From: Ellina Bawa

Sent: 22 March 2024 13:09

To: Licensing

Subject: FW: Premises Review - Three Tuns News, 512 Stafford Road, Wolverhampton, WV10

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Attachments: Three Tuns News 11 038793 LPS Review Notice.pdf; PH Reps Three Tuns.docx

Dear Licensing,

I write on behalf of Public Health as a Responsible Authority to submit supporting formal representations to the above application under the licensing objectives of The Prevention of Crime and Disorder and Protection of Children from Harm.

Public Health have very serious concerns regarding the sales of illicit tobacco, illicit vapes and underage sales. This is further exacerbated by the fact that there was no statutory licence summary on display and the tobacco gantry was openly displaying tobacco products.

The premises not upholding the licensing objectives and failure to comply with the conditions attached the licensing agreement.

As a Responsible Authority we would expect any business licensed to sell age restricted items, to act responsibly at all times and promote the key objectives of the Licensing Act 2003.

Public Health is not reassured that the business is operating in adherence to the Licensing Act and therefore supports Licensing Authorities request to review the current licence. I, or a suitable representative from Public Health, will be available to attend the hearing and provide further information as required.

Kind regards,

Ellina

Health Improvement Officer Public Health City of Wolverhampton Council





Senior Licensing & Compliance Officer City of Wolverhampton Council

22nd March 2024

Dear ,

Three Tuns News, 512 Stafford Road, Wolverhampton, WV10 6AN - PRE874

Thank you for your email dated 21st March 2024 in reference to the request made by Trading Standards to review the premises licence for Three Tun News.

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I have reviewed the documentation submitted by Trading Standards and would support the request to review the premises licence under the licensing objectives of:

- The Prevention of Crime and Disorder
- The Protection of Children from Harm

The evidence put forward by Trading Standards is very concerning with the reported instances showing a clear neglect of the licensing act 2003. Public Health have serious concerns regarding the sales of illicit tobacco, illicit vapes and underage sales. This is further exacerbated by the fact that there was no statutory licence summary on display and the tobacco gantry was openly displaying tobacco products.

Although the government recommend adult smokers to switch from smoking cigarettes to vapes, vapes are not risk free. There is well established concern about the harms from vaping, specifically associated with younger people, use of disposable vaping products has increased substantially, with 52.8% of current vapers using them in 2022, compared with 7.8% in 2021 and 5.3% in 2020 nationally Nicotine vaping in England: 2022 evidence update main findings - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

Considering the reported breaches of licensing conditions and failure to promote licensing objectives, this provides no assurance to Public Health that the business is operating in accordance with the Licensing Act. Therefore, Public Health supports the review of the premises license.

I, or a suitable representative from Public Health, will be available to attend the hearing and provide further information as required.

Yours sincerely,

Ellina Bawa Health Improvement Officer