STATEMENT OF WITNESS

Criminal Procedure Rules, r 27.1(1) Criminal Justice Act 1967, s. 9 Magistrates' Courts Act 1980, s.5B

Full Name: Alexander Lisowski

Occupation of witness: Licensing Enforcement Officer

Professional

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160 Tooley Street

London SE12QH

Telephone No: 020 7525 7531

Age (if over 18, write over 18) Over 18

This statement (consisting of 4 pages 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.

Date 25th July, 2017 Signed

I am a licensing officer for The London Borough of Southwark.

Adams News, 6 Coldharbour Lane, London, SE5 9PR, is a general store with a premises licence for the sale of alcohol for consumption off the premises. When the premises licence was first issued on 25th April, 2006, the joint premises licence holders were Mr Mrs was also shown as the designated premises supervisor for the shop. The brother of Mr

is Mr Mrs

, and the husband of

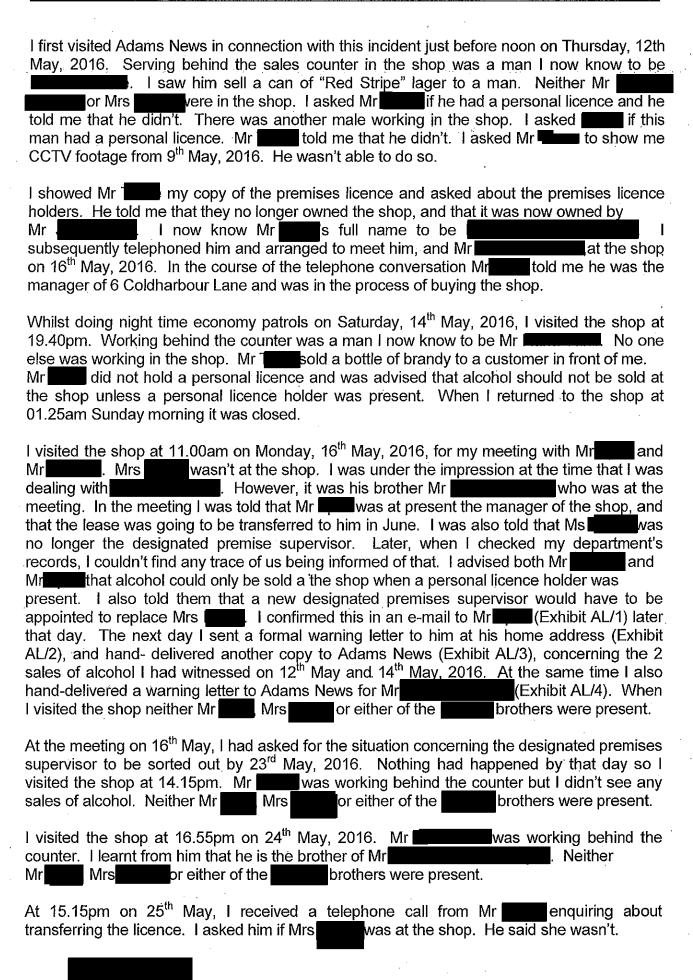
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for the transfer became the designated premises supervisor at the same time. application that he wasn't able to get written authority from Mr because Mr was dead. Until then, this information had never been given to e Southwark's Licensing Team. On 15th June, 2017, the premises licence was revoked. Mr has appealed against this decision.

On 30th June, 2017, Mr Nawaz Muhhamed applied to have the premises licence transferred to him, and to be the designated premises supervisor for the shop.

Condition 336 of the premises licence states: "A personal licence holder shall be on the premises at all times that intoxicating liquor is supplied."

On Tuesday, 10th May, 2016, I was directed to deal with an incident that had occurred at Adams News, 6 Coldharbour Lane, London, SE5 9PR. On 9th May, 2016, an off-duty Southwark Council Street Warden had seen a male he knew to be a street drinker go into Adams News, and then come out again holding what appeared to be a can of "Skol Super" lager. On 26th May, 2016, I was able to view the shop's CCTV footage in connection with the incident on 9th May. The male didn't appear to be drunk.

Signed .



I again visited the shop at 18.50pm on 26 th May. Mr was present. I was still under the impression that he was Mr was Mr was Mr was Mr was been showed me the CCTV footage for the incident on 9 th May. Neither Mr was Mr were present.
On 28 th May, 2016, I was doing night time economy patrols and visited Adams News at 00.25am. Mr was serving behind the counter. No one else was working in the shop. I saw him sell a pack of "Guinness" bottles to a customer. Mr still didn't hold a personal licence.
On 22 nd June, 2016, the premises licence was transferred to Mr Because I didn't handle the transfer I didn't see the remark, on page 4 of the application about Mr being dead (Exhibit AL/5).
On 30th June, 2017, Mr Nawaz Muhammad, applied to have the premises licence for Adams News to be transferred to him. He also applied to become the designated premises supervisor for the shop. The application was passed to me to deal with.
On Friday, 7th July, 2017, at 14.10pm, I visited the shop to see if Mr Nawaz Muhammad was there. I wanted to arrange a meeting with him to do an induction. He wasn't present. Working behind the counter was Mr He made a sale to a customer in front of me. Mr He was also behind the counter. I had a conversation with Mr He was and it was only then that I found out that he wasn't Mr He was a partner in it. He replied, "They're on the licence." I asked him if he was being paid for working in the shop. He said he was just helping them out. I left a message for Mr Nawaz Muhammad to telephone me.
Mr Muhammad phoned me on 10 th July. Having arranged a meeting for an induction I asked him what his business relationship was with the premises. I asked him if he had the freehold, or a lease or a rental agreement. He said that he had a lease. I asked him to give me a copy of the lease when I met him.
went to the shop at 10.00am on 11 th July, 2017, to do the induction. Mr said was working behind the counter. Mr and Mr Muhammed were there. Mr said he was there to sit in on my meeting with Mr Muhammad. I did the induction. This is a process where I explained all the conditions on the licence to Mr Muhammad, explained the Council's policy on inspections and enforcement. I offered Mr Muhammad the opportunity to ask any questions he had about the licence. Mr Muhammad than signed a form (Exhibit AL/6) as the premises licence holder and designated premises supervisor for the shop, acknowledging that he had taken part in the induction. I then asked to see a copy of his lease agreement. The told me that he didn't have it because it was still going through. When I questioned him as to whether the lease agreement had been signed, he said he had a rental agreement. Explained to him my suspicions that him taking over as the premises licence holder might not be a genuine action, because the licence had been revoked and he had suddenly arrived on the scene, and because of Mr scent to me.

When I had first gone into the shop I had looked at the cans of beer on display to see if there were any obvious irregularities. I saw "Zubr" lager on display for sale. After I had done the induction I pointed out to Mr Muhammad the "Zubr" lager. I showed him the can and told him that none of the wording on the can was in English. I explained that certain information had

to be displayed on the can in a readable form, i.e. English. I took a photograph of one of the cans (Exhibit AL/7). I asked for the purchase invoice(s) for the purchase of the "Zubr" lager. I returned to the shop at 15.30pm. Mr Muhammad wasn't present. I left a letter for him (Exhibit AL/8) in which I explained the offence concerning the wording on the can of "Zubr", Repeated my request for purchase invoice(s) for the "Zubr", repeated my suspicions about the change of management and asked for a copy of the rental agreement. Mr

By 17th July I still had not received a copy of the rental agreement. At 15.01pm that day I visited the shop with another letter for Mr Muhammad (Exhibit AL/9). In the letter I again requested a copy of the rental agreement. At the time of the visit, Mr and Mr were both behind the sales counter. Mr Muhammad was not present. I left the letter with Mr who opened and read it without asking my permission. When I asked when Mr Muhammad would next be at the shop I was told he would be in at 5.30pm or 6.00pm that day. I returned at 18.45pm to be told that Mr Muhammad had gone to a cash and carry. Working behind the counter at that time was Mr

I re-visited the shop at 18.07pm on 18th July, 2017. Mr and Mr were working in the shop. Mr Muhammad was present. I again explained my suspicions about the transfer and requested a copy of the rental agreement. He told me that the agreement was with his solicitor. I also repeated my request for the sales invoice(s) for the "Zubr" lager. He told me they were with his accountant.

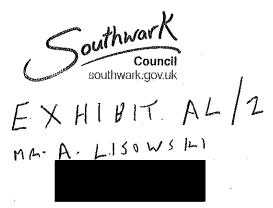
By Friday, 21sty July, 2017, I still had not received a copy of the rental agreement. I e-mailed (Exhibit AL/10) Mr Muhammad's solicitor requesting a copy of the rental agreement.

As of 10.00am, Tuesday, 25th July, 2017, I have not received a copy of the rental agreement from either Mr Muhammad or his solicitor. Nor have I received copies of purchase invoice(s) concerning the cans of "Zubr" lager that were on sale at Adams News

Signed.

EXHIBIT AL/1
NA. A. LISOWSKI

Lisowski, Alexander	
From: Sent: To:	Lisowski, Alexander 16 May 2016 17:29
Subject:	Meeting with Licensing Oficer
Categories:	Egress Switch: Unprotected
Dear Mr	confirmation of our meeting, Monday morning, 16 th May, 2016.
Supervisor as Premises Supervisor. To Designated Premises Sup	hises licence for Adams News, 6 Coldharbour Lane, shows the Designated Premises Mr stated at our meeting that she is no longer the Designated be able to continue selling alcohol at the shop someone will have to be nominated as the pervisor. This person will have to hold a Personal Licence. Out by Monday, 23 rd May, 2016.
form for a new premises	If shown as the premises licence holder for the shop, he will have to sign the application supervisor. The form is called: "Application to vary a premises licence to specify designated ne application can only be made via the internet. I cannot download a copy of the
index. Click on "L". Ther Service" and click on that click on "Apply for a licen click on "Licensing Act 20	on on Southwark Council's website, go to the home page. On the homepage there is an A-Z a scroll down and click on "Licences". On the page that comes up, scroll down to "Licensing to the next page that comes up go to the index on the left hand side of the page and ace". On the next page that comes up, go to the index on the left hand side of the page and 103". On the page that brings up, in the main text, you will find "Application to vary a fy designated premises supervisor".
at all times that intoxicat there must be a personal	remises licence for Adam News states: "A personal licence holder shall be on the premises ing liquor is sold." This means that all the time that the shop is open for the sale of alcohol licence holder working in the shop. Obviously, because the shop is open 24 hours a day 7 and more than 1 personal licence holder working at the shop. Again I expect this to be sorted 1, 2016.
As I stated in our meeting the shop know that.	g, it is an offence to sell alcohol to a drunk person. Please ensure that all staff working at
	e for the shop is being transferred to you in June. Please ensure that on the day the lease application to have the premises licence into your name is submitted.
I have checked the Counc	cil's records. Mr does not hold a personal licence with Southwark.
Yours sincerely, Mr A. Lisowski, Licensing Enforcement Of	fficer Couthwark





Mr A. Lisowski, Licensing Enforcement Officer. Licensing Unit. Tel No. 020 7525 7531 E-Mail <u>alexander.lisowski@southwark.gov</u> Date 17th May, 2016.

Dear Mr

WRITTEN WARNING RE BREACH OF PREMISES LICENCE CONDITIONS FOR ADAM NEWS, 6 COLDHARBOUR LANE, LONDON, SE5 9PR.

At our meeting on Monday, 16th May, 2016, you told me that you were the manager of Adam News, 6 Coldharbour Lane, London, SE5 9PR. You also told me that you are in the process of buying the lease for the venue. I am writing to you in your capacity as the manager for the shop.

Condition 9103 of the premises licence for the shop states: "A personal licence holder shall be on the premises at all times that intoxicating liquor is supplied." On Thursday, 12th May, 2016, just before midday I visited the shop. In front of me a man bought a can of beer. It was sold to him by Mr. Neither he or the other man working in the shop at the time had a personal licence. I again visited the shop at 19.40pm on Saturday, 14th May, 2016. At that time Mr. was working behind the counter. As I was waiting to speak to him he sold a bottle of brandy to a man. Mr. did not have a personal licence.

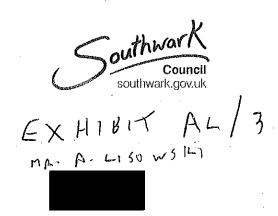
This letter is a formal warning that, on the dates quoted above, you allowed alcohol to be sold at Adam News without someone who holds a personal licence being present. This is contrary to Section 136 of The Licensing Act, 2003.

As discussed at our meeting, I expect the situation re personal licence holders at the shop to be resolved by Monday, 23rd May, 2016.

Yours sincerely,

Mr A. Lisowski, Licensing Enforcement Officer.

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Mr C/O Adam News, 6 Coldharbour Lane, London, SE5 9PR.

Mr A. Lisowski, Licensing Enforcement Officer. Licensing Unit. Tel No. 020 7525 7531 E-Mail <u>alexander.lisowski@southwark.gov</u> Date 17th May, 2016.



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I have sent a copy of this letter to your home address as well.

Yours sincerely,

Mr A. Lisowski, Licensing Enforcement Officer.



Mr C/O Adam News, 6 Coldharbour Lane, London, SE5 9PR. Mr A. Lisowski
Licensing Enforcement Officer,
Licensing Unit,
Environment and Housing Department
alexander.lisowski@southwark.gov.uk
Tel: 020 7525 7531

Date: 17 May 2016

Dear Mr

WRITTEN WARNING RE BREACH OF LICENSING CONDITIONS AT ADAM NEWS, 6 COLDHARBOUR LANE, LONDON, SE5 9PR.

Following on from our meeting on 16th May, 2016, I am writing to you in your capacity as the joint premises licence holder for Adam News, 6 Coldharbour Lane, London, SE5 9PR.

Condition 9103 of the premises licence for the shop states: "A personal licence holder shall be on the premises at all times that intoxicating liquor is supplied."

I visited the shop just before midday on Thursday, 12th May, 2016. Whilst I was there the shop assistant, Mr. Sold a can of beer to a man. Neither Mr. Sold a

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Yours sincerely,

Mr A. Lisowski Licensing Enforcement Officer.

EXHIBIT AL/5

Description of applicant (for example partnership, co association etc)	mpany, unincorporated
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Telephone number (if any)	
E-mail address (optional)	
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Part 3	Please tick yes
Are you the holder of the premises licence under an i	•
Do you wish the transfer to have immediate effect?	X)
If not when would you like the transfer to take effect?	
	Day Month Year
	Please tick yes
I have enclosed the consent form signed by the existing	ng premises licence holder 🐰
If you have not enclosed the consent form referred to	
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·	Please tick yes
If this application is granted I would be in a position during the application period for the licensable actions.	
authorised by the licence (see section 43 of the Li	
	Please tick yes
I have enclosed the premises licence	

EXHIBIT AL/6 MA. A. LISOWSKI

Licensing induction checklist for new licensees / management.

Premises Na	ame: <i>[</i> -	LDAMS N	ews		
			LANG LONDON	565	978
Licensee:	Mr	NAWAZ	MAHAMMAN		
DPS:	MA	NAWAZ	MAHAMMAD	*************	

1. INTRODUCTION

- · Who staff are.
- Why this meeting is being held to ensure every licensee is fully aware of his / her responsibilities from the onset

2. THE LICENCE

- Introduce the licence document & the Annexes.
- Explain the mandatory conditions in Annex 1.
- Explain the special conditions in Annex 2 and 3.
- Give details of what happens if the conditions are breached.
- Explain about responsible authorities and interested parties, what their role
 is and how they can call a review. Give full details of what is involved with
 a review and what the outcome can be.
- Explain that there is an annual maintenance fee to be paid for the licence.
- · What must be done if the licensee decides to alter the premises.
- Other circumstances in which a variation application may be necessary.
- Explain about when you need to apply for a variation, what is involved and what the procedure is. Also about varying the DPS:
- Advise them that if they leave with regard to surrendering the licence and the consequences for the licensee and the DPS if they leave without surrendering the licence.
- Door Supervisors requirements that must be SIA registered.
- Drugs Misuse, drug policy.
- Challenge 21, 25, suitable identification.
- Covert inspections by police, licensing and trading standards.
- Noise nuisance.

3. INSPECTIONS

- Reason for inspections and why they would be conducted without warning and during performance.
- Early inspection(s) conducted and thereafter risk-assessed. Give details
 of what we look for and what documents we will need to see. Also the
 outcome if we find things wrong what happens next?

 We will conduct additional inspections where problems are found and complaints made.

 We will listen to proposals for putting things right and give timescales for matters that cannot be rectified easily.

 Explain inspections aim is to help but that continuing to operate outside of the terms of the licence will result in action.

 The potential consequences of licence contravention – formal caution / legal proceedings / licence revocation.

 Make sure any special arrangements at premises are understood (i.e. lobby door arrangements / removal of bolts / numbers control etc).

4. ASSISTANCE

Leave business cards:

 Emphasise that if the licensee has any problems he should contact the office and discuss

Officer(s) Attending	g: (Sign) (Print)A	A- L150W	5 1/1	
Persons Present:	(Sign)	JAWAZ 1	TAHAMA	AD
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EXHIBIT
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Southwark

Mr A. Lisowski,

Licensing Enforcement Officer, Environment and Social Regeneration, alexander.lisowski @southwark.gov.uk

Mr Nawaz Muhammad, C/O Adams News, 6 Coldharbour Lane, London, SE5 9PR.

Tel: 020 7525 7531

Date: 11 July 2017

Dear Mr Muhhamad,

Breach of Food Labelling Regulations, and Request for Rental Agreement.

I am writing to you in your capacity as the premises licence holder and the designated premises supervisor for Adams News, 6 Coldharbour Lane, London, SE5 9PR.

On Tuesday morning, 11th July, 2017, I saw you at the shop and did an "Induction", going over the licence to explain the conditions of the licence to you. Prior to leaving I saw cans of "Zubr" lager on display for sale. None of the information on the cans was in English. The Food Labelling Regulations require that the statutory information that has to be shown on a can of beer or lager has to be understandable, i.e. in English. It is your responsibility to ensure that all packaged food products you sell, which includes beer and lager, display the information required by the Food Labelling Regulations.

Regulation (EU) No. 1169/2011, Article 9 states:

Food labels must be clear, and understandable. The general legislative requirements for the labelling of prepacked foods are as follows.

All pre-packed foods on display for sale must be labelled with the following information, (other than where the information would clearly not be applicable to the product in question).

- a) The name of the food.
- b) List of ingredients.
- c) Ingredients associated with food allergy or intolerance to be highlighted
- d) Quantity of characterising ingredients, (eg. percentage of meat in a meat pie).
- e) Net total quantity.
- f) Durability indication, (ie. 'use by' or 'best before' date).
- g) Storage conditions, (e.g. "below 5°C", "below -18°C", "store in a cool, dry place", etc).

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- h) Contact name / address of the manufacturer / packer, or a seller within the European Community.
- i) Place of origin of the food, (if failing to do so might mislead the purchaser).
- j) Instructions for use, (if necessary).
- k) For drinks having more than 1.2% by volume of alcohol, the actual alcoholic strength by volume
- l) A nutrition declaration

The Food Safety and Hygiene Regulations 2013 require traders to keep invoices of any food items they purchase for onward sale to the public, and to produce these invoices to Council officers when requested.

I require you to produce invoice(s) for the purchase of the cans of "Zubr" lager which I saw in your shop on Tuesday, 11th July, 2017. I require them by 25th July, 2017. I require the original documents, not copies. Once I have copied them myself, the originals will be returned to you.

As I explained to you this morning, the licence for the shop has been revoked by Southwark Council's Licensing Sub-Committee. Mr the premises licence holder at the time of this revocation, has appealed against this revocation. Then you have come along and applied to be the premises licence holder. Because of this I need to check that your application is a genuine application. You stated that you have a rental agreement for the shop. Please arrange for a copy of that agreement to be scanned to me. My e-mail address is: alexander.lisowski@southwark.gov.uk

Yours sincerely,

Mr A. Lisowski, Licensing Enforcement Officer,

The London Borough of Southwark.

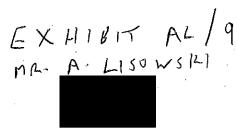
Southwark Council southwark.gov.uk

Mr A. Lisowski,
Licensing Enforcement Officer,
Environment and Social Regeneration,
alexander.lisowski @southwark.gov.uk

Tel: 020 7525 7531

Date: 17 July 2017

Mr Nawaz Muhammad, Adams News, 6 Coldharbour lane, London, SE5 9PR.



Dear Mr Muhammad,

Change of Premises Licence Holder, Adams News, 6 Coldharbour Lane, London, SE5 9PR.

You have applied to be the new premises licence holder for Adams News, 6 Coldharbour Lane, London, SE5 9PR.

Prior to you applying to be the premises licence holder, Mr was the premises licence holder. Then the licence was revoked by Southwark Council's Licensing Sub-Committee. Mr has appealed against this decision. Because of this the licence is still operative, pending the result of the appeal. As I explained to you at our meeting on 11th July, 2017, I am investigating whether or not your request to have the premises licence is genuine. As part of this investigation I require to see your rental agreement for the shop.

I first tried to get in contact with you by visiting the shop on Friday, 7th July. You weren't there so I left a telephone number for you to contact me on. On Monday, 10th July, 2017, you phoned me. During that conversation I asked what your business interest in shop was. You stated you had a lease. I arranged to meet you at the shop the next day, on 11th July, 2017, and asked you to show me a copy of the lease at the meeting.

When we met on 11th July, I first did an "induction", explaining all the terms of the licence. After that I asked to see the copy of the lease. You told me that you didn't have a lease for Adams News, you had a rental agreement. You didn't have that agreement with you. I subsequently returned to the shop and left a letter with you, formerly asking for a copy of the rental agreement. As of today, I haven't received a copy of that rental agreement.

This letter is a repeat of my request to see your rental agreement for the shop. Assuming you have signed a rental agreement for the shop, you or your solicitor must have a copy of that agreement. I have not asked to see the original document, I have

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asked to be sent a scan of it. I cannot see why you haven't sent a copy of the rental agreement to me.

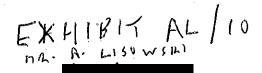
My e-mail address for scanning a copy of the rental agreement to me is: Alexander.Lisowski@southwark.gov.uk

Please send me a copy of the rental agreement as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,

Mr A. Lisowski, Licensing Enforcement Officer,

The London Borough of Southwark.



Lisowski, Alexander

From:

Lisowski, Alexander

Sent:

21 July 2017 14:46

To:

Subject:

Adams News, 6 Coldharbour Lane, London, SE5 9PR.

Categories:

Egress Switch: Unprotected

FOR THE ATTENTION OF MR DAVID DADDS.

Dear Mr Dadds,

I'm contacting you in connection with your client Mr Nawaz Muhammad, and his application to have the premises licence for Adams News, 6 Coldharbour Lane, London, SE5 9PR, transferred to him.

Southwark Council's Licensing Policy has the following 2 sections:

Section 89: "This authority is concerned over the frequently observed practice of an application for a transfer of a premises licence being made immediately following an application for a review of the same licence being lodged." Section 90: "Where, such applications are made, this authority will require documented proof of transfer of the business/lawful occupancy of the premises, to the new proposed licence holder to support the contention that the business is now under new management control."

When I met Mr Nawaz Muhammad on 11th July, 2017, I explained to him my suspicions that the transfer of the premises licence to him was not genuine. I then asked for a copy of his agreement to take over the running of the premises. From saying he had a lease, he then said it was a rental agreement, and that it was with his solicitor. I had not received a copy of that agreement by 17th July, 2017. I wrote a letter to Mr Nawaz Muhammad asking for a copy of the rental agreement, and hand deliver the letter to Adams News the same day. Mr Nawaz Muhammad was not there when I delivered the letter.

I returned to the shop on 18th July, 2017. Mr Nawaz Muhammed was there. Having confirmed that he had got the letter, I again explained my reasons for asking for a copy of his rental agreement. Again I was told the agreement was with his solicitor.

At first I thought that Mr Nawaz Muhammad was being uncooperative. However, having thought about it, I think that Mr Nawaz Muhammad was saying to me "Don't ask me, ask my solicitor." So I am.

I formally request that you send me a copy of the documented proof of transfer of the business so that I can check whether or not the transfer of the premises licence to Mr Nawaz Muhammad is genuine. I repeat that I am asking for a copy. I do not wish to cause problems for Mr Nawaz Muhammad by insisting on the original document. I am making this request in line with Southwark Council's Licensing Policy, as detailed above. I request that the copy of the document is sent to me in sufficient time to be able to check its' authenticity prior to the Licensing Sub-Committee hearing on 11th August, 2017.

If I have received it by 28th July, 2017, I believe that will give me sufficient time to check the authenticity of the document.

Yours sincerely, Mr A.Lisowski, Licensing Enforcement Officer, The London Borough of Southwark.