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Licensing Act 2003

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Section 11.27 There is certain criminal activity that may arise in connection with licensed premises which should be treated particularly seriously.....the illegal purchase and consumption of alcohol by minors which impacts on the health, educational attainment, employment prospects and propensity for crime of young people

Section 11.28 It is envisaged that licensing authorities, the police, the Home Office (Immigration

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Crime and Disorder Act 1998 Section 17

Duty to consider crime and disorder implications.

(1) Without prejudice to any other obligation imposed on it, it shall be the duty of each authority to which this section applies to exercise its various functions with due regard to the likely effect of the exercise of those functions on, and the need to do all that it reasonably can to prevent,

(a) crime and disorder in its area (including anti-social and other behaviour adversely affecting

the local environment); and

(b) the misuse of drugs, alcohol and other substances in its area, and

(c) re-offending in its area

(2) This section applies to each of the following—

.a local authority

South Kesteven District Council statement of licensing policy (2021 – 2026) also raises the following points that are deemed relevant to this application:

4. Licensing Objectives

General

4.1 Each of the four licensing objectives is of equal importance. The Licensing Authority considers the effective and responsible management of the premises and the instruction, training and supervision of staff and the adoption of best practice to be amongst the most essential control measures for the achievement of the licensing objectives. For this reason, these elements should be specifically considered and addressed within an applicant's operating schedule.

4.3 The Prevention of Crime and Disorder

In accordance with the Guidance, Police views on matters relating to crime and disorder will be given considerable weight. There are many steps an applicant may make to prevent crime and disorder. The Licensing Authority will look to the Police for the main source of advice on these matters. (those relevant to this application are below)

- Training given to staff in crime prevention
- Measures agreed with the Police to reduce crime and disorder. The development of good relations with local police officers is beneficial in preventing incidents occurring on your premises. If customers become accustomed to police officers making frequent checks, problem behaviour can be discouraged. Additionally, records kept of any crime or disorder incidents and where sales of alcohol have been refused will help the police and local authority monitoring.

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This representation is made to offer evidence in relation to the new premises licence application for 'Ramin Off Licence' 10 Wharf Road, Grantham NG31 SBA by a Mr Ramyar Salih.

The application proposes the premises licence holder (PLH) is Ramin Off Licence Limited (company no 16006801), for which Mr Salih is the sole director. He was appointed director when the company was incorporated on the 9th October 2024. The application proposes Mr Salih as the designated premises supervisor (DPS).

This is the second application Mr Salih has submitted for this same premises. Lincolnshire Police received the first on the 14th October 2024. In this application, Mr Salih requested to hold the position of PLH personally, along with the position of DPS. Mr Salih requested opening hours and the sale of alcohol for consumption off the premises between the hours of 09:00 and 22:00 each day.

Lincolnshire Police submitted a representation (*see appendix 1*) and a licencing hearing was held on the 6th December 2024. The arguments made for the licence being rejected included the fact that the premises had previously had its premises licence then named 'Max Off Licence' (licence number 34386) revoked when it was held in the name of another male, Mr Ahmen Noori Ahmen. The details of this are as follows.

In May 2023 Lincolnshire Police submitted a premises licence review based on the licensing objectives of the prevention of crime and disorder, public safety and the protection of children from harm being undermined. The review outlined two occasions where alcohol had been sold to children (an offence under s.146 Licensing Act 2003), and upon inspection, the premises was found in breach of numerous conditions set out in the premises licence (an offence under s.136 Licensing Act 2003) and selling alcohol without price markings (an offence contrary to s.4 of the Price Marking Order 2004).

A hearing was held on the 16th June 2023 and the committee made the decision to revoke the premise licence (*see appendix 2 for decision notice*). An appeal was lodged requesting the sub-committee consider overturning their original decision to revoke, however in October 2023 the committee decided to stand by their initial decision to revoke the premises licence. Whilst waiting for the appeal to be heard in court, during May 2024 the appellant withdraw their appeal, so the licence was no longer held.

The new premises licence application received on the 14th October 2024 made reference to Mr Salih being aware that the licence had previously been revoked, having no connection to the previous operation and the intention of running a 'much tighter operation'.

When the police began conducting background checks into Mr Salih, and they could not be satisfied that he was not connected to Mr Ahmen in anyway. During a meeting in person and subsequent contact via email, Mr Salih was unable to produce any documentation or evidence that there was a distinct separation of his and Mr Ahmen's businesses. In addition to this, Mr Salih was unable to provide any reassurance that he was a responsible and legitimate business owner. (*see appendix 3 - statement of Pc Braithwaite*).

Further to this, Mr Salih blatantly lied to police, claiming he had been a DPS for an off licence in Manchester in 2023, which was later disproved. (*see appendix 3 - statement of Pc Braithwaite*).

It was also of concern that during the meeting at the shop on the 4th November 2024, a large amount of drug equipment was for sale such as 'bongs' and 'pipes' used to smoke drugs, in addition to many bottles of 'Poppers' which contain a drug called Alkyl Nitrate used for inhaling for their intoxicating effects. Whilst having these products on sale may not break the law, it was highlighted the fact they were on sale would attract a certain type of customer and potentially draw in children. Mr Salih did not seem to understand this connection and simply said he didn't understand the issue because they were legal to sell. Given the history of the shop, the police felt extra caution that ought to have been applied.

Due to the history of this premises, the police wanted to make sure that the previous licence holder or any other unsuitable person, wasn't behind this new premise licence application, which can often be the case. Lincolnshire Police felt and still do, that given the premises poor history, and also the local issues in that particular area of Grantham town centre such as the selling of illegal vapes and cigarettes, and underage sales to children, we must be genuinely satisfied that premises will be run responsibly and legally. We did not feel that Mr Salih provided any assurances or evidence that this was the case.

The hearing on the 6th December 2024 was not attended by Mr Salih or a representative to provide any comments and a decision was made by the committee to reject the application (*see appendix 4 for hearing notes and decision*).

It was noted that the committee was not satisfied that Mr Salih was a responsible, trustworthy person. They were also concerned about his lack of experience of running a licensed premises, lack of understanding of the licensing objectives and knowledge of the roles and responsibilities that come with being a PLH and DPS, including required employer checks, business management and operating procedures. The committee concluded that they were not satisfied with Mr Salih's application and stated he had failed to successfully demonstrate that this application for a premises licence would not undermine any of the four licensing objectives.

Given the decision and strong comments made by the committee, it is a surprise that Mr Salih has once again applied for a new premises licence for the same premises less than 6 months later.

When comparing the new application to that received in October 2024, it is even more surprising that Mr Salih has now requested additional opening and alcohol hours (off sales) to that requested in October 2024. The previous application (*see appendix 5*) requested alcohol and opening hours between 0900-2200 each day. The new application requests alcohol and opening hours between 0700-2300 each day. These extended hours in themselves pose increase risk, and the closing time requested is even 1 hour later than that of the previous revoked licence (licence number 34386).

The new application provides little in the way of meaningful conditions. It makes vague statements regarding CCTV, staff training, having an incident book, and age verification, however the conditions are simply not comprehensive or robust enough to enforce. There is also no mention of a Challenge 25 policy, which is a condition now deemed standard practice for any licenced premises. This is particularly important given the premises poor history of selling alcohol to minors, which was one of the very reasons the licence was reviewed previously.

The fact the application received in October 2024 had far more extensive meaningful conditions that were more appropriate to this type of licenced premises, including the Challenge 25 policy, highlights Mr Salih's ignorance and lack of comprehension over what is actually expected of him as a responsible PLH.

In the new application, Mr Salih refers to maintaining good working relations with the police. It was highlighted in the previous police representation that Mr Salih failed to provide answers to questions asked around the business' tobacco trace and trace scheme and utility companies (*see appendix 3 - statement of Pc Braithwaite*). This suggested to the police he was trying to evade further checks being conducted on his business.

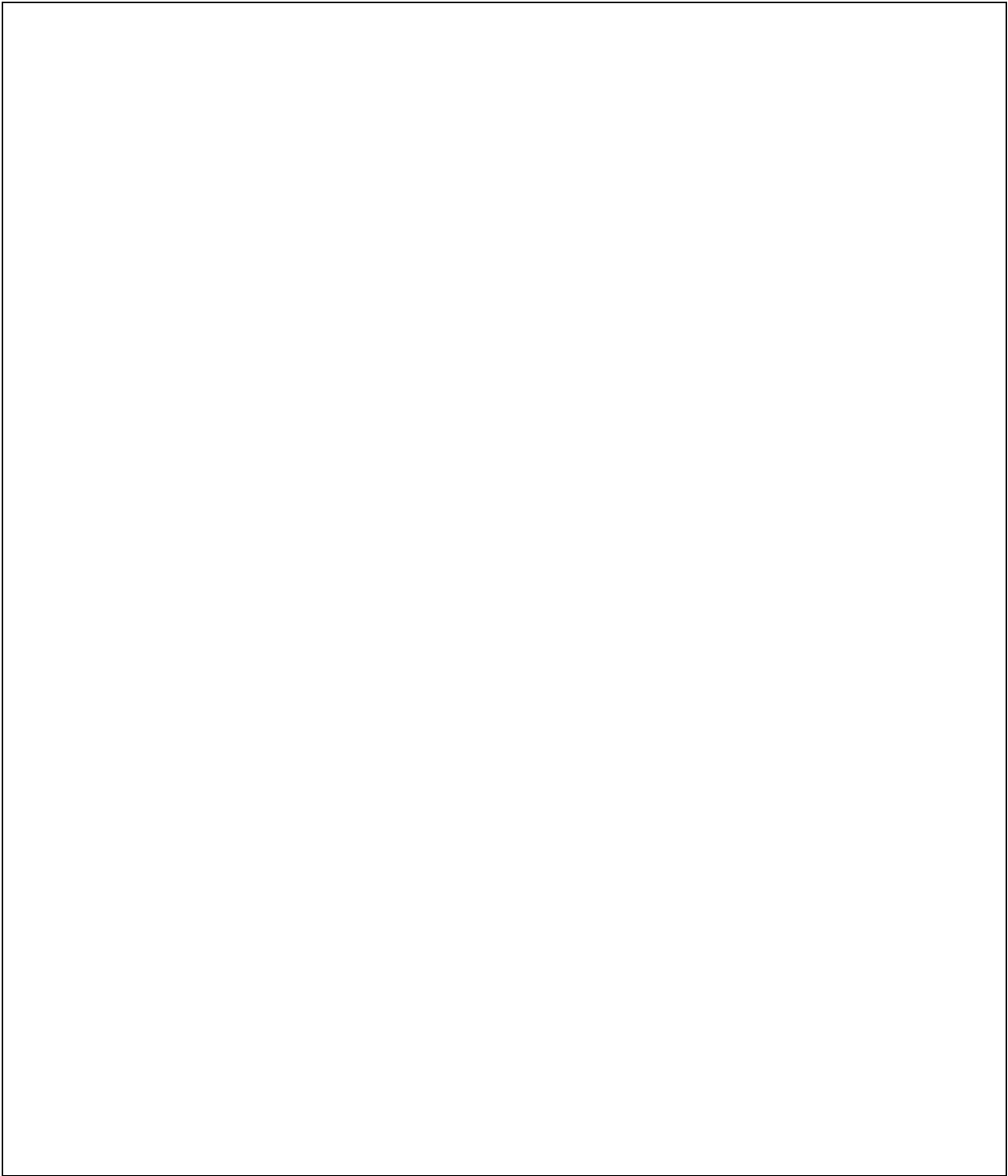
The police can confirm that Mr Salih has not made any contact with them at all since November 2024. If he was truly determined to work with the authorities, we would have expected contact in advance of any submission in order for him to gain trust and seek advice. After his previous application he would have known there was a need to prove himself as the genuine person behind this business, but he has not done so.

Worryingly, when police have requested details of the current Business Rate payer for 10 Wharf Road, Grantham, confirmation has been received on the 29th May 2025 that it is still Mr Ahmed who pays this bill. Further to this, police have been informed by the Business Rates Department that they have not received any information regarding a new person taking over. Mr Ahmed is still liable, and has been since 1st May 2020.

Lincolnshire Police's views on Mr Salih as a proposed licence holder have not changed since the last hearing, and we still cannot be confident that the previous PLH Mr Ahmed or any other person in fact, is not behind this new premise licence application.

Lincolnshire police strongly believe that if the premises licence is granted, the licensing objectives could be undermined.

Lincolnshire Police request that the committee seriously consider rejecting the premises licence application.



If possible, please suggest alterations to the application that would resolve the problem mentioned above, again paying attention to the **Licensing Objectives**:

Have you contacted the applicant to discuss this representation?

Yes ☐ No ☒

Have you contacted the Licensing Team to discuss this representation?

Yes ☒ No ☐

Do you consider further discussion could resolve the issue?

Yes ☐ No ☒

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Section 11.24 A number of reviews may arise in connection with crime that is not directly connected with licensable activities. For example, reviews may arise because of drugs problems at the premises, money laundering by criminal gangs, the sale of contraband or stolen goods, the sale of firearms, or the sexual exploitation of children. Licensing authorities do not have the power to judge the criminality or otherwise of any issue. This is a matter for the courts. The licensing authority's role when determining such a review is not therefore to establish the guilt or innocence of any individual but to ensure the promotion of the crime prevention objective.

Section 11.26 The licensing authority's duty is to take steps with a view to the promotion of the licensing objectives and the prevention of illegal working in the interests of the wider community and not those of the individual licence holder.

Section 11.27 There is certain criminal activity that may arise in connection with licensed premises which should be treated particularly seriously.....the illegal purchase and consumption of alcohol by minors which impacts on the health, educational attainment, employment prospects and propensity for crime of young people

Section 11.28 It is envisaged that licensing authorities, the police, the Home Office (Immigration

Enforcement) and other law enforcement agencies, which are responsible authorities, will use the review procedures effectively to deter such activities and crime. Where reviews arise and the licensing authority determines that the crime prevention objective is undermined through the premises being used to further crimes, it is expected that revocation of the licence – even in the first instance – should be seriously considered.

Crime and Disorder Act 1998 Section 17

Duty to consider crime and disorder implications.

(1) Without prejudice to any other obligation imposed on it, it shall be the duty of each authority to which this section applies to exercise its various functions with due regard to the likely effect of the exercise of those functions on, and the need to do all that it reasonably can to prevent,

(a) crime and disorder in its area (including anti-social and other behaviour adversely affecting

the local environment); and

(b) the misuse of drugs, alcohol and other substances in its area, and

(c) re-offending in its area

(2) This section applies to each of the following—

.a local authority

South Kesteven District Council statement of licensing policy (2021 – 2026) also raises the following points that are deemed relevant to this application:

4. Licensing Objectives

General

4.1 Each of the four licensing objectives is of equal importance. The Licensing Authority considers the effective and responsible management of the premises and the instruction, training and supervision of staff and the adoption of best practice to be amongst the most essential control measures for the achievement of the licensing objectives. For this reason, these elements should be specifically considered and addressed within an applicant's operating schedule.

4.3 The Prevention of Crime and Disorder

In accordance with the Guidance, Police views on matters relating to crime and disorder will be given considerable weight. There are many steps an applicant may make to prevent crime and disorder. The Licensing Authority will look to the Police for the main source of advice on these matters. (those relevant to this application are below)

- Training given to staff in crime prevention
- Measures agreed with the Police to reduce crime and disorder. The development of good relations with local police officers is beneficial in preventing incidents occurring on your premises. If customers become accustomed to police officers making frequent checks, problem behaviour can be discouraged. Additionally, records kept of any crime or disorder incidents and where sales of alcohol have been refused will help the police and local authority monitoring.

6.9 The sale of alcohol to children and young people under the relevant age is a criminal offence, often resulting in harm to the child or young person concerned, along with disturbance and nuisance to local residents and businesses. Applicants are required to detail adequate control measures in their operating schedules to prevent under age sales to children and young persons.

This representation is made to offer evidence in relation to the new premises licence application for 'Ramin Off Licence' 10 Wharf Road, Grantham NG31 SBA by a Mr Ramyar Salih.

The premises previously held a premises licence granted by South Kesteven District Council (licence number 34386) for its operation as an off licence called 'Max off Licence'. The licence authorised sale of alcohol for consumption off the premises between the hours of 07:00 and 22:00 Monday to Sunday. The premise licence holder (PLH) and designated premises supervisor (DPS) was a Mr Ahmed Noori Ahmed.

In May 2023 Lincolnshire Police submitted a premises licence review based on the licensing objectives of the prevention of crime and disorder, public safety and the protection of children from harm being undermined. The review outlined two occasions where alcohol had been sold to children (an offence under s.146 Licensing Act 2003), and upon inspection, the premises was found in breach of numerous conditions set out in the premises licence (an offence under s.136 Licensing Act 2003) and selling alcohol without price markings (an offence contrary to s.4 of the Price Marking Order 2004).

A hearing was held on the 16th June 2023 and the committee made the decision to revoke the premise licence. An appeal was lodged requesting the sub-committee consider overturning their original decision to revoke, however in October 2023 the committee decided to stand by their initial decision to revoke the premises licence. (see appendix 1 for decision notice). Whilst waiting for the appeal to be heard in court, during May 2024 the appellant withdraw their appeal so the licence was no longer held.

On the 14th October 2024 Lincolnshire Police received a new premises licence application for 'Ramin Off Licence'. The applicant Mr Salih applied for sale of alcohol for consumption off the premises between the hours of 09:00 and 22:00 Monday to Sunday. Mr Salih had applied for role of DPS. The application makes reference to Mr Salih being aware that the licence had previously been revoked, having no connection to the previous operation and the intention of running a 'much tighter operation'.

Background checks were made by Lincolnshire Police on Mr Salih and his new business to satisfy that this was indeed an unconnected applicant to the previous PLH and Mr Salih would be a responsible PLH/DPS.

SKDC confirmed on the 29th October 2024 that the Business Rates for 10 Wharf Road Grantham were still registered to Mr Ahmed Noori Ahmed and Mr Salih had not made any attempt to register in his name. (see appendix 2 - Statement of Pc Braithwaite).

On the 29th October 2024 Pc Braithwaite made contact with Mr Salih. A meeting was requested and he was asked to bring along as much documentation as possible that would prove he had full control over the business.

On the 4th November Pc Braithwaite and Sgt Adams met with Mr Salih at 10 Wharf Road Grantham. Mr Salih could not satisfy officers that there was a distinct separation in business operations. The only piece of documentation that Mr Salih was able to provide was a lease for the building which stated that it had ran from the 27th August 2024, but was only dated from the date of the visit. Mr Salih was not able to show any paperwork to evidence the purchase of the business, nor was he able to produce any other documentation in relation to the running of the business that a responsible, legitimate business owner should be able to provide. He actually stated that he did not know who his utility companies were and admitted he had made no efforts to change them over from the previous tenant. The only invoice Mr Salih could produce was a stock purchase with a wholesaler under the account name and number of the previous licence holder.

Mr Salih did not pose as a responsible or trustworthy business owner / PLH. When asked if he had operated as a PLH / DPS previously, he blatantly lied, claiming he had been a DPS for an

Off Licence in Manchester in 2023, which was later disproved. (see appendix 2 statement of Pc Braithwaite).

It was noted during the meeting that there was a large amount of equipment used to smoke illegal drugs on sale within the shop, known as 'bong's' and 'crack pipes'. There were also many bottles of 'Poppers' for sale which contain a drug called Alkyl Nitrite. These are commonly inhaled as a recreational drug to provide intoxicating effects and can be dangerous. Whilst having these products on sale may not break the law, it was highlighted the fact they were on sale would attract a certain type of customer and potentially draw in children. Mr Salih did not seem to understand this connection and simply said he didn't understand the issue because they were legal to sell. Given the history of the shop, and the extra caution that ought to have been applied, this was a concern.

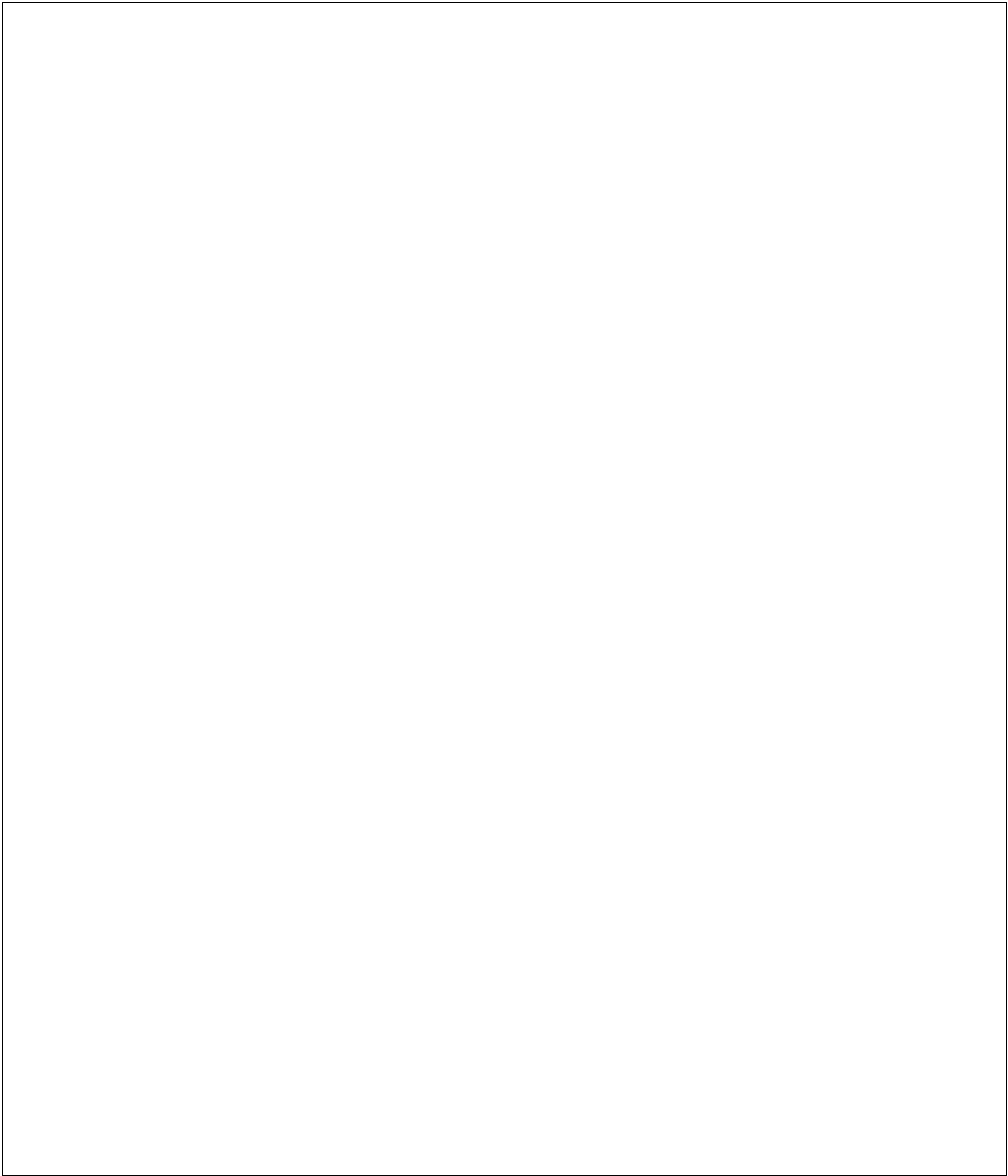
On the 5th November Pc Braithwaite made contact with Mr Salih by email. He was asked details regarding the tobacco track and trace scheme and if he had registered for it. He was also asked further information about his utility companies. None of these questions were answered at all. Mr Salih only chose to respond to the part of the email requesting information about what insurances he had taken out. He provided evidence that an insurance scheme had been taken out that same day and claimed it was for public liability. It would seem that he has no employer's liability insurance in place which is a legal requirement.

Lincolnshire Police cannot be confident that the previous PLH Mr Ahmed or any other person in fact, is not behind this new premise licence application.

Given the premises' poor history, in conjunction with the local issues that surround the shops in that particular area of Grantham town centre persistently selling illegal vapes and cigarettes to the public and underage sales to children, Lincolnshire Police must be genuinely satisfied that this particular premises will be run responsibly and legally.

Lincolnshire police strongly believe that if the premises licence is granted, the licensing objectives could be undermined.

Lincolnshire Police request that the committee seriously consider rejecting the premises licence application.



If possible, please suggest alterations to the application that would resolve the problem mentioned above, again paying attention to the **Licensing Objectives**:

Have you contacted the applicant to discuss this representation?

Yes ☐ No ☐

Have you contacted the Licensing Team to discuss this representation?

Yes ☐ No ☐

Do you consider further discussion could resolve the issue?

Yes ☐ No ☐

Do you propose to attend or be represented at any Committee hearing?

Yes ☐ No ☐

Please tick this box if you consent to any notice of any hearing being sent to you to the e-mail address provided by you above. ☐

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Licensing Team

Form Last Revised
March 2005

c) Decision notice from 16th June 2023 committee

Licensing

Our Ref: 037018

Please ask for: Licensing

Date: 16th June 2023

Telephone Number: 01476 406080

Dear Mr Ahmed,

Alcohol and Entertainment Licensing Committee Hearing Decision Premises Max Off Licence, 10 Wharf Road, Grantham, NG31 6BA

I refer to the review application you made against Max Off Licence and the subsequent committee hearing. I enclose a copy of the Committee's decision. The minutes of the meeting will follow in due course.

Decision:

The committee accepted all the facts set out in the report and appendices and representations made today and consider that continuation of the licence would seriously prejudice the licensing objectives of the protection of children from harm and prevention of crime and disorder and public safety.

There have been two under age sales which under section 147A of the Licensing Act 2003 are classed as persistently selling alcohol to children. Extremely serious matters. There has also been breach of licence conditions, not keeping accurate record, training records, refusals list, issues with labelling, alcohol which was seized by the police.

The committee consider the cause of the problems is incompetence, and in particular, not undertaking due diligence on those who appear to be under the age of 18. Failing to operate a responsible policy.

The committee have no confidence in the licensing objectives being upheld.

The committee has taken a stepped and proportionate approach and considered all sanctions available and in the light of this the committee have decided to revoke the licence.

There is a right of appeal against the Committee's decision to a Magistrate's court within 21



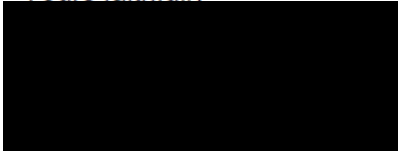
days from the date of this notification. The address to appeal against a decision is:

The Clerk to Lincolnshire Magistrates
Justices' Clerk's Office
Lincolnshire Magistrates' Court
358 High Street
Lincoln
LN5 7QA

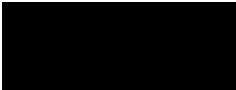
Tel: 01522 528218

If we can be of any further assistance please don't hesitate to contact the Licensing Team on 01476 406190.

Yours faithfully



Chris Clarke
Licensing Officer

WITNESS STATEMENT Criminal Procedure Rules, r. 16.2; Criminal Justice Act 1967, s.9						
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Statement of: Katherine Braithwaite						
Age if under 18:		Over 18		Occupation: Pc 824		
This statement (consisting of 5 page(s) each signed by me) is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it, anything which I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.						
Signature:				Date 07/11/2024		

Tick if witness evidence is visually recorded ☐ (supply witness details on rear)


I am the above named person employed as a Police Constable within Lincolnshire Police. I currently work in the Alcohol Licensing Team and predominantly cover the North and South Kesteven District areas of the county.

I make this statement in relation to a new premises licence application for ‘Ramin Off Licence’ 10 Wharf Road, Grantham, made on behalf of a Mr Ramar Salih that Lincolnshire Police received on the 14th October 2024. Mr Salih had named himself as the premises licence holder (PLH) and proposed designated premises supervisor (DPS).

The premises had its previous premises licence revoked in 2023 and it is standard practice to undertake enquiries into any new applicant of a premises where there has been a revocation in the past, to ensure there are no connections to the previous PLH.

On the 29th October 2024 I made enquiries with South Kesteven District Council regarding who was paying the business rates for 10 Wharf Road, Grantham. The response I received confirmed that Mr Ahmed Noori Ahmed, who held the premises licence when it was revoked was still registered for Business Rates and had been since 1st May 2020, and there had been no attempt to register these in Mr Salih’s name.

On the 29th October 2024 I sent a text message to Mr Salih requesting to meet him. I specifically asked that he brought with him any documentation that would prove he had full control of the business. He had made it clear within his application that he had no connection to the previous operation and knew that

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the previous licence had been revoked. Mr Salih stated he was experienced in the licensing industry and would be operating in what he described as a 'much tighter operation'.

On the 4th November a meeting took place between myself, Sgt Amy Adams and Mr Salih at 10 Wharf Road. The documentation Mr Salih produced along with the answers he provided to our questioning was very disappointing. The shop was open for business selling a small amount of groceries, tobacco, vapes and drug smoking paraphernalia.

Mr Salih stated that he had bought the business from Mr Ahmed in August 2024. He showed us a lease for the building commencing on the 27th August 2024 but interestingly this document had only been signed and dated on the 4th November 2024.

When asked for evidence of how he paid his rent, Mr Salih stated Mr Ahmed was paying the rent until December 2024. He stated this was an agreement due to the premises not generating a lot of revenue due to not currently having a premise licence. Mr Salih could not provide any written evidence of this.

When asked how much he had paid for the business, Mr Salih stated he hadn't paid for the business as such but instead agreed to pay off a £20,000 loan that Mr Ahmed owed the card machine company 'Dojo'. This seemed particularly odd. Mr Salih was unable to evidence this agreement with either Mr Salih or the company 'Dojo'. He also stated that he had not begun paying this debt yet due to his present low takings.

When asked for evidence of how he paid the utility bills for the business he stated he hadn't paid any yet, and had not received any of these bills yet. He did not know who provided these services.

When asked how waste for the business was removed and paid for, Mr Salih did not know anything about this at all.

A number of unopened envelopes were discovered within the shop either addressed to Mr Ahmed or 'Max Off Licence' which again seemed strange if the business had been transferred correctly.

When asked how he purchased his stock, he stated he used Bookers and G4F Cash and Carry. When asked for stock invoices, Mr Salih showed us an invoice from Bookers dated 19th September 2024 for

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various tobacco products. The invoice was in the customer account of 'Max Off Licence – Mr Ahmed'. When questioned why this was the case, he stated 'a friend' had purchased the items on his (Mr Salih's) behalf using the old account. This is assumingly due to Mr Salih not registering for the track and trace system that is in place for the regulation of the sale of tobacco products. Again, this highlights irresponsible business management.

A further invoice from Arrow Wholesale was produced showing a large purchase of vapes on the 19th August 2024 in the account of 'Max Off Licence'. Again, Mr Salih stated a 'friend' had made the purchase in the old account name and they had split the vapes between them as he didn't need that amount. This practice could again be questioned.

The meeting went on to discuss Mr Salih's previous experience in the licensing trade. He stated he had worked in one licensed shop in Manchester as a worker before and been DPS in another last year. He provided the address as 2 Church Road, Manchester, M22 4FY. He stated he had never been PLH for any other premises previously.

To satisfy myself Mr Salih could demonstrate his knowledge and understanding around the Licensing Act 2003, I asked him what the four licensing objectives were. His response was 'What are they?' or words to that effect. He simply could not give me a response. I then had to list them to him, to which he just vaguely nodded along. I reminded him that was basic information that he should be able to provide, given that he was a personal licence holder himself and has had the relevant training.

When I discussed the new application with Mr Salih, he confirmed that somebody else had written it on his behalf, but he fully understood and agreed what was contained within it. I reminded him that those conditions proposed within the application would form his licence conditions and would have to be adhered to or they would be enforceable. When asked if he had an incident book, refusals book and training records ready to operate, his presented an empty refusals book. He gave the impression that this would suffice. When explained that this was *just* a refusal book, he seemed vague, and I had to make it clear that separate books and documentation would be required for training and incident reporting. Mr Salih stated that he intended to complete all training with staff in respect of the Challenge 25 policy, but his lack of understanding did not provide any confidence that this would be either done or done to an acceptable standard. Despite already selling vapes, the refusal book which was located

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behind the counter was completely empty and I would have expected there to have been entries to prove that age verification procedures were been followed.

It was noted that there was a large amount of equipment used to smoke illegal drugs on sale within the shop, known as 'bong's' and 'crack pipes'. There were also many bottles of 'Poppers' for sale which contain a drug called Alkyl Nitrite. These are commonly inhaled as a recreational drug to provide intoxicating effects and can be dangerous. Whilst having these products on sale may not break the law, it was highlighted the fact they were on sale would attract a certain type of customer and potentially draw in children. Mr Salih did not seem to understand this connection and simply said he didn't understand the issue because they were legal to sell. Given the history of the shop, and the extra caution that ought to be applied I found this worrying.

When looking through the premises licence application, it was clear that wording of certain conditions had been copied and pasted in from other premises licence applications and would be deemed irrelevant to an Off Licence type business. For example, the incident log condition talks of recording 'the ejection of patrons' and the 'seizure of drugs and offensive weapons' which are conditions suited to that of a on-sale premises.

On the 5th November 2024 I made contact with Mr Salih by email. He was asked details regarding the tobacco track and trace scheme and if he had registered for it. He was also asked further information about his utility companies. None of these questions were answered at all. Mr Salih only chose to respond to the part of the email requesting information about what insurances he had taken out. He provided evidence that an insurance scheme had been taken out that same day and claimed it was for public liability. It would seem that he has no employers liability insurance in place which is a legal requirement when employing staff.

In summary, despite acknowledging the history around the previous licence and citing having no connecting to the past operator of the business, Mr Salih failed to evidence this to a satisfactory level. If he were indeed a completely new operator running a 'much tighter operation' as he talks of within his application, all the requirements expected of a business should have been addressed. In the very least this highlights poor business management and I question his ability to run a responsible business selling alcohol.

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Following the meeting on the 4th November 2024, I made enquiries with the Licensing Team for Greater Manchester Police (GMP). The local Licensing Officer confirmed that Mr Salih had never held the role of DPS at the licensed shop he had provided details for - 2 Church Road, Manchester, M22 4FY, nor had he ever been a DPS within the GMP area. This proves that Mr Salih had quite clearly lied during the meeting with us and raises suspicion around the truth of any of the other information he has provided to the Police.

The street and locality in which 10 Wharf Road is situated is notorious for criminality within its shops. The Police and Trading Standards in the past have experienced many failed underage test purchases, closures, prosecutions and revocations of premises licences due to the sale of illegal tobacco, cigarettes and vapes. For this reason, it is vital a trustworthy and responsible PLH/DPS is in place at 10 Wharf Road should a premise licence be granted. I do not feel Mr Salih can satisfy me that he will be either of these.

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e) Minutes and decision notice from December 2024 committee

Minutes

Alcohol, Entertainment & Late
Night Refreshment Licensing
Committee

Friday, 6 December 2024



SOUTH
KESTEVEN
DISTRICT
COUNCIL

Committee members present

Councillor Pam Bosworth (Chairman)
Councillor Elvis Stooke (Vice-Chairman)
Councillor Harrish Bisnauthsing
Councillor Helen Crawford
Councillor Paul Fellows
Councillor Robert Leadenham
Councillor Philip Knowles
Councillor Patsy Ellis

Officers

Licensing Officer (Elizabeth Reeve, Chris Clarke)
Legal Advisor (Mandy Braithwaite)
Licensing Manager (Heather Green)
Democratic Officer (Lucy Bonshor)

6. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Steve Cunningham, Councillor Jane Kingman and Councillor Nikki Manterfield.

7. Disclosures of interests

None disclosed.

8. Minutes of the meeting held on 26 July 2024

Minutes of the meeting held on 26 July 2024 were proposed, seconded and **AGREED.**

9. Licensing Act 2003: Application for a New Premise Licence - Ramin Off Licence, 10 Wharf Road, Grantham, Lincolnshire, NG31 6BA.

The Legal Advisor informed the Committee that a request had been received the previous afternoon from solicitors that had only just been appointed by the applicant for the Premises Licence requesting that the hearing was postponed to be heard within the next two weeks. The Legal Advisor stated that the hearing could be deferred and referred to the legislation within the Human Rights Act which stated that the applicant had a right to be heard. It was for the Committee to decide whether or not they wished to defer the meeting following the request received.

One Member asked when the applicant for the premise licence had been notified of the date of the meeting. It was stated that the applicant's previous agent had been notified on 15 November 2024. However, they had notified the Licensing Team on 2 December 2024 that they were no longer acting on behalf of the premise licence applicant and they had advised him to withdraw his application. The applicant for the premise licence had been contacted on 2 December and he had indicated that he was not sure whether or not he would be attending. Nothing further had been heard until the newly appointed solicitors had contacted the Licensing Team late on Thursday 5 December 2024 requesting more time.

Further questions were asked in relation to deferring the hearing and when a new meeting would be held and the legislation around Human Rights.

It was proposed and seconded that the meeting be deferred, however, this proposal fell.

Further discussion followed with the Legal Advisor reading out relevant extracts from the Human Rights Act. It was stated that if the meeting went ahead, any decision made would be appealable to the Magistrates Court.

It was proposed, seconded and **AGREED** to continue with the hearing in the absence of the applicant for the premise licence.

The Legal Advisor introduced those present and confirmed who was present from Lincolnshire Police, Sergeant Adams and PC Braithwaite.

The Licensing Officer presented the report which concerned a new premise licence for the premise at 10 Wharf Road, Grantham to be known as Ramin Off Licence.

The premise had previously benefitted from an alcohol licence under the name "Max Off Licence" from 11/04/2019 to 30/05/2024. The licence was revoked by the Alcohol, Entertainment and Late Night Refreshment Licensing Committee at the meeting on 16 June 2023 following a review submitted by the Police. The review included evidence of several instances of underage sales and non-compliance of licensing conditions. The Committee concluded that the Licence

holder was unable to prove they were an appropriate person to hold such a licence. The applicant appealed the decision which allowed them to continue licensable activities whilst in the appeal stages. The appeal was subsequently withdrawn via a consent order, and therefore the revocation of the premise licence took effect on 30 May 2024.

On 11 October 2024 an application was received by the Licensing Team for a new premise licence at the location. The application was submitted by an agent on behalf of an individual that was stated to have no connection to the old operation of the premises and was experienced in the off-sale industry.

The application was processed and forwarded to all the responsible authorities as required by the Licensing Act 2003. Statutory consultation was undertaken and only one representation was received from Lincolnshire Police. The representation included the following points:

- Concern regarding the previous premises licence holder still having a connection with the running of the premises and not the new applicant
- Concerns over items for sale within the shop such as drug paraphernalia and equipment
- The applicants previous experience of running a licensed premises:
 - Lack of understanding of the licensing objectives
 - Lack of understanding regarding the operating procedures that they offered in the application
 - Their lack of understanding and knowledge of the roles and responsibilities that come with being a Premises Licence Holder and Designated Premises Supervisor, including required employer checks and business management.

The Licensing Officer then referred to the revised guidance issued under section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 which stated:

9.9 It is recommended that, in boarder line cases, the benefit of the doubt about any aspect of a representation should be given to the person making that representation. The subsequent hearing would then provide an opportunity for the person or body making the representation to amplify and clarify it.

It was not felt that the representation submitted by Lincolnshire Police fell within the delegated authority. Where relevant representations are made, the authority must:

- Hold a hearing to consider them, unless the authority, the applicant and each person who has made such representation agree that a hearing is unnecessary, and
- Having regard to the representations, take such steps mentioned below (if any) as it considers necessary for the promotion of the licensing objectives.

- The steps are:
 - o Grant the application subject to conditions that are consistent with the operating schedule modified to the extent that the committee considered appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives and any mandatory conditions that must be included under the Licensing Act 2003.
 - o Exclude from the scope of the licence a licensable activity to which the application relates.
 - o Refuse to specify a person in the licence as a Premises Supervisor (DPS)
 - o Reject the whole or part of the application

The Police then gave their representation. They expressed concern with the proposed Premises License Holder, Mr Ramyar Salih and possible connections with the previous Premise Licence holder and made reference to both Section 146 (Sale of alcohol to children) and Section 136 (Unauthorised Licensable activities) of the Licensing Act 2003 in respect of the premises.

Although Mr Salih had stated that there were no connection further background checks had been carried out in respect of the premise. The Police had requested a meeting with the applicant (Mr Salih) where he was asked to provide as many documents as possible which showed that he had full control of the business. Although the applicant attended the meeting and stated that he leased the premise in August 2024 he could not produce evidence to support this, he did produce a lease but it was only signed by himself, he did not know who the utilities were with for the premise, two invoices for stock were still in the name of the previous licence for "Max Off-Licence" since August 2024. The applicant had not registered for the Tobacco Track and Trace system and although the lease was signed by himself it only appeared to be witnessed on 4 November 2024 the date of the meeting. Further checks with the leasing agents confirmed that the lease had yet to be finalised and that the previous tenant of the premise was still paying the rent up to October 2024. Member attention was drawn to the supplementary papers circulated with had information from Companies House in respect of the premises. Police had concerns about the legitimacy of the business and asked Mr Salih about previous experience he had as a Premises Licence Holder or a DPS. He replied that he was a DPS at an off-licence in Manchester in 2023, however on checking this information it was found to be incorrect. At the same meeting requests were made to see the relevant insurance and the documents provided showed that the policy had only been taken out on the date of the meeting for public liability.

The Police expressed their concern about the applicant who did not appear to know how the premise should be run, especially given its previous history and the fact that certain products were being sold, that although were not illegal they were a major concern given the history of the premise. They asked that the Committee seriously considered rejecting the Premises Licence.

The Police then answered the Committees questions in respect of the date of the visit and gave their closing statement.

Members attention was drawn to Section 9 of the Revised 182 Guidance in determining actions that are appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives. Paragraph 9.43 stated:

“The authority’s determination should be evidence-based, justified as being appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives and proportionate to what it is intended to achieve.”

The Police were concerned that the applicant did not have full control of the business, there did not appear to be any evidence that it had been bought legitimately, the business rates had not been changed from the previous applicant. The applicant did not appear to know what his responsibilities were in respect of the Licensing Act 2003 and the promotion of the licensing objectives. He did not appear to have knowledge in respect of having incident book, training books and adequate controls within the premise. The Police had little confidence that premise would be run in a way that would promote the licensing objectives.

The Licensing Officer then gave her closing statement and stated that the Committee needed to give appropriate weight to:

- The steps that are appropriate to promote the licensing objectives.
- The representation (including supporting information) presented by the parties.
- The guidance issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003.
- South Kesteven District Council’s Licensing Policy.

The Licensing Officer then referred to the guidance issued under Section 182 at 9.37:

“As a matter of practice, Licensing authorities should seek to focus the hearing on the steps considered appropriate to promote the particular licensing objective or objectives that have given rise to the specific representation and avoid straying into undisputed areas. A responsible authority or other person may choose to rely on their written representation.

They may not add further representation to those disclosed to the applicant prior to the hearing, but they may expand on their existing representation and should be allowed sufficient time to do so, within reasonable and practical time limits.”

(10:45 the Licensing Officers and the Police left the meeting)

Members discussed the application before them having regard to the report, appendices, late papers submitted by the Police, the Revised Statutory Guidance and Regulations, the Council’s Statement of Licensing Policy and the Councillor Handbook on Licensing. Members were very concerned with the lack of evidence put forward by the applicant in respect of the premise in their meeting with the Police. From the information put forward it appeared that they failed to fully understand their responsibilities under the Licensing Act 2003 and the

promotion of the Licensing Objectives. There appeared to have been no attempt to become part of the Tobacco Track and Trace System, the information given to the Police about previous experience appeared to be false and no due diligence appeared to have been undertaken especially as the premises had a history of involvement of the sale and supply of alcohol to children. The applicant had not demonstrated that the previous licence holder did not still have some involvement in the premises. Members were very concerned that the licensing objectives would not be promoted and praise was given to the Police for the work that they had invested in the application. After further discussion it was proposed, seconded and unanimously agreed to reject the application for a premise licence for Ramin Off-Licence, 10 Wharf Road, Grantham.

(10:52 The Licensing Officers and Police returned to the meeting)

The Legal Advisor read out the Committee's decision.

The Committee had considered the report and appendices, late papers from the police, submissions made to it together with the Licensing Act 2003, Revised Statutory Guidance and Regulations, the Council's Statement of Licensing Policy and Councillor Handbook on Licensing. They had particular regard to the promotion of the four licensing objectives:

1. The Prevention of Crime and Disorder;
2. Public Safety;
3. Prevention of Public Nuisance; and
4. The Protection of Children from Harm

The decision of the Committee was:

Decision

That the application for a new premises licence in respect of Ramin Off Licence, 10 Wharf Road Grantham NG31 6BA be refused.

Reasons for the decision

Each application must be considered on its own merit. The Committee had carefully considered all of the evidence before them including verbal representation from the Police with particular regard to all four licensing objectives.

It is for the applicant to demonstrate that their application for a premises licence would not undermine any of the four licensing objectives.

The committee noted that the applicant was aware that the previous premises licence was revoked. These premises have a history of involvement of sale and supply of alcohol to children with serious consequences. The applicant had not demonstrated that the previous licence holder, did not have any involvement in the premises. The applicant had not been able to provide sufficient documentation in relation to the running of the business. The applicant had failed to supply the Police with information regarding tobacco track and trace scheme, utility companies and insurance and appeared to have no awareness of legal responsibilities in relation to employers' liability insurance.

The Committee had concerns regarding the items for sale in the premises such as drug paraphernalia and equipment. The committee noted that these products are legal to sell but it was concerned, that given the history of these premises, the applicant didn't apply caution to what is for sale at these premises.

From evidence before the Committee, it was not satisfied that the Applicant is a responsible trustworthy person, particularly in view of false information supplied to the Police in relation to experience as a Premises Licence Holder and Designated Premises Supervisor. The Committee were concerned with lack of experience of running a licensed premises in relation to the understanding of the licensing objectives and knowledge of the roles and responsibilities that come with being a Premises Licence Holder and Designated Premises Supervisor, including required employer checks and business management. Also lack of understanding regarding operating procedures that are offered in the application.

The Committee was not satisfied with the application and was of the view that the Applicant had failed to successfully demonstrate that his application for a premises licence would not undermine any of the four licensing objectives.

There was a right of appeal to the Magistrates Court.

Any party to the decision or anyone who had made a relevant representation including a responsible authority or interested party in relation to the application may appeal to the Magistrates' Court within 21 days of written notification of the decision.

10. Any other business which the Chairman, by reason of special circumstances, decides is urgent.

None.

11. Close of meeting

The meeting closed at 10:55.

f) Application form from October 2024

Application for a premises licence to be granted
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/We RAMYAR SALIH
(Insert name(s) of applicant)
apply for a premises licence under section 17 of the Licensing Act 2003 for the premises described in Part 1 below (the premises) and I/we are making this application to you as the relevant licensing authority in accordance with section 12 of the Licensing Act 2003

Part 1 – Premises details

Postal address of premises or, if none, ordnance survey map reference or description RAMIN OFF LICENCE 10 WHARF ROAD			
Post town	GRANTHAM	Postcode	NG31 SBA

Telephone number at premises (if any)	
Non-domestic rateable value of premises	£3200.00

Part 2 - Applicant details

Please state whether you are applying for a premises licence as		Please tick as appropriate	
a)	an individual or individuals *	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	please complete section (A)
b)	a person other than an individual *		
i	as a limited company/limited liability partnership	<input type="checkbox"/>	please complete section (B)
ii	as a partnership (other than limited liability)	<input type="checkbox"/>	please complete section (B)
iii	as an unincorporated association or	<input type="checkbox"/>	please complete section (B)
iv	other (for example a statutory corporation)	<input type="checkbox"/>	please complete section (B)
c)	a recognised club	<input type="checkbox"/>	please complete section (B)
d)	a charity	<input type="checkbox"/>	please complete section (B)

- e) the proprietor of an educational establishment ☐ please complete section (B)
- f) a health service body ☐ please complete section (B)
- g) a person who is registered under Part 2 of the Care Standards Act 2000 (c14) in respect of an independent hospital in Wales ☐ please complete section (B)
- ga) a person who is registered under Chapter 2 of Part 1 of the Health and Social Care Act 2008 (within the meaning of that Part) in an independent hospital in England ☐ please complete section (B)
- h) the chief officer of police of a police force in England and Wales ☐ please complete section (B)

* If you are applying as a person described in (a) or (b) please confirm (by ticking yes to one box below):

I am carrying on or proposing to carry on a business which involves the use of the premises for licensable activities; or ☐

I am making the application pursuant to a
statutory function or ☐

a function discharged by virtue of Her Majesty's prerogative ☐

(A) INDIVIDUAL APPLICANTS (fill in as applicable)

Mr <input type="checkbox"/>	Mrs <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Miss <input type="checkbox"/>	Ms <input type="checkbox"/>	Other Title (for example, Rev)	
SALIH			First names RAMYAR		
Date of birth I am 18 years old or over. <input type="text"/>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Please tick yes		
Nationality <input type="text"/>					
<input type="text"/>		<input type="text"/>			
Post town	<input type="text"/>			Postcode	<input type="text"/>
Daytime contact telephone number			<input type="text"/>		
E-mail address (optional)		<input type="text"/>			

SECOND INDIVIDUAL APPLICANT (if applicable)

Mr <input type="checkbox"/>	Mrs <input type="checkbox"/>	Miss <input type="checkbox"/>	Ms <input type="checkbox"/>	Other Title (for example, Rev)	
Surname			First names		
Date of birth over		I am 18 years old or		<input type="checkbox"/>	Please tick yes
Nationality					
Current residential address if different from premises address					
Post town				Postcode	
Daytime contact telephone number					
E-mail address (optional)					

(B) OTHER APPLICANTS

Please provide name and registered address of applicant in full. Where appropriate please give any registered number. In the case of a partnership or other joint venture (other than a body corporate), please give the name and address of each party concerned.

Name
Address
Registered number (where applicable)
Description of applicant (for example, partnership, company, unincorporated association etc.)
Telephone number (if any)

E-mail address (optional)

Part 3 Operating Schedule

When do you want the premises licence to start?

DDMM				YYYY		
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If you wish the licence to be valid only for a limited period, when do you want it to end?

DD		MM		YYYY			

Please give a general description of the premises (please read guidance note 1)

SMALL LICENCED GROCERS SERVING THE LOCAL RESIDENTS OF GRANTHAM.

If 5,000 or more people are expected to attend the premises at any one time, please state the number expected to attend.

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What licensable activities do you intend to carry on from the premises?

(please see sections 1 and 14 and Schedules 1 and 2 to the Licensing Act 2003)

Provision of regulated entertainment (please read guidance note 2)

Please tick all that apply

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|---|--------------------------|
| a) plays (if ticking yes, fill in box A) | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b) films (if ticking yes, fill in box B) | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c) indoor sporting events (if ticking yes, fill in box C) | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| d) boxing or wrestling entertainment (if ticking yes, fill in box D) | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| e) live music (if ticking yes, fill in box E) | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| f) recorded music (if ticking yes, fill in box F) | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| g) performances of dance (if ticking yes, fill in box G) | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| h) anything of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g) (if ticking yes, fill in box H) | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Provision of late night refreshment (if ticking yes, fill in box I)

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Supply of alcohol (if ticking yes, fill in box J)

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In all cases complete boxes K, L and M

A

Plays Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			<u>Will the performance of a play take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 3)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish			
Mon			<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 4)		
Tue					
Wed			<u>State any seasonal variations for performing plays</u> (please read guidance note 5)		
Thur					
Fri			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the performance of plays at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 6)		
Sat					
Sun					

B

Films Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			Will the exhibition of films take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick (please read guidance note 3)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish	Please give further details here (please read guidance note 4)		
Mon					
Tue					
			State any seasonal variations for the exhibition of films (please read guidance note 5)		
Wed					
Thur					
			Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the exhibition of films at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 6)		
Fri					
Sat					
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C

Indoor sporting events Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			<u>Please give further details</u> (please read guidance note 4)
Day	Start	Finish	
Mon			
Tue			<u>State any seasonal variations for indoor sporting events</u> (please read guidance note 5)
Wed			
			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for indoor sporting events at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 6)
Thur			
Fri			
Sat			
Sun			

D

Boxing or wrestling entertainments Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			<u>Will the boxing or wrestling entertainment take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 3)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish	<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 4)		
Mon					
Tue					
			<u>State any seasonal variations for boxing or wrestling entertainment</u> (please read guidance note 5)		
Wed					
Thur					
			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for boxing or wrestling entertainment at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 6)		
Fri					
Sat					
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E

Live music Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			Will the performance of live music take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick (please read guidance note 3)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish			
Mon			<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 4)		
Tue					
Wed			<u>State any seasonal variations for the performance of live music</u> (please read guidance note 5)		
Thur					
Fri			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the performance of live music at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 6)		
Sat					
Sun					

F

Recorded music Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			<u>Will the playing of recorded music take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 3)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish			
Mon			<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 4)		
Tue					
Wed			<u>State any seasonal variations for the playing of recorded music</u> (please read guidance note 5)		
Thur					
Fri			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the playing of recorded music at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 6)		
Sat					
Sun					

G

Performances of dance Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			<u>Will the performance of dance take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 3)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish		Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mon			<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 4)		
Tue					
Wed			<u>State any seasonal variations for the performance of dance</u> (please read guidance note 5)		
Thur					
Fri			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the performance of dance at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 6)		
Sat					
Sun					

H

Anything of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g) Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			Please give a description of the type of entertainment you will be providing		
Day	Start	Finish	<u>Will this entertainment take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 3)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mon				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tue			<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 4)		
Wed					
Thur			<u>State any seasonal variations for entertainment of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g)</u> (please read guidance note 5)		
Fri					
Sat			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the entertainment of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g) at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 6)		
Sun					

I

Late night refreshment Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			Will the provision of late night refreshment take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick (please read guidance note 3)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish			
Mon					
Tue					
Wed					
Thur					
Fri			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the provision of late night refreshment at different times, to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 6)		
Sat					
Sun					

J

Supply of alcohol Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			Will the supply of alcohol be for consumption – please tick (please read guidance note 8)	On the premises	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Off the premises	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish	State any seasonal variations for the supply of alcohol (please read guidance note 5)		
Mon	0900	2200			
Tue	0900	2200			
Wed	0900	2200			
Thur	0900	2200			
Fri	0900	2200			
			Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the supply of alcohol at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 6)		
Sat	0900	2200			
Sun	0900	2200			

State the name and details of the individual whom you wish to specify on the licence as designated premises supervisor (Please see declaration about the entitlement to work in the checklist at the end of the form):

Name		RAMYAR SALIH	
Date of birth		[REDACTED]	
Address [REDACTED]			
Postcode		[REDACTED]	
Personal licence number (if known) 269917			
Issuing licensing authority (if known) MANCHESTER CITY COUNCIL			

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Please highlight any adult entertainment or services, activities, other entertainment or matters ancillary to the use of the premises that may give rise to concern in respect of children (please read guidance note 9).

NO ENTERTAINMENT OF AN ADULT NATURE WILL TAKE PLACE

L

Hours premises are open to the public Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			<u>State any seasonal variations</u> (please read guidance note 5)
Day	Start	Finish	
Mon	0900	2200	
Tue	0900	2200	<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend the premises to be open to the public at different times from those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 6)
Wed	0900	2200	
Thur	0900	2200	
Fri	0900	2200	
Sat	0900	2200	
Sun	0900	2200	

M Describe the steps you intend to take to promote the four licensing objectives:

a) General – all four licensing objectives (b, c, d and e) (please read guidance note 10)

This shop has been run as a licensed grocers until it recently lost its premises licence when the previous owner was taken to review for sales to underage. The applicant who has no connection to the previous operation recently purchased the lease and plans to operate again as a licensed grocers but with a much tighter operation and well trained staff. The applicant is conscious of the location of the premises and its previous poor management. He is also aware of the problems that local homeless can bring and will ensure that all staff are adequately trained to identify and deal with any potential problems at an early stage. The applicant is experienced in the off sales industry and will ensure that all staff employed by the convenience store are trained in relation to the licensing objectives. The applicant will ensure that the shop is run in a manner that will always show respect for its neighbours.

b) The prevention of crime and disorder

All front of house staff will be trained to a competent level including licensing law and in Conflict Management.

A refusals book shall be maintained and shall be checked and signed by one of the management staff on a weekly basis. The refusals book shall be kept on the premises and made available for inspection by Licensing, Police and other authorised officers.”

An incident log shall be kept at the premises. The log shall include the date and time of the incident and the name of the member of staff who has been involved, and made available on request to an authorised officer of the Council or the Police, which shall record the following:

- (a) any complaints received
- (b) any incidents of disorder
- (c) any faults in the CCTV system / or searching equipment /or scanning equipment
- (d) any refusal of the sale of alcohol
- (e) any visit by a relevant authority or emergency service
- (f) all crimes reported to the venue
- (g) all ejections of patrons
- (h) all seizures of drugs or offensive weapons

This log to be checked on a weekly basis by the DPS of the premises.

Challenge 25, shall be operated at the premises where the only acceptable forms of identification are (recognised photographic identification cards, such as a driving licence or passport I Holographically marked PASS scheme identification cards). Appropriate signage advising customers of the policy shall prominently displayed in the premises.

An incident log shall be kept at the premises. The log shall include the date and time of the incident and the name of the member of staff who has been involved. and made available on request to an authorised officer of the Council or the Police, which shall record the following:

- (a) any complaints received
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- (e) any visit by a relevant authority or emergency service
- (f) all crimes reported to the venue
- (g) all ejections of patrons
- (h) all seizures of drugs or offensive weapons

This log to be checked on a weekly basis by the DPS of the premises.

The premises will actively participate in any local Town Watch initiative.

A CCTV system, shall be installed to cover all entry and exit points enabling frontal identification of every person entering in any light condition. The CCTV system shall continually record and cover areas where alcohol is kept for selection and purchase by the public, whilst the premises is open for licensable activities. It shall operate during all times when customers remain on the premises. All recordings shall be stored for a minimum period of 31 days with correct date and time stamping. Recordings shall be made available immediately upon the request of Police or an authorised officer of the council throughout the preceding 31 day period. The CCTV system shall be updated and maintained according to police recommendations.

A staff member from the premises who is conversant with the operation of the CCTV system shall be on the premises at all times when the premises are open to the public. This staff member must be able to show a Police or authorised council officer recent data or footage with the absolute minimum of delay when requested.

CCTV shall be downloaded on request of the Police or authorised officer of the council. Appropriate signage advising customers of CCTV being in operation, shall be prominently displayed in the premises.

A documented check of the CCTV shall be completed weekly to ensure all cameras remain operational and the 31 days storage for recordings is being maintained.

Refresher training shall be provided at least once every 6 months.

A record shall be maintained of all staff training and that record shall be signed by the person receiving the training and the trainer. The records shall be kept for a minimum of 12 months and made available for inspection by police, licensing or other authorised officers.

c) Public safety

The applicant is aware of the need to ensure that members of the public or staff are not put at risk. A new Fire Risk Assessment will be completed prior to the commencement of the business and the findings will be complied with. Other General Health and Safety Risk Assessments, including First Aid will be adhered to in order to protect customers and staff.

d) The prevention of public nuisance

No waste will be removed from the premises during the hours of 2200hrs - 0800hrs.
No deliveries to the premises will take place between the hours of 2200hrs - 0800hrs.
Staff will encourage customers to leave quietly and have regard for residents. The outside of the premises will be regularly monitored by staff and CCTV to ensure that the licensing objectives are being upheld and no customers are loitering outside premises.
Any movable furniture will be removed inside at the end of licensable hours
Signs will be displayed at the exit requesting customers to leave the area quietly, having regard for local residents.
No noise generated on the premises, or by its associated plant or equipment, shall emanate from the premises nor vibration be transmitted through the structure of the premises which gives rise to a nuisance.

e) The protection of children from harm

Staff shall be trained in accordance with any guidance given by the Council in relation to all age restricted goods.
A “No Proof of Age – No Sale” policy will be adopted and records kept of that training at the premises. Such records will be kept and made available to Licensing, Police or other authorised officers.
‘Challenge 25’ signage will be displayed prominently on the premises.
Written records of training and subsequent refresher training will be kept for all staff involved in the sale of alcoholic beverages.
The only acceptable proof of age documents acceptable will be UK photo driving licence, valid passport and ID cards bearing the PASS LOGO.

Checklist:**Please tick to indicate agreement**

- I have made or enclosed payment of the fee. ☐
- I have enclosed the plan of the premises. ☒
- I have sent copies of this application and the plan to responsible authorities and others where applicable. ☐
- I have enclosed the consent form completed by the individual I wish to be designated premises supervisor, if applicable. ☒
- I understand that I must now advertise my application. ☒
- I understand that if I do not comply with the above requirements my application will be rejected. ☒
- ☐ [Applicable to all individual applicants, including those in a partnership which is not a limited liability partnership, but not companies or limited liability partnerships] I have included documents demonstrating my entitlement to work in the United Kingdom (please read note 15). ☒


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.

IT IS AN OFFENCE UNDER SECTION 24B OF THE IMMIGRATION ACT 1971 FOR A PERSON TO WORK WHEN THEY KNOW, OR HAVE REASONABLE CAUSE TO BELIEVE, THAT THEY ARE DISQUALIFIED FROM DOING SO BY REASON OF THEIR IMMIGRATION STATUS. THOSE WHO EMPLOY AN ADULT WITHOUT LEAVE OR WHO IS SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS AS TO EMPLOYMENT WILL BE LIABLE TO A CIVIL PENALTY UNDER SECTION 15 OF THE IMMIGRATION, ASYLUM AND NATIONALITY ACT 2006 AND PURSUANT TO SECTION 21 OF THE SAME ACT, WILL BE COMMITTING AN OFFENCE WHERE THEY DO SO IN THE KNOWLEDGE, OR WITH REASONABLE CAUSE TO BELIEVE, THAT THE EMPLOYEE IS DISQUALIFIED.

Part 4 – Signatures (please read guidance note 11)




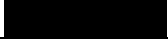

Signature of applicant or applicant's solicitor or other duly authorised agent (see guidance note 12). **If signing on behalf of the applicant, please state in what capacity.**

Declaration	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• [Applicable to individual applicants only, including those in a partnership which is not a limited liability partnership] I understand I am not entitled to be issued with a licence if I do not have the entitlement to live and work in the UK (or if I am subject to a condition preventing me from doing work relating to the carrying on of a licensable activity) and that my licence will become invalid if I cease to be entitled to live and work in the UK (please read guidance note 15).• The DPS named in this application form is entitled to work in the UK (and is not subject to conditions preventing him or her from doing
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	work relating to a licensable activity) and I have seen a copy of his or her proof of entitlement to work, if appropriate (please see note 15)
Signature	
Date	5 th October 2024
Capacity	David Ramsay Licensing Consultant on behalf of RAMYAR SALIH

For joint applications, signature of 2nd applicant or 2nd applicant's solicitor or other authorised agent (please read guidance note 13). If signing on behalf of the applicant, please state in what capacity.

Signature	
Date	
Capacity	

Contact name (where not previously given) and postal address for correspondence associated with this application (please read guidance note 14)			
David Ramsay Licensing Consultant 			
Post town		Postcode	
Telephone number (if any)			
If you would prefer us to correspond with you by e-mail, your e-mail address (optional) 			

Notes for Guidance

- Describe the premises, for example the type of premises, its general situation and layout and any other information which could be relevant to the licensing objectives. Where your application includes off-supplies of alcohol and you intend to provide a place for consumption of these off-supplies, you must include a description of where the place will be and its proximity to the premises.
- In terms of specific regulated entertainments please note that:
 - Plays: no licence is required for performances between 08:00 and 23.00 on any day, provided that the audience does not exceed 500.
 - Films: no licence is required for 'not-for-profit' film exhibition held in community premises between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day provided that the audience does not exceed 500 and the organiser (a) gets consent to the screening from a person who is responsible for the premises; and (b) ensures that each such screening abides by age classification ratings.
 - Indoor sporting events: no licence is required for performances between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, provided that the audience does not exceed 1000.

- Boxing or Wrestling Entertainment: no licence is required for a contest, exhibition or display of Greco-Roman wrestling, or freestyle wrestling between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, provided that the audience does not exceed 1000. Combined fighting sports – defined as a contest, exhibition or display which combines boxing or wrestling with one or more martial arts – are licensable as a boxing or wrestling entertainment rather than an indoor sporting event.
- Live music: no licence permission is required for:
 - a performance of unamplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, on any premises.
 - a performance of amplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day on premises authorised to sell alcohol for consumption on those premises, provided that the audience does not exceed 500.
 - a performance of amplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, in a workplace that is not licensed to sell alcohol on those premises, provided that the audience does not exceed 500.
 - a performance of amplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, in a church hall, village hall, community hall, or other similar community premises, that is not licensed by a premises licence to sell alcohol, provided that (a) the audience does not exceed 500, and (b) the organiser gets consent for the performance from a person who is responsible for the premises.
 - a performance of amplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, at the non-residential premises of (i) a local authority, or (ii) a school, or (iii) a hospital, provided that (a) the audience does not exceed 500, and (b) the organiser gets consent for the performance on the relevant premises from: (i) the local authority concerned, or (ii) the school or (iii) the health care provider for the hospital.
- Recorded Music: no licence permission is required for:
 - any playing of recorded music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day on premises authorised to sell alcohol for consumption on those premises, provided that the audience does not exceed 500.
 - any playing of recorded music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, in a church hall, village hall, community hall, or other similar community premises, that is not licensed by a premises licence to sell alcohol, provided that (a) the audience does not exceed 500, and (b) the organiser gets consent for the performance from a person who is responsible for the premises.
 - any playing of recorded music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, at the non-residential premises of (i) a local authority, or (ii) a school, or (iii) a hospital, provided that (a) the audience does not exceed 500, and (b) the organiser gets consent for the performance on the relevant premises from: (i) the local authority concerned, or (ii) the school proprietor or (iii) the health care provider for the hospital.
- Dance: no licence is required for performances between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, provided that the audience does not exceed 500. However, a performance which amounts to adult entertainment remains licensable.
- Cross activity exemptions: no licence is required between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, with no limit on audience size for:
 - any entertainment taking place on the premises of the local authority where the entertainment is provided by or on behalf of the local authority;
 - any entertainment taking place on the hospital premises of the health care provider where the entertainment is provided by or on behalf of the health care provider;
 - any entertainment taking place on the premises of the school where the entertainment is provided by or on behalf of the school proprietor; and

- any entertainment (excluding films and a boxing or wrestling entertainment) taking place at a travelling circus, provided that (a) it takes place within a moveable structure that accommodates the audience, and (b) that the travelling circus has not been located on the same site for more than 28 consecutive days.
- 3. Where taking place in a building or other structure please tick as appropriate (indoors may include a tent).
- 4. For example the type of activity to be authorised, if not already stated, and give relevant further details, for example (but not exclusively) whether or not music will be amplified or unamplified.
- 5. For example (but not exclusively), where the activity will occur on additional days during the summer months.
- 6. For example (but not exclusively), where you wish the activity to go on longer on a particular day e.g. Christmas Eve.
- 7. Please give timings in 24 hour clock (e.g. 16.00) and only give details for the days of the week when you intend the premises to be used for the activity.
- 8. If you wish people to be able to consume alcohol on the premises, please tick 'on the premises'. If you wish people to be able to purchase alcohol to consume away from the premises, please tick 'off the premises'. If you wish people to be able to do both, please tick 'both'.
- 9. Please give information about anything intended to occur at the premises or ancillary to the use of the premises which may give rise to concern in respect of children, regardless of whether you intend children to have access to the premises, for example (but not exclusively) nudity or semi-nudity, films for restricted age groups or the presence of gaming machines.
- 10. Please list here steps you will take to promote all four licensing objectives together.
- 11. The application form must be signed.
- 12. An applicant's agent (for example solicitor) may sign the form on their behalf provided that they have actual authority to do so.
- 13. Where there is more than one applicant, each of the applicants or their respective agent must sign the application form.
- 14. This is the address which we shall use to correspond with you about this application.

15. Entitlement to work/immigration status for individual applicants and applications from partnerships which are not limited liability partnerships:

A licence may not be held by an individual or an individual in a partnership who is resident in the UK who:

- does not have the right to live and work in the UK; or
- is subject to a condition preventing him or her from doing work relating to the carrying on of a licensable activity.

Any premises licence issued in respect of an application made on or after 6 April 2017 will become invalid if the holder ceases to be entitled to work in the UK.

Applicants must demonstrate that they have an entitlement to work in the UK and are not subject to a condition preventing them from doing work relating to the carrying on of a licensable activity. They do this by providing with this application copies or scanned copies of the following documents (which do not need to be certified).

Documents which demonstrate entitlement to work in the UK

- An expired or current passport showing the holder, or a person named in the passport as the child of the holder, is a British citizen or a citizen of the UK and Colonies having the right of abode in the UK [please see note below about which sections of the passport to copy].

- An expired or current passport or national identity card showing the holder, or a person named in the passport as the child of the holder, is a national of a European Economic Area country or Switzerland.
- A Registration Certificate or document certifying permanent residence issued by the Home Office to a national of a European Economic Area country or Switzerland.
- A Permanent Residence Card issued by the Home Office to the family member of a national of a European Economic Area country or Switzerland.
- A **current** Biometric Immigration Document (Biometric Residence Permit) issued by the Home Office to the holder indicating that the person named is allowed to stay indefinitely in the UK, or has no time limit on their stay in the UK.
- A **current** passport endorsed to show that the holder is exempt from immigration control, is allowed to stay indefinitely in the UK, has the right of abode in the UK, or has no time limit on their stay in the UK.
- A **current** Immigration Status Document issued by the Home Office to the holder with an endorsement indicating that the named person is allowed to stay indefinitely in the UK or has no time limit on their stay in the UK, **when produced in combination with** an official document giving the person's permanent National Insurance number and their name issued by a Government agency or a previous employer.
- A **full** birth or adoption certificate issued in the UK which includes the name(s) of at least one of the holder's parents or adoptive parents, **when produced in combination with** an official document giving the person's permanent National Insurance number and their name issued by a Government agency or a previous employer.
- A birth or adoption certificate issued in the Channel Islands, the Isle of Man or Ireland **when produced in combination with** an official document giving the person's permanent National Insurance number and their name issued by a Government agency or a previous employer.
- A certificate of registration or naturalisation as a British citizen, **when produced in combination with** an official document giving the person's permanent National Insurance number and their name issued by a Government agency or a previous employer.
- A **current** passport endorsed to show that the holder is allowed to stay in the UK and is currently allowed to work and is not subject to a condition preventing the holder from doing work relating to the carrying on of a licensable activity.
- A **current** Biometric Immigration Document (Biometric Residence Permit) issued by the Home Office to the holder which indicates that the named person can currently stay in the UK and is allowed to work relation to the carrying on of a licensable activity.
- A **current** Residence Card issued by the Home Office to a person who is not a national of a European Economic Area state or Switzerland but who is a family member of such a national or who has derivative rights or residence.

- A **current** Immigration Status Document containing a photograph issued by the Home Office to the holder with an endorsement indicating that the named person may stay in the UK, and is allowed to work and is not subject to a condition preventing the holder from doing work relating to the carrying on of a licensable activity **when produced in combination with** an official document giving the person's permanent National Insurance number and their name issued by a Government agency or a previous employer.
- A Certificate of Application, **less than 6 months old**, issued by the Home Office under regulation 17(3) or 18A (2) of the Immigration (European Economic Area) Regulations 2006, to a person who is not a national of a European Economic Area state or Switzerland but who is a family member of such a national or who has derivative rights of residence.
- Reasonable evidence that the person has an outstanding application to vary their permission to be in the UK with the Home Office such as the Home Office acknowledgement letter or proof of postage evidence, or reasonable evidence that the person has an appeal or administrative review pending on an immigration decision, such as an appeal or administrative review reference number.
- Reasonable evidence that a person who is not a national of a European Economic Area state or Switzerland but who is a family member of such a national or who has derivative rights of residence in exercising treaty rights in the UK including:-
 - evidence of the applicant's own identity – such as a passport,
 - evidence of their relationship with the European Economic Area family member – e.g. a marriage certificate, civil partnership certificate or birth certificate, and
 - evidence that the European Economic Area national has a right of permanent residence in the UK or is one of the following if they have been in the UK for more than 3 months:
 - (i) working e.g. employment contract, wage slips, letter from the employer,
 - (ii) self-employed e.g. contracts, invoices, or audited accounts with a bank,
 - (iii) studying e.g. letter from the school, college or university and evidence of sufficient funds; or
 - (iv) self-sufficient e.g. bank statements.

Family members of European Economic Area nationals who are studying or financially independent must also provide evidence that the European Economic Area national and any family members hold comprehensive sickness insurance in the UK. This can include a private medical insurance policy, an EHIC card or an S1, S2 or S3 form.

Original documents must not be sent to licensing authorities. If the document copied is a passport, a copy of the following pages should be provided:-

- (i) any page containing the holder's personal details including nationality;
- (ii) any page containing the holder's photograph;
- (iii) any page containing the holder's signature;
- (iv) any page containing the date of expiry; and
- (v) any page containing information indicating the holder has permission to enter or remain in the UK and is permitted to work.

If the document is not a passport, a copy of the whole document should be provided.

Your right to work will be checked as part of your licensing application and this could involve us checking your immigration status with the Home Office. We may otherwise share information

with the Home Office. Your licence application will not be determined until you have complied with this guidance.