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Good morning,

Please find attached a document from myself representing GMP, this is in relation the License Review which is currently undergoing with Lancashire Cricket Club.

Could this document please be presented to the club as part of the review process and form part of the hearing scheduled for next month.

Many thanks  
John

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## The Licensing Act 2003

### Responsible Authority Representation Form

FAO The Licensing Service, Licensing Section, Trafford Town Hall, Talbot Road, Stretford, M32 0TH

| <b>Section 1 - Application Details</b>  |     |
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| <b>I wish to make a representation against the following application:</b>   |     |
| Lancashire Cricket Club,<br>Talbot Road, Old Trafford,  |     |
| GMP Representation following on from Trafford Council instigating a licence review for Lancashire Country Cricket Club over concert operating 2022. |     |
| Type of Application: Licence Review   |     |
| Application Number (if known):  | N/A |

| <b>Section 2 – Responsible Authority’s Details</b> |   |
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| <b>Responsible Authority’s Details:</b>            |   |
| Please tick appropriate box:                       |   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                | Chief Officer of Police   |
| <input type="checkbox"/>                           | Fire and Rescue Authority   |
| <input type="checkbox"/>                           | Local Planning Authority  |
| <input type="checkbox"/>                           | Health and Safety Authority   |
| <input type="checkbox"/>                           | Environmental Health Authority  |
| <input type="checkbox"/>                           | Bodies recognised as being responsible for protection of children from harm |
| <input type="checkbox"/>                           | Local Authority Director of Public Health                                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/>                           | Local Weights and Measures Authority (Trading Standards)                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/>                           | Licensing Authority   |
| <input type="checkbox"/>                           | Home Office Immigration Enforcement   |
| <input type="checkbox"/>                           | Other   |
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### Section 3 – Representations

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| <input type="checkbox"/> |
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We object to the application being granted at all

We object to the application being granted in its current form\*

\*If you choose this option remember to tell us in section 3B what changes you would like to see.

Your representation must be relevant to the effect of the application on the promotion of one or more of the four licensing objectives. Please complete the boxes below as fully as possible. If you do not then your representation may not be accepted.

Please attach supporting documents/further pages as necessary. Please number all extra pages and add the applicant's name and your name to each page.

### Section 3A – The Licensing Objectives

To prevent  
crime and  
disorder

*Please state your reasons:*

Due to my representation being researched in chronological order and to make reading coherent my report is presented in full in section 3B.

Public safety

*Please state your reasons:*

Due to my representation being researched in chronological order and to make reading coherent my report is presented in full in section 3B.

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| <p>To prevent public nuisance</p> | <p><i>Please state your reasons:</i></p> <p>Due to my representation being researched in chronological order and to make reading coherent my report is presented in full in section 3B.</p> |
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| <p>The protection of children from harm</p> | <p><i>Please state your reasons:</i></p> <p>Due to my representation being researched in chronological order and to make reading coherent my report is presented in full in section 3B.</p> |
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### **Section 3B – Suggestions/Further information**

Please give any suggested conditions that could be added to the licence to remedy the cause of your representations, or other considerations you would like the Licensing Sub-Committee to take into account.

I am PC 18264 John LLOYD of Greater Manchester Police, I am currently the licensing officer for the Trafford District.

Between the 11th and the 22nd of June 2022 Lancashire Cricket Club hosted four large-scale sold-out concerts with a combined capacity of over 200,000 attendees.

These four events are as follows.

*The Killers, Saturday the 11th of June.*

*Harry Styes, Tuesday 15th and Wednesday 16th June.*

*Red Hot Chilli Peppers, Wednesday the 22nd of June.*

One of my responsibilities is to look at Crime and Disorder and consider following the objectives laid out within the 2003 Licensing Act. Prevention of crime and disorder, public safety, prevention of public nuisance and protection of children from harm.

To use these to identify issues, enforce breaches and what learning points can be raised and actions set to help prevent or reduce offences and keep people safe while attending these events.

Following Lancashire Cricket club being subjected to a license review by Trafford Council investigating alleged breaches I've reviewed incidents and crimes recorded against the venue on each of the four concert nights. I'm aware there will have been additional crimes recorded in the immediate vicinity of the stadium but for the purpose of this initial review I will keep my findings to those recorded directly on the venue itself to avoid any confusion or speculation.

### **The Killers Saturday 11th June 2022**

001838-11/06/22 is the GMP created Silver Log for incidents of note to be created on and to keep a record of decisions and events on the night.

20:12 hours Bronze controller is informed of crushing at the James Anderson End of the venue resulting in people climbing over the seats, the ground were informed and GMP request more stewards in the area. This caused issues of Public safety and needed stewards in situ at this spot.

At 20:50 hours there is a further call of crushing same location when the Blossoms finished stage right this was now covered by Stewards but due to them not opening the gates fully which directly contributed to the issue. Bronze 1 further had to communicate with the club. At 20:57 hours officers note that at this area next to E1 there are four barriers but stewards are only opening one so at the end of the main show this will cause congestion. Further raised with Bronze and with Showsec, again concerns over public safety.

003792-11/06/22 This relates to a male adult arrested at the venue for being drunk and disorderly, he was escorted away from the venue and then a decision was made to de arrest once in a place of safety away from the venue. The male had consumed too much alcohol and his demeanour had crossed the threshold for acceptable and posed a risk to others. In this instance the male has consumed alcohol to excess at the venue leading to a failure in prevent crime/disorder and prevent issues of public nuisance. Possibility of increased training at bars and early intervention of stewards.

At 22:26 hours Police were asked by staff to eject a female and at 22:41 an officer reports 'Behind stand B3 there is some congestion and there is confusion where stewards sending people' followed 2 minutes later with 'more stewards required behind stand B3 people are trying to scale the fences' at 22:45 there is documented queuing at exits and officers report

crowd becoming argumentative at not being able to leave. Another exit was identified and used to egress safely. This has concerns under public safety but also looked to be escalating into public nuisance, crime and disorder had it not been addressed.

**Crimes recorded against the venue on the night of the Killers concert total seven.**

CRI/06MM/0009551/22 Report of a very serious domestic assault as couple leave the stadium after concert, male arrested.

CRI/06MM/0009561/22 Theft from person, victim had mobile phone stolen.

CRI/06MM/0009563/22 Theft from person, victim had mobile phone stolen.

CRI/06MM/0009718/22 Theft from person, victim was in queue for bar. Stated was very busy and crowded. People were pushing and shoving to try and get served someone used unknown tool to cut her bag straps and steal her bag. Concerns that due to an overcrowded bar area this presents opportunities for crime and disorder and could be managed by stewarding and signposting clearly alternative bars.

CRI/06MM/0009543/22 Sexual assault by touching, female is 16 years of age attending with parents' adult male from behind touches female in an inappropriate manner and is arrested. This was at front of stage where very busy and crowded. High crowd numbers in these areas has been highlighted by Council statements , dense crowds on the floor area allow offenders opportunities to commit offences with a degree of anonymity and proximity to victims leading to in this case a crime being committed.

CRI/06MM/0009566/22 and CRI/06MM/0009567/22 occurred at 23:00 hours fans leaving concert commit two racial/religiously motivated assaults against a mother and adult son. Victims were passing through in vehicle and seems large numbers of people crossing the road blocked them and escalated into assault. Possible issue with traffic management after the event releasing a large number of people into community in areas still being used by non-event attendees in the community and conflict resulting in crime and disorder being committed.

**Harry Styles 15th of June.**

Log 002726 -13/06/22 at 18:00 hours, highlighting when fans started to arrive at the venue and began to camp/rough sleep outside prior to the concert on the evening of the 15th. There was a safeguarding operation in place, Trafford Council highlighted issues over the early arrival and how these people will be kept safe in the lead up to the concert. Plans made involved moving them to a sterile area away from the ground, this involved crossing open highways and concerns for public safety.

The GMP Silver log for this night was 001497-15/06/22 this was used for a rolling log of the night including deployments and incidents.

This includes Police needing to deploy to Great Stone Road in response to congestion at 15:05 hours, ten minutes later Police request venue security to send stewards down to assist with the issue. Appears to have been a failure with the traffic management plan, staffing or implementation of the plan putting public safety at risk.

Police Silver log includes links to 002103-15/06/22 which came in at 15:23 hours of a vehicle causing obstruction on Great Stone Road believed linked to some of the merchandise sellers



outside. Looks to have been a vehicle in a sterile area outing public safety at risk especially in this climate of vehicles being used as weapons and Counter Terrorism concerns.

There was a safety concern raised by CCTV over some males within the crowd acting suspiciously they were approached and spoken to by Police, it seems they were staff from either daytime security or a security contractor who should no longer have been on site but hadn't left the venue when duties finished. There details were taken and passed to their employer. This causes a concern that people without tickets who were not actively employed were still inside the stadium.

At 21:13 there were reports of youths climbing onto railings outside gate 5 trying to watch the concert Police removed and instructed security to prevent this from becoming a reoccurrence. This should have been identified pre-concert and managed so that this safety/public nuisance issue was identified and prevented.

Log 002900 15/06/22 for a male ejected by stewards, no offences but his wristband was removed to prevent re-entry. No details or reason why.

### **Harry Styles 16th of June.**

The GMP Silver log for this night was 001350-16/06/22 this was used for a rolling log of the night.

This includes a report at 14:50 from GMP Bronze 'A group of males who had been involved in a Breach Of the Peace last night (not documented on our logs) were back again, they worked for Brand Protection Copyright and are seizing items outside the venue in breach of trademark, they were told to obtain sufficient ID passes to prevent similar issues tonight.' This is of concern as it appears the promotor had staff employed to regulate brand protection and seize any unlicensed items for sale outside/nearby. Seems this wasn't shared prior to the event causing Police involvement. This should have been communicated in pre event briefings, ID provided to help prevent public nuisance and crime and disorder should this have escalated. At 17:04 hours GMP officer shouts up that all security have been briefed where to take lost children , it looks from the log that at the venue there was no signage in place/easily visible or known by staff. Issues over protection of children from harm.

At 18:46 hours police were asked to speak to a member of cleaning staff inside the venue who was at the female toilets and was asking girls as they come out the toilets for their phone numbers. This male was checked and relieved of his duties and escorted out of the ground and to the Tram Stop. His actions on the night bring into focus concerns over the temporary staff employed on these nights. Staff should be briefed on expectations and responsibilities his actions led to him being escorted off site are there records of his details held by the club to prevent him being re-employed again and again cause public nuisance.

Log 003630 16/06/22 is for a male adult detained at 23:04 at the end of the night junction with Warwick Road for Drunk and Disorderly and transported into custody. Male had consumed alcohol to excess while at the venue and at the end of the night took up police resources in his detention and transport and custody process. Issues under prevent crime and disorder by excess alcohol.

### **Crimes recorded for both nights at the venue location number seven, details as below.**

CRI/06MM/0009847/22 also CRI/06MM/0009849/22 and CRI/06MM/0009851/22

The above three crimes relate to a male who was not a ticket holder but had managed to gain entry into the venue and then while inside commit three separate sexual assaults on a group of

females, it is believed he had made his way through the gate used for staff/promoters without being challenged and then when one of the victims was leaving the welfare tent he took hold of her arm and walked her back into the arena without being asked for his ticket/wristband at this second check point. The male was arrested at the scene, all victims stated, he has been charged with two sexual assaults at Crown Court and further remanded until trial in December. This is of quite major concern he has found and exploited a weakness in security and entered a high population venue unchecked and his motives as a predator have been to engage in sexual assaults against young females. These crimes and these people being victims could have been prevented had security been robust and done their jobs at the entry gates. This breach unchallenged could have also posed a serious Terrorism threat had the persons motives be different.

CRI/06MM/0009885/22 Theft from person, victim has bag on floor at her feet unknown offenders go into bag and steal items.

CRI/06MM/0009904/22 Female aged 22 years of age at about 21:30 hours on 15/06/22 whilst in the concert on numerous times feels something touch her skirt/bum but believes it to be due to the crowd and how busy it is. Another concert goer alerts victim's friends to the male's behaviour behind victim and that he has been putting his hand up under her skirt a further 3 or 4 times witnessed now by friend's male then makes off into crowd. A high crowded area has assisted offender in his actions to commit sexual assault and not be detained.

CRI/06MM/0010451/22 This relates to a report of a theft from person whereby a phone has been stolen.

CRI/06MM/0010927/22 This relates to a report of a theft from person whereby a phone has been stolen.

### **Red Hot Chilli Peppers 22nd June 2022**

The GMP Silver log for this night was 001509-22/06/22 this was used for a rolling log of the night including deployments and incidents. It contains the below linked incidents and also notes from the night.

Incident number 002639 22/06/22 relates to a report of a male with Class A Drugs on his person, had been detained by stewards within the venue who contacted control at 18:08 hours, stewards were to take the male to the nearest two Police Officers and directed towards them. At 18:11 the stewards have turned up without the male and explained after he had been detained he has managed to get away. This causes me concerns that a male unidentified has on his person in the venue controlled drugs, an opportunity to remove him and the drugs had been lost. This male's actions could have been to then distribute these or consume them himself leading to issues under the objectives within the Licensing Act and proper training of stewards/security staff could have prevented this.

21:06 hours information from people leaving passed up to the Bronze that people are getting crushed. Police attend and see no crushing evident. 21:46 hours More people complaining about the crushing, glass bridge where everyone is coming in. The main entrance opposite Talbot Road. Issues of public safety effective stewarding and signposting of entry/exit routes would help eliminate this issue.

Incident number 002043 22/06/22 is Police requesting Ambulance for an elderly male no known links to the event.

Incident 002555 22/06/22 at 17:50 hours issues of males selling merchandise, does not have ID and is now with G4S at entrance.

Incident 003087 of 22/06/22 report at 20:19 hours of XXX Male, male then arrested for being Drunk and Disorderly. Another person who had consumed too much alcohol at the event issues under the licensing objectives prevent crime and disorder, prevention public nuisance. Incident 003122 22/06/22 reports of a suspicious vehicle with 4 x males on board refusing to move, time was 20:28 hours. Spoken to by Police and moved on at 20:40 hours on Brian Statham Way.

Incident 003548 22/06/22 came in at 22:21 hours, car occupants threatening to break through road closure, possibly car from earlier who staff had issues with. Police spoke with and would wait until closure lifted before moving again, Police request Traffic Management staff be at location.

The above two incidents highlight issues with the deployment effectively of the traffic management plan outside and the creation and maintaining a sterile area.

Incident 003127 22/06/22 Police request more patrols, at 20:30 hours Talbot Road. Male who was drunk had acquired a High Visibility Vest and attempted to gain entry stopped and searched and removed from area by Police.

Incident 3271 22/06/22 report from female caller that her boyfriend is being strangled by security at the cricket ground. Police attend and finalise as lawful ejection.

Incident 003392 22/06/22 Reports at 21:39 of a male on Brian Statham Way causing issues Police attend no trace.

Incident 003503 22/06/22 Report of assault against member of staff in welfare tent, offender had left. CRI/06MM/0010300/22 relates filed as no further action appears male grabbed Paramedic Testicle.

Incident number 003490 22/06/22 is report of a suspicious backpack left unattended, checked and all in order.

**There were two crimes recorded on the location on this night.**

CRI/06MM/0010300 is the staff member assaulted in welfare tent, the above log 003503 22/06/2022 related to this.

CRI/06MM/0010384/22 this is for the male who had his bag stolen at some point in the night, it was unclipped from his body and had high value items.

The above is a reflection on the levels of demand generated on each night and also the types of incidents and challenges faced with these large events.

On each of the four concert nights mentioned above I was working in a capacity as GMP Licensing officer primarily covering licensed premises around the venue prior to the concert starting and then to monitor any issues for GMP related to the Licesning Act during the concerts themselves. I went into the stadium on my own later in the evening in full uniform and was not stopped on any of the four concert nights at point of entry, I wasn't asked to show an ID or to confirm my details or reason for entering going into the stadium. I'm aware I was in Police Uniform but asking to see warrant card would have been expected especially as I was on my own and not with colleagues already deployed on the event.

The above are the logs created on the venue on the concert nights along with contents from each night's GMP Silver log, along with any crimes recorded against the venue on the nights

in question. I have seen the Schedule of Proposed Amendments To Licence Conditions submitted by Trafford council forming part of the review and plan going forward.

Having read these and within the confines of my role I would like to support that the GMP Bronze for each major event should be located within the main control room with event control/cctv/safety officer and not in a separate room, this will allow GMP to have quick and full access to staff and event control and be aware of all reports coming in.

To make sure no incidents are missed, highlight any events which may have gone unreported a copy of the clubs log/incident sheet to be sent to GMP and Trafford Council within 48 hours this will also be a useful learning tool for future events.

Better/clearer signs that are unobstructed on each entry point with gate numbers and exit signs clearly identified and egress at the end of the night to have all possible obstructions removed. i.e the example of merchandise stalls still being open and the queues for this blocking egress. I support that Event and Operational Management Plans and submitted prior (draft 3 months then 21 days before event) this would allow us to share these with GMP planning office and work within our Policing response and be aware of what resources will be on footprint on the night from the venue and their roles. Along with full and detailed consultation through the Multi Agency Forum with the licensed authorities involved in the safe running of the event. That the Event management Plan is available to local authority and GMP upon request and importantly any changes be notified of.

An overhaul of the stewarding contracts in place, I've seen numerous examples from Trafford Council and documented above that some of the stewards employed on the night were below what should be expected. From unclear on role to not having ID or clear on their responsibilities this also causes me concerns over safety and if stewards are being allowed entry to work events without due diligence being done this causes security issues and puts public at risk. Along with the venue providing a full stewarding/security plan and that all stewards be easily identified / appropriate training. A register kept of their personal details, along with employer and role on the night with ID checks done before allowed on site. Mandatory bag searches for all people entering the venue both ticket holders but also those employed by the venue or attending in another formal capacity.

That CCTV be reviewed and ensure provides adequate cover as per the new condition request by Trafford Council.

Identify and formalise a drug and alcohol seizure policy and make sure all staff working and briefed accordingly to make sure seized items are dealt with appropriately.

The Premises Licence Holder will carry out a risk assessment for each event covering the implications of children attending, where appropriate information given out in advance that those under 16 should only attend with an adult. Along with adopting the Challenge 25 alcohol serving policy on the licence and all staff aware and trained who serve alcohol in all bars within the venue.

Engage with Counter Terrorism training and assessments as a venue which hosts large events and keep this updated.

There were arrests for people being drunk and disorderly highlighting possible training issue with bar staff or stewards in/around bar areas identifying and selling alcohol to those intoxicated.

The night of the 16<sup>th</sup> June where security/stewards had to opportunities to prevent a male enter without a ticket who then went onto commit numerous assaults could have been avoided if people had been doing their job properly. Further concerns are raised over the staff employed

for these large events when one of them is seeing the night as an opportunity to approach females as they leave the toilet and ask them personal details, this would I'm sure for many have made them uncomfortable and unprofessional. Stewards losing a male with Class A drugs poses a further highlighted issue, he had been detained and then managed to go back into the crowd. The risks this poses should this male have then himself had drug complications or sold drugs to another and caused illness or worse. Robust stewarding would have resulted in the male being arrested and the drugs recovered and not back in the public arena.

The reports of overcrowding / crushing caused concerns and formed parts of some of the recorded crimes as well as possible concerns into public safety.

The security / stewarding operation needs a full review and as documented in the above and Trafford Council evidence fell below what would be expected.

I provide the above as a true and accurate representation of the events to the best of my knowledge along with my support for recommendations made by Trafford Council which I feel support the upholding of the licensing objectives within the Licensing act 2003.

I confirm that this representation may become a public document

Signed: John Lloyd GMP 18264

dated: 20/10/2022

N.B if you do make a representation you will be expected to attend the Licensing Sub-Committee hearing and any subsequent appeal proceedings.

It is an offence, under section 158 of the Licensing Act 2003, to knowingly or recklessly make a false statement in connection with this representation. This is punishable, on summary conviction, by a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale.

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