

BOLTON COUNCIL

LICENSING ACT 2003

Application for Review of a Premises Licence – Section 53a (1)(b)

NOTICE IS GIVE THAT

an application has been made to Bolton Council for a
REVIEW OF THE PREMISES LICENCE

in respect of the premises licence issued to
New River Trustee 7 Ltd & New River Trustee 8 Ltd
For the premises trading as **WAGGON & HORSES**
At ***170 Chorley Road, Westhoughton, Bolton, BL5 3PN***

The grounds for the application for review are:

The operation of this premises has seriously undermined two of the four licensing objectives, namely;

- *Public safety.*
- *Prevention of crime and disorder*

Due to the high levels of Coronavirus evident across the UK, On 5th November 2020, the Government ordered that certain businesses and venues must close or restrict how they provide goods and services.

On Monday 23rd November 2020 officers from Greater Manchester Police attended at the premises in response of reports to them that people were inside drinking. On their arrival officers initially looked through the windows of the premises and observed 3 males inside. The front entrance to the premises was locked. One of the males was later confirmed as being Mr Michael McNamara. The other two males were seen to be seated at a table with alcoholic drinks in front of them. The officers observed one of the males sneaking off towards the rear of the premises. The officers gained entry to the premises where they were greeted by Mr McNamara. He claimed that there had only been one other person in the premises and that he had left. It was claimed by Mr McNamara that this male had been pointing for him. The officers searched the premises and found one of the males hiding in a toilet. When questioned by the officers Mr McNamara admitted serving the two males' alcohol that was consumed on the premises but had not charged them for the drinks. The officers were wearing body worn cctv at the time and captured the incident.

I submit that the manner in which the premises have been managed, allowing people to drink on the premises in breach of the Government restrictions falls short of what is expected from a licensee in promoting the licensing objectives.

Any interested party or responsible authority **may make representations in writing** to the Assistant Director (Neighbourhood and Regulatory Services), Bolton Council, Licensing Team, Ground Floor, Bolton Town Hall, Bolton BL1 1RU

by

15th June 2021

Date of review hearing to be arranged

It is an offence to knowingly or recklessly make a false statement in connection with an application. On summary conviction, the maximum penalty for such an offence is an unlimited fine.