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Bacovia Supermarket
296 Neasden Lane
London
NW10 0AD

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Case Reference: 12304

Licensing Representation to the Application to Review the Premises Licence for Bacovia Supermarket, 296 Neasden Lane, London, NW10 0AD

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

Licensing Inspector: Esther Chan

An officer of the Licensing Authority, 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 to review the premises licence under section 51 of the Act.

Following the review application related to Bacovia Supermarket, 296 Neasden Lane, London, NW10 0AD, I conducted a visit to the premise on Wednesday 20th June 2018 at approximately 10:49hrs to carry out an inspection.

During my visit, the DPS, Ms Lavinia Victoria Lieanu and the manager Mrs Maria Ana were both present.

The following conditions which are embedded on the premise licence were breached whereby various conditions were not met or fully complied with:

Condition 1 - CCTV shall be installed to Home Office Guidance standards and maintained in a good working condition and recordings shall be kept for 31 days and shall be made available to police and licensing officers if requested.

I was informed that CCTV recordings are only kept for 30 days.

Condition 3 - A 'Challenge 21' policy shall be adopted and adhered to.

During my inspection, I observed a 'Challenge 25' poster displayed on the glass window by the front counter. Ms Lieanu confirmed that the premise adopts a 'Challenge 25' policy and a refreshers training is conducted once every month. She then showed me staff training records, which did not stipulate Challenge 25 is adopted. The training records states that no persons under 21 years of age regardless of circumstances is allowed to buy alcohol and tabaco. This was pointed out to Ms Lieanu that training records does not appear to correspond with the age verification policy adopted at the premises. Ms Lieanu admitted the error and stated she will update the training records.

Condition 9 - A copy of the premises licence summary including the hours which licensable activities are permitted shall be visible from the outside of each entrance to the premises.

This condition has not been met. An old copy of the premise licence dated 31st July 2013 showing part of the licence was displayed. Ms Ana was advised to ensure the most recent copy of the summary licence (Part B) of the premise licence is displayed facing outside the premise.

Condition -14 Alcohol products located behind the counter be covered by a screen at times when they are not for sale.

During my observation, it was noted that there was no screen located behind the counter to cover the alcohol. Both Ms Lieanu and Ms Ana were unaware of this condition.

Summary

To summarize, the Licensing Authority makes representation against this application as we are not confident that the licensee and DPS have a full understanding of the requirements under the Licensing Act. Based on the number of breaches identified at my inspection, the licence holder is unable to fully uphold the licensing objectives.

The Licensing Authority agree with all the conditions imposed by the Licensing Police in this review application.

Yours faithfully,



Esther Chan
Licensing Inspector
Planning, Transportation & Licensing