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Subject: FW: Review for Bar 48 ~[NOT PROTECTIVELY MARKED]~
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Dear Sir/Madam,

Trading Standards are in support of this licence review and would like to add the following:

On the 6th February 2015 Trading Standards undertook an underage sales test purchasing operation whereby volunteers aged 15 were instructed to enter and attempt to purchase alcohol. On this occasion Bar 48 failed the test purchase and sold alcohol to 15 year old males.

Bar 48 operate a Challenge 25 Policy requiring any persons who appear under 25 to be asked to prove they are over 18. The seller failed to ask for proof of age from the volunteers.

Mikala Howell, the Premise Licence Holder and Designated Premise Supervisor, was not on duty at the time but was on the premises at her leisure, she was unable to produce training records and refusal logs in relation to underage sales on the evening. The explanation given follows that the records had been moved whilst they were installing the kitchen to renovate the bar into a restaurant.

On the same evening the premise was also observed to be hosting an 18th birthday party, the event fell halfway through the school year, it is likely that persons attending this party may have been underage, as the staff were clearly not adhering to their age verification policy.

In selling alcohol to children under 18, Bar 48 have disregarded age restrictive law and have undermined licensing objectives 'Prevention of crime and disorder' and the 'Protection of children from harm'.

On the night the seller was issued a Penalty Notice of Disorder (£90) for the sale of alcohol, and later an informal warning and advice pack were issued to Mikala Howell and Christopher Powell.

Please let me know if you require this information in a specific format, and if witness statements are required.

Many thanks,

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