



Public Notice - Licensing Act 2003 Application for a Review – Section 51

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an application was made to Bassetlaw District Council for a review of the premise licence at the below address on **10 July 2025**

PLH1154 - Retford Market Ltd, 31 Market Square, Retford, DN22 6DW

The postal address of the licensing authority where the register is kept and the application may be inspected is: Queens Buildings Potter Street Worksop S80 2AH. (Monday to Friday 09.00 – 16.00). A copy of the application can also be viewed at: data.bassetlaw.gov.uk/public-notice/

Any person wishing to make representations on this matter shall give notice, in writing, stating the precise nature of such representations to the Lawyer (Licensing & Regulatory) at the above address or via email within the period for representations which is from:

11 July 2025 until 23:59 on 08 August 2025

The grounds for the application are that the premises has been used for unlawful purposes which are contrary to the Prevention of Crime & Disorder; the promotion of Public Safety and the Protection of Children from Harm. Representations must be clear, legible and include the full name and contact details of the person submitting the representation. Persons should note that in making a representation your personal details may be released to the applicant and other parties. They may also form part of public documents. Further details on how to make a valid representations is on the licensing authority's website www.bassetlaw.gov.uk or from the licensing team on 01909 533533 email licensing@bassetlaw.gov.uk

It is an offence knowingly or recklessly to make a false statement in connection with an application and the maximum fine for which a person is liable on summary conviction for the offence is unlimited.

[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 Brian Costello

(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

Retford Market Limited
31 Market Square

Post town

Retford

Post code (if known)

DN22 6DW

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

Retford Market Limited (Reg Co No 14591789)

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

PL1154

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)

X

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

(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

Brian Costello on behalf of Nottinghamshire County Council Trading Standards

100 Chesterfield Road South

Mansfield

Nottinghamshire

NG19 7AQ

Telephone number (if any)

0115 9772553

E-mail address (optional)

brian.costello@nottscc.gov.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 X
- 2) public safety X
- 3) the prevention of public nuisance
- 4) the protection of children from harm X

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

The grounds for the review are based on the licencing objectives of the prevention of crime and disorder, public safety and the protection of children from harm.

Prevention of crime and disorder

A number of non-compliant disposable vapes have been seized on two occasions from Retford Market Limited. Illegal cigarettes were found in a wheelie-bin in the alley access from the shop. These cigarettes have been tested and are believed to be counterfeit.

The premises owner, and licence holder, Mostafa MAHMOODI was issued with a warning letter after the first seizure detailing his responsibilities around the sale of vapes in general and to minors.

Public Safety/ Protection of children from harm

Counterfeit cigarette cigarettes do not contain the Reduced Ignition Propensity Strips designed to extinguish the cigarette if it is set down or not drawn on. This has been an E.U. requirement since 2011. The strip works by reducing oxygen supply to the lit cigarette and are an essential fire prevention device.

There are serious health implications of exposure to illegal vapes. These health implications, especially in young people, have been well documented. This has led to the ban of disposable vapes to protect young people. Testing of illegal vapes showed that they contained twice the safe level of lead, 10 x the safe level of nickel and 7 x the safe levels of chromium. The tests also found that illegal vapes contained 10 x the level of chemicals such as formaldehyde, then those found in legal vapes. (Source-University of Derby).

Manufacturers of vapes have to follow regulations on ingredients, packaging and marketing and all vapes must be registered with the Medicine and Health Care Products Regulatory Agency (MHRA). Most illegal vapes do not go through any kind of testing before being sold in the U.K.

There is an increased fire risk from poor quality vapes, damaged chargers and cables and a fire risk from the unsafe disposal of damaged batteries.

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

On 6th February 2024, Nottinghamshire County Council Trading Standards received information that Retford Market Ltd was selling illegal tobacco.

On 15th February 2024, 97 non-compliant disposable vapes were seized from Retford Market Ltd. They were on display in the shop and contravened the Tobacco and Related Products Regulations by having tank sizes in excess of the allowed 2ml capacity.

The premises owner and licence holder, Mostafa MAHMOODI was issued with a warning letter detailing his responsibilities around the sale of vapes in general and to minors.

On 4th June 2025, Nottinghamshire County Council Trading Standards received information that Retford Market Ltd was selling illegal cigarettes, hand-rolling tobacco and disposable vapes and had been doing so for six months.

On 1st July 2025, a male and female entered Retford Market Ltd and exited with the male carrying a packet of cigarettes in a blue packet. The male unsealed the cigarettes and took one out to smoke. Cigarette packaging in the UK is governed by the Standardised Packaging of Tobacco Product Regulations and the Tobacco and Related Products Regulations. These regulations state that cigarette and hand-rolling tobacco products can only be sold in olive green packaging and with the requisite labelling. 67 non-compliant disposable vapes were seized from Retford Market Ltd. They were on display in the shop and contravened the existing legislation. Also found in a wheelie-bin in an alleyway accessed from the shop, were 3,800 sticks of illegal cigarettes and 4kg of illegal hand-rolling tobacco.

On 2nd July 2025, Nottinghamshire Police received information that Retford Market Ltd was selling fake tobacco that smelt like petrol and chemicals.

Please tick ✓ yes

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

If yes please state the date of that application

Day Month Year

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

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 X
- I understand that if I do not comply with the above requirements my application will be rejected X

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

Date 10th July 2025

Capacity Illegal Tobacco Investigator-Trading Standards

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

Post town

Post Code

Telephone number (if any)

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.