

## **Economy and Corporate Directorate**

Director: Richard Ball

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25<sup>th</sup> September 2019

Dear Mr Ismail

## LICENSING ACT 2003 – UNAUTHORISED LICENSABLE ACTIVITY

## **RAZI MINI MARKET, 100 WIDEMARSH STREET, HEREFORD. HR4 9HG**

I refer to the premises licence issued in respect of the above premises.

A premise licence is issued authorising the use of the premises for certain licensable activities, the times of operating and the conditions that are to be complied with.

On 18<sup>th</sup> September 2019 at approx. 13:15 and 20<sup>th</sup> September 2019 at approx. 12:35, a representative from West Mercia Police visited your premises and found numerous breaches of the licence on both occasions.

Your licence is issued with a condition on it which reads:

The Premises Licence Holder will ensure that there is an unobstructed view at all times into the licensable area of the premises. In respect of the street facing the windows, any obstruction will be restricted to the top 25% of the window and the bottom 25% of the window in each case. (Widow refers to the whole of the area covered by glass). This will mean that at least 50% of all windows and 100% of all doors looking into the premises from Widemarsh Street are clear of obstruction. No obstruction includes any permanent or temporary signage placed on glass surfaces of doors and windows, as well as any other item within the shop which obstructs the view through the window.

Following the visit on 18<sup>th</sup> September and 20<sup>th</sup> September, the bottom half of the window covers 40% which is a breach of the above condition.

It is also noted from both of the visits that the premises does not have any age verification signs.

Therefore you are also in breach of the below condition (in particular the wording in bold): The premises shall operate a Challenge 25 Policy. Such policy shall be written down and kept at the premises. The policy shall be produced on demand of the Police or an 'authorised person' (as defined by Section 13 of the Licensing Act 2003) or an authorised Trading Standards Officer of Herefordshire Council. Prominent, clear and legible signage (in not less than 32 font bold) shall also be displayed at all entrances to the premises as well as at, at least one location behind any sale area advertising the scheme operated It is an offence under Section 136 of the Licensing Act 2003 for a premise to carry on any licensable activity on or from any premises otherwise than and in accordance with an authorisation (a premises licence). Any person found guilty of an offence under this section is liable on summary conviction to imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months or to an unlimited fine, or both.

In line with this Authority's Policy, I must advise you that should you choose to operate outside your authorisation again we may take enforcement action against you. This may result in your premises licence being reviewed and our recommendation to committee would be for your premises licence to be revoked.

I must also advise that this authority may make unannounced visits to the premises to carry out a licensing inspection.

Yours faithfully,

EMMA BOWELL LICENSING TECHNICAL OFFICER ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH & TRADING STANDARDS HEREFORDSHIRE COUNCIL

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