Application for the review of a premises licence or club premises certificate 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 DIANNE SLACK					
(Insert name of applicant)					
apply for the review of a premises licence under section 51 / apply for the review of a club premises certificate under section 87 of the Licensing Act 2003 for the premises described in Part 1 below (delete as applicable)					
Part 1 – Premises or club premises de	tails				
Postal address of premises or, if none description Mini Mart Off Licence 443 Dudley Road Blakenhall	, ordnance survey map reference o	r			
Post town Wolverhampton	Post code (if known) WV2 3AQ				
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Name of premises licence holder or clean known)	ub holding club premises certificat	e (IT			
Mr. Haval ALI					
Number of premises licence or club pr	emises certificate (if known				
17/06053/PREDPS	,				
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Part 2 - Applicant details					
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1) an interested party (please complete (A) or (B) below)				
a) a person living in the vicinity of the	premises	\boxtimes			
b) a body representing persons living	in the vicinity of the premises				
c) a person involved in business in th	e vicinity of the premises				
 d) a body representing persons involved premises 	ved in business in the vicinity of the				
2) a responsible authority (please comple	ete (C) below)	\boxtimes			

3) a member of the club to which this application relates (please complete (A) below)							
(A) DETAILS OF	INDIVI	DUAL AP	PLICA	NT (fil	l in as ap _l	plicable)	
Please tick Mr		Miss		Ms		Other (for ex	title ample, Rev)
Surname				Fi	rst name	s	
I am 18 years ol	d or ove	er					Please tick yes
Current postal address if different from premises address							
Post town					Post C	ode	
Daytime contac	t teleph	one num	ber			-	
E-mail address (optional)							
(B) DETAILS O	F OTHE	R APPLIC	CANT				
Name and addre	SS						
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Telephone numb	er (if any	/)					
E-mail address (optional)						

(C) DETAILS OF RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY APPLICANT

Name and address Dianne Slack Tobacco Control Officer Trading Standards Service City of Wolverhampton Council Civic Centre St Peters Square Wolverhampton WV1 1RP
Telephone number (if any) 01902 556063
E-mail address (optional) dianne.slack@wolverhampton.gov.uk
This application to review relates to the following licensing objective(s) Please tick one or more boxes 1) the prevention of crime and disorder 2) public safety 3) the prevention of public nuisance 4) the protection of children from harm
Please state the ground(s) for review (please read guidance note 1) The local weights and measures authority has "responsible authority" status under the Licensing Act 2003 by virtue of the Licensing Act 2003 (Premises licences and club premises certificates) Regulations 2005.
On the 27 December 2018 and 31 January 2019, City of Wolverhampton Council Trading Standards Service received information that illicit cigarettes and tobacco were being sold from Mini Mart, 443 Dudley Road, Blakenhall Wolverhampton.
On the 15 February 2019, officers from Trading Standards accompanied by officers from West Midlands Police visited 443 Dudley Road with a Tobacco search dog. On this occasion 14140 cigarette sticks, equivalent to 707 packs of 20 cigarettes and 3.350 kg of handrolling tobacco equivlent to 67, 50 g pouches were discovered behind the counter, and in a specially constructed, concealed area in a rear store room.
In addition West Midlands Police discovered an A4 sized bag of cannabis in the loft area.
Mr Havel Ali, Director of Mini Mart Wolverhampton Limited, the proprietor of the business; premises licence holder and designated premises supervisor, was present at the time of the inspection and admitted the products were his. The tobacco products were suspected of being counterfeit or non duty paid and were subsequently seized.
A traders notice was left with Mr Ali, He was advised during the inspection that it was a criminal offence to possess, supply or sell counterfeit products or illicit tobacco

products and any goods are marked as duty free or where UK duty has not been paid on those goods.

The seized goods included a large number of cigarettes known as ' foreign cheap whites', e.g. FEST, L & M and Business Royals which are foreign brands brought into the UK illegally, specifically to be sold on the black market. Officers also found English branded tobacco products such as Mayfair, Richmond and Rothman, that were not in the required standardised packaging, colours, text formatting nor contained the required pictoral and written health and safety warnings. Investigations are ongoing as to wherther some of the tobacco products such as Mayfair contravene the provisions of the Trade Marks Act 1994.

To knowingly keep or allow to be kept on relevant premises, goods such as cigarettes, which have been imported without payment of duty or which had otherwise been unlawfully imported is a criminal offence as per section 144 (1) and (3) of the Licensing Act 2003.

Mr Ali has subsequently claimed he has sold the business on but remains as premises licence holder.

Trading Standards has "responsible authority" status under the Licensing Act 2003. Minimart has engaged in activities which have breached a licensing objective namely the prevention of crime and disorder. The Home Office publishes guidance under section 182 of the 2003 Act and at 11.27 that guidance advises that the sale and distribution of controlled drugs under the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971, that may arise in connection with licensed premises and/or the sale of contraband or counterfeit tobacco is activity that should be considered "partcularly seriously." The guidance goes on to state that:

"Where reviews arise and the licensing authority determines that the crime prevention objective is being undermined through the premises being used to further crimes, it is expected that suspension or revocation of the licence – even in the first instance should be seriously considered."

Additionally the sale of illicit tobacco is not a victimless crime as it:

- -contributes to the shadow ecomony
- -undermines the City's public health activity which aims to deter residents from smoking especially young people
- -drives down the cost of tobacco thereby counteracting Central Government's attempts to use price as a disincentive.

Further, the discovery of cannabis in the loft, a controlled Class B drug, is also a crime that is not directly connected with licensable activities and an offence under the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 (as amended). Proof of intention to supply a controlled drug is a matter for the Courts. The Drugs Act 2005, states that if it is proved that the accused had an amount of a controlled drug in his possession which exceeds the amount that would be considered for personal use, a court or jury must assume that he had the drug in his possession with the intent to supply it.

Licensing authorities do not have the power to judge the criminality or otherwise of this issue. 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.

11.25 states that Reviews are part of the regulatory process introduced by the 2003

Act and they are not part of criminal law and procedure. There is, therefore, no reason why representations giving rise to a review of a premises licence need be delayed pending the outcome of any criminal proceedings. In any case, it is for the licensing authority to determine whether the problems associated with the alleged crimes are taking place on the premises and affecting the promotion of the licensing objectives.

Where the licensing authority is conducting a review on the grounds that the premises have been used for criminal purposes, its role is solely to determine what steps should be taken in connection with the premises licence, for the promotion of the crime prevention objective. Of course certain criminal activity or associated problems may be taking place or have taken place despite the best efforts of the licence holder and the staff working at the premises and despite full compliance with the conditions attached to the licence. However, even in such circumstances, the licensing authority is still empowered to take any appropriate steps to remedy the problems.

ease provide as much information as possible to support the application ease read guidance note 2)
/A

	Please tick yes
Have you made an application for review relating to the	
If yes please state the date of that application	Day Month Year
If you have made representations before relating to what they were and when you made them	to this premises please state
N/A	

 I have sent copies of this form and enclosures to the responsible authorities and the premises licence holder or club holding the club premises certificate, as appropriate 	
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Signature	
Date 07June 2019	
Capacity Tobacco Control Officer: Trading Standards	
Contact name (where not previously given) and postal address for correspondence associated with this application (please read guidance	note 5)
Post town Post Code	
Telephone number (if any)	
If you would prefer us to correspond with you using an e-mail address mail address (optional)	your e-

Please tick yes

Notes for Guidance

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WOLVERHAMPTON TRADING STANDARDS - EVIDENCE STORAGE RECORD SHEET

	Number of Bags/Boxes:	Case Reference: RS/18/53
4 mobile phones sent for examination	Date into Storage: 15 February 2019	15 February 2019
Cigarettes, tobacco Hand Rolling Re-counted and resealed 20 February 2019 by Dianne Slack		443 Dudley Road
Type of Evidence	Officer in Charge of Case: Dianne Slack	Defendant: Havel Ali

Original Seal	Bag Ref	Seal Bag Ref Item/ Quantit	Quantity	New Seal
0523006	DS/MM/D/2,	Mayfair Mayfair Mayfair Business Royal Fest Red Richmond Marlboro Gold	1000 1200 1200 200	05231231
			4800	
0523004	DS/MM/D/1	Business Royals Rothmans Demi Rothmans Demi Click L&M Richmond	200 2000 1200 800	0523134
		Amber Leaf x 14 Golden Virninia y 8	4600 1.1kg	
05230005	DS/MM//3	Mariboro Gold L&M	1600	0523133
		Rothmans Blue Business Royal	400	
			3000	
0523035		Amber Leaf x 13 Golden Virginla x 13	1.3kg	
0523018	DS/mm/F/1	Amber Leaf x 11 GV x 8	0.950kg	

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N08790785 DS/N N08790789 DS/N N08790784 DS/N		Original Seal Bag Ref
DS/MM/G/3 DS/MM/G/2 DS/MM/G/3 DS/MM/G/4		Ref
Nokia TA- mobile telephone Samsung S9 Samsung A5 Samsung S6	Business royal Fest Red Mariboro Gold L&M Forward L&M Blue Rothmans Demi Rothmans Demi Rothmans Blue Rothmans Blue Rothmans Blue Rothmans Mayfair	Item/ Description
	1240 1240 120 120 120 120 120 160 300 200 100	Quantity
2018-101-03 2018-101-04 2018-101-05 2018-101-06 Passed to analysis on 21 February 2019		New Seal

TOTAL SEIZURES

Foreign, Counterfeit, non duty cigarettes = Foreign, Counterfeit, non duty HRT = 14140 sticks or 707 packs of 20 All old packaging! 3.350g or 67 pouches











