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Your ref:

Our ref: 01QK/440/15/157

Police representation to the application to vary the Premises Licence at Cedar Grocery Store 160-162 Manor Park Road, NW10 4JT

I certify that I have considered the application shown above and I wish to make representations that the likely effect of the grant of the application is detrimental to the Council's Licensing Objectives for the reasons indicated below.

I am of the opinion that the risk to the Council's objectives can be mitigated by removing the requested variations or attaching conditions to the Licence as shown below.

If these conditions were accepted in full **I would** withdraw my representation.

Officer: Nicola McDonald Licensing Constable PC 157QK

An officer of the Metropolitan Police, in whose area the premises are situated, who is authorised for the purposes of exercising its statutory function as a 'Responsible Authority' under the Licensing Act 2003.

The application has been made for a premises licence under section 34 of the act.

The Police representations are primarily concerned with crime and disorder.

High Strength Alcoholic Drinks

Street drinkers and drunkenness is a major cause for concern in Brent. Brent Borough is a controlled drinking zone. It is proven that high strength but cheap lagers, beers and cider contribute to the problem. If the premise does not stock these cheap high strength drinks (above 6.0% ABV) then the problem will be lessened or displaced. All Off Licenses in the area will be required to stop stocking these High strength drinks as they vary or come to review.

Police acknowledge the applicants request to list several beers above 5.5% ABV that they would like to sell in the shop. Police deem condition number 6 of the current

premises licence could not be fulfilled by the premises licence holder in its existing state.

Police suggest condition 6 be replaced by the following condition:
No high strength beers, lagers, and ciders above 6.0% ABV shall be stocked with the exception of
Guinness Foreign Extra Stout (Dublin) 7.5% ABV
Imported Guinness (Nigeria) 7.5% ABV
Dragon Stout 7.5% ABV
Brothers Pear Cider 7% ABV.

Security Measures

The following measures are proven to improve the security of your shop premises. The floor area in front of the counter must be kept clear of any objects that could be used as a step to attack staff. Behind the counter the floor area should be raised 15 centimetres.

The premises must be protected by a monitored Intruder Alarm system.

The till/s should be secured from being lifted or moved. There shall be a door where access to the till area begins.

The window of the premises shall be kept clear of signage and advertising. Spirits, Champagne and other similar valued goods should be displayed behind the counter. All alcohol within the shop should be displayed within the direct sight of the till operator and not obscured by other shelving etc.

Police have visited the premises during this consultation period and had discovered the condition 7 of the current premises licence is not being complied with. 'Raid Control' crime prevention measures are still current and relevant, however to make the implementation more simple Police request this condition to be removed and replaced with

The following crime prevention measures be implemented:

A time delay safe with deposit slot and anti fishing mechanisms must be used in line with a cash minimization policy.

Regular robbery awareness and cash minimization training given to all staff

Yours Sincerely

Nicola McDonald 157QK Licensing Constable Brent Police