

BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL

MEETING OF THE LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

TUESDAY 22ND DECEMBER 2020 AT 11.00 A.M.

MEMBERS: Councillors H. J. Jones, S. A. Robinson (formally Hughes) and M. Thompson

Reserve Member: Councillor S. J. Baxter

AGENDA

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE HEARING PROCEDURE (Pages 1 - 4)

- 1. Election of Chairman for the meeting
- 2. To receive apologies for absence and notification of substitutes
- 3. Declarations of Interest

To invite Councillors to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests or Other Disclosable Interests they may have in items on the agenda, and to confirm the nature of those interests.

- 4. Summary Review of a Premises Licence Deedar Restaurant, 26 Hewell Road, Barnt Green, Birmingham (Pages 5 76)
- 5. To consider any other business, details of which have been notified to the Head of Legal, Equalities and Democratic Services prior to the commencement of the meeting and which the Chairman, by reason of special circumstances, considers to be of so urgent a nature that it cannot wait until the next meeting.

K. DICKS Chief Executive

Parkside Market Street BROMSGROVE Worcestershire B61 8DA

14th December 2020

If you have any queries on this Agenda please contact Pauline Ross Democratic Services Officer

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Due to the current Covid-19 pandemic Bromsgrove District Council will be holding this meeting in accordance with the relevant legislative arrangements for remote meetings of a local authority. For more information please refer to the Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police Crime Panels meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020.

Please note that this is a public meeting conducted remotely by Skype conferencing between invited participants and live streamed for general access via the Council's YouTube channel.

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If you have any questions regarding the agenda or attached papers please do not hesitate to contact the officer named above.

Notes:

As referred to above, the virtual Skype meeting will be streamed live and accessible to view. Although this is a public meeting, there are circumstances when the Sub-Committee might have to move into closed session to consider exempt or confidential information. For agenda items that are exempt, the public are excluded and for any such items the live stream will be suspended and that part of the meeting will not be recorded.

Appendix

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE (Premises)

VIRTUAL HEARING PROCEDURE

- 1. The Chairman will open the hearing and introduce Members of the Sub-Committee and officers present.
- 2. The Chairman will ask all parties to the proceedings to introduce themselves.
- 3. In the event the Applicant is not represented, the Chairman will remind the Applicant that he/she can be represented by a legal representative at his/her own expense.
- 4. The Senior Licensing Practitioner, Worcestershire Regulatory Services will present the report.
- 5. The Chairman will invite Members of the Sub-Committee and all parties to the proceedings to put any relevant questions to the Senior Licensing Practitioner.
- 6. The Chairman will invite the Applicant and/or his/her representative to present his/her case and call any witnesses. The Applicant will be allowed a maximum of 10 minutes to present the case.
- 7. The Chairman will invite Members of the Sub-Committee and all parties to the proceedings to put any relevant questions to the Applicant and/or his/her representative.
- 8. The Chairman will invite the Responsible Authorities to present their representations. New representations must not be raised. The Responsible Authorities will be allowed a total of 10 minutes to present their case(s). If two or more Responsible Authorities wish to address the Sub-Committee the 10 minutes will be divided between them.
- 9. The Chairman will invite Members of the Sub-Committee and all parties to the proceedings to put any relevant questions to the Responsible Authorities.
- 10. All other Parties to the proceedings will be invited to present their representations or elect a spokesperson to speak on their behalf. New representations must not be raised. A maximum of 10 minutes will be allowed for the Parties to present their case(s). If two or more Parties wish to address the Sub-Committee the 10 minutes will be divided between them.

- 11. The Chairman will invite Members of the Sub-Committee, the applicant / applicant's representative and the Responsible Authorities to put any relevant questions to the other Parties
- 12. The other Parties will be invited to sum up. A maximum of 5 minutes will be allowed.
- 13. The Responsible Authorities will be invited to sum up. A maximum of 5 minutes will be allowed.
- 14. The Applicant and/or his/her representative will be invited to sum up. A maximum of 5 minutes will be allowed.
- 15. The Chairman will ask the Legal Advisor if there is any legal advice to be given.
- 16. At the conclusion of the virtual hearing, ALL parties present will be removed from the virtual meeting, so that the Sub-Committee can reach its decision in private.
- 17. The Sub-Committee's decision will be sent to the Applicant and all parties who made representations within 5 working days.



Please Note:

- 1. Each application coming before the Licensing Sub-Committee will be treated on its own merits, and the Sub-Committee will take its decision based upon:
 - a) the promotion of the four licensing objectives, as given by the Licensing Act 2003, namely:
 - the prevention of crime and disorder;
 - public safety;
 - the prevention of public nuisance; and
 - the protection of children from harm;
 - b) Bromsgrove District Council's Statement of Licensing Policy;
 - c) guidance issued under section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003; and

d) the Licensing Act 2003.

- 2. The Chairman may require any person who in his/her opinion is behaving in a disruptive manner to leave the meeting, and may refuse to permit that person to return, or permit him/her to return only on such conditions as the Chairman may specify. However, such person may, before the end of the hearing, submit in writing any information which he/she would have been entitled to have given orally at the meeting had he/she not been required to leave.
- 3. Decisions may be taken in the absence of the Applicant or any other party. All notices and representations received from absent parties will be considered.
- 4. Questioning must not be hostile or intended to unfairly undermine the position of any party.
- 5. Late evidence will only be considered with the agreement of all parties present.
- 6. The decision of the Sub-Committee will be sent to all parties within 5 working days.
- 7. An appeal to the Magistrates' Court against the Sub-Committee's decision must be lodged within 21 days of the date on which all parties were notified in writing of the decision of the Licensing Sub-Committee.

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BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

LICENSING ACT 2003

TUESDAY 22ND DECEMBER 2020

SUMMARY REVIEW OF A PREMISES LICENCE

DEEDAR RESTAURANT, 26 HEWELL ROAD, BARNT GREEN, BIRMINGHAM

	PUBLIC HEARING				
Director:	Head of Worcestershire Regulatory Services				
Contact Officer:	Dave Etheridge Senior Licensing Practitioner 01905 822799 enquiries@worcsregservices.gov.uk				
Ward(s) affected:	Barnt Green & Hopwood				
Appendices:	Appendix 1 – Existing Licence Appendix 2 – Review application / supporting documents Appendix 3 – Additional Police Evidence (including DVD) Appendix 4 – Representations of licence holder Appendix 5 – Director of Public Health's Representation Appendix 6 – Environmental Health Representation Appendix 7 – Representation from local resident				

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To consider an application received from West Mercia Police for a summary review of the premises licence in respect of:

Deedar Restaurant 26 Hewell Road Barnt Green Birmingham B45 8NE

2. BACKGROUND

2.1 On Wednesday 25th November 2020 an application was received from West Mercia Police for a summary review of the premises licence in respect of:

Deedar Restaurant 26 Hewell Road Barnt Green Birmingham B45 8NE

- 2.2 A copy of the current premises licence is attached at **Appendix 1**.
- 2.3 At the time the application was received, the premises licence was held by Mr Kachi Kabir and Mr Kaptan Miah and the designated premises supervisor named on the licence is Mr Kachi Kabir.
- 2.4 Mr Kachi Kabir's personal licence under the Licensing Act 2003 was issued by Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council. Enquiries with Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council have revealed that Mr Kabir surrendered his personal licence in September 2018. Therefore it appears that the designated premises supervisor named on the premises licence did not hold a personal licence at the time the application was made by the Police.
- 2.5 On Thursday 26th November 2020, as required by section 53A of the Licensing Act 2003, the licensing authority considered whether it was necessary to take interim steps pending the determination of the review application, the decision was taken to remove the designated premises supervisor and suspend the licence, this decision remained in place following written representations submitted on behalf of the licence holder.
- 2.6 On 2nd December 2020 an application was made by the holder of the premises licence to vary the licence to specify Mr Dildar Hussain as the designated premises supervisor. This application was made in such a way as to have immediate effect and therefore the designated premises supervisor now named on the licence is Mr Dildar Hussain. Mr Dildar Hussain is the son of one of the licence holders, Mr Kaptan Miah.
- 2.7 The licensing authority is now required to hold a hearing to consider the application for the review and any relevant representations that have been received and to take

such of the following steps (if any) as it considers appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives:

- (a) the modification of the conditions of the premises licence,
- (b) the exclusion of a licensable activity from the scope of the licence,
- (c) the removal of the designated premises supervisor from the licence,
- (d) the suspension of the licence for a period not exceeding three months,
- (e) the revocation of the licence.
- 2.8 The licensing authority must also consider and determine whether the interim steps already taken in respect of the premises licence will cease following the review hearing or will continue to have effect during the period within which an appeal against the decision taken at the review hearing can be made or until such an appeal is disposed of.

3. APPLICATION FOR SUMMARY REVIEW AND REPRESENTATIONS

- 3.1 The summary review application, the accompanying certificate from the Senior Police Officer and other supporting documents received on 25th November 2020, can be seen at **Appendix 2**.
- 3.2 During the 10 working days within which representations by the premises licence holder, responsible authorities or other persons could be made, the Police submitted further evidence in support of their application, including DVD footage from the bodycam worn by the officer who attended the premises on 20th November 2020.

This further supporting evidence can be seen at **Appendix 3**. The DVD provided by the Police is not publically available as it is exempt under S.100 (A) (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the relevant paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 12(A) of the said Act as subject to the "public interest" test, information relating to:

- Para 1 <u>any individual;</u>
- Para 2 the identify of any individual;
- Para 7 the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime;

Representations from the holder of the premises licence

- 3.3 Representations in respect of the review application have been submitted by Mr Dildar Hussain, the son of one of the holders of the premises licence, Mr Kaptan Miah. Mr Hussain has stated that this representations have been made on his father's behalf.
- 3.4 Mr Hussain has subsequently been nominated by Mr Miah to replace Mr Kabir as the designated premises supervisor specified on the premises licence. A copy of these representations can be seen at **Appendix 4**.

Representations from other responsible authorities

- 3.5 A representation in respect of the review application has been submitted for consideration on behalf of the Director of Public Health at Worcestershire County Council. The representation states that the Director of Public Health fully supports West Mercia Police in implementing any measures to ensure Deedar restaurant complies with Covid-19 guidelines and the law. The representation can be seen at **Appendix 5**.
- 3.6 A representation in respect of the review application has been submitted by Environmental Health Officer. The representations outline the officer's findings following a recent joint visit to the premises with the Police. The representation can be seen at **Appendix 6**.

Representations from other persons

3.7 A representation in respect of the review application has also been received from a local resident. This representation is supportive of the business and its working practices. A copy of the representation can be seen at **Appendix 7**.

4. LOCAL POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

- 4.1 The Sub-Committee should have regard to the Council's Statement of Licensing Policy under the Licensing Act 2003.
- 4.2 The Council's Statement of Licensing Policy is available to download from the Council's website or to request a hard copy, contact Worcestershire Regulatory Services on 01905 822799 or email <u>enquiries@worcsregservices.gov.uk</u>

5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 The Sub-Committee is obliged to determine the review application with a view to the promotion of the licensing objectives, which are:
 - The prevention of crime and disorder
 - Public safety
 - The prevention of public nuisance
 - The protection of children from harm
- 5.2 In considering those matters the relevant licensing authority must have regard to—
 - (a) the review application and accompanying certificate from the senior police officer; and
 - (b) the relevant representations received
- 5.3 The licensing authority is now required to take such of the following steps (if any) as it considers appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives:
 - (a) the modification of the conditions of the premises licence,
 - (b) the exclusion of a licensable activity from the scope of the licence,
 - (c) the removal of the designated premises supervisor from the licence,
 - (d) the suspension of the licence for a period (not exceeding three months), or
 - (e) the revocation of the licence.
- 5.4 In making its decision, the Sub-Committee is obliged to have regard to the guidance issued by the Secretary of State under section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 and the Council's own Statement of Licensing Policy.
- 5.5 The licensing authority must notify the determination and its reasons for making it to—
 - (a) the holder of the premises licence,
 - (b) any person who made relevant representations, and
 - (c) the chief officer of police for the police area in which the premises are situated (or for each police area in which they are partly situated).

- 5.6 The decision of the licensing authority does not take effect until the end of the period given for appealing against the decision or if the decision is appealed against, the time the appeal is disposed of.
- 5.7 Therefore the licensing authority must also review the interim steps that have been taken in respect of the premises licence thus far and must:
 - (a) consider whether the interim steps are appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives;
 - (b) consider any relevant representations; and
 - (c) determine whether to withdraw or modify the interim steps taken
- 5.8 The power of the relevant licensing authority on a such a review includes a power to take any of the following interim steps—
 - (a) the modification of the conditions of the premises licence;
 - (b) the exclusion of the sale of alcohol by retail from the scope of the licence;
 - (c) the removal of the designated premises supervisor from the licence;
 - (d) the suspension of the licence;
- 5.9 For this purpose the conditions of the licence are modified if any of them is altered or omitted or any new condition is added.
- 5.10 Any interim steps taken at this hearing will apply until—
 - (a) the end of the period given for appealing against the decision made in respect of the review application,
 - (b) if the decision made in respect of the review application is appealed against, the time the appeal is disposed of, or
 - (c) the end of a period determined by the relevant licensing authority (which may not be longer than the period of time for which such interim steps could apply under paragraph (a) or (b)).
- 5.11 Any interim steps taken under in relation to a premises licence cease to have effect when the decision made under section 53C comes into effect.

6. FOR DECISION

- 6.1 The Sub-Committee must:
 - (a) Determine the review application
 - (b) Determine which interim steps (if any) will apply in respect of the premises licence pending any appeal against that determination.

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PREMISES LICENCE

PREMISES LICENCE NUMBER

PL0099

Part 1 – Premises Details

Postal address of premises, or if none, ordnance survey map reference or description, including Post Town, Post Code

Deedar Restaurant 26 Hewell Road Barnt Green Birmingham Worcestershire B45 8NE

Telephone number

0121 4477692

Where the licence is time limited, the dates Not applicable

Licensable activities authorised by the licence and the times the licence authorises the carrying out of licensable activities						
Activity	Days	From		То	Indoors/Outdoors	
Late Night Refreshment	Monday to Saturday	23:00	-	00:00	Indoors	
Sale of Alcohol	Sunday	12:00	-	23:30	N/A	
Sale of Alcohol	Monday to Saturday	12:00	-	00:00	N/A	
Non-standard timings						
Good Friday and Christmas Day - 12:00 - 23:30.						

New Year's Eve - All licensable activities listed are permitted till the start of trading hours on New Year's Day.

The opening hours of the premises				
Days	From		То	
Sunday	12:00	-	00:00	
Monday to Saturday	12:00	-	00:30	

Where the licence authorises supplies of alcohol whether these are on and / or off supplies

Alcohol is supplied for consumption on the premises

Part 2

Name, (registered) address, telephone number and email (where relevant) of holder of premises licence

Mr Kachi Kabir 10 Clarksland Grove Marston Green Solihull West Midlands B37 7GT Mr Kaptan Miah 292 Washwood Heath Road Washwood Heath Birmingham West Midlands B8 2UL

Registered number of holder, for example company number, charity number (where applicable)

Not applicable

Name, address and telephone number of designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises for the supply of alcohol

Kachi Kabir, 10 Clarkland Grove, Marston Green, Solihull, West Midlands, B37 7GT

Personal licence number and issuing authority of personal licence held by designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises for the supply of alcohol

Personal Licence No: SOL/PE/094195

Licensing Authority: Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council

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ANNEX 1 – MANDATORY CONDITIONS

The making and authorisation of alcohol sales

No supply of alcohol may be made under the premises licence-

- a) at a time when there is no designated premises supervisor in respect of the premises licence, or
- b) at a time when the designated premises supervisor does not hold a personal licence or his personal licence is suspended.

Every supply of alcohol under the premises licence must be made or authorised by a person who holds a personal licence.

Irresponsible alcohol promotions

The responsible person must ensure that staff on relevant premises do not carry out, arrange or participate in any irresponsible promotions in relation to the premises.

In this paragraph, an irresponsible promotion means any one or more of the following activities, or substantially similar activities, carried on for the purpose of encouraging the sale or supply of alcohol for consumption on the premises—

- (a) games or other activities which require or encourage, or are designed to require or encourage, individuals to—
 - (i) drink a quantity of alcohol within a time limit (other than to drink alcohol sold or supplied on the premises before the cessation of the period in which the responsible person is authorised to sell or supply alcohol), or
 - (ii) drink as much alcohol as possible (whether within a time limit or otherwise);
- (b) provision of unlimited or unspecified quantities of alcohol free or for a fixed or discounted fee to the public or to a group defined by a particular characteristic in a manner which carries a significant risk of undermining a licensing objective;
- (c) provision of free or discounted alcohol or any other thing as a prize to encourage or reward the purchase and consumption of alcohol over a period of 24 hours or less in a manner which carries a significant risk of undermining a licensing objective;
- (d) selling or supplying alcohol in association with promotional posters or flyers on, or in the vicinity of, the premises which can reasonably be considered to condone, encourage or glamorise anti-social behaviour or to refer to the effects of drunkenness in any favourable manner;
- (e) dispensing alcohol directly by one person into the mouth of another (other than where that other person is unable to drink without assistance by reason of disability).

Provision of free potable water

The responsible person must ensure that free potable water is provided on request to customers where it is reasonably available.

Age verification policy for the sale or supply of alcohol

The premises licence holder or club premises certificate holder must ensure that an age verification policy is adopted in respect of the premises in relation to the sale or supply of alcohol.

The designated premises supervisor in relation to the premises licence must ensure that the supply of alcohol at the premises is carried on in accordance with the age verification policy.

The policy must require individuals who appear to the responsible person to be under 18 years of age (or such older age as may be specified in the policy) to produce on request, before being served alcohol, identification bearing their photograph, date of birth and either—

- (a) a holographic mark, or
- (b) an ultraviolet feature.

Availability of small measures of alcohol

The responsible person must ensure that—

- (a) where any of the following alcoholic drinks is sold or supplied for consumption on the premises (other than alcoholic drinks sold or supplied having been made up in advance ready for sale or supply in a securely closed container) it is available to customers in the following measures—
 - (i) beer or cider: ½ pint;
 - (ii) gin, rum, vodka or whisky: 25 ml or 35 ml; and
 - (iii) still wine in a glass: 125 ml;
- (b) these measures are displayed in a menu, price list or other printed material which is available to customers on the premises; and



(c) where a customer does not in relation to a sale of alcohol specify the quantity of alcohol to be sold, the customer is made aware that these measures are available.

Permitted price of alcohol

- 1. A relevant person shall ensure that no alcohol is sold or supplied for consumption on or off the premises for a price which is less than the permitted price
- 2. For the purposes of the condition set out in paragraph 1
 - a) "duty" is to be construed in accordance with the Alcoholic Liquor Duties Act 1979);
 - b) "permitted price" is the price found by applying the formula—

 $P=D+(D\times V)$

where----

P is the permitted price,

D is the rate of duty chargeable in relation to the alcohol as if the duty were charged on the date of the sale or supply of the alcohol, and

V is the rate of value added tax chargeable in relation to the alcohol as if the value added tax were charged on the date of the sale or supply of the alcohol;

- c) "relevant person" means, in relation to premises in respect of which there is in force a premises licence—
 - (i) the holder of the premises licence,
 - (ii) the designated premises supervisor (if any) in respect of such a licence, or
 - (iii) the personal licence holder who makes or authorises a supply of alcohol under such a licence;
- d) "relevant person" means, in relation to premises in respect of which there is in force a club premises certificate, any member or officer of the club present on the premises in a capacity which enables the member or officer to prevent the supply in question; and
- e) "valued added tax" means value added tax charged in accordance with the Value Added Tax Act 1994.
- 3. Where the permitted price given by Paragraph (b) of paragraph 2 would (apart from this paragraph) not be a whole number of pennies, the price given by that sub-paragraph shall be taken to be the price actually given by that sub-paragraph rounded up to the nearest penny.
- 4. (1) Sub-paragraph (2) applies where the permitted price given by Paragraph (b) of paragraph 2 on a day ("the first day") would be different from the permitted price on the next day ("the second day") as a result of a change to the rate of duty or value added tax.
 - (2) The permitted price which would apply on the first day applies to sales or supplies of alcohol which take place before the expiry of the period of 14 days beginning on the second day.

ANNEX 2 – CONDITIONS CONSISTENT WITH THE OPERATING SCHEDULE

a) General – all four licensing objectives (b,c,d,e):

Intoxicating liquor shall not be sold or supplied on the premises otherwise than to persons taking table meals there and for consumption by such a person as an ancillary to his meal.

Suitable beverages other than intoxicating liquor (including drinking water) shall be equally available for consumption with or otherwise as an ancillary to meals served in the premises.

b) The prevention of crime and disorder:

- c) Public safety:
- d) The prevention of public nuisance:
- e) The protection of children from harm:

ANNEX 3 – CONDITIONS ATTACHED AFTER A HEARING BY THE LICENSING AUTHORITY

None

ANNEX 4 - PLANS

As deposited with the licensing authority

LICENSING ACT 2003



PREMISES LICENCE SUMMARY

PREMISES LICENCE NUMBER

PL0099

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Registered number of holder, for example company number, charity number (where applicable)

Not applicable

Name of designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises for the supply of alcohol

Kachi Kabir

State whether access to the premises by children is restricted or prohibited

No specific restrictions

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Summary Licencing Review 53A Licencing Act 2003

> Deedar Restaurant 26 Hewell Road Barnt Green Birmingham B45 8NE

West Mercia Police Supporting Documents

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FORM FOR APPLYING FOR A SUMMARY LICENCE REVIEW

ANNEX C

[Insert name and address of relevant licensing authority and its reference number (optional)]

Bromsgrove District Council, Parkside, Market Street, Bromsgrove, Worcestershire

B61 8DA

Licence Number PL0999

Application for the review of a premises licence under section 53A of the Licensing Act 2003 (premises associated with serious crime or disorder)

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Before completing this form please read the guidance notes at the end of the form If you are completing the form by hand please write legibly in block capitals In all cases ensure that your answers are inside the boxes and written in black ink **Use additional sheets if necessary**.

I Supt Mark Colquhoun [on behalf of] the chief officer of police for the WEST MERCIA police area apply for the review of a premises licence under section 53A of the Licensing Act 2003

1. Premises details:

Postal address of premises, or if none or not known, ordnance survey map reference or description. Deedar Restaurant

26 Hewell Road Barnt Green Birmingham B45 8NE

Post town. Barnt Green, Birmingham

Post code (If known). B45 8NE

2. Premises licence details:

Name of premises licence holder (if known). Mr Kachi Kabir and Mr Kaptan Miah

Number of premises licence holder (if known).

3. Certificate under section 53A(1)(b) of the Licensing Act 2003 [Please read

guidance note 1].

I confirm that a certificate has been given by a senior member of the police force for the police area above that in his opinion the above premises are associated with serious crime or disorder or both, and the certificate accompanies this application.

(Please tick the box to confirm)
4. Details of association of the above premises with serious crime, serious disorder or both:
[Please read guidance note 2]

The effects of Covid-19 and the risk it poses to the health of the general population are well publicised through all major media channels, as are the governments efforts to reduce the risk and stem the spread of the virus through changes in legislation.

West Mercia Police assert that this premises has chosen to disregard the changes in legislation and published guidance, and in failing to comply has placed not only their employees and customers at risk but also the wider community due to the virulent nature of the virus.

On 21/03/2020 The Health Protection (Coronavirus, Business Closure) (England) Regulations 2020 came into legal effect at 2pm, enforcing the closure in England of businesses selling food and drink for consumption on the premises, as well as a range of other businesses such as nightclubs and indoor leisure centers where a high risk of infection could be expected.

On 04/07/2020 The Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (No. 2) (England) Regulations 2020 came into force in England, replacing and relaxing the previous Lockdown Regulations. Guidance was published in a document titled "Keeping workers and customers safe during COVID-19 in restaurants, pubs, bars and takeaway services" which has been regularly updated and amended throughout the Covid 19 crisis.

The published guidance included no persons should attend the bar, all customers should be seated with a minimum 1 metre gap between groups if 2 metres is not achievable, no live entertainment indoors and no dancing. There was also a requirement for staff members to wear masks and to display the NHS QR code. Premises were also required to produce a Covid-Safe Risk Assessment to demonstrate their knowledge and understanding of the risks posed by the virus, and measure put in place to limit those risks to their staff and customers.

Due to a rise in COVID-19 in all of our communities the Prime Minster made a public address to advise of the further restrictive measure commonly referred to as "Lockdown 2". This was debated and voted in the houses of commons where The Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (England) (No. 4) Regulations 2020 were passed. On the 5th of November 2020 this was enacted but is time limited until the 2nd of December 2020. A copy of the legislation is enclosed.

https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2020/1200/pdfs/uksi_20201200_en.pdf

The UK Government have been really prescriptive and outlined businesses that must close and businesses that can remain open. Under point 1 of businesses

that must close is Restaurants, including restaurants and dining rooms in hotels or members' clubs which will include premises such as Deedar Restaurant.

The UK Government released a supplementary guidance document called "Closing certain businesses and venues in England" which can be found on this link: -

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/further-businesses-andpremises-to-close/closing-certain-businesses-and-venues-in-england

In this guidance they provided a detailed overview of what can occur for businesses including click and collect, delivery and takeaway services.

The guidance says

"Hospitality

The following hospitality venues are required to close for consumption on the premises.

 Restaurants; pubs; bars, including those in hotels or members' clubs, and shisha bars; social clubs

Cafes and canteens, excluding workplace canteens where there is no reasonable alternative

These businesses can continue to provide:

• Food and non-alcoholic drinks on a takeaway basis between 5am and 10pm. This means that customers can enter the premises to place and collect their order. Food and non-alcoholic drinks can also be sold for delivery where orders are made online, by telephone or by post, and via click and collect; and drive through;

• Food and drinks for delivery, via click and collect and drive through only between 10pm and 5am. Click-and-collect and delivery services can only operate where goods are pre-ordered (by phone, online, via a mobile app or by post) and collected without entering the premises.

 Alcohol for consumption off the premises through delivery, click and collect and drive through. As above, this means alcohol must be pre-ordered (by phone, online, via a mobile app or by post) and must be collected without entering the premises. Venues offering click-and-collect or delivery services must not include alcoholic beverages if their license does not already permit. Planning regulation has been changed to enable restaurants, cafes and pubs which have not previously offered delivery and hot food takeaway to be able to do so.

Hospitality venues providing food and drink for consumption off the premises are not permitted to allow customers to consume from any adjacent seating to the premises (with the exception of motorway service areas, airports, seaports, and the international terminal at Folkestone)."

On Friday the 20th of November 2020, West Mercia were advised of a COVID-19 businesses regulation breach at Deedar Restaurant, 26 Hewell Road, Barnt Green, Birmingham, B45 8NE. The report suggested that customers were eating meals within the premise. Police Constables Bednall & Barnes were deployed to the business and had their Body Worn Camera activated. At around, 20:30 hours they enter the premises and you can clearly see from their body camera that the staff were not wearing a masks nor does the camera pick up the NHS QR code. The officers go around the premises and you can see a number of customers sat around tables consuming alcohol which is mainly larger in pint glasses and the glasses are similar to the one behind the counter. PC Bednall speaks to staff to confront them on this who say "THEY ARE JUST"

WAITING FOR TAKEAWAYS". Pc Bednall asks to speak to the manager or owner and Mohammed HUSSAIN DOB 06/05/1983 states he is the manager. HUSSAIN is asked to go outside with officers as they were close to customers and he was challenged about what they were doing and HUSSAIN was adamant that they were waiting for a takeaway. Based on the fact police officers witnessed customers drinking alcohol onsite and a customers suspected of eating a meal inside the restaurant he is reported for consideration of a £1,000 Fixed Penalty Notice for breaching the business regulations. Hussain was asked to remove the drinks from everyone's tables and PC BEDNALL would go in and speak to the table at the back.

As PC BEDNALL entered the building at the same time as HUSSAIN and he witnessed HUSSAIN go over to the table towards the back of the restaurant where they suspected a meal had been consumed by a customers. HUSSAIN is then seen to remove the beers from this table. PC BEDNALL went over to the table who he suspected had been eating and the smell of food was overwhelming, he asked the male whether he had been eating to which he replied "NO". He was extremely intoxicated and PC BEDNALL could tell this because he was slurring his words, his eyes were glazed and he was dropping his belongings on the floor. As he said no, PC BEDNALL could see on the table that there were used napkins and food scattered across the table indicating that they had been eating inside the restaurant as originally suspected. On top of this there were a number of empty pint glasses and bottles of wine suggesting this had been ordered and paid for at the premises and not brought in by the customer.

PC BEDNALL asked HUSSAIN to come out of the restaurant again so he could speak with him, PC BEDNALL explained to him what he had found at the table when he went over and the fact that he did not like being lied to. PC BEDNALL informed HUSSAIN that the customers would need to leave, and all the drinks removed from the tables. PC BEDNALL waited outside the restaurant whilst they did this, as the two males were leaving the restaurant they were unsteady on their feet and were shouting at each other across the road. As one male left he was swearing loudly the word "FUCK" and PC BEDNALL asked him to stop swearing. At this time there was quite a few members of the public around that could hear and witness this behaviour.

In Summary, there are some serious shortcoming at this restaurant and the only proportionate response based on the current health impacts is to seek a summary review. The concerns of the police are:-

• They was operating as a eat in restaurant and in doing so committed a criminal offence under the The Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (England) (No. 4) Regulations 2020

• They were clearly serving alcohol to customers sat down in the premises which is a criminal offence under the regulations.

 The staff had no mask coverings which is required for close contact services including takeaways.

• There is evidence from the police of customers who were intoxicated and drunk and were clearly served by the premises while in this state.

• The manager, Mr. HUSSAIN tried to lie to the police to cover up the serious shortcoming.

• Members of the public were clearly concerned as they called West Mercia Police to report this breach of the regulations.

• We are currently in the middle of a Pandemic which the UK Government has closed businesses under Lockdown 2. Clear guidance has been issued

and it appears that the premises has not followed any of it by continuing to operate.

• The seriousness of these breaches needs a review by the Licencing committee for significant sanctions to be placed on the premise.

Mah Colm 3744 Signature of applicant.

Date 25/11/2020 Capacity: Supt 3748 Mark COLQUHOUN

Contact details for matters concerning this application: Address Problem Solving Hub, Room 7, Kidderminster Police Station, Habberley Rd, Kidderminster DY11 6AN

Telephone number(s). 01562 828245 / 07890510896

Email richard field@westmercia pnn police uk

Notes for guidance:

1. A certificate of the kind mentioned in the form must accompany the application in order for it to be valid under the terms of the Licensing Act 2003. The certificate must explicitly state the senior officer's opinion that the premises in question are associated with serious crime, serious disorder or both.

Serious crime is defined by reference to section 81 of the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 In summary, it means

- conduct that amounts to one or more criminal offences for which a person who has attained the age of eighteen and has no previous convictions could reasonably be expected to be sentenced to imprisonment for a term of three years or more, or - conduct that amounts to one or more criminal offences and involves the use of violence, results in substantial financial gain or is conduct by a large number of persons in pursuit of a common purpose

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Serious disorder is not defined in legislation, and so bears its ordinary English meaning.

2. Briefly describe the circumstances giving rise to the opinion that the above premises are associated with serious crime, serious disorder, or both.



CERTIFICATE UNDER SECTION 53A(1)(b) OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003

I, <u>Supt 3748 Mark COLQUHOUN</u> hereby certify that in my opinion the premises described below are associated with serious crime and serious disorder.

Premise

Deedar Restaurant 26 Hewell Road Barnt Green Birmingham B45 8NE

Premises licence number

PL0999

Name of Designated Premises Supervisor.

Mr Kachi Kabir

I am a Superintendent with West Mercia Police and provide the grounds for the Summary Review.-

I am giving this certificate because I am of the opinion that the procedures under the Licensing Act are inappropriate in this case. The standard review procedures are not appropriate due to the seriousness of the crime and the serious management failings of the premises concerned, which requires more timely action than the standard procedures allow.

The actions taken by the premises in deciding to open and inadequacies in implementing risk mitigation have placed an unnecessary risk to the health of individuals, families and local communities at a time where the country is experiencing a national emergency. The risk of transmission of the Covid-19 virus and failure of the premises to follow published guidelines represents a public nuisance

Public Nuisance is a serious crime and combined with the national threat that Covid-19 poses, it warrants use of this power.

I have considered use of the normal review procedure but I do not feel this would be appropriate in these circumstances due to the above reasons. In order to maintain the licensing objective of preventing crime and disorder the normal review procedure is not sufficient. The severity of the incidents is a matter that needs to be brought to the attention of the Licensing Committee immediately.

I am conscious of the guidance on the use of "Expedited Reviews". Given the seriousness of the risk and the emphasis in that guidance to using this power to tackle serious crime and disorder, I feel that this process is most appropriate

h Ch_ 3748 Signed ...

Date. 25th November 2020



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Interim Steps Police Proposed Outcomes.

West Mercia Police has submitted a bundle of evidence and following the Guidance issued under Section 182 of The Licensing Act 2020 members will have the following options available.

- the modification of the conditions of the premises licence;
- the exclusion of the sale of alcohol by retail from the scope of the licence;
- the removal of the designated premises supervisor from the licence; and
- the suspension of the licence.

West Mercia Police would seek the following outcomes in the interim steps:

1) Removal of the Designated Premise Supervisor (DPS)

Justification:

Mr. Kabir has provided a statement to police to confirm he sold this business and surrendered his personal licence so cannot lawfully be a DPS. In this statement he asks that he is removed as DPS of this business.

2) Suspension of Licence pending full review hearing

Justification:

In a summary hearing members can suspend the licence pending a full hearing. This would have a significant impact on the business and needs to be balanced against the strong evidential case to suspend the licence which in summary is:-

- Serious and significant breaches of current regulations supported by the chief officers view that this would be a public nuisance.
- Evidence from the Police Constables BEDBALL & BARNES that the manager was fined £1K for breaking the current restrictions and tried to lie to police.
- Evidence that they served customers alcohol unlawfully as the sale of alcohol was not authoised as Mr. Kabir does not hold a premise licence. This is an offence under S136 of the Licensing Act 2003.
- Evidence of drunk and anti-social customers leaving the premise. Section 141 of the Licensing Act 2003 creates of an offence of selling a drunk person alcohol.
- A condition on the licence is that alcohol can only be sold with a meal and evidence from the police will say that customers were just drinking alcohol supported by Body Worn Camera footage.
- A complete lack of any COVID-19 control measures and the supporting Public Health data of rising COVID-19 infection rates in Bromsgrove. This could have a causation impact of increased transmission and lead to people getting ill, impact on hospital admissions or lead to death.
- Mr. Kabir has asked the committee to revoke the licence. Although this cannot be completed in the interim steps suspension appears wise until the full hearing.



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In practice this will mean that the business can still trade for food but only between the hours of 0500-2300 hours as this does not require a late night refreshment licence. It would also mean that the business would not be allowed to sell alcohol until the full hearing. However, this would not stop customers bringing their own alcohol into the premise as this does not require a licence.

Author : Police Sergeant Richard FIELD

LICENSING ACT 2003



PREMISES LICENCE

PREMISES LICENCE NUMBER

PL0099

Part 1 – Premises Details

Postal address of premises, or if none, ordnance survey map reference or description, including Post Town, Post Code

Deedar Restaurant 26 Hewell Road Barnt Green Birmingham Worcestershire B45 8NE

Telephone number

0121 4477692

Where the licence is time limited, the dates Not applicable

Licensable activities authorised by the licence and the times the licence authorises the carrying out of licensable activities						
Activity	Days	From		То	Indoors/Outdoors	
Late Night Refreshment	Monday to Saturday	23:00	-	00:00	Indoors	
Sale of Alcohol	Sunday	12:00	-	23:30	N/A	
Sale of Alcohol	Monday to Saturday	12:00	-	00:00	N/A	
Non-standard timings						
Good Friday and Christmas Day - 12:00 - 23:30. New Year's Eve - All licensable activities listed are permitted till the start of trading hours on New Year's Day.						

The opening hours of the premises			
Days	From		То
Sunday	12:00	-	00:00
Monday to Saturday	12:00	-	00:30

Where the licence authorises supplies of alcohol whether these are on and / or off supplies

Alcohol is supplied for consumption on the premises

Part 2

Name, (registered) address, telephone number and email (where relevant) of holder of premises licence

Mr Kachi Kabir 10 Clarksland Grove Marston Green Solihull West Midlands B37 7GT

Mr Kaptan Miah 292 Washwood Heath Road Washwood Heath Birmingham West Midlands B8 2UL

Registered number of holder, for example company number, charity number (where applicable)

Name, address and telephone number of designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises for the supply of alcohol

Kachi Kabir, 10 Clarkland Grove, Marston Green, Solihull, West Midlands, B37 7GT

Personal licence number and issuing authority of personal licence held by designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises for the supply of alcohol

Personal Licence No: 171

Licensing Authority: Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council

Date of first issue:

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Issuing Authority:

Bromsgrove District Council Parkside Market Street Bromsgrove Worcestershire B61 8DA

AUTHORISED OFFICER Head of Regulatory Services Worcestershire Regulatory Services On behalf of Bromsgrove District Council

ANNEX 1 – MANDATORY CONDITIONS

The making and authorisation of alcohol sales

No supply of alcohol may be made under the premises licence-

- a) at a time when there is no designated premises supervisor in respect of the premises licence, or
- b) at a time when the designated premises supervisor does not hold a personal licence or his personal licence is suspended.

Every supply of alcohol under the premises licence must be made or authorised by a person who holds a personal licence.

Irresponsible alcohol promotions

The responsible person must ensure that staff on relevant premises do not carry out, arrange or participate in any irresponsible promotions in relation to the premises.

In this paragraph, an irresponsible promotion means any one or more of the following activities, or substantially similar activities, carried on for the purpose of encouraging the sale or supply of alcohol for consumption on the premises—

- (a) games or other activities which require or encourage, or are designed to require or encourage, individuals to—
 - drink a quantity of alcohol within a time limit (other than to drink alcohol sold or supplied on the premises before the cessation of the period in which the responsible person is authorised to sell or supply alcohol), or
 - drink as much alcohol as possible (whether within a time limit or otherwise);
- (b) provision of unlimited or unspecified quantities of alcohol free or for a fixed or discounted fee to the public or to a group defined by a particular characteristic in a manner which carries a significant risk of undermining a licensing objective;
- (c) provision of free or discounted alcohol or any other thing as a prize to encourage or reward the purchase and consumption of alcohol over a period of 24 hours or less in a manner which carries a significant risk of undermining a licensing objective;
- (d) selling or supplying alcohol in association with promotional posters or flyers on, or in the vicinity of, the premises which can reasonably be considered to condone, encourage or glamorise anti-social behaviour or to refer to the effects of drunkenness in any favourable manner;
- (e) dispensing alcohol directly by one person into the mouth of another (other than where that other person is unable to drink without assistance by reason of disability).

Provision of free potable water

The responsible person must ensure that free potable water is provided on request to customers where it is reasonably available.

Age verification policy for the sale or supply of alcohol

The premises licence holder or club premises certificate holder must ensure that an age verification policy is adopted in respect of the premises in relation to the sale or supply of alcohol.

The designated premises supervisor in relation to the premises licence must ensure that the supply of alcohol at the premises is carried on in accordance with the age verification policy.

The policy must require individuals who appear to the responsible person to be under 18 years of age (or such older age as may be specified in the policy) to produce on request, before being served alcohol, identification bearing their photograph, date of birth and either—

- (a) a holographic mark, or
- (b) an ultraviolet feature.

Availability of small measures of alcohol

The responsible person must ensure that-

- (a) where any of the following alcoholic drinks is sold or supplied for consumption on the premises (other than alcoholic drinks sold or supplied having been made up in advance ready for sale or supply in a securely closed container) it is available to customers in the following measures—
 - (i) beer or cider: 1/2 pint;
 - (ii) gin, rum, vodka or whisky: 25 ml or 35 ml; and
 - (iii) still wine in a glass: 125 ml;
- (b) these measures are displayed in a menu, price list or other printed material which is available to customers on the premises; and

continued ...

(c) where a customer does not in relation to a sale of alcohol specify the quantity of alcohol to be sold, the customer is made aware that these measures are available.

Permitted price of alcohol

- 1. A relevant person shall ensure that no alcohol is sold or supplied for consumption on or off the premises for a price which is less than the permitted price
- 2. For the purposes of the condition set out in paragraph 1
 - a) "duty" is to be construed in accordance with the Alcoholic Liquor Duties Act 1979);
 - b) "permitted price" is the price found by applying the formula-

P=D+(D×V)

where-

P is the permitted price,

D is the rate of duty chargeable in relation to the alcohol as if the duty were charged on the date of the sale or supply of the alcohol, and

V is the rate of value added tax chargeable in relation to the alcohol as if the value added tax were charged on the date of the sale or supply of the alcohol;

- c) "relevant person" means, in relation to premises in respect of which there is in force a premises licence-
 - (i) the holder of the premises licence,
 - (ii) the designated premises supervisor (if any) in respect of such a licence, or
 - (iii) the personal licence holder who makes or authorises a supply of alcohol under such a licence;
- d) "relevant person" means, in relation to premises in respect of which there is in force a club premises certificate, any member or officer of the club present on the premises in a capacity which enables the member or officer to prevent the supply in question; and
- e) "valued added tax" means value added tax charged in accordance with the Value Added Tax Act 1994.
- 3. Where the permitted price given by Paragraph (b) of paragraph 2 would (apart from this paragraph) not be a whole number of pennies, the price given by that sub-paragraph shall be taken to be the price actually given by that sub-paragraph rounded up to the nearest penny.
- 4. (1) Sub-paragraph (2) applies where the permitted price given by Paragraph (b) of paragraph 2 on a day ("the first day") would be different from the permitted price on the next day ("the second day") as a result of a change to the rate of duty or value added tax.
 - (2) The permitted price which would apply on the first day applies to sales or supplies of alcohol which take place before the expiry of the period of 14 days beginning on the second day.

ANNEX 2 - CONDITIONS CONSISTENT WITH THE OPERATING SCHEDULE

- a) General all four licensing objectives (b,c,d,e):
- b) The prevention of crime and disorder:
- c) Public safety:
- d) The prevention of public nuisance:
- e) The protection of children from harm:

Other operating conditions

ANNEX 3 – CONDITIONS ATTACHED AFTER A HEARING BY THE LICENSING AUTHORITY



ANNEX 4 - PLANS

As deposited with the licensing authority





PREMISES LICENCE SUMMARY

PREMISES LICENCE NUMBER

PL0099

Premises Details

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Deedar Restaurant 26 Hewell Road Barnt Green Birmingham Worcestershire

Telephone number

B45 8NE

0121 4477692

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Registered number of holder, for example company number, charity number (where applicable)

Name of designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises for the supply of alcohol Kachi Kabir

State whether access to the premises by children is restricted or prohibited

No specific restriction

AUTHORISED OFFICER Head of Regulatory Services Worcestershire Regulatory Services On behalf of Bromsgrove District Council Date of first issue:

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Bromsgrove District Council Parkside Market Street Bromsgrove Worcestershire B61 8DA

24 November 2005



Her Majesty's Courts Service West Mercia Area

Licensing Act, 1964

GRANT OF NEW JUSTICES 'RESTAURANT' LICENCE

AT THE LICENSING SESSIONS for the Local Justice Area of

BROMSGROVE & REDDITCH

held on the

1st June 2005

The Licensing Justices for the said division hereby grant to

Kachi KABIR

this Justices' 'Restaurant' Licence authorising him/her to sell by retail, at the premises,

DEEDAR INDIAN CUISINE, 26 & 26a Hewell Road, Barnt Green, Birmingham

intoxicating liquor of all descriptions for consumption on the premises.

The owners of the premises in respect of which this licence is granted are

Alan Samuel Pollock

This licence is granted subject to the conditions endorsed hereon and shall have effect From the date hereof until and including the

4th day of April 2007

GIVEN under the official seal of the Licensing Justices which is hereto Affixed under their authority by me.

Justice of the Peace.

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Licence Conditions/Undertakings <u>DEEDAR INDIAN CUISINE, 26 & 26A HEWELL ROAD,</u> <u>BARNT GREEN, BIRMINGHAM</u>

- 1. Intoxicating liquor shall not be sold or supplied on the premises otherwise than to persons taking table meals there and for consumption by such a person as an ancillary to his meal.
- 2. Suitable beverages other than intoxicating liquor (including drinking water) shall be equally available for consumption with or otherwise as an ancillary to meals served in the premises.

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RESTRICTED (when complete)
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(Criminal Procedure Rules, r27.2; Criminal Justice Act 1967, s.9; Magistrates' Courts Act 1980, s.5B)
URN:
Statement of: Joshua BEDNALL
Age if under 18: Over 18 Occupation: Police Constable
This statement (consisting of 2 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 anything in it, which I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.
Signature: Date: 23/11/2020
I am Police Constable 2713 Joshua BEDNALL of West Mercia Police, currently based at Bromsgrove Police Station.
On Friday 20 th November 2020 I was on duty in full police uniform. At approximately 2030 hours I was on mobile patrol in company with PC 21705 BARNES.
At this time we were made aware of a possible breach of COVID at The Deedar restaurant, HEWELL ROAD, BARNT GREEN by serving customers food. We arrived at the location a short time later and as we entered, I could see two tables sat to the right hand side who had no food in front of them, one of the tables had two drinks on their table which were pints of what looked like Lager, the same branding on the glasses of lager was the same branding which was on the beer tap which was located on the bar. I immediately assumed that these drinks had been served by the staff within the restaurant.
I explained that a report had been made to us that a table had been eating food within the restaurant against government guidelines. A staff member stated something similar to "THEY ARE JUST WAITING FOR TAKEAWAYS". I explained that they could not be served drinks in the restaurant even if they were waiting for food. I then walked into the restaurant and could see a table of two males who had empty beer glasses and a nearly empty bottle of wine on the table, both males seemed quite loud, animated and seemed to be intoxicated.
I asked who the owner or manager was and a male of spoke with a male Mr Mohammed HUSSAIN DOB 06/05/1983 who identified himself as the owner of the business, I explained to him that by serving customers drinks whilst waiting for takeaway food was against the current government guidelines. I also asked him about the table who was located in the rear and he stated "THEY ARE JUST
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Statement of: Joshua BEDNALL

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WAITING FOR A TAKEAWAY". He was challenged about what they were doing and HUSSAIN was adamant that they were waiting for a takeaway. At 2020 hours I informed him that he was being reported for breaching the coronavirus legislation for opening his business when he shouldn't be and I then cautioned him to which he made no reply. I told him to remove the drinks from everyone's tables and I would go in and speak to the table at the back. As I entered at the same time as HUSSAIN I saw him go over to the table and remove the beers from the table. I went over to the table who I suspected had been eating and the smell of food was overwhelming, I asked the male whether he had been eating to which he replied "NO". He was extremely intoxicated and I could tell this because he was slurring his words, his eyes were glazed and he was dropping his belongings on the floor. As he said no, I could see on the table that there were used napkins and food scattered across the table indicating that they had been eating inside the restaurant as originally suspected.

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I have nothing further to add in relation to this incident and these are my original notes.

MAD Signature:

Signature witnessed by:

2010/11

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WITNESS STATEMENT
(Criminal Procedure Rules, r27.2; Criminal Justice Act 1967, s.9; Magistrates' Courts Act 1980, s.5B)
URN:
Statement of: Joanne Barnes
Age if under 18: Over 18 Occupation: Constable
This statement (consisting of 3 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 anything in it, which I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.
Signature: TUB and ACRITOS Date: 24/11/2020
I am Constable 21705 Joanne Barnes of West Mercia, currently based at Bromsgrove Police Station.
On FRIDAY 20 TH NOVEMBER 2020 I was on duty in full police uniform. I was working a 1700 x 2300 tour of duty on mobile patrol with PC 2713 BEDNALL.
At approximately 2020 hours we attended the DEEDAR INDIAN RESTAURANT on HEWELL LANE in BARNT GREEN, following receiving information of a possible breach of COVID regulations.
As we approached the restaurant on foot, I could see that its lights were on inside and outside.
On entering the door to the premises there was a small seating area to the left. In front of me to my right was a bar area. Opposite that bar area was a row of tables and seating.
There was an Asian male behind the bar and he had empty beer glasses in his hand. There was a silver pump behind the bar that served draught lager, I cannot remember what type.
In the small seating area to my left, there was a male who appeared to be waiting for a food takeaway.
On the tables opposite the bar I saw that people were sat possibly waiting for food also. These people had glasses on the table with what appeared to be lager in them.
Signature: JBanus ICRI70S
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Statement of: Joanne Barnes

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PC BEDNALL spoke to the male behind the bar and asked if there was a Manager on the premises. He then explained that a report had been made of customers eating within the premises and drinking, both not being allowed under the current guidelines. PC BEDNALL mentioned the drinks on the tables and was told that "THEY ARE WAITING FOR TAKEAWAYS." PC BEDNALL explained that this was not allowed. Only takeaway drinks were allowed.

A male approached us and identified himself as the manager. I heard PC BEDNALL explain what was happening to him and I asked for his details. I recorded his details in my notebook as Mohammed HUSSAIN, born 06.05.1983, with a home address of 153 BURNEY LANE, WARD END, B8 2AJ.

As I was speaking to the manager, PC BEDNALL walked to the end of the bar and off to the right, which I now know led to a further seating area of the restaurant.

PC BEDNALL returned and explained to the manager that he had observed two males sat at a table in that area. He said that both males seemed extremely intoxicated and were being very loud. He also told the manager that it did appear upon observation that the males had been eating food at the table. There were used napkins and a plate on there, with remnants of food.

The manager Mr HUSSAIN told PC BEDNALL that the males at the back were waiting for a takeaway. PC BEDNALL challenged him over this statement and asked him not to lie.

PC BEDNALL then asked me to accompany him to the table. The table itself was partially hidden from view of the outside by a moveable partition of some sort. It was at the back of the room, just off from what I believe is a door leading to the kitchen. I saw empty beer glasses and an almost empty bottle of wine on the table. There were also napkins and crumbs. A male that was there seemed very intoxicated and was swaying from side to side in his chair, holding cash in his hands.

I was present when PC BEDNALL reported Mr HUSSAIN for offences relating to breaching Coronavirus Regulations.

Again the manager said that the table at the back were only waiting for a takeaway. PC BEDNALL went to speak with the people at the table and I waited with Mr HUSSAIN.

On his return PC BEDNALL asked to speak to MR HUSSAIN outside in the street, away from the remaining customers in the premises. PC BEDNALL spoke directly to MR HUSSAIN and advised him that he shouldn't lie to the police when asked a question and that it was clear from what he and I had seen, that people were being

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allowed to eat and drink alcohol within that restaurant. It was explained to him that he would be receiving a fine over what we had observed in his premises that evening.				
As we were talking to Mr HUSSAIN, one of the men that was sat at the table came outside. I heard the male swear. There were members of the public around at that time as the premises is at the end of a row of shops.				
PC BEDNALL shouted to the male and asked him to watch his language in a public place.				
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	d by the police who asked about this business Supervisor (DPS) and I informed them that I no ol over the business.
I have since been made aware that the busine alcohol illegally last week. I do not have any c the business. I would ask that the licensing co have been operating unlawfully to remove me revoke the premise licence. END K.KABIR	control over these matters nor do I have a say in ommittee be aware of these facts and if they
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Signature: M. GINDER	Date: 25/11/2020		
I am PC 1505 Marc GINDER and I am the local Police Officer for the area that covers Barnt Green village in Worcestershire.			
I was made aware by Police Sergeant Richard Field of an incident at Deedar Restaurant, Hewell Road in Barnt Green where they were selling alcohol against the current restrictions. At that time, no one could locate or make contact with the Designated Premise Supervisor so I was asked to make enquiries at his home address.			
On Tuesday 24 th of November 2020 I attend KABIR in the Marston Green area. I have k Kabir who confirmed he used to be a busine Kabir informed me that he sold this two yea in the business currently.	nocked on the door and spoke with Mr. ess partner of Deedar restaurant. Mr.		
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Statement of: Richard Paul FIELD
Age if under 18: Over 18 Occupation: Police Officer
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Signature: R. P FIELD Date: 24/11/2020
I am Police Sergeant 2458 Richard Paul Field of West Mercia Police. I currently work
for West Mercia Police out of Kidderminster Police Station where I supervise staff
from the Problem Solving Hub which includes licensing functions. I have been a
Police Officer for 11 years and I have been involved in licensing for around 6 of those
years. I currently hold a BA Hons in Business Management, hold qualifications in risk
assessments, Health and Safety and hold a Professional Licensing Practitioners
Qualification (PLPQ).
During my time in licensing we aim to work with licensees to offer encouragement
and support where we can. However, we do undertake enforcement when it is
serious and proportionate to do so especially when members of the public's safety
are at risk.
On Monday 23 rd November 2020 I was made aware that the manager of Deedar Restaurant, 26 Hewell Road, Barnt Green, Birmingham, B45 8NE had been reported for consideration of a £1,000 fixed penalty notice for breaching business regulation in opening a closed business namely a restaurant.
I have reviewed the evidence which included officer statements, the associated body worn camera footage and the fixed penalty notice. When I reviewed the body worn camera I was shocked, appalled and dismayed of the blatant disregard to the current lockdown regulations. From reviewing the body worn camera it was clear there were serious shortcoming at this restaurant and the only proportionate response based on the current health impacts is to seek a summary review.
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The main issues that I highlighted were:-

- They was operating as a eat in restaurant and in doing so committed a criminal offence under the The Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (England) (No. 4) Regulations 2020
- They were clearly serving alcohol to customers sat down in the premises which is a criminal offence under the regulations.
- The staff had no mask coverings which is required for close contact services including takeaways.
- There is evidence from the police officer that customers were intoxicated and drunk and were clearly served by the premises while in this state.
- The manager, Mr. HUSSAIN tried to lie to the police to cover up the serious shortcoming.
- We are currently in the middle of a Pandemic which the UK Government has closed businesses under Lockdown 2. Clear guidance has been issued and it appears that the premises has not followed any of it by continuing to operate.
- That there was no sign of the DPS at the site nor could the officers locate the DPS.

From reviewing the footage it was clear that the premise had committed serious criminal offences and there was a public safety concern in line with the four licencing objectives. It was clear that this premises had chosen to disregard the changes in legislation and published guidance, and in failing to comply has placed not only their employees and customers at risk but also the wider community due to the virulent nature of the virus. COVID-19 is rapidly rising in Worcestershire in line with the national picture and this premise in my view posed a health and safety risk.

On Tuesday 24th November 2020, I made a request to Public Health within

Worcestesershire County Council to provide an overview of the current CoVID-19

infection rates in Bromsgrove. A summary report was provided which I now produce as evidence and exhibit as RPF/1.

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Summary of digital data

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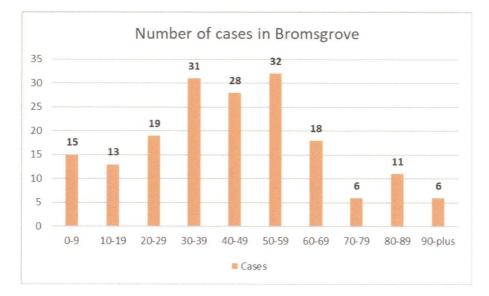
Time counter	Summary of evidence
00.00	Pc Bednal 222713 enters the Deedar Restaurant, Hewell Road at 20.26 on 20/11/2020.
	As his body cam scans around to the left you can see 3 individual couples sat at the 3 booths. All had glasses on the table which looked to contain alcohol. The liquid was brown and looked like beer In a half pint glass.
	Pc Bednal talks to the manager and he is insistent that the people are just waiting for takeaways.
-	There are other customers hidden behind a screen in the restaurant. Pc Bednal approaches them, there are empty glasses on the table, there is a bottle of wine and the table appears to have been sat at for some time as it looks untidy and Pc Bednal comments that he can clearly see that food has been eaten. He speaks to a male who is sat at that table and he is clearly intoxicated. He is asked if he has had a meal in the restaurant but he denies that.
	Pc Bednal speaks to the manager outside and states to him that he has been serving food but the manager continues to deny it and states that they are awaiting takeaways. Pc Bednal reports the manager for the relevant Covid breaches and Cautions him.
	Pc Bednal is still outside when the drunk male leaves, he is carrying a bag and he swears and looks unsteady on his feet.
	The footage lasts for 12 minutes and 38 seconds.

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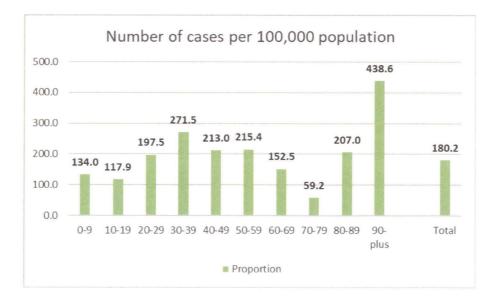


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 In terms of cases per 100,000 population, the highest proportion was among people aged 90plus, at almost 439 per 100,000 population. Proportions in the 30-39 age group are also relatively high. The total figure for all people in Bromsgrove is just over 180 per 100,000 population.



- It should be noted that here has been a relatively high positivity rate (i.e. proportion of tests coming back positive) in Bromsgrove, at around 10.2%.
- According to the latest official ONS figure which includes deaths which occurred up to the end of Week 46 (ending 15th November) there have been 141 deaths among Bromsgrove residents where Covid has been involved since the middle of March.



Licencing Review

Deedar Restaurant 26 Hewell Road Barnt Green Birmingham B45 8NE

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Signature: R. P. FIELD	Date: 02/12/2020
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Sorry I could not be of any help this time around cooperation when required.	d and I will give the police my full
Thank you	
Dildar Hussain"	
R.P.FIELD	
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EXHIBIT RPF/2

On Tue, 1 Dec 2020 at 18:12 Dildar Hussain Wrote:

Hello Richard

After receiving your email, I tried to get the Cctv footage to pass onto you. After accessing the dvr it can only take me back to 22/11/20.

When your officers came to retrieve the footage I couldn't get access to the dvr due to were it is located.

I have not denied anything what your officers have said on the night they came to the restaurant (20/11/20) So I don't see what difference the footage would make to the decision of the licencing committee, In regards to my alcohol licence.

Sorry I could not be of any help this time around and I will give the police my full cooperation when required.

Thank you

Dildar Hussain

On Tue, 1 Dec 2020 at 14:51, Field, Richard wrote:

Dear Mr. Hussain,

PCSO Stuart Taylor attended the Deedar Restaurant on Friday 27th November 2020 to formally request CCTV from staff following an alleged breach of Licencing and Coronavirus legislation on Friday 20th November 2020.

This CCTV will be used for the licencing hearing to test the truthfulness of your account where you stated that the business was only operating as a takeaway. West Mercia Police

will review footage from 20.00-21.00 hours from the 20th November to confirm or deny the Police Officers view that people were consuming alcohol and food on the premise.

PCSO Taylor informs me that staff outlined that the CCTV is in the loft and the police would need to bring ladders and something to burn into onto. I would like to point out

that it is not the Police's responsibility to get this CCTV from the loft but one of the management of the business to provide this in a reasonable amount of time upon request of the police.



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West Mercia Police formally requests this CCTV is provided by the 3rd of December 2020 to reasonably allow enough time for us to review the footage and make comment

at the hearing.

I will look forward to your response.

Best Wishes

Rich.

PS 2458 Richard Field

Sergeant, Problem Solving Hub, North Worcestershire

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	Signature: K. NORRIS Date: 8th December 2020	
	I am PC 1271 NORRIS of West Mercia Police currently stationed at Kidderminster Police station, I am currently the Licencing officer for North Worcestershire. On Tuesday 8 th December 2020 I was on full uniformed duty when I attended DEEDAR INDIAN CUISINE, 26 HEWELL ROAD, BARNT GREEN, B45 8NE.	
	My body worn video was activated throughout the visit, I attended the premises to conduct a full licencing check and to check the premises was complying with covid rules. As I entered the premises I was met by a colleague from Worcestershire Regulatory Services who was doing a food hygiene/safety inspection and a male who identified himself as the manager and new DPS a DILDAR HUSSAIN bn 26/05/83.	
	At that point in time the premises was open but there were no customers seated just one waiting for a take out. There was one other member of staff behind the bar/till area and I could hear a member of staff in the kitchen area. HUSSAIN stated to me he wasn't sure if his application to become the new Designated Premises Supervisor had been approved by Worcestershire Regulatory Services as he had not been notified. There was a sign visible by the entrance that stated they currently wouldn't be selling any alcohol to customers due to complications with the licence.	
	There was a copy of the premises licence summary present and it was shown to myself however it was not displayed, HUSSAIN stated he had taken it down due to it being old and having the old DPS details on, he stated there was no other copies of the premises licence anywhere and he didn't have a copy of the full licence.	
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HUSSAIN also stated he did not have a copy of the site plan and had never seen one. There was also no authorised sale of alcohol document, although their licence is currently suspended HUSSAIN stated there had never been one and he wasn't aware of any other personal licence holders that worked on the premises, he also did not seem to understand that staff members must be given some kind of permission to be allowed to sell alcohol. There was no refusal book and no age verification on any of the tills, there was no incident book and HUSSAIN stated there never had been one.

HUSSAIN stated that they did have CCTV but he cannot download it and if officers required any footage he would have to call the engineer for the CCTV system, he stated he can view, playback and record the CCTV on his personal mobile phone but that was all, he stated the footage only lasted 11 days before it was over written.

HUSSAIN stated there was no drugs policy as he did not believe his premises had an issue with it, he stated there were random checks on the toilets but these were not recorded anywhere. Mr. Hussain also stated that none of the staff were trained in anything, no age challenges, drunk awareness etc etc.

With regards to Covid, there was no covid risk assessment in place at the premises, there was the NHS QR code at the front entrance, inside and on the toilet doors and they did have a paper equivalent available for people who did not have the app, however these paper records were just stored loose under the till, they were not securely locked away. HUSSAIN stated if people didn't use the code or fill in the form there was nothing they could do as they had already served them food and alcohol. It was explained customers needed to be doing this as it was mandatory and they should be refused service if they refused, I suggested that it was done when the customer entered and before they were even seated to avoid any issues.

There were no signs to customers about wearing masks, HUSSAIN stated most of his staff wore face mask when working but one member of staff has asthma and wore nothing, I advised him this was not acceptable and he needed to ensure there was a face shield available for that member of staff to wear instead of a mask. I spoke to the member of staff behind the till and he stated that any face shields they had to buy themselves and they were only provided with disposable masks for face coverings.

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It was clear some of the tables were far too close together and paper pull up signs had been placed between those close tables in an attempt to separate them, they were free standing and completely inadequate.

HUSSAIN stated that the tables of 2 were only there to be added to a table of 4 if they had a party of 6, I told him it needed to be moved and could not be used so close to the other tables.

Some of the gaps between tables in my opinion were less than a metre and when customers sat on those tables they would literally be next to each other to the point where they could hold hands comfortable without being stretched out they would of been so close. There were several tables this close to each other, the officer from Worcestershire Regulatory services stated he had also spoken to HUSSAIN about the seating arrangements. HUSSAIN was told the paper dividers he was using were not adequate and if he was going to add screens they needed to be separating seats/people and tables and not free standing as this provided no protection. HUSSAIN was also told if he was not going to use screens the back to back chairs must be at least a metre apart and any other tables/seats that would put people opposite or next to each other must be at least 2 metres apart to try and avoid close contact, he was told it would be easier and more covid compliant if some of the tables and chairs were removed however HUSSAIN seemed unhappy and unwilling to consider this option.

HUSSAIN stated he was in the process with the other part owners of the business in deciding if they wanted to hand in their premises licence for alcohol and just have customers bring their own, he was informed if he wished to sell food after 11pm and have music playing after that time he would still require a licence even if he didn't sell alcohol.

As part of my role I will be sending HUSSAIN a follow up letter with the advice and clarification about what he needs to do to improve the premises and ensure it is compliant. Worcestershire regulatory services will also be informing HUSSAIN via written communication about the improvements he needs to make to be of standard and sell food safely and with the correct allergen advice.

I exhibit my body worn footage as KLN/1, whist there I also took 5 photos of the seats and the signs which I exhibit as KLN/2 through to KLN/6.

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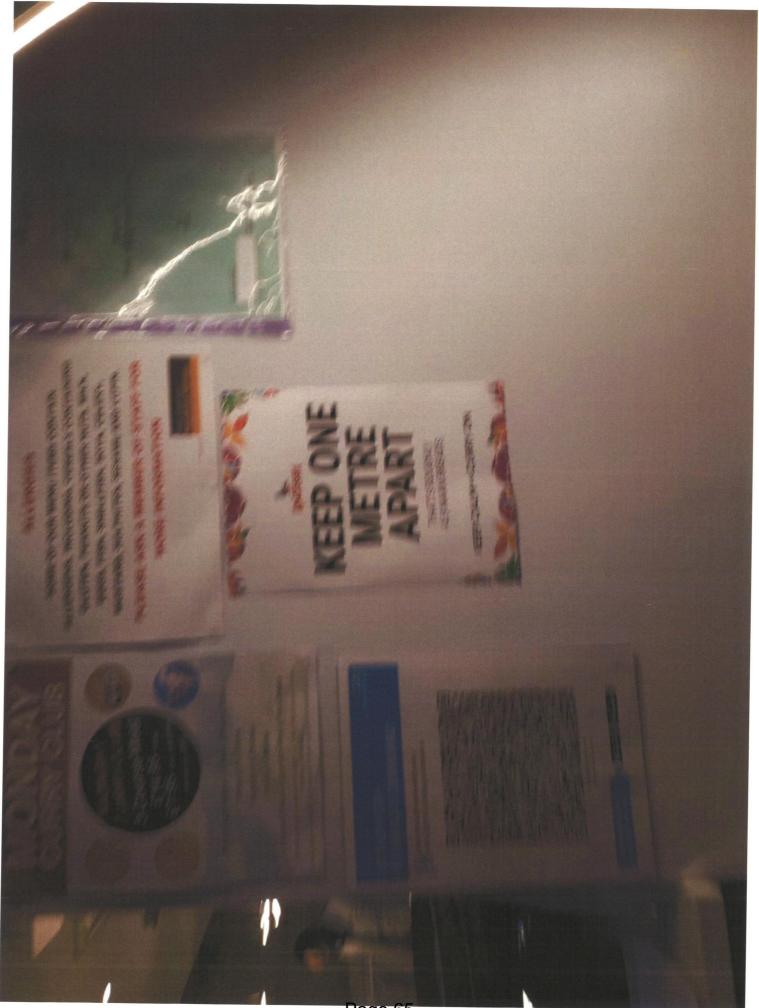


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From: Dildar Hussain Sent: 25 November 2020 19:55 To: WRS Enquiries Subject: External Email : Deedar Indian cuisine PL0099(BD/001148) 26 Hewell Road, B45 8NE

Dildar Hussain Deedar Indian Cuisine 26 Hewell Road Brant green Birmingham B45 8NE

25 November 2020

WRS Environmental Health & Licensing

RE: PL0099(BD/001148)

Dear Sir,

I write in response to your letter dated 25/11/20, to suspend the premises licence under section 53A of the licensing act 2003.

When constable Barnes and Bednall entered the restaurant, I had the mask on but lowered it to my chin so I can talk to them. My colleague (Imran) who received Constable Barnes and PC Bednall is except form wearing face covering due to medical condition. My other colleague (Liton) was wearing his full face mask at the time.

At the restaurant we have table dividers to separate tables when people are dining in. We also have three Sanatising stations at different points at the restaurant, also we have three QR Codes at three points of the restaurant (entrance, middle and rear).

We have tried our upmost to maintain social distancing and safety measures and I realise how important it is to look after the health and safety of my staff and customers alike.

I was under the impression that customers waiting for their takeaway food to be cooked can have a drink will waiting. That was a mistake from me for not understanding the rule and law of what i am allowed and what I am not. I duly accept the fine imposed on me by the police officer present that day. I can not defend myself from this mistake and I sincerely apologise for my action and also assure you that this would not happen again.

The customer PC Bednall says used foul and abusive language left straight away with his takeaway when the taxi arrived which was witnessed by the officers. This incident was not witnessed by me or my colleagues.

Alcohol represents nearly 50% of my business, by revoking my licence would be very difficult for me the sustain this business leading to loss of jobs and even close the business.

Please when reviewing my licence consider the difficulty my restaurant has been through throughout this year with COVID 19 to keep the business going.

The restaurant has been established since 1993 and not one day since it opened you have received any complaints. I can assure you that after this issue you will not hear of me or my establishment.

Again I hold my hands up and sincerely apologise for my action and I take sole responsibility for what has happened and for also wasting police time and resources and yours as well.

For your information I have a personal licence issued by Birmingham city council, licence number 5264/2, date of issue 20/05/2009, address: 18 brockhurst road, b36 8jb.

Yours sincerely

Dildar Hussain

From: Dildar Hussain [mailto: Sent: 27 November 2020 11:20 To: Dave Etheridge Subject: External Email : Re: Summary Review Application - Deedar Restaurant

This email originated from outside of the organisation STOP : Were you expecting this email? Does it look genuine? THINK : Before you CLICK on any links or OPEN any attachments.

Thank you for your email

I Dildar Hussain on behalf of my father Mr Kaptan Miah(the licence holder for Deedar Indian Cuisine) would like to make representations for the interim steps taken by the sub committee as follows:

To remove Mr Kachi Kabir from DPS of the premise.

To suspend the licence of Deedar Indian Cuisne to sell Alcohol.

Firstly removal of Mr Kabir to act as a DPS is accepted by my father (mr Kaptan Miah) as he has no say in business affairs anymore. I Dildar Hussain volunteer to take the roll of the DPS of Deedar Indian Cuisine as I am a personal licence holder from Birmingham city council (licence number 5264/2, date of issue 20/05/2009).

We weren't made aware that Mr Kabir surrendered his licence or voluntarily decided to remove him self of the DPS of Deedar Indian Cuisine. If he made me aware I would have applied to become a DPS replacing him at the premises. I believe he did not notify the council about his withdrawal and subsequently I was not notified. Also when the annual renew came to Mr Kabir every year at his home address he would pass it onto me to renew the licence. At any point when he passed me the renewal he mentioned to me that he was withdrawing from being the DPS of Deedar Indian Cuisine I would have known and taken the necessary steps to become a DPS.

Secondly the removal of the licence to sell alcohol at the restaurant would have adverse effect on my business. Yes I have made a mistake by interpreting the law differently in regards to COVID 19. And I sincerely apologise to this. I never knowingly intended to put my staff, customers or members of public to harm in anyway. Since the the restaurant was established in 1993 their have been no complaints, miss use of alcohol, public nuisance or any form of complaints. I am a very well liked trader of Barnet Green community with no history of breaking any law. I have many members of the community and traders alike who will no doubt replicate what I have just mentioned. I assure all members of the committee that this is a one of incident and will not be repeated again.

Again I sincerely apologise for my action and this will not be repeated.

I hope you make your decision with good heart for me and the community.

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Deedar Restaurant 26 Hewell Road Barnt Green Birmingham B45 BNE

Public Health response

1. Background

The Director of Public Health (DPH) Worcestershire as a responsible authority, has reviewed the summary licence review submitted by West Mercia Police on Wednesday 25th November 2020. The DPH fully supports the application for the review of Deedar restaurants premises licence, following guidance issued under Section 182 of The Licensing Act 2003.

Public services are working around the clock, to try to ensure that cases of Covid-19 decrease, in order to lessen the pressure on public sector agencies and reduce the number of deaths and health implications on the population of Worcestershire. The evidence supplied by WMP outlines a clear breach of Government guidance, resulting in serious health risks to staff, customers and the wider community. This undermines efforts to control the virus, resulting in an increased burden on services and cost to the public purse, as well as prolonging the effects of virus on local communities.

Data and intelligence summary

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- In terms of cases per 100,000 population, the highest proportion was among people aged 90-plus, at almost 439 per 100,000 population. Proportions in the 30-39 age group are also relatively high. The total figure for all people in Bromsgrove is just over 180 per 100,000 population.
- It should be noted that here has been a relatively high positivity rate (i.e. proportion of tests coming back positive) in Bromsgrove, at around 10.2%.
- According to the latest official ONS figure which includes deaths which occurred up to the end of Week 46 (ending 15th November 2020) there have been 141 deaths among Bromsgrove residents where Covid has been involved since the middle of March.
- The period from 20-26 November 2020 showed a total of 90 cases in Bromsgrove, which means Bromsgrove has the second highest case numbers in the county with the rate for over 60s being the highest in the county.
- Hospital data as of 4th December 2020, shows a total of 90 cases in the County's hospitals with 6 of these being in intensive care.

Conclusion

The DPH for Worcestershire fully supports WMP in implementing any measures to ensure Deedar restaurant complies with Covid-19 guidelines and the law.

Yours sincerely

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I am employed as a Senior Technical Officer within the Environmental Health section of Worcestershire Regulatory Services, which are run by Bromsgrove District Council. I am working within Environmental Health department for more than fifteen years. I'm a member of Chartered Institute of Environmental Health. My current position involves carrying out a range of enforcement duties such as inspections, complaints and outbreaks investigations in relation to food safety, health & safety, and public health matters.

On 8th December 2020 around 18:00 hours, I carried out a routine programmed food hygiene inspection of a food business ' DEEDAR INDIAN CUISINE, 26 HEWELL ROAD, BARNT GREEN, B45 8NE,'. A colleague from West Mercia Police (PC 1271) also arrived to carryout licensing checks around 18:30 hours. On arrival I met Mr Dildar HUSSAIN, Mr HUSSAIN introduced himself as Food Business Operator (FBO). Mr HUSSAIN informed that he is currently employing five staff members, Mr HUSSAIN further added his restaurant and food takeaway business is not serving any alcohol. Part of inspection I asked several questions to establish FBO and his staff understanding in relation to basic food hygiene and safety measures. Staff members were unable to answer questions in relation to fitness to work, allergen contamination control, COVID risk assessment etc. There were no training records available for inspection; FBO claimed all staff members have been verbally trained. FBO agreed to provide suitable training. I advised FBO that how he can address staff members training needs.

During kitchen inspection and review of food menu I noticed FBO has failed to identify allergens such as peanuts, nuts and mustard potentially present within several Tikka, Tandoori and prawn dishes. Food menu was clearly inaccurate and FBO acknowledged his mistake and agreed to rectify this issue immediately. Food and hand contact surfaces such as handles, taps, work surfaces etc. observed in dirty condition. FBO was advised to identify cleaning needs use suitable cleaning chemicals and observe correct contact times. Inadequate cleaning/disinfection of contact surfaces can lead to cross contamination as well as spread of food borne diseases including coronavirus. External oil drums storage area found in dirty condition this may lead to pests attraction to the area. FBO was asked to keep the area clean to eliminate food source and potential harborage.

Part of my visit I also carried out checks in relation to COVID 19, I noted business was displaying a QR code at the entrance along with the hand sanitsing station. However I was unable to find any face covering signage. FBO was unable to provide any information in relation to COVID19 risk assessment. I noticed several dining tables were too close to each other, screens were too narrow which couldn't provide adequate separation and some staff members were not wearing masks. FBO agreed to carryout full COVID 19 risk assessment, re-organise tables to facilitate social distancing. I understand colleague from West Mercia Police also carried out COVID-19 checks and given advice accordingly.

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Good afternoon David,

I'm writing to give my community endorsement for Deedar Barnt Green in regards to the licensing review that is currently in process.

I am a regular at the restaurant and was there on the 20th November evening when the two police officers entered.

In regards to the working practices at the Deedar. I've been a regular for 13 years – Waiting for a take away almost every week and about once a month eating in (lock down periods excluded of course).

As far as their Covid response. They have separators between each table and, when eating in was allowed, they kept strictly to the 6 per table policy, taking names and details from diners for track and trace. They have Covid tracking Q codes in several places alongside hygiene gel dispensers. The staff wear face masks with the exception of one who I believe is medically exempt

As mentioned above, I was one of the customers in the restaurant that evening while waiting for my take-away. I believe there were a handful of other customers. All had been seated separately – no mixing was allowed and the few drinks that were brought were taken to the table by the staff. Customers were only allowed to sit while they waited for food and left promptly after getting their food.

There were two customers who left as I was waiting for my food last week. I do not know how regularly they are at the restaurant but I can say that, in 13 years of going about once a week, I have never seen them in there before. While I was there they had one drink. They appeared entirely compos-mentis. One of them spoke to me clearly asking if I had heard a taxi arrive and directions to the WC - He spoke without slurring and with no evidence of intoxication - To my knowledge they only had one drink in the restaurant.

The restaurant has always been well run. They have enforced a clear policy on alcohol over the years. I have seen them several times refusing to serve alcohol to customers where it seemed inappropriate to do so. On one occasion a staff member, after refusing to serve a member of the public with alcohol noticed them walking to the Tesco store a few doors away and went into Tesco and warned them that this person was inebriated and shouldn't be served. I have also witnessed them refuse entry to individuals or groups who appeared to be intoxicated.

In terms of their responsibility in regards to serving alcohol that I have seen over my many visits going back 13 years - I can say after some thought, that they routinely exhibit the highest standards of control and compliance.

A palpably and demonstrably higher standard than I see exhibited by most public houses and restaurants, both local and city centre.

During none Covid times the restaurant is often full and is a hub for the community. A few years ago it was all but destroyed by ingress of water from a leaking pipe from the flat above. (Apparently it is incorrect to call this a "flood" – but parochially that is what it was). It took months of effort for the restaurant to recover and was missed by many in the community. The Deedar is a highly regarded, well managed, hygienic and friendly restaurant that is very much valued by the majority of the community.

The staff have helped out in the community regularly. I have attended many charity events there to raise money for Leukaemia research and the BHF. They deliver take aways to elderly residents free of charge. An example being **Example 1**, an 85 year old who lives alone 2 doors from the restaurant and other locals who are not mobile. Often going "the extra mile".

The management and staff work hard over a period of many years to play a full and acknowledged part in the local community. I understand that, in common with most restaurants of this type, that the responsible sale of alcohol to be consumed on the premises makes up a sizable percentage of their income and without a license the restaurant is likely to be unfeasible as a business.

I would ask that my comments which I believe represent the views and experience of most local residents is considered when making your decision.

Thank you for your time David,

Regards

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