

Hampshire Constabulary, Licensing and Alcohol Harm Reduction Team,
Licensing Office, Portsmouth City Council, Civic Offices, Guildhall Square,
Portsmouth, Hants PO1 2AL

CERTIFICATE UNDER SECTION 53A(1)(b) OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003

I hereby certify that in my opinion the premises described below are associated with serious crime/serious disorder/both serious crime and serious disorder¹.

Premises²:

Blue Anchor
2, London Road

Post town	Portsmouth	Post code	PO2 0LH
Premises licence number (if known):		19/0437/LAPREM	
Name of premises supervisor (if known):		Nancy Maxwell	

I am a	³ Superintendent	in the	Hampshire Constabulary & IOW	Police force.
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I am giving this certificate because I am of the opinion that other procedures under the Licensing Act are inappropriate in this case, because⁴:

Following an incident of serious crime around 00:49 on 30th July, namely an assault causing GBH level injury with potentially life changing consequences, this premises has been found not complying with their licence conditions whilst conducting licensable activity.

They have served alcohol to customers beyond the point of drunkenness and this has fuelled this serious incident and an affray which followed, involving multiple customers from the pub.

There is a significant lack of management control. As such, a standard review is not appropriate. This takes up to 28 days and there is a risk of further serious crime if permitted to operate without compliance and necessary prevention measures.

Engagement has been attempted and this has highlighted offences under the LA03. The DPS at the time of the incident appears not to work at the premises, making engagement a challenge. The PLH is based in London and does not work at the business.

¹ Delete as applicable.

² Include business name and address and any other relevant identifying details.

³ Insert rank of officer giving the certificate, which must be Superintendent or above.

⁴ Give a brief description of why other procedures such as a standard review process are thought to be inappropriate, e.g. the degree of seriousness of the crime and/or disorder, the past history of compliance in relation to the premises concerned.

There is a need for summary review to request that interim steps are applied in advance of the review hearing.

Police are asking for Interim Steps to be applied, to suspend the licence until such time as the licence holder can demonstrate compliance with conditions and promotion of the licensing objectives or the main review hearing.

Signature	Supt. Mark Lewis
Date	02/08/2023