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MEETING: Licensing Meeting - Slam
DATE: Tuesday 18th June 2013
TIME: 13:00
VENUE: Room 1.012, Middlesbrough District HQ

RECORD OF MINUTES

Meeting No: 02/13

**MINUTES ARISING FROM THE OPEN SESSION
(SUITABLE FOR EXTERNAL DISCLOSURE)**

Persons Present (Full Name, including Rank, Role & Department)

Paul Higgins	Sergeant, Licensing Unit, Middlesbrough District, Cleveland Police (Chair)
Emma Price	Constable, Licensing Unit, Middlesbrough District, Cleveland Police
Sarah Morris	Middlesbrough Council, Licensing Department
Paul Gourlay	Pubco Ltd
Stuart Rhodes	DPS, Slam
Jayne Hardwick	Management Support, Middlesbrough District, Steria – working on behalf of Cleveland Police (Minute Taker)

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1.	<u>APOLOGIES</u>	
	None	
2.	<u>MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD 18TH APRIL 2013</u>	
2.1	The minutes of the meeting held 18 th April 2013 were accepted as a true record.	
3.	<u>MATTERS ARISING</u>	
3.1	<u>Item 2.8</u>	
	Stuart Rhodes stated he has reviewed door staff and numbers have remained the same but they are providing a more visible presence in prime areas. Some of the door staff have also been changed. PS Higgins highlighted that there have not been any further incidents of bottles being used as weapons.	
3.2	<u>Item 4 – Pub Watch Radio</u>	
	Paul Gourlay stated he was happy for the premise to have	

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	a Pub Watch radio and would ensure this was arranged.	
4.	<u>INCIDENTS</u>	
	Incidents reported since the last meeting were reviewed as follows:	
4.1	<u>21/4/13 01:01-03:01 – W66580 Assault</u>	
	Victim reported being assaulted in the toilets which then continued in the bar area. Stills were produced from CCTV but not usable due to poor quality. Paul Gourlay stated he is investing a sum of money in order to upgrade CCTV. Action: Crime Prevention Officer to review CCTV system to see if any improvements can be made.	PS Higgins
4.2	<u>27/4/13 00:35 – W70098 Drunk & Disorderly</u>	
	A male and female were arrested outside the premises for drunk and disorderly after being seen arguing with door staff and proceeded to continue on police arrival.	
4.3	<u>27/4/13 01:33 – W70128 Drunk & Disorderly</u>	
	A male was arrested outside the premises for drunk and disorderly having been seen arguing with door staff after being ejected from the premises and proceeded to continue on police arrival.	
4.4	<u>4/5/13 01:46 – W74564 Under-age</u>	
	Two females were removed from the premises after being found inside during an operation to tackle under-age drinking in the town. Stuart Rhodes stated CCTV was checked and the females had entered from the rear of the premises when someone had opened the fire door for them. Staff have been made aware and are being more vigilant. This will be monitored and PS Higgins suggested if the problem continues consideration be given to installing a magnetic control on the doors which will be linked into the fire alarm.	
4.5	<u>5/5/13 00:20 – W75227 Public Order</u>	
	Two males were arrested for public order offences outside of the premises. PS Higgins stated some public order offences could potentially be linked to persons being refused entry and asked if staff could make a note to assist if persons are arrested. Stuart Rhodes stated a refusals register is maintained by door staff.	
4.6	<u>5/5/13 03:12 – W75305 Fight</u>	
	Two reports were received of a large number of persons fighting outside the premises. All parties made off prior to police arrival.	

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4.7	<u>17/5/13 03:25 – W82695 Assault</u>	
	A male was seriously assaulted in the smoking area of the premises, receiving two broken bones to the leg and facial injuries. A male was arrested following a press appeal and it transpired that the assailant had not been in the venue but had pulled up outside in a vehicle.	
4.8	<u>18/5/13 W83377 and 25/5/13 W87631 - Drugs</u>	
	There were two occasions of persons being found outside the premises in possession of drugs. Paul Gourlay stated arrangements are in hand to fasten the drugs safe to the wall and arrange for a new key as the safe is currently open. Action: Police to attend to lock drugs safe.	PS Higgins
4.9	<u>24/5/13 02:29 – W86968 Assault</u>	
	A male was found in the street with facial injuries (broken jaw) and stated he had been assaulted inside Slam. The incident book shows a record of three males being ejected following a fight on the dance floor.	
4.10	<u>31/5/13 00:07-00:20 – W91333 Assault</u>	
	Two males were assaulted inside the premises. One male had a tooth knocked out and a bad injury to his nose, the other had an injury to his nose. Enquiries are ongoing. The incident book shows two males being removed from the premises.	
4.11	<u>15/6/13 01:20 – W101365 Drugs</u>	
	A male was arrested outside the premises following a disturbance being seen by officers. The male was searched and found in possession of four bags of white powder which was later found to be cocaine.	
4.12	<u>16/6/13 00:21 – W102026 Under-age</u>	
	Contact was made from a parent to state his daughter was attending the premises; however she left the venue prior to her father arriving. Attempts have been made to contact parents to ascertain if the female had entered the premises, with negative reply. Stuart Rhodes recalled an incident where a male had been parked up outside the venue and had approached a female to ask what time she would be coming home; however this may not be related.	
4.13	<u>16/6/13 02:10 – W102082 Drunk & Disorderly</u>	
	A male was arrested outside the premises after being seen behaving aggressively towards door staff. This is recorded in the incident book that males were arguing with door staff, were removed from the premises and police became involved.	
4.14	<u>17/6/13 – W102728 & W102729 Assaults</u>	

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	Two assaults took place, one male being punched to the face causing bleeding to the nose and a second male being assaulted and suffering pain and discomfort to the left of face. Stuart Rhodes stated the male had assaulted a customer and gone behind the bar and assaulted a member of bar staff. If the male's name is ascertained he will be put forward for a Pub Watch ban.	
4.15	PS Higgins stated some incidents are linked to refusing entry and general drunk and disorderly behaviour, but the two concerns are the more serious incidents on 24 th and 31 st May so there is still some work to do. PS Higgins added it is pleasing to see there have not been any more incidents with bottles.	
5.	<u>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</u>	
5.1	Thursday nights are the most problematic and Stuart Rhodes stated it would help if there was more of a police presence outside the venue.	
	<u>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</u>	
	1 p.m. Monday 19 th August 2013	

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	<i>In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (Section 21 – 44), members are asked for the following items to be considered in the closed session of this meeting.</i>	
	There were no issues for the closed session.	