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Leeds District Licensing Department

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Date 19th February 2024

Entertainment Licensing Section Leeds City Council Civic Hall Leeds LS1 1UR

NOTICE OF OBJECTION – TRANSFER OF PREMISES LICENCE: SECTION 42 (6)&(7) – LICENSING ACT 2003:

<u>PREMISES</u> – Portaviny Danko 39 Compton Road <u>PROPOSED PREMISES LICENCE HOLDER</u> – Potraviny Leeds Limited

I PC CLIFFORD a Leeds District Licensing Officer for West Yorkshire Police, hereby give you notice that I object to your application for the transfer of the premises licence indicated above.

West Yorkshire Police are satisfied, that the exceptional circumstances of this case are such, that granting this application would undermine the crime prevention objective.

West Yorkshire Police are so satisfied for the following reasons-:

- Potraviny Danko was recently involved in a licensing review in which it had its licence revoked by the presiding subcommittee.
- The application was received on 10th November 2023
- This was on the strength of evidence provided by responsible authorities showing persistent sales of illicit goods some of which were hidden in a complex concealment, along with a history of licensing breaches and sales to a child.
- The licence holder at that time was Saman Ali FAIAK the sole director of Potraviny Leeds Limited which was incorporated on 15th November 2023
- Mr FAIAK resigned as Director on 19th December and a Zaid KAREM was appointed on the same day.

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- The subcommittee heard the review application on the 9th January 2024. At no point was there any suggestion that the premises was under new ownership.
- This licence transfer is to place the premises licence under that company rather than a person.
- Given Mr FAIAKS history in attempting to deceive responsible authorities and what he stands to lose financially, it would be easy for him to be reappointed as director of Potraviny Leeds Limited and therefore become the licence holder without us knowing.
- Given the timings for when Potraviny Leeds Limited was incorporated and the subsequent changing of directors, this shows how easy that process is to frustrate licensing reviews.
- The licence holder has also appointed a DPS who has a conviction for obstructing police.

Therefore, West Yorkshire Police would ask any presiding sub-committee at a hearing, to refuse this application outright with a view to promoting the crime prevention objective.

PC CLIFFORD
Leeds District Licensing Officer
West Yorkshire Police