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The Public Health Team as a representative of the Director of Public Health act as the responsible authority under the Licensing Act 2003 and would like to make a representation in support of the review.

The representation is made under the following licensing objectives:

- Crime and disorder
- Protecting Children from Harm

Local Context of the Premises

The premises is located within a busy residential area and surrounded by 5 primary schools located within 0.5 miles of the premises.

Noel Park Primary School (0.303 miles)
North Harringay Primary School (0.358 miles)
Belmont Infant School (0.373 miles)
Belmont Junior School (0.373 miles)
St John Vianney Catholic Primary School (0.446 miles)

There are 13 on licences and off licences within the LSOA.

Public Health has specific concerns about the applicant's ability to uphold the licensing objectives following seizures of illicit tobacco from the licensed premises under the control of the Designated Premises Supervisor, Kemal AVCI, on 22nd March 2022.

Crime and disorder and Protecting Children from Harm

The sale of illicit tobacco constitutes illegal activity in direct contradiction to a commitment to the prevention of crime and disorder and has likely exacerbated issues in the area.

There were 14 alcohol related ambulance callouts within close proximity to the premises in 2019/20 and 12 alcohol related ambulance callouts in 2020/21. The rate of alcohol related ambulance call outs per resident in LSOA is higher than Haringey Average.

Due to the premises situated within a busy residential area and schools located nearby, we have concerns over the safeguarding of children. Illicit tobacco affects the community and brings crime and nuisance, potentially impacting children, and young people to get hold of cheap tobacco. The premises has not adequately demonstrated their commitment to uphold the licensing objectives, particularly relating to the prevention of crime and disorder and possible impact on protecting children from harm. The Licensing Authorities approach to the supply of illicit goods is set out in Haringey's Statement of Licensing Policy 2021-26 at paragraph 19.8. It states that where illicit goods have been found it is considered as poor management, which has the potential to undermine the licensing objectives.

Recommendation

Public health is not confident in licensee's ability to promote the four licensing objectives going forward and therefore, we recommend the committee considers revoking the license.

If the committee does not revoke the license, we recommend the following conditions to be proposed.

1. The applicant to join the Responsible Retailers Scheme