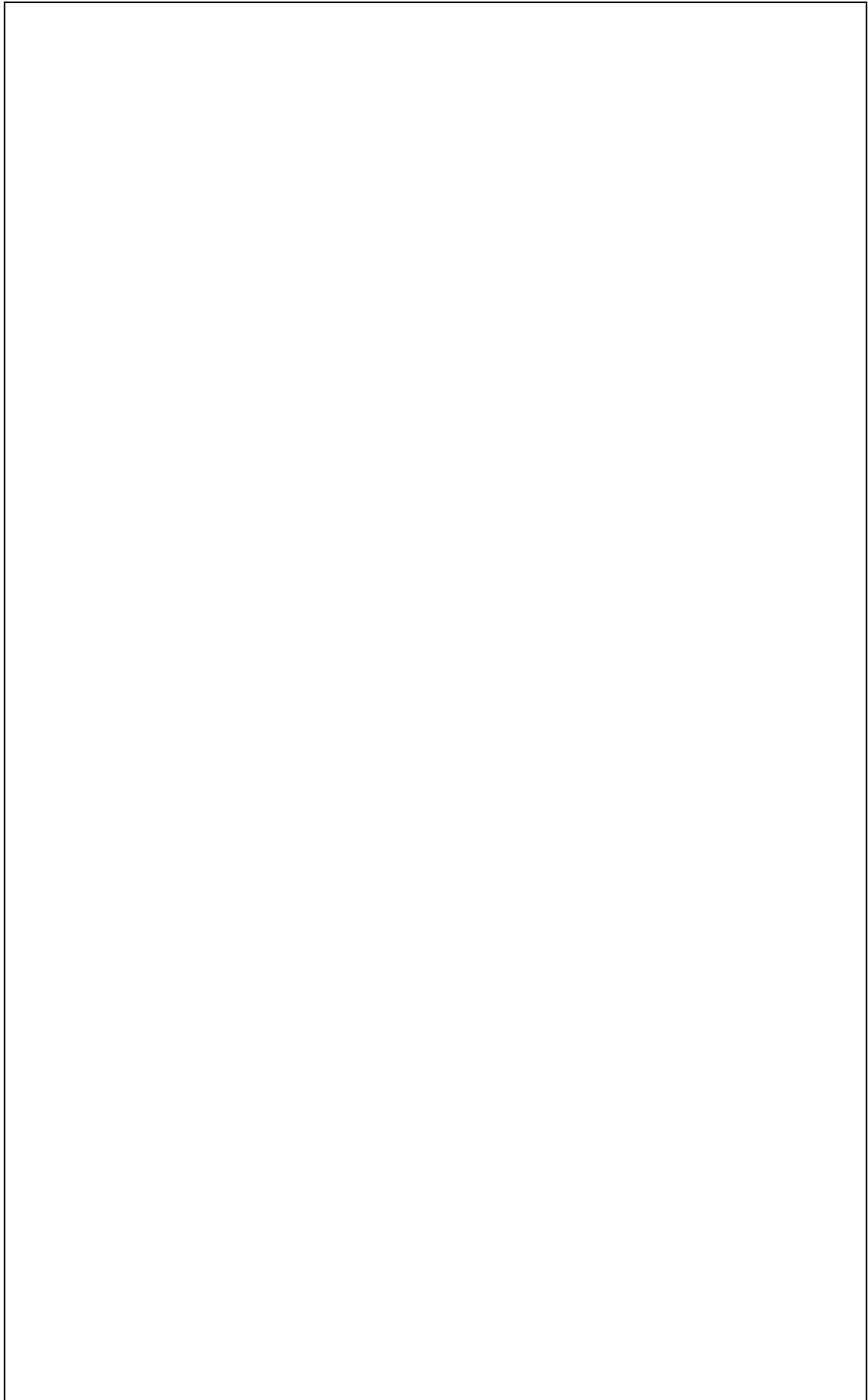
On 21st April 2021 West Midlands Police received further information about activity taking place at the premise and entry was forced under Section 17 of the Police and Criminal Evidence Act.

As entry was being forced 3 males were seen by Officers attempting to escape from inside of the premise through the side door of the property. The males then ran back into the premise which was then made secure by Officers and a search was conducted.

Due to the premise being extremely large, a police dog was requested in order to locate the males. The Police Dog paid particular attention to a lift that was used to gain access from the kitchen area to the main building. 4 males were subsequently located and arrested at the scene.

Upon entry to the upper floors of the premise a very large industrial scale cannabis factory had been set up. There were hundreds of cannabis plants in growth as well as hundreds of small plants ready to be grown. There was also a significant amount of bags of soil and further equipment ready to grow further plants. There were also rooms prepared ready to facilitate further grows. It is estimated that the value of the entire contents found at the premise is worth 1-3 million pounds in revenue. The rooms were set up with lighting, heating and ventilation. Due to the amount of electrical appliances that had been put in place to supply the growing areas, it is believed the main electrical supply has been bypassed.

Mr Singh is the Premise License Holder and Designated Premise Supervisor and has overall responsibility for the activities that are undertaken within this licensed premise.



Please tick ✓ yes

Have you made an application for review relating to the premises before

If yes please state the date of that application

Day	Month	Year
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

If you have made representations before relating to the premises please state what they were and when you made them

Please tick ✓

yes

- 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 understand that if I do not comply with the above requirements my application will be rejected

IT IS AN OFFENCE, UNDER SECTION 158 OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003, TO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT IN OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS APPLICATION. THOSE WHO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT MAY BE LIABLE ON SUMMARY CONVICTION TO A FINE OF ANY AMOUNT.

Part 3 – Signatures (please read guidance note 4)

Signature of applicant or applicant’s solicitor or other duly authorised agent (please read guidance note 5). **If signing on behalf of the applicant please state in what capacity.**

Signature [REDACTED]
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Date **26/04/2021**
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Capacity **Licensing and Regulatory Officer**
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Contact name (where not previously given) and postal address for correspondence associated with this application (please read guidance note 6) Aimee Taylor	
Post town Wolverhampton	Post Code WV1 3AA
Telephone number (if any)	
If you would prefer us to correspond with you using an e-mail address your e-mail address (optional) [REDACTED]	

Notes for Guidance

1. A responsible authority includes the local police, fire and rescue authority and other statutory bodies which exercise specific functions in the local area.
2. The ground(s) for review must be based on one of the licensing objectives.
3. Please list any additional information or details for example dates of problems which are included in the grounds for review if available.
4. The application form must be signed.
5. An applicant’s agent (for example solicitor) may sign the form on their behalf provided that they have actual authority to do so.
6. This is the address which we shall use to correspond with you about this application.

