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Sent: 16 April 2025 16:22
To: Licensing Team
Cc: Singh, Amitabh
Subject: Premier, 99a Newport High Street - Review of the premises licence

Good afternoon,

On behalf of the Licencing Authority I have reviewed the application for the review of the premises licence for Premier, 99a High Street, Newport.

I fully support the application to revoke the premises licence due to the lack of proper management, breach of licensing conditions and DPS not on the premises or in control of the premises.

Routine Inspection was carried out on the 8th May 2024 as a result on 9th May 2024 a letter was sent to Premises Licence Holder (PLH) for breach of conditions and highlight the fact DPS does not have any management of the premises. The conditions that were not being complied with:-

1. The premises licence was not in store. The Licensing Act 2003 requires the licence, or a certified copy of the licence, to be kept on the premises.
2. The premises licence summary was not on display. The Licensing Act 2003 requires the premises licence summary to be prominently displayed at the premises.
3. There are no staff training records in relation to the sale of alcohol, this is a breach of the licence conditions.
4. There is no CCTV installed or in operation, this is a breach of the licence conditions.
5. There are no risk assessments in place concerning public safety, this is a breach of the licence conditions.
6. No A3 Statutory Notice was on display stating that it is illegal to sell tobacco products to anyone under the age of 18, as required by the Children and Young Persons (Protection from Tobacco) Act 1991.

In addition, during the inspection we did also discuss the role and responsibilities of the Designated Premises Supervisor (DPS). As explained, the DPS is the person who holds responsibility for authorising all sales of alcohol under the premises licence and therefore the DPS would ideally be someone who is in day to day management of the store. The Premises Licence Holder (you) has responsibility for naming the DPS. The premises licence currently lists Catherine Chilton as the DPS however during our discussion you seemed unaware of who Mrs Chilton is and confirmed she is not involved in the day to day running of the store. We would strongly recommend that you, as the Premises Licence Holder, appoint a suitable person as DPS

Re-visit was carried out on 14th August and as a result a letter was sent on 23rd August 2024 to PLH stating 3 of the above breaches were still outstanding.

1. There are no staff training records in relation to the sale of alcohol, this is a breach of the licence conditions.
2. There is no CCTV installed or in operation, this is a breach of the licence conditions.
3. There are no risk assessments in place concerning public safety, this is a breach of the licence conditions.

Still no contact or evidence of the nominated DPS was involved in the premises and no application had been received to change the DPS

Another visit was carried out on 21st October and as a result a letter was sent to PLH on 24th October 2024 that there were still outstanding breaches of licensing conditions and PLH had altered the Premises Licence Summery by covering up the PLH's address. This in an offence under the Licensing Act 2003.

On 20th November 2024 a joint visit with the police regarding alledged under aged sales, advice was given and told to operate "Challenge 25".

On 25th February 2025 a complaint was received by a parent that her 17 year old son had been to Premises and was sold a bottle of wine.

Officers of the Licensing Authority are extremely concerned that Mr Paris does not have a solid understanding or regard for his premises licence conditions or the Licensing Act 2003 in general. Mr Paris seems unfamiliar with the level of responsibility he has in becoming a premises licence holder and the Licensing Authority has no confidence that Mr Paris is a responsible retailer. In addition, Officers of the Licensing Authority are concerned that the named DPS, Catherine Chilton, has no direct involvement with the premises or the management of the business, in fact on first inspection Mr Paris seemed completely unaware of who this person is.

For the above reasons, the Licensing Authority fully support the revocation of this licence.

Kind regards, Emma

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