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[Insert name and address of relevant licensing authority and its reference number (optional)]

Application for the review of a premises licence or club premises certificate under the Licensing Act 2003

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Before completing this form please read the guidance notes at the end of the form. If you are completing this form by hand please write legibly in block capitals. In all cases ensure that your answers are inside the boxes and written in black ink. Use additional sheets if necessary. You may wish to keep a copy of the completed form for your records.

I, Jo Belton,(for and behalf of the Chief Constable, South Yorkshire police)
(*Insert name of applicant*)

apply for the review of a premises licence under section 51 / apply for the review of a club premises certificate under section 87 of the Licensing Act 2003 for the premises described in Part 1 below (delete as applicable)

Part 1 – Premises or club premises details

Postal address of premises or, if none, ordnance survey map reference or description S & S Convenience Store (also known as “Premier”) Units 2 & 3, Birchwood Avenue, Rawmarsh	
Post town ROTHERHAM	Post code (if known) S62 7JP

Name of premises licence holder or club holding club premises certificate (if known) Mr Pireanthiraah RAMANATHAN

Number of premises licence or club premises certificate (if known) P0026

Part 2 - Applicant details

I am

Please tick ✓ yes

1) an individual, body or business which is not a responsible authority (please read guidance note 1, and complete (A) or (B) below)

2) a responsible authority (please complete (C) below)

✓

3) a member of the club to which this application relates (please complete (A) below)

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(A) DETAILS OF INDIVIDUAL APPLICANT (fill in as applicable)

Please tick ✓ yes

Mr Mrs Miss Ms Other title
(for example, Rev)

Surname

First names

Please tick ✓ yes

I am 18 years old or over

Current postal address if different from premises address

Post town

Post Code

Daytime contact telephone number

E-mail address (optional)

(B) DETAILS OF OTHER APPLICANT

Name and address

Telephone number (if any)

E-mail address (optional)

(C) DETAILS OF RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY APPLICANT

Name and address

**Chief Constable of South Yorkshire Police
c/o Jo Belton, Rotherham Police Licensing Officer
Licencing Dept
Main Street, Rotherham S60 1QY**

Telephone number (if any)

E-mail address (optional)

Rotherham licencing@southyorks.pnn.police.uk

This application to review relates to the following licensing objective(s)

Please tick one or more boxes ✓

- 1) the prevention of crime and disorder
- 2) public safety
- 3) the prevention of public nuisance
- 4) the protection of children from harm

✓

✓

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Please state the ground(s) for review (please read guidance note 2)

This review is brought on due to the failure of the licence holder to promote the following licensing objectives:

- **The prevention of crime and disorder; and**
- **The protection of children from harm**

In summary, an allegation that children were being sold alcohol at the premises was made in August 2024.

In accordance with the good practice set out in the statutory guidance, issued under section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 the Licence holder was informed of the allegations.

An action plan was agreed to bring about required improvements on 24 October 2024.

The Licence holder failed to bring about the required improvement and allegation that children were being sold alcohol at the premises continued to be received.

Police, responding to a call from a member of the public, attended the premises on 23 February 2025 and found three teenage girls, all of whom were intoxicated, at the premises. The girls were all taken home by the responding Police Officer's and enroute stated that "males working in the shop had supplied them with alcohol and allowed them to use the premises toilet".

Police and Council Licensing Officers visited the premises on 14 March 2025 to discuss the serious nature of the above incident and provide appropriate advise. The agreed action plan was updates so as to require staff to undertaken

Following this, 19 March 2025, a test purchase was carried out, which the premises failed.

Police and Council Licensing Officers again visited the premises on 17 April 2025 to re-enforce the need for the Licence holder to take immediate action to prevent the underage sale of alcohol.

On 13 May 2025 a second a test purchase was carried out, which the premises again failed.

The Licence holder has failed comply with the conditions on the Premises Licence to promote the Licensing objectives of preventing crime and disorder and protecting children from harm.

Given this the Chief Constable of South Yorkshire Police e is seeking a review of the Premises Licence, with the recommendation that the Premises Licence is REVOKED.

The Police Licencing visited the premises on 15 May 2025 to make the Licence holder aware that an application to review the Licence would be made.

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Please provide as much information as possible to support the application (please read guidance note 3)

1. An allegation of the underage sale of alcohol at the premises was first brought to the attention of the Police Licensing Officer on 28 August 2024, via an email sent by Summer Connolly, South Yorkshire Police Investigation Officer:

I just wanted to make you aware the below store has been selling alcohol to school children. it is reported that the employee serving the alcohol is known as Shan but we have no further details at the moment and it is believed he no longer works at the store. Shan was serving alcohol to the same two children over a period of 2/3 weeks in July and gifted them vapes on one occasion.

2. Action plan was agreed by Licence holder on 22 October 2024. This plan set out the management controls needed to promote the licensing objectives and prevent the underage sale of alcohol. It required the Licence holder to make a formal variation of the Premises Licence so as to include the management controls as licence condition by the end of November 2024.

3. Police Intelligence report regarding an incident that occurred at the premises on 23 February 2025.

three teenage girls described as around 14 years, frequenting the Premier Store These girls were said to be under the influence of alcohol and the two male workers in the shop were allowing them in and out of the shop toilet which they had a key for.

The caller said they felt this was strange behaviour and was concerned due to the girls ages and condition they appeared to be in.

Officers attended and spoke with three females:

All three females appeared to be intoxicated and were quite evasive with details. All escorted to their home addresses and guardians spoken with.

In the car they disclosed that the males in the store had supplied them with alcohol.

4. Further information regarding the incident that occurred at the premises on 23 February 2025 was received from the Safeguarding Officer at Rawmarsh Community School via an email dated 12 March 2025

I've received a call from a parent to make school aware of an incident.

At the weekend her daughter was in the Premier Shop on Monkwood Road with 2 other y11 students, the shop owners have sold them alcohol and allowed them into the back to use the toilet.

A member of the public was also in the shop at the time and witnessed what was happening and felt enough concern to contact the police.

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5. Police Licensing Sergeant and the Council's Licensing Officers met with Licence holder at the premises on 14th March 2025. Police Sergeants notes from this visit are set out below:

Shown application to vary the Premises Licence so as to add management control to the Licence. The application was form was filled out but at the time of the visit had not been submitted. .

Note: Previously the Licence holder had agreed to make the variation application no later than the end of November 2024.

Given that the variation application had not yet been made it was agreed that an additional management control would be added requiring all staff responsible for the sale of alcohol to attend the Safeguarding Training.

Check made on agreed management as controls previously agreed in the action plan date 22 October 2024. detailed below: :

- The CCTV was only recording for 14 days. 28 days is required in the agreed Action Plan. Licence holder confirmed once this became a formal condition of the Premises Licence) this would be changed.*
- Licence holder advised that he had changed the CCTV timing this am as it was showing the incorrect time. Time was correct at time of visit.*
- inspected the refusals book and within it referenced a refusal made on 7/3 2:59, signed off by the Licence holder. Spot checked this against the CCTV which showed recordings for the same date & time. Nothing to corroborate this interaction with a young person who was refused a sale. Explained to the Licence holder that he needed to ensure the refusals were accurate and not fabricated at any point.*

Licence holder explained that he had some staffing problems and was going to start spending more time at the shop, but his autistic son required him to be at home more

Licence holder spoke about some of the previous problems with staff member and false allegations made.

Explained on the reason for visit was due to an intelligence of 3 young females being provided alcohol by this premises.

CCTV for the date of the incident, 23 February 2025, did not exist.

Conversation around the use of toilet by customers. Licence holder asked to not allow this. Explained the risks in allowing such use, particularly around young persons. Licence holder accepted advice.

Agreed that the variation must be submitted by end of this month (March 2025), which now includes a condition regarding staff safeguarding training element.

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6. 19 March 2025 SYP ran a underage sales operation and S&S Premier was tested. The premise failed the test purchase and sold alcohol to out 16-year-old cadet.

7. 24 March 2025 the Licence holder made an application to add the management controls agreed in the action plan as conditions of the Premises Licence with immediate effect

8. On the 10 April 2025 Police and Council Licensing Officers made an unannounced visit to the premises. The Licence holder was not present.

Staff member in charge of the premises was unsure how to work the CCTV. This was a breach of the condition on the Premises Licence that requires staff to be trained on how to review the CCTV system if requested.

Spoke to the Licence holder via the telephone, who claimed to be unaware that the CCTV condition on the Premises Licence had to be adhered to.

9. Police and Council Licensing Officers visited the premises on 17 April 2025 to reiterate to the Licence holder that all conditions of the Premises Licence had to be complied with. Licence holder initially resisted this advice.

Licence holder stated that only he and his Staff (Monica) worked in the shop, but then said he was training another person to work there. There were no training records available for this person.

In response to a question asked by Officer the Licence holders Staff (Monica) stated she worked about 10 hours per week in the shop.

10. On the 13 May 2025 premises retested for alcohol sales to under 18 year old. The premise failed again

11. On 15 May 2025 the Police Licensing officer visited the premises to make the Licence holder aware that, following the failed test purchase, South Yorkshire police would be seeking revocation of the Premise Licence.

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Please tick ✓ yes

Have you made an application for review relating to the premises before

No

If yes please state the date of that application

Day	Month	Year

If you have made representations before relating to the premises please state what they were and when you made them

N/A

Please tick ✓ yes

- I have sent copies of this form and enclosures to the responsible authorities and the premises licence holder or club holding the club premises certificate, as appropriate ✓
- I understand that if I do not comply with the above requirements my application will be rejected ✓

IT IS AN OFFENCE, UNDER SECTION 158 OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003, TO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT IN OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS APPLICATION. THOSE WHO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT MAY BE LIABLE ON SUMMARY CONVICTION TO A FINE OF ANY AMOUNT.

Part 3 – Signatures (please read guidance note 4)

Signature of applicant or applicant’s solicitor or other duly authorised agent (please read guidance note 5). **If signing on behalf of the applicant please state in what capacity.**

Signature

Jo Belton

On behalf of the Chief Constable of South Yorkshire Police

Date

30th May 2025

Capacity **Rotherham Police Licensing Officer**

Contact name (where not previously given) and postal address for correspondence associated with this application (please read guidance note 6)

**Jo Belton, Rotherham Police Licensing Officer
Licencing Dept
Main Street**

**Post town
Rotherham**

**Post Code
S60 1QY**

Telephone number (if any)

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If you would prefer us to correspond with you using an e-mail address your e-mail address (optional)

Notes for Guidance

1. A responsible authority includes the local police, fire and rescue authority and other statutory bodies which exercise specific functions in the local area.
2. The ground(s) for review must be based on one of the licensing objectives.
3. Please list any additional information or details for example dates of problems which are included in the grounds for review if available.
4. The application form must be signed.
5. An applicant's agent (for example solicitor) may sign the form on their behalf provided that they have actual authority to do so.
6. This is the address which we shall use to correspond with you about this application.