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LICENSING ACT 2003

APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF A PREMISES LICENCE

APPLICANT: 74 PISGAH STREET, KENFIG HILL, BRIDGEND, CF33 6BU

Licensing authority officers in their role as a responsible authority make the following representations: that the application, in its current format, does not fully support the licensing objectives.

Observations

The premises' has previously held a licence under the Licensing Act 2003. In May 2015 South Wales Police, due to a number of licensing and immigration breaches, submitted an application to review the premises licence recommending revocation, at this time the Premises Licence Holder and Designated Premises Supervisor was [REDACTED] the wife of Nagarjah Nagendirarajah. Support representations were submitted by Licensing Enforcement.

The licence was surrendered in July 2015 the day before the review hearing was scheduled to take place.

The applicant has offered very little additional information in the application on how he intends to promote the licensing objectives. The applicant has stated that any persons who look under the age of 18 must produce photographic identification. A strict age policy and a policy advising how staff will be trained on the requirements of the Licensing Act 2003 or any details of the proof of age scheme must be in force. It is a mandatory condition that an age verification policy applies to a premises selling or supplying alcohol. This has not been fully evidenced in the operating schedule. As a minimum any policy shall include:

- all reasonable steps to be taken to prevent sales of alcohol to children under the age of 18 years, including prominent notices being displayed, at each point of entry to the premises and at all sales points, advising customers that the premises operates the relevant proof of age scheme
- Specify a proof of age requirement before sale of alcohol is made
- all reasonable steps to be taken to prevent adults from purchasing alcohol for or on behalf of children under 18 years

- A scheme that ensures any person attempting to purchase alcohol who is, or appears to be under the age of the relevant proof of age policy provides documented proof that he/she is over 18 years of age.
- A policy must be available advising on how staff will be trained on the prevention of the Sale of Alcohol to intoxicated persons.

The applicant has also stated a refusals register will be maintained, but does not mention if records will be made available for inspection by authorised officers.

It is noted, although the applicant has stated that staff awareness will be set out in the operating scheduled, he does not offer information on any further training of the Licensing Act 2003. The Licensing Act 2003 is updated frequently, it is, therefore, recommended that all staff receive training on a regular basis.

It is also noted that applicant has offered under the prevention of public nuisance that he will identify issues within the vicinity of the premises, but does not advise how he will resolve any problems that may arise or how they will be enforced.

Licensing Enforcement are of the opinion the licensing objectives have not been adequately addressed, concerns are also raised due to Nagarjah Nagendirajah having an active role in the running of the premises when the licence was breached on more than one occasion in 2015.

Regards

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