

Appendix A

APPENDIX 1

Premise License -- Buzz Wines Limited (number 013955)

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THE LICENSING ACT 2003

**CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE COUNCIL
PREMISES LICENCE
PART A**

Premises licence number

013955

Part 1 – Premises details

Postal address of premises, or if none, ordnance survey map reference or description Buzz Wines Limited 17 North Street	
Post town Leighton Buzzard	Post code LU7 1EF
Telephone number 01525 854497	
Where the licence is time limited the dates Not applicable	
Licensable activities authorised by the licence Supply of alcohol	
The times the licence authorises the carrying out of licensable activities Supply of alcohol Monday to Saturday 08.00hrs to 23.00hrs Sunday 10.00hrs to 22.30hrs Non standard timings – Good Friday 08.00hrs to 22.30hrs and Christmas Day 12.00hrs to 15.00hrs and 19.00hrs to 22.30hrs.	
The opening hours of the premises Not known	
Where the licence authorises supplies of alcohol whether these are on and/or off supplies Off the premises	

Part 2

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

Ali Iraj Azhir
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Bedfordshire
[REDACTED]

01525 [REDACTED]

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

Ali Iraj Azhir
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Bedfordshire
[REDACTED]

01525 [REDACTED]

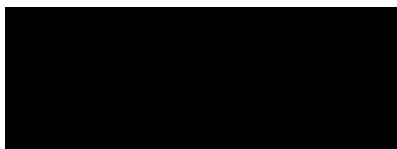
Personal licence number and issuing authority of personal licence held by designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises for the supply of alcohol

014227

Issued by South Bedfordshire District Council

This licence is effective from 11th August 2012.

Dated the 14th August 2012.



Susan Childerhouse
Head of Public Protection

Annex 1 - Mandatory conditions

a) MANDATORY CONDITIONS WHERE A LICENCE AUTHORISES THE SUPPLY OF ALCOHOL

1. 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

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

NEW MANDATORY CONDITION

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1. The premises licence holder or club premises certificate holder shall ensure that an age verification policy applies to the premises in relation to the sale or supply of alcohol.

2. 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 a holographic mark.

EMBEDDED RESTRICTIONS UNDER THE LICENSING ACT 1964

Off-licences and off-sales departments of on-licensed premises

Alcohol shall not be sold or supplied except during permitted hours.

In this condition, permitted hours means:

- a) On weekdays, other than Christmas Day, 8 a.m. to 11 p.m.
- b) On Sundays, other than Christmas Day, 10 a.m. to 10.30 p.m.
- c) On Christmas Day, 12 noon to 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. to 10.30 p.m.
- d) On Good Friday, 8 a.m. to 10.30 p.m.

The above restrictions do not prohibit:

- a) during the first twenty minutes after the above hours, the taking of the alcohol from the premises, unless the alcohol is supplied or taken in an open vessel;
- b) the ordering of alcohol to be consumed off the premises, or the despatch by the vendor of the alcohol so ordered;
- c) the sale of alcohol to a trader or club for the purposes of the trade or club;
- d) the sale or supply of alcohol to any canteen or mess, being a canteen in which the sale or supply of alcohol is carried out under the authority of the Secretary of State or an authorised mess of members of Her Majesty's naval, military or air forces;

Off-licence

Alcohol shall not be sold in an open container or be consumed in the licensed premises.

Annex 2 – Conditions consistent with the operating schedule

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

See below

b) The prevention of crime and disorder

No additional measures identified

c) Public safety

No additional measures identified

d) The prevention of public nuisance

No additional measures identified

e) The protection of children from harm

1. A 'Challenge 25' policy to be implemented.
2. The 'Challenge 25' posters and signage to be displayed in the areas alcohol is exposed for sale and at point of sale.
3. Within a 4 month period all staff to have achieved the TSI – Fair Trading Award – 'Do You Pass' qualification (or equivalent). After the 4 month period staff must complete the qualification before they are permitted to sell alcohol (allowing for re-takes of the test, and incorporating new staff). Then subsequent 6 monthly refresher training carried out for all staff. This must be documented with all training records to be signed by staff and the deliverer of the training.
4. All sales of alcohol after 5pm can only be made by production of valid identification by All purchasers regardless of age. This should be for a 3 month period. This is to re-establish the stores reputation for not selling to underage people and in turn will reduce the number of attempts to purchase underage alcohol.
5. A documented refusals book or electronic log must be maintained. The log should be of all refusals. The book or log must be checked and signed weekly by the DPS or premises licence holder. The check should include making sure staff are using the system and identifying any issues or training needs through lack of entries.
6. The store will implement and maintain cash registers with electronic 'till prompts' when selling alcohol.

Annex 3 – Conditions attached after a hearing by the licensing authority

Not applicable

Annex 4 – Plans

Attached

APPENDIX 2

Historical data showing visits to Buzz Wines from 2009

TradingName	Date	Details
Buzz Wine	1/7/09	Counterfeit toacocco checks - no problems found
Buzz Wine	30/10/09	Underage sales of alcohol operation - Sold 1 Bottle Red Wine. Copy of Written Warning Letter on file.
Buzz Wine	20/11/09	Underage sale of alcohol operation - no sale
Buzz Wine	15/11/10	Underage sale of alcohol operation - no sale
Buzz Wine	28/6/11	10x lambert and butlet cigarettes sold to [redacted] aged 16
Buzz Wine	31/1/12	Underage Sales Of Tobacco operation - no sale
Buzz Wine	27/3/12	underage sale of alcohol operation 2x bottle of blossom hill - rose wine - 75cl 12% vol thought girls were 18
Buzz Wine	30/5/12	under age sales operation on alcohol and tobacco 1x 1.70cl of smirnoff
Buzz Wine	31/5/12	Underage sale of alcohol operation - no sale
Buzz Wine	25/6/12	LICENCE REVIEW - continued supply of age-restricted products to children
Buzz Wine	25/6/12	Review of premises licence - review date 14/8/12
Buzz Wine	25/6/12	Underage sale operation of alcohol and tobacco - no sale
Buzz Wine	25/6/12	LICENCE REVIEW of premises licence - continued supply of age-restricted products to children
Buzz Wine	18/7/12	Underage sales operation of alcohol - no sale
Buzz Wine	19/11/12	Underage sales operation - no sale
Buzz Wine	17/10/13	Underage sales operation - no sale
Buzz Wine	21/7/14	Underage sales operation of alcohol - no sale

Buzz Wine	3/4/15	<p>Contacted via tele-marketing campaign. Wine, beer and spirits retailer established five years ago. Interested in getting some retail specialist advice to improve his business, particularly around marketing and social media activities.</p>
Buzz Wine	17/2/16	EETSA UAS TP of nicotine inhaling products - sold to a 16 and 17 year old girl - One Lite Blueberry e-liquid - warning letter sent to trader
Buzz Wine	4/4/16	UAS cigarettes with 2 15 year olds ([redacted]) - no sale. Advised re Kick Ash Charter
Buzz Wine	24/6/16	Underage sales operation alcohol - no sale
Buzz Wine	29/6/16	Underage sales operation tobacco - no sale
Buzz Wine	26/7/16	Advisory visit failed out as a result of project funded by Public Health NI PS 1 whereby we visited a number of traders doing an under age sales TP. This shop failed the test in February 2016 therefore asked as part of NI PS 2 that advisory visits are carried out at the premises that failed before being re-tested in the next 6-8 weeks
Buzz Wine	25/8/16	Alcohol under age test purchase operation with police - [redacted] DOB [redacted] (15) and [redacted] DOB [redacted]
Buzz Wine	12/9/16	Under age sales test purchase exercise of Nicotine Inhaling Products (EETSA funded project) volunteers [redacted] DOB [redacted] and [redacted] DOB [redacted] (both 17) - this is a re-visit following ales made in February of these products - see results

APPENDIX 3

Warning letter to Buzz Wines dated 9th March 2016



Buzz Wines
19 North Street
Leighton Buzzard
Bedfordshire
LU7 1EF

Tel no: 0300 300 6017

Our ref:

Date: 9th March 2016

Dear Mr Azhir

WRITTEN WARNING
Nicotine Inhaling Products (Age of Sale and Proxy Purchasing) Regulations 2015

I write following the sale of a nicotine inhaling product to a person under the age of 18. The sale of 'One Lite Blueberry e-liquid', took place during an underage sales test purchase operation conducted by this Service on the 17th February 2016. The seller was a Mrs [REDACTED].

The above Regulations came into force on the 1st October 2015 and create a new offence for the supply of a nicotine inhaling products (including E cigarettes and associated products such as refills that contain nicotine) to a young person under the age of 18.

On this occasion it has been decided by this service to issue the store with a written warning. This incident will be recorded against your premises and may influence our course of action if a similar contravention of the above legislation occurs again.

I would advise you to ensure that you can show (for all age restricted products) that they have taken all reasonable steps and exercised all due diligence to avoid the commission of the offence. In order to establish this we strongly recommend that the following systems be implemented if they are not already operational:

- Implement a documented refusals or challenge system
- Display signage indicating the appropriate age restriction at the point of sale
- Accept only photographic identification such as a driving licence or passport as proof of age
- Implement & maintain up to date documented training records for all staff
- Implement a 'challenge 25' policy in relation to the sale of all products with an age restriction of 18 years. *(It is advised that all employees are trained on this concept, and again that this training is documented. You are able to obtain Challenge 25 posters from <http://www.challenge25.org> or by calling 01483 634996).*

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Please be advised that this service will be carrying out another test purchase operation in your area in the near future.

If you would like to discuss this matter further, please contact me via the contact details given below.

Yours sincerely



Imogen Best
Senior Enforcement Officer – Trading Standards
Email imogen.best@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk

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APPENDIX 4

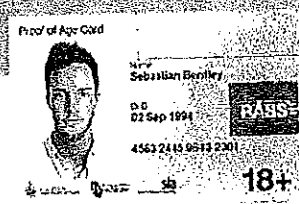
Guidance titled 'It is illegal to sell E-cigarettes and nicotine liquids to anyone under the age of 18'

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It is illegal to sell E-cigarettes and nicotine liquids to anyone under the age of 18

Acceptable forms of ID:

- Cards bearing the PASS hologram
- Photocard Driving Licence
- Passport



APPENDIX 5

Guidance titled 'Nicotine Inhaling Products Prevention of sales to the under 18's'

Nicotine Inhaling Products

Prevention of sales to the under 18's

Guidance note issued by the CTSI

The Law
Children and Families Act 2014
The Nicotine Inhaling Products (Age of Sale and Proxy Purchasing) Regulations 2015

What does the law say and do?

It prohibits the sale and supply of nicotine inhaling products including E-cigarettes, nicotine cartridges and nicotine refill substances to young people under the age of 18 years.

The law also prohibits the purchase of nicotine inhaling products by an adult for supply to a young person under 18 years. This is known as proxy purchasing.

The regulations exempt **licensed** nicotine replacement therapy (NRT) including electronic cigarette devices that are **licensed as medicines or medical devices**. These may be identified by a product licence (PL) number marked on the product or packaging.

You must be clear whether the products you intend to sell are exempt or not.

Who can commit an offence?

Any person who sells an E-cigarette, refill or cartridge containing nicotine to a person under the age of eighteen years - it does not matter if the sale is said to be for someone else or for their own use.

Any adult who (proxy) purchases a nicotine inhaling product for supply to a young person under 18 years commits an offence.

Penalties

If found guilty of selling nicotine inhaling products to a young person under 18 years an individual may be fined up to £2,500 in the Magistrates' Court.

In addition, a person or a business found to be **repeatedly** selling nicotine inhaling products to young people under the age of 18 could receive a Restricted Sales Order or a Restricted Premises Order from the court.

These orders prohibit a named individual, or a named retail outlet, from selling nicotine inhaling products to anyone for a period of up to one year. Failure to comply with an order can result in an unlimited financial penalty being imposed by the court.

For the offence of proxy purchasing, an individual may be issued with a Fixed Penalty Notice of £90 (reduced to £60 if paid within 15 days). Failure to pay the fine may result in the matter being pursued in court. The court may then issue a fine of up to £2,500.

What you can do to prevent illegal sales to young people

It is a criminal offence to sell nicotine inhaling products to young people under the age of 18. You may have a defence to this offence if it can be shown that you have done all that is reasonable to avoid committing the offence.

A responsible retailer should consider the following practices*:

Provide staff training: Ensure that ALL relevant employees are aware of the legal requirements relating to the sale of nicotine inhaling products. Train your staff on a regular basis and keep a record of the training received and the date. Ensure your employees sign a declaration to say that they have received training and understand the legal requirements imposed upon them and your business.

Implement a policy for the sale of ALL age restricted products including nicotine inhaling products: This could include the circumstances in which a customer will or will not be served. For example, only on production of acceptable photo ID that is a Passport, Photocard Driving Licence or a PASS accredited proof of age card. It might also include a requirement for staff to refer to other senior staff before making a sale. "Challenge 25" is an example of an age verification policy that requires customers to be challenged if they appear to be under 25 years and asked to produce suitable ID for checking to ensure that they are over the age of 18. This should be undertaken before a sale can be considered.

Notices: Although there is NO legal requirement to display a notice as there is for tobacco, these can act as a useful deterrent to potential under age purchasers and act as a reminder to employees. Challenge 25 posters may also be useful. Referring to a poster, may help deflect and diffuse any negative reaction from a refused customer.

Refusals log: Keeping a written record of occasions when a sale has been refused will demonstrate to any enforcement body that refusals to sell nicotine inhaling products do occur. It also helps you to monitor the refusals made by individual employees. If an employee rarely refuses a sale this MAY indicate that they require additional training. A history of refusals acts as evidence that your business is attempting to comply with the law..

Till stickers/prompts: These help to remind employees that these products are age-restricted and encourages them to consider what they need to do when a young person attempts to purchase such.

Sample Declaration

As employees of _____, we have received training relating to the sale of Nicotine Inhaling Products to persons under the age of 18 years.

Name of employee

Date of training

Signature of employee

Further advice available from the Business Companion website: www.businesscompanion.info
Search for nicotine inhaling products.

*This list is not exhaustive. Each business must consider what best suits their particular business needs.



APPENDIX 6

Warning letter sent to Buzz Wines dated 25th August 2016



Proprietor/DPD
Buzz Wines
19 North Street
Leighton Buzzard
Bedfordshire
LU7 1EF

Tel no: 0300 300 6017
Our ref:
Date: 25th August 2016

Dear Sir/Madam

Licensing Act 2003, section 146 (1)
Licensing Act 2003, section 147a
Violent Crime Reduction Act 2006, section 23

I write following an underage sales test purchase operation conducted at your premise on the 25th August 2016, run in conjunction with Bedfordshire Police. It was during this operation that 4 x cans of 1664 Lager was sold to persons under the age of 18 years. The seller identified himself as Mr [REDACTED].

I must advise you that it is a criminal offence to sell alcohol to a person under the age of 18, contrary to Section 147(1) of the Licensing Act 2003.

Furthermore, Section 147a of the licensing Act 2003 (under the provisions of section 23 of the Violent Crime Reduction Act 2006) creates an offence of *persistent selling* of alcohol to under 18's, the penalty of which could be a fine up to £10,000 and/or either revocation or a 3 months suspension of your alcohol licence.

It is a defence for a person charged with an offence under section 146 of the Licensing Act 2003 to show that they have taken all reasonable steps and exercised all due diligence to avoid the commission of the offence. These steps could include:

- Implement a documented refusals or challenge system
- Display signage indicating the appropriate age restriction at the point of sale
- Accept only photographic identification such as a driving licence or passport as proof of age
- Implement & maintain up to date documented training records for all staff
- Implement a 'think 25' policy in relation to the sale of all products with an age restriction of 18 years. (It is advised that all employees are trained on this concept, and again that this training is documented. You are able to obtain Think 25 posters from <http://www.challenge25.co.uk> or by calling 0871 246 2750).

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Following consideration into the above matters, it has been decided on this occasion to issue you with a written warning. This incident will be recorded against your premises and may influence our course of action if a similar contravention of the above legislation occurs again.

Please be advised that we will be carrying out another test purchase operation in your area in the future, and you are likely to be tested again.

If you require any further guidance or assistance on setting up and implementing an adequate diligence system or would like to discuss this matter further, please do not hesitate in contacting me.

Yours faithfully

Imogen Best
Senior Enforcement Officer

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APPENDIX 7

Section 9 Statement – Imogen Best



**COMMUNITY SAFETY AND PUBLIC PROTECTION
STATEMENT OF WITNESS**

(CJ Act 1967, s.9; MC Act 1980, ss.5A(3) (A) and 5B; Criminal Procedure Rules 2010, Rule 27.1)

Statement of:- Imogen Lee BEST

Age of Witness If under 18:- Over 18

Occupation:- Senior Enforcement Officer

This statement (consisting of 4 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 in it, anything which I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.

Signature:

Date:

I am employed by Central Bedfordshire Council Public Protection Trading Standards as a Senior Enforcement Officer, a position I have held for over 25 years. I am duly authorised to enforce the provisions of the Licensing Act 2003 and the Nicotine Inhaling Products (Age of Sale and Proxy Purchasing) Regulations 2015.

On the 17th February 2016, in the course of my duties I took part in a regional project, the aim of which was to ascertain compliance with the new Nicotine Inhaling Products (Age of Sale and Proxy Purchasing) Regulations 2015. This consisted of sending volunteers under the age of 18 into premises to attempt to buy nicotine inhaling liquids (age restricted 18). On this occasion two volunteers, aged sixteen (16) and seventeen (17) entered Buzz Wines, 17 North Street, Leighton Buzzard, LU7 1EF. I explained that they were not to lie about their age, if there were asked for ID to say that they didn't have any and in no way persuade any shop attendant to sell to them; I watched from outside of the shop. Approximately five (5) minutes later the volunteers exited the store carrying a box of One Lite Blueberry E-Liquid. I asked the volunteers if the seller had spoken to them, they said that they hadn't been asked any questions. As a result of this sale on the 9th March 2016 I sent a written warning letter to the owner of the business Mr AZHIR, this letter contained advice on how to set up and maintain due diligence procedures. I produce a copy of this letter dated 9th March 2016 as exhibit IB/BW/6.

Signature:

Date:

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Continuation of Statement of: Imogen BEST

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On the 25th July 2016, as a follow up to the regional project, I visited Buzz Wine to advise on setting up due diligence procedures in order to avoid sales of age restricted products to children under age. I advised the person who was incharge of the store at the time on measures that should be implemented within the store to prevent further sales such as a 'Think 25' age check policy, documented staff training, till prompts and the need to maintain the refusals log kept behind the counter. I also provided a point of sale poster advising that its illegal to sell e-cigarettes and nicotine liquids to anyone under the age of 18, which I produce a copy of as exhibit IB/BW/7 and guidance notes produced by the Chartered Institute of Trading Standards providing advice on the law relating to the sales of nicotine inhaling products, which I produce a copy of as exhibit IB/BW8. I advised the seller that these should be given to the owner of the business.

On the 25th August 2016, a visit was carried out at Buzz Wine as part of an underage sales test-purchase operation. This was a joint operation carried out in partnership with Bedfordshire Police. Assisting in the operation were volunteers [REDACTED] and [REDACTED], both girls being fifteen (15) years old. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were briefed that they were to attempt to purchase alcohol, that they were not to lie about their age, if there were asked for ID to say that they didn't have any and in no way persuade any shop attendant to sell to them. At approximately 8.15pm [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] entered Buzz Wine; I watched from outside of the shop. Approximately five (5) minutes later [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] exited the store carrying a bag which they explained contained the alcohol. The bag contained 4 x Cans Kronenbourg 1664 Larger (5% alcohol by volume (abv)). I asked [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] if the seller of the alcohol, a man I later knew to be Mr [REDACTED] had spoken to them. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] said that he didn't ask any questions about their age or ID. At approximately 8.30pm I entered the store accompanied by PS GURR and PC READ and approached [REDACTED] who was behind the till and advised him of the purpose of our visit. [REDACTED] was cautioned by PS GURR 'you do not have to say anything, but it may harm your defence if you do not mention when questioned something which you later rely on in court. Anything you do say will be given as evidence'. [REDACTED] gave his date of birth as [REDACTED] and his home address as [REDACTED]. No Premise Licence was displayed. [REDACTED] said that he had not been given any training as "he had worked in retail before".

Signature:

Date:



Continuation of Statement of: Imogen BEST

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On my return to the office I took a photocopy of the cans of larger and then placed them into a uniquely numbered tamper-proof evidence bag, I produce these as exhibit IB/BW/1 4 x Kronenbourg 1664 (sealed P02914481).

On the 12th September 2016, a re-visit was carried out at Buzz Wine as part of an underage sales test-purchase operation. Assisting me in the operation were volunteers [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. Prior to the operation I had ascertained the age of both volunteers, confirming that on the date of the operation [REDACTED] was sixteen (17) years old and that [REDACTED] was seventeen (17) years old. I collected both volunteers on the day of the operation and took a digital photograph. I produce as evidence an unaltered printout of the photograph as exhibit IB/BW/5. I instructed [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] before entering any shops that they were to attempt to buy alcohol and nicotine inhaling liquid. I also explained that they were not to lie about their age, if there were asked for ID to say that they didn't have any and in no way persuade any shop attendant to sell to them. At approximately 4.45pm [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] I entered Buzz Wine; I watched from outside the shop. Approximately three (3) minutes later [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] exited the store carrying a bag which they explained contained alcohol and the nicotine inhaling liquid they had purchased. The bag contained a 750ml bottle of Gallo Chardonnay Wine (12.5% alcohol by volume (abv)) and One Life Banana Cake E-Liquid (High Nicotine 18mg/ml). I asked [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] if the seller of the alcohol, a man I later knew to be Mr Ali Iraj AZHIR, had spoken to them. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] said that the seller didn't ask any questions about their age or ID. I entered the store at around 4.55pm and approached AZHIR who was behind the till and advised him of the purpose of my visit, I then cautioned him 'you do not have to say anything, but it may harm your defence if you do not mention when questioned something which you later rely on in court. Anything you do say will be given as evidence'. AZHIR gave his date of birth as [REDACTED] and his home address as [REDACTED]. AZHIR said that he was the owner of the business. I asked where the Premise Licence was and AZHIR said it was "out back somewhere". AZHIR said he didn't ask for age or ID as he thought they were 25 and said that it was "my mistake totally". AZHIR said that he was fully aware of challenge 25. I asked if there was anything else that he wanted to add and AZHIR said "my mistake don't know why I didn't ask for ID". I inspected the refusals book and the last recorded entry was 10th September.

Signature:

Date:

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On my return to the office I took a photocopy of the bottle of wine and the One Lite E-Liquid and then placed them into a uniquely numbered tamper-proof evidence bag, I produce as exhibit **IB/BW/2** bottle of Gallo Chardonnay Wine (sealed N01382104) and as exhibit **IB/BW/3** One Lite Banana Cake E-Liquid (sealed M02547818).

On the 15th September 2016 I received an email from AZHIR explaining the steps that he had implemented as a result of the sales. On the 5th October 2016 I sent an email to AZHIR inviting him to attend a formal tape recorded interview to be held at our offices in Dunstable on the 21st October 2016, I produce a copy of these email as exhibit **IB/BW/9**.

On the 21st October 2016 I conducted a formal tape recorded interview with AZHIR at our offices at Watling House, Dunstable. I produce as evidence a transcript of the interview as exhibit **IB/BW/10** and the sealed Master CD recording of the interview as exhibit **IB/BW/11**. I produce as exhibit **IB/BW/4** a copy of the Premise Licence number 013955 for Buzz Wines Limited 17 North Street Leighton Buzzard LU7 1EF.

Signature:

Date:

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APPENDIX 8

Section 9 Statement – [REDACTED] (Leighton Linlade Town Clerk)

CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE COUNCIL

STATEMENT OF WITNESS (Criminal Justice Act, 1967 s9; Magistrates Courts Act, 1980, s102;
Magistrates Courts Rules 1981, r70)

STATEMENT OF [REDACTED]

Age of Witness: Over 18

Occupation: Town Clerk

This statement, (consisting of 1 page 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 in it anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

Dated: 10/11/2015

Signature

I am the above named person and I am employed as the Town clerk by Leighton/Linslade Town Council, where I have been employed for 3 years.

My role and that of the Town Council is to improve the environment for the Town and to deal with local issues relating to the Town itself.

For most of my tenure in Leighton Buzzard, we have experienced problems with a small group of street drinkers around Market Cross. I have got a lot of feedback from Councillors and members of the public about this group and the effect they have on people.

It seems that they cause a lot of annoyance and distress among some sections of the population of the Town and those people who visit to shop.

I do not know, personally, any of this group but I know that this same group is involved and they cause problems. I have received complaints about members of this group overtly drinking, in what is already an alcohol exclusion zone, and generally being rowdy and argumentative.

I am also aware, from feedback from Councillors and the public that they are aggressive and use abusive language between themselves and members of the public.

I have, on occasions, witnessed this group misbehaving myself and I have received a photograph from Councillor [REDACTED] and have been able to identify the individuals in that photograph as being the ones responsible for the rowdy and abusive conduct.

A market is held on a Tuesday and Saturday of each week and a large number of people attend these days. The antics and behaviour of this group does not give the Town a good image and affects a larger number of people on these days. However, in saying that, they are in the Town on most days when the weather is reasonable and their behaviour is always the same.

I would support any initiative that helps to remove these problematic individuals from the Town centre so that they cannot intimidate anyone else.

I would be willing to attend Court and give evidence.

Signed.....

Taken by.....

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CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE COUNCIL

STATEMENT OF WITNESS (Criminal Justice Act, 1967 s9; Magistrates Courts Act, 1980, s102; Magistrates Courts Rules 1981, r70)

STATEMENT OF

Age of Witness Over 18 Occupation TOWN CLERK

This statement, (consisting of page 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 in it anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

Dated 10/11/2015 Signature

I am the above named person and I am employed as the Town Clerk by Leighton/Linslade Town Council where I have been employed for 3 years. My role and that of the Town Council is to improve the environment for the Town and to deal with local issues relating to the Town itself. For most of my tenure in Leighton Buzzard we have experienced problems with a small group of street traders that often congregates around Market Cross.

I have got a lot of feedback from Councillors and members of the public about the group and the effect they have on people. It seems that they cause a lot of annoyance and distract a large section of the population of the Town and their people who wish to shop.

I do not personally know any of the group but I know that this same group is involved and they cause problems. I have received complaints about members of

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the group mostly drinking in what is already an alcohol exclusion zone and generally being noisy and argumentative. I am also aware from feedback from councillors and the public that they are aggressive and use a business language between the needs and members of the public.

I have on occasions witnessed this group not behaving myself and I have received a photograph from councillor [redacted] and have been able to identify the individual in that photograph as being the most responsible for this noisy and abusive conduct.

A market is held on a Tuesday and Saturday of each week and a large number of people attend these days. The noise and behaviour of this group does not give the Town a good image and affects a large number of people on these days. However, in saying that, they are in the Town on work days when the weather is reasonable and their behaviour is always the same.

I would support any initiative that helps to remove these problematic individuals from the Town Centre so that they cannot intimidate anyone else.

I would be willing to attend court and give evidence. I [redacted]

Signed

Taken by

Alan [redacted]

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