

Report for: Licensing Sub Committee 6th April 2017

Item number:

Title: Application for renewal of Cat Boarding Establishment licence- Archway Road London N6

Report authorised by : Daliah Barrett-Licensing Team Leader – Regulatory Services.

Ward(s) affected: Archway

Report for Key/
Non Key Decision: Not applicable

1. Describe the issue under consideration

- 1.1 The Elite Cattery has been licensed for many years in the borough of Haringey to operate as a facility for the boarding of cats. The property is required by law to submit an application on a yearly basis, which it has done for a licence for 2017. A copy of the new application is shown at DB1.

The premises are licenced under the Animal Boarding Establishment Act 1963 and have been subject to inspection by the City of London Animal Health Inspectors and Vets for a number of years.

In June 2014 the City of London Veterinary Services informed Haringey of the new set of Model Licensing conditions for catteries that had been published by the Chartered Institute of Environmental Health, a copy of the new conditions were provided to Mr Morgan to make him aware of the new requirements that affected his business.

At the time of this visit the City of London Vet reported that the size of the accommodation was not adequate as there was no access to any exercise runs in the majority of the kennels. At the time this was in breach of the Haringey Licence conditions 17 and would also not have met the new requirements in the 2013 CIEH Model conditions. Haringey had not adopted these conditions at the time. A copy of the email and the vets report are attached as DB2.

A further inspection was carried by CoL Veterinary Services in November 2014, concerns were again raised by the vet. A copy of the vets inspection report and an advisory warning letter was sent to Mr Morgan asking for the various matters to be addressed. These are shown as DB3. The then Council animal welfare officer was asked to carry out a visit and to work with Mr Morgan to ensure compliance with the conditions and meeting the standards for the unit sizes. The letter and email are shown at DB4.

An unannounced visit was carried by the CoL Veterinary Services in July 2015, whilst it was noted that a number of recommendations had been implemented, the cattery remained non compliant in terms of the new CIEH model conditions. See DB5. The annual renewal licence inspection was carried in December 2015 and again the sizes of the units were the main concern. The licence for 2016 was not issued until March 2016 and a covering letter along with the vets report advised Mr Morgan of the agreement he had made with officers to upgrade the units from the previous year.