

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

Licensing Standards Officers Report

Licensing Board Review Hearing: 8 November 2011

Premises: WDLBPREM 0187

Address: 148 Montrose Street, Clydebank G81 2PE

Premises Licence Holder: Mrs Tubassum Akbar

Designated Premises Manager: Mrs Tubassum Akbar

Introduction/Background

In relation to the request submitted by the above premises to remove the suspension of the above licence this report is provided to Board Members to update them on the current compliance status of the premises.

Previous Issues

An inspection was carried out on Monday 1 August 2011 to assess the premises compliance in advance of the review hearing. The premises were found to be mostly compliant, however the following issues were found.

1. No training record for the member of staff who sold to the young person (Mohsam Mamood) was available for inspection
2. No training record was available for the other members of staff, namely Mr Akbar and also Shafeek Samoo. It should be noted that training records for these two persons (Mr Akbar & Mr Samoo) had been shown to Licensing Officers in the past. However the Staff Training requirement specifies that training records should be kept on the premises, therefore whilst the training is complete for the members of staff specified, the premises is not fully compliant with the requirement.

Further to this, an inspection of the premises refusal book showed that the majority of refusals which had taken place in the premises were carried out by an individual called Waseem Akbar. Mrs Akbar indicated that this was her son, and stated that he was only working in the premises on a temporary basis; however he had been making refusals since 27/1/2010. Mrs Akbar then admitted that he son had been working in the premises without being trained.

Update

Following a visit to the premises on Wednesday 12 September 2011 I can now confirm that the premises are fully compliant with the matters previously reported.

The board should note the following:

1. That all members of staff have now been trained to the full extent required by the Licensing (Training of Staff) (Scotland) Regulations 2007.
2. That this training has been carried out by an external trainer.
3. That the member of staff who failed the test purchase, Mohsam Mamood is no longer employed on the premises.
4. That the premises continue to operate a refusals book.

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