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1st October, 2012

Mrs. Gemma Potter,
Flintshire County Council Licensing Manager,
Flintshire County Council,
Mold,
Flintshire.

Dear Mr. Lovatt,

**APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE –
KRAKON MINI MARKET, UNIT 1, 40 CHESTER STREET, FLINT CH6 5DH**

I write with reference to the above application, which has been discussed with Police Sergeant 632 John Williams, the officer responsible for this area.

North Wales Police object to the granting of this application under the licensing objectives of Prevention of Crime and Disorder and Prevention of Public Nuisance.

Over recent months, the town of Flint has seen an increase of alcohol related anti social behaviour. This in turn has had a detrimental effect on the residents of Flint, local businesses and has posed a drain on Police resources.

In July, 2012, following concerns by North Wales Police, Operation Valensole was introduced. This operation was set up to identify offenders causing anti social behaviour in Flint and with the use of Section 27 and Alcohol Confiscation notices aimed to reduce anti-social behaviour in this area.

To date, analysis from this operation has shown a number of Alcohol Seizure and Section 27 notices being issued by Police Officers. (Analysis will be provided prior to the Licensing Hearing)

Although these notices have been issued to both British and Polish individuals, it will be seen that the majority have been issued to persons of Polish origin.

On Monday 24th September, 2012, Ann Williams, North Wales Police Licensing Officer, Lorraine Baxendale, Flintshire County Council Licensing Officer and PCSO Helen Whittingham met with the applicant, Mr. Kadir at 40 Chester Street, Flint, to discuss this application in further detail.

Mr. Kadir was found to be very approachable and open in his response to questions put to him. He stated that the premise will be selling both English and Polish goods, however, by own admission stated he will be selling predominantly Polish alcohol. Clearly this gives cause for concern by North Wales Police, as it is believed that the availability of further Polish alcohol within Flint, is likely to fuel the current problem of alcohol related anti social behaviour.

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Although CCTV and Challenge25 is included in the operating schedule, these topics were discussed with Mr. Kadir. He welcomed guidance and advice regarding the positioning of CCTV in the store and was happy to consider audi CCTV covering the counter area of the premise.

Should the Licensing Sub-Committee see fit to grant this licence as applied for, North Wales Police request the following conditions be attached to the premises licence under the licensing objective of Prevention of Crime and Disorder and Prevention of Public Nuisance:-

- **A digital, colour, hard disc CCTV system shall be installed and remain operational whilst the premises are open to the public and maintained in good working order. Audio CCTV to be installed over the counter area of the premises. Recordings to be kept to a minimum of 28 days for inspection by the Police or local authority upon request.**
- **Challenge 25 Policy to be adopted at the premises.**

Should the applicant be in agreement with the above representations, they or their representatives are requested to confirm this to the relevant Council Licensing Department as soon as possible. This MAY avoid the need for a hearing before Committee, dependant upon any other representations received from other responsible authorities or interested parties.

Should the applicant not be in agreement with the representations, a Licensing Sub-Committee hearing will take place.

Yours faithfully,

Ann Williams
Eastern Licensing Officer

cc Lorraine Baxendale, Flintshire County Council Licensing Officer
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