

Reference: 2011/00632/01SRAP Hearing: 21st April 2011

#### **Application for Review of Premises Licence**

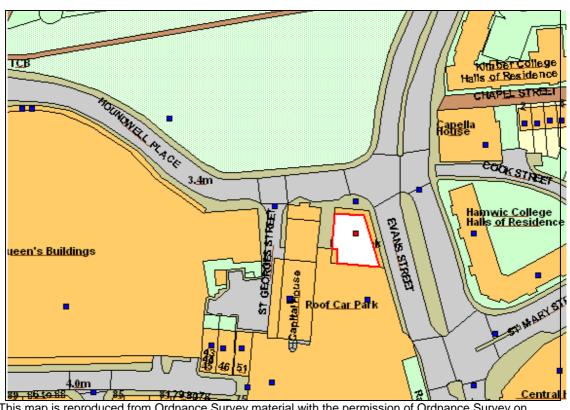
Premises Name: Royal Oak Application Date: 10th March 2011
Premises Address: Houndwell Place Application 10th March 2011

Southampton Received Date:

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Application Valid

Date:

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#### Representation From Responsible Authorities

Responsible Authority	Satisfactory?	Comments
Child Protection Services - Licensing	No Response Received	
Hampshire Fire And Rescue - Licensing	Yes	

Environmental Health - Licensing	No Response Received	
Planning & Sustainability - Building Control - Licensing	No Response Received	
Planning & Sustainability - Development Control - Licensing	No Response Received	
Hampshire Constabulary - Licensing	No	
Trading Standards - Licensing	Yes	

#### Other Representations

Name	Address	Contributor Type
None		

#### Legal Implications

- 1. Part 3 of the Licensing Act 2003 provides that a responsible authority of a resident or business in the vicinity (interested party) may apply for review of a premises licence.
- 2. The grounds of review applications must relate to one or more of the licensing objectives.
- In such circumstances, the applicant for the review must serve a copy of the review application on the holder of the premises licences, the City Council and each of the responsible authorities.
- 4. On receipt of the application for review, the officers will consider its validity, under delegated powers. Reasons for rejection, in whole or in part, include:
  - that the grounds for review are not relevant to one of more of the licensing objectives and;
  - (in the case of an application not made by a responsible authority), that the application is frivolous, vexatious or repetitious.
- 5. The City Council must, within one day of receiving the application for review, display a prescribed notice of the review application on the outside or adjacent the premises; the notice must remain on display for 28 days and any interested party in the vicinity or the responsible authorities may make representations in that period.

- 6. Unless the applicant, licence holder, interested parties and responsible authorities agree that a hearing is unnecessary, the City Council is then required to hold a hearing to consider the review.
- 7. The sub-committee, in considering the application for review, must have regard to the adopted Statement of Licensing Policy and evidence before it at the hearing.
- 8. The Licensing Act 2003 provides that, in determining an application for review, the sub-committee may take any (or none) of the following steps, as it considers necessary:
  - modify the conditions of the licence;
  - exclude a licensable activity from the scope of the licence;
  - remove the designated premises supervisor;
  - suspend the licence for a period not exceeding three months;
  - revoke the licence.
- 9. The Licensing Act 2003 makes provision for appeal to the Southampton Magistrates' Court against the sub-committee's decision in relation to an application for review.
- 10. In considering this application the sub-committee will sit in a quasi-judicial capacity and is thus obliged to consider applications in accordance with both the Licensing Act 2003 (Hearings) Regulations 2005, and amending secondary legislation and the rules of natural justice. The practical effect of this is that the sub-committee must makes its decision based on evidence submitted in accordance with the legislation and give adequate reasons for reaching its decision.
- 11. Copies of the application for review and the Police objection are annexed to this report.
- 12. The sub-committee must also have regard to:-
- 13. Crime and Disorder Act 1998

Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 places the Council under a duty to exercise its various functions with due regard to the likely effect of the exercise of those functions on, and the need to do all that it reasonably can to prevent, crime and disorder in its area.

#### 14. Human Rights Act 1998

The Act requires UK legislation to be interpreted in a manner consistent with the European Convention on Human Rights. It is unlawful for the Council to act in a way that is incompatible (or fail to act in a way that is compatible) with the rights protected by the Act. Any action undertaken by the Council that could have an effect upon another person's Human Rights must be taken having regard to the principle of proportionality - the need to balance the rights of the individual with the rights of the community as a whole. Any action taken by the Council which affect another's rights must be no more onerous than is necessary in a democratic society. The matters set out in this report must be considered in light of the above obligations.



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Before completing this form, please refer to FPP 07001 (Licensing (Licensing Act 2003))

I PC 24084 Hayley Channell , on behalf of the Chief Officer of Hampshire Constabulary, (Insert name of applicant)					
Apply for the review of a premises licence.					
Apply for the review of a club premises certificate. (Select as applicable)					
Premises or Club Premises details					
Postal address of Royal Oak premises: Houndwell Place Southampton					
Postcode (if known): SO14 1HU					
Name of premises licence holder or club holding club premises certificate (if known) Trust Inns Limited Blenheim House Foxhole Road Ackhurst Park Chorley Lancashire PR7 1NY					
Number of premises licence or club premises certificate (if known) 2009/01360/01SPRT					
Details of responsible authority applicant					
Mr ☐ Mrs ☐ Miss ☒ Ms ☐ Other title / Rank: PC					
Surname: Channell First Names: Hayley					
Current postal address:  C/o Southampton Central Police Station Southern Road Southampton	et management				
Postcode: SO15 1AN					
Daytime telephone number: 02380 674768					
E-mail address: (optional) southampton.licensing@hampshire.pnn.police.uk					

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Hampshire Constabulary is a responsible authority and the applicant has the delegated authority of the Chief Officer of Police in respect of his responsibilities under the Licensing Act 2003

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This application to review relates to the following licensing objective(s)

	Select one or more
The prevention of crime and disorder	boxes
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2) Public safety	
The prevention of public nuisance     The prevention of billing for the public nuisance	
The protection of children from harm	
Please state the grounds for review which must be based on one or moobjectives together with supporting information:	re of the licensing
This review is brought by Hampshire Constabulary as a responsible auticensing Act 2003, in light of recent test purchase failures at The Roya We believe that these failures can be directly linked to the poor staff tradelivered at the venue.	Oak public bouse
Hampshire Constabulary request that the following conditions be applie licence to prevent any future failures. We also request that the venue be of closure as a deterrent but also to ensure that any conditions that are licence, could be properly implemented to support the four licensing obj	e subject to a period
The conditions that Hampshire Constabulary would seek to have added licence are:	to the current
1) Challenge 25 - There will be a Challenge 25 policy operated at the premaning that the holder of the premises licence shall ensure that every appears to be under 25 years of age seeking to purchase or be supplied from the premises shall produce means of identification acceptable to the proving that individual to be 18 years of age or older. If the person seek to produce acceptable means of identification, no sale or supply of alcolor that person.	individual who d with alcohol at or ne licensing authority
2) All staff who sell alcohol will be trained to NCPLH (National Certificate License Holder) level. All sales of alcohol must be directly supervised as personal licence holder until such staff have achieved training to NCPLH	nd authorised by a
3) Staff are trained regarding appropriate precautions to prevent the sale persons under the age of 18; that records are kept of such training, which dated by the member of staff who has received the training; that staff rectraining every six months as a minimum and that records are signed and member of staff and records are kept of this refresher training. Records inspection by Hampshire Constabulary and the Licensing Authority.	ch are signed and ceive refresher
4) For the Designated Premises Supervisors to be trained to BIIAB Leve	el 2.



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- 5) The premise holder or his nominated representative will maintain membership of any existing Barwatch scheme, or join any future scheme, which is not currently in existence and approved/supported by the local police. He/she will ensure co-operation with the relevant scheme, abide by any rules and ensure meetings are regularly attended.
- 6) An incident book will be provided and maintained at the premises and there will be a daily debrief of door staff at the close of business to the reasonable satisfaction of Hampshire Constabulary. The incident book will remain on the premises at all times and will be available to police upon request.
- 7) CCTV The premises shall have sufficient cameras located within the premises to cover all public areas including outside of the premises covering the entrance and exit. The system should be able to cope with strobe lighting and all levels of illumination throughout the premises as well as outside areas.

The CCTV system must be operating at all times whilst the premises are open for licensable activity.

All equipment shall have a constant and accurate time and date generation.

There shall be sufficient members of trained staff available during operating hours to be able to provide viewable copies at the request of the Police or authorised officer. Any images recovered must be in a format that can be readily taken away and viewed on any computer operating on any Windows based program acceptable to the police, or DVD player. This will be without the requirement for additional software to be installed.

Records must be made on a weekly basis and kept for inspection to show that the system is functioning correctly and that data is being securely retained.

CCTV warning signs to be fitted in public places.

Recordings to be kept for a minimum of 28 days.

The DPS or premises manager must be able to demonstrate that the CCTV system has measured to prevent recordings being tampered with, i.e. password protected.

All systems, signage, hardware and procedures are to be installed and implemented to the reasonable satisfaction of Hampshire Constabulary and approved in writing.

As stated above the venue has failed two test purchases by selling alcohol to juveniles, which does not support 1 of the licensing objectives - the protection of children from harm. The following information provides further details on the failures.

On 13/11/2010 a staff member sold 2 bottles of WKD blue to 2 test purchasers. She was issued with a fixed penalty notice for the offence in the presence of the Designated Premises Supervisor. The staff member was retained as staff by the venue as she was described as a good employee and hard worker. This staff member had received her initial staff training on 31/01/2010 (approximately 10 months earlier) and there was no record of her having received any further training since this date.

On 19/11/2010 a meeting was held at the premise between the police and the DPS to discuss the first test purchase failure. During this meeting it was agreed that to avoid any future failings the DPS would be implementing the following:

1) Identification would be requested from everyone due to being a student-based venue.



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- 2) If any further staff fail a test purchase, they will be dismissed.
- 3) Staff will be trained about asking customers for identification and if they encountered a large group they will inform the DPS so that he can carry out the checks instead.
- 4)Test Inn and Heineken Brewery will be assisting in reviewing the current training package.

During this meeting the police also suggested that the DPS could implement Challenge 25 and maintain an incident/refusals book in order to try and prevent his staff from serving alcohol to underage persons again in the future.

Second test purchase failure:

On 21/01/2011 another staff member sold a bottle of Becks and a Smirnoff Ice to 2 test purchasers. This staff member was issued with a fixed penalty notice for the offence and was later dismissed by the venue. This staff member had received her training on 18/01/2011 - just 3 days earlier. This therefore shows that the staff training provided by the venue was inadequate, otherwise this staff member would have undoubtedly asked for ID according to what was agreed at the previous meeting.

A further meeting was held at The Royal Oak on 04/02/11 following this second failure. This was held with the DPS and a representative of Trust Inns.

During this meeting the DPS was asked about any changes he had made since the last meeting with the police. He had not implemented a Challenge 25 police or introduced a refusals book. There had not been any improvement in the training package and there were no regular training records for any staff. No assistance had been sought from Test Inn/Heineken Brewery with regards to this. They did dismiss the second member of staff that failed the test purchase.

The 2 failures show that there is insufficient staff training provided at the venue. There is no evidence that the first staff member to fail the test purchase had received any further training since her initial training in January 2010 - almost a year before she failed the test purchase. The second staff member to fail had only received her training three days prior to her test purchase failure so any training she had received should have been perfectly fresh in her mind. It is clear that staff training needs to be vastly improved from the current system in order for the venue to support the licensing objectives and prevent any future sales of alcohol to children

The DPS was asked about current staff training and he provided a small four page leaflet. This leaflet consists of a cover page, information on the two inside pages and then a signature strip on the last page. He stated that the training consists of staff reading the leaflet and then signing on the back to say that they have read it.

Further to any improvements made to the current staff training, it is clear that the current DPS would also benefit from further training - the suggested BIIAB Level 2 National Certificate for Designated Premises Supervisors.

Have you made an application for revie	w relating to these premises before:	∐Yes ∣	⊠No
If yes please state the date of that application:	/ /		
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If you have made representations before re were	lating to this premises please state what they
Please tick  ☐ I have sent copies of this form and encopremises licence holder or club holding	losures to the responsible authorities and the the the club premises certificate, as appropriate
It is an offence, liable on conviction to a Section 158 of the Licensing Act 2003 to with this application	fine up to level 5 on the standard scale, under make a false statement in or in connection
Signature of Officer Completing	
Name Channell Signature:	Collar Number: 24084  Date: 10 03 11
Signature of Authorising Officer (Inspector of	or above)
Name Inspector Ashmutou Signature:	Collar Number: 3627  Date: 3623

#### Royal Oak - Index for review application

HAC/RO/1 – statement of PC 3135 COLE

HAC/RO/2 - statement of PC 24368 ASHBY, dated 13/11/2010.

HAC/RO/3 – statement of PC 24288 HARRIS, dated 13/11/2010.

HAC/RO/4 - statement of PC 25399 HOLLOWAY-MOGER, dated 21/01/2011.

HAC/RO/5 – statement of PC 20920 PRIOR, dated 21/01/2011.

HAC/RO/6 – copy of staff training from the Royal Oak, provided to police on 03/02/2011.

HAC/RO/7 – copy of staff signatures for training provided to police on 03/02/2011.

HAC/RO/8 – copy of letter sent to the Royal Oak by police on 22/11/2010.

HAC/RO/9 – information regarding the BIIAB Level 2 National Certificate for Designated Premises Supervisors.



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Signature:				Date:			
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On 13 <sup>th</sup> Novem	ber 2010	I was on duty in plain	clothes engaged	in a test p	purchase	e operati	ion with
PC 24368 ASH	BY to sup	ervise 2 females und	er the age of 18 a	attempting	j to purch	nase alc	ohol in
licensed premis	ses.						
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KINGSWAY, S	OUTHAM	PTON with PC ASHB	Υ.				
Shortly afterwa	rds two fe	males entered the ba	r who I shall ident	tify as TP	1 and TF	2 respe	ctively.
They both appr	oached th	e bar and at approxin	nately 21.35hrs T	P1 ordere	ed two bo	ottles of	WKD
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tied back in a p	ony tail.						
TP1 paid for the	e drinks aı	nd then handed both	bottles to myself.	TP1 and	TP2 the	n left the	е
premises whilst	l waited f	or uniform colleagues	s to arrive.				
I then handed b	oth bottle	s to PC 20920 PRIOF	R and left the prer	nises.			
I had no further	dealings	with this matter.					

Signature: Signature witnessed by:





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PC 24368 ASHBY

Age if under 18:

O/18

(if over 18 insert

'over 18')

Occupation:

Police Constable

URN:

This statement (consisting of 1 page(s) each signed by me) is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it, anything which I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.

Signature: PC 24368 ASHBY	 Date:	13/11/10
FU 24300 ASHBY		
Tick if witness evidence is visually recorded	(supply witness details o	n rear)

I am PC 24368 ASHBY currently attached to Shirley police station.

On Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2010 I was on duty in plain clothes on a test purchasing operation in Southampton City Centre with my Colleague PC 3135 COLE.

My role was to supervise persons under the age of 18 attempting to purchase alcohol.

At approx 21:30hrs I entered the Royal Oak Public Hose on Kingsway, Southampton with PC COLE.

Shortly afterwards two females, who I will identify as TP1 and TP2, entered the premises. They both approached the bar and at approx 21:35hrs TP1 ordered two bottles of WKD from a white skinned female wearing a black top, she had short red hair which was tied back in a ponytail.

TP1 paid for the drinks and then TP1 and TP2 handed both bottles to PC COLE and I exited the premises with both test purchasers

whilst PC COLE waited on the premises for uniformed colleagues to arrive.

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Age if under 18:	Over 18	(if over 18 insert 'over 18')	(	Occupation:	Police Constable				
This statement (consisting of page(s) each signed by me) is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it, anything which I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.									
Signature:	a nolas HOLLO	OWAY-MOGER			Date: 21	st January	/ 2011		
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I am Police Constable 25399 HOLLOWAY-MOGER. I am employed by Hampshire Constabulary and am currently stationed at Bitterne Police Station.

On the 21<sup>st</sup> January 2011 I was on duty in plain clothes with PC MELHUISH 3094 and this statement relates to a test purchase operation, where PC MELHUISH and I supervised a female and a male under the age of 18 years old attempting to purchase alcohol in licensed premises. I shall identify the female as Test Purchaser 1 and the male as Test Purchaser 2. I shall also mention the female bar tender who I will refer to as BAR TENDER

At approximately 2011hrs PC MELHUISH and I attended the ROYAL OAK PUBLIC HOUSE. A few minutes later Test Purchaser 1 and Test Purchaser 2 entered the same licensed public house and proceeded to walk to the bar area and engage with BAR TENDER. Test Purchaser 1 and Test Purchaser 2, placed an order for some alcoholic beverages, these being 1 bottle of SMIRNOFF ICE and 1 bottle of BECKS. BAR TENDER then produced the requested alcoholic beverages' and paid in cash for the items. Test Purchaser 1 and Test Purchaser 2 then handed the bottle of SMIRNOFF ICE and BECKS to me. They then left the premises while I waited for

Signature:	Signature witnessed by:
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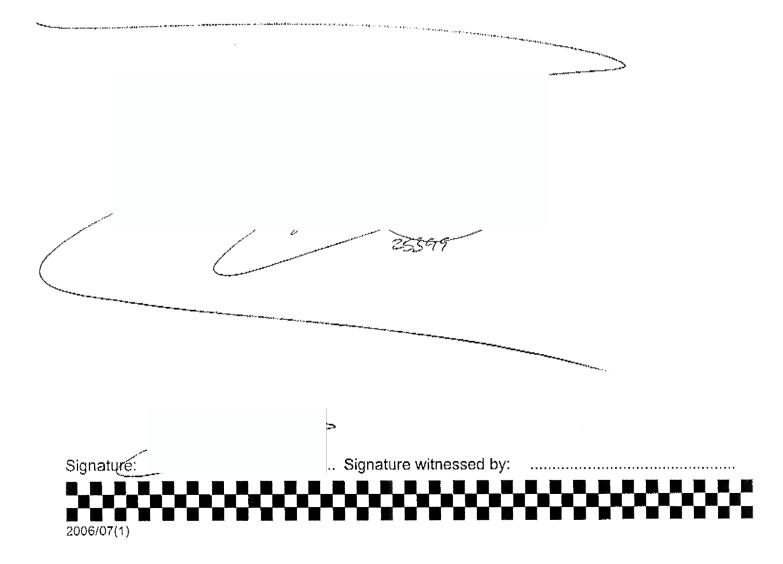
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uniformed officers to arrive where I then handed to bottles of SMIRNOFF ICE and BECKS to PC PRIOR 20920.

I would describe BAR TENDER as a white female, about 5ft 8" tall, approximately 20 years old, short dark coloured hair. BAR TENDER was wearing a white cardigan type top with 2 dark coloured stripes running vertically over the shoulders to the front of it. I was observing BAR TENDER for about 1 minute. The bar was quite quiet and had lots of internal lighting so made my visibility very good. I was about 6 meters away from BAR TENDER at the time of this incident. I had no obstructions to my view. I have not seen BAR TENDER before but I would recognise them again as their hair style combined with their dress code made them more recognisable to me than others.

I had no further dealings.





#### **HAMPSHIRE CONSTABULARY**

## **RESTRICTED** – For Police and Prosecution Only WITNESS STATEMENT

(CJ Act 1967, s.9; MC Act 1980, ss.5A(3) (a) and 5B; MC Rules 1981, r.70)

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Statement of: Natasha Astrid PRIOR

Age if under 18: Over 18 (	(if over 18 insert 'over 18') Occupation: Police Constable 20920
This statement (consisting of 1 page(s knowing that, if it is tendered in eviden to be false, or do not believe to be true.	s) each signed by me) is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it ace, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated anything in it, which I know
Signature:	Date: 21/01/2011
Tick if witness evidence is visually rec	corded [ (supply witness details on rear)
I am PC 20920 PRIOR currently	serving for Hampshire Constabulary at Southampton Central Police
Station.	
On the 21st January 2011 I was or	n a uniformed duty when I attended the Royal Oak Public House, Carlton
Place in Southampton. On attenda	ance there at around 2025 hours PC 25399 HOLLOWAY-MOGER handed
me two bottles of alcohol, one bo	ttle of Smirnoff Ice and another bottle of Becks. Both of these bottles were
full when handed to me but subse	equently emptied outside before being seized as evidence.
I can exhibit the Becks bottle as N	NAP/ROYALOAK/01 and the Smirnoff Ice bottle as
NAP/ROYALOAK/02	
Signed: Natasha PRIOR	Signature witnessed by:

Under the Licensing Act 2003 in signature, requirement that all retail sales of alcohol must be made or AUTHORISED by a Designated Premises Supervisor who is also a Personal Licence Holder.

# The 4 Objectives to the Licensing Act 2003

- The prevention of trime and disorder
- Public safety
- The prevention of public nuisance
- The protection of children from harm

# OPERATING SCHEDULES - What are they?

- The type of premises it is (e.g bar restaurant hore: etc.
- Activities that take place on these premises
- Times which these activities can be carried out le.g. entertainment, sale of alcohol.
- Times open to the public
- Facilities information le.g. number of bars, beer garden etc.
- Duration of the licence
- Can alcohol be sold for consumption on or off the premises or both
- Name and address of Designated Premises Supervisor

It is an OFFENCE to withhold information or cause any obstruction to any police officer or any other licensed party who may visit your premises and request information from you as a staff member.

# OFFENCES

- Selling alcohol when a sale is not authorised by an appropriate licence may render the seller liable for a £20,000 fine and/or 6 months imprisonment.
- It is an offence to sell alcohol outside of your operating schedule. This can carry a **fine of £20,000 and/or 6** months imprisonment.
- It is a criminal offence for any person to sell alcohol to anyone under the age of 18. There are no exceptions this
- Consumption of alcohol exception ± 16 or 17 year old is allowed to DRINK NOT BUY been withe or cider with a table meal LBAR SNACKS ARE NOT TABLE MEALS.
- It is an offence to allow children under 16,45 unless accompanied by an adult into pubs.
- It is an offence to sell alcohol to someone who is buying for someone under 18 (except for table meals, this must only be beer, wine and cider ONLY)
- Every sale of anyone under 18 must be approved by a DPS, PLH or an authorised staff member
- PROOF OF AGE Ask to see a Driving Licence, Passport or any ID that carries a PASS logo. You must refuse service if you believe any of the above have been tampered.
- You must not sell alcohol to someone who is drunk
- It is an affence to knowingly allow disorderly conduct on licensed premises
- it is an offence to allow ANY drug use on licensed premises

All of the above carry fines between £80 up to £20,000 and/or 6 months imprisonment

I sugn below to condison that I am over is and have fully understood my regunsibilities as Someone who sells alcohol and can be lined on the god Exo Cor being in breach of the licensing act 2003.

Please read leaflet and sign this form confirming that you have read it. Thanks

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Deaf/speech impaired minicom: 01962 875000 Email: jonathan.harris@hampshire.pnn.police.uk

22 November 2010

Dear Sir.

Following our recent meeting regarding a test purchase failure at Royal Oak, I am writing to confirm what was discussed and agreed. Hampshire Constabulary are extremely concerned by the significant failings of your premise, which resulted in a 16 year old and a 17 year old female being served alcohol. This is in direct breach of licensing objectives.

As a responsible licensee, you should be aware of your obligation to promote the four licensing objectives -

- 1) the prevention of crime and disorder
- 2) public safety
- 3) the prevention of public nuisance
- 4) the protection of children from harm

During the meeting, we discussed the consideration of implementing new measures to prevent further incidents occurring, which could be perceived as undermining or breaching the four licensing objectives.

Since the test purchase failure, you have taken a number of actions to minimise the possibility of future incidents.

I can confirm that it was agreed that:

- 1. You stated you have a student based venue and to avoid any future failings, you have asked all bar staff to request identification from everyone.
- 2. You have informed all staff that should any fail a test purchase in future, they will be dismissed. On this occasion, the member of staff that served alcohol to persons underage has been retained, as you indicated she is generally a good employee and hard worker.



### Hampshire Constabulary Chief Constable Alex Marshall

- 3. Staff will be trained about asking customers for identification. If they encounter a large group, you have advised them to inform you so that you can carry out the identification checks yourself.
- 4. Test Inn and Heineken Brewery will be assisting you in reviewing your current training package.

During our meeting the following was also suggested to further assist you

- 1. Challenge 25 policy to be adhered to by bar staff. Posters to be displayed on premises informing customers of Challenge 25 policy.
- 2. A diarised incident book to be maintained by door staff and management. A refusals tally to be included for all staff and each day signed off by manager.

At present your business has very little in the way of conditions upon its license. I would have little choice but to seek to have conditions added via a review of your licence should further incidents occur and these issues were not addressed.

Hopefully we can work together regarding these issues which will highlight your commitment to supporting the four licensing objectives.

I look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Yours faithfully,

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## What is the BHAB Level 2 National Certificate for Designated Premises Supervisors?

The BIIAB Level 2 NCDPS was developed in conjunction with local government, the police and the industry, to support the new post of designated premises supervisor created by the Licensing Act 2003.

It is designed to provide designated premises supervisors with an understanding of their role and the responsibilities both within the Licensing Act 2003, and other regulatory issues in addition to those covered in the Act. The qualification also addresses the practical day-to-day issues involved in running a licensed premises.

#### Who is the qualification for?

The BIIAB Level 2 NCDPS is a nationally recognised qualification for both existing designated premises supervisors, and those who may be required to take up this post in the future, working in any type of licensed premises including:

- pubs and bars
- hotels and restaurants
- off-licences, supermarkets and convenience stores
- sports and social clubs
- nightclubs and entertainment establishments
- and any other venue or site where alcohol is sold.

#### What does the qualification cover?

The BIIAB Level 2 NCDPS covers the following topics:

- the roles and responsibilities of the designated premises supervisor
- the licensable activities carried out in licensed premises
- the requirements of legislation and best practice to support the four licensing objectives
- how to conduct a risk assessment, and how it is used to underpin the operating schedule
- the relationship between the operating schedule and management controls.