

TRADING STANDARDS REPRESENTATION

International Shop – 9 Fitzwilliam Street, Peterborough PE1 2RU

On the 27th October 2015, Trading Standards received notification from Peterborough City Council Licensing team an application to review the premises licence of International Shop, 9 Fitzwilliam Street, Peterborough.

The premises licence (069611) is held by Mr Rebwar Sulaiman OMAR [REDACTED]
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The review application by Cambridgeshire Constabulary refers to incidents concerning the sale and supply of illicit tobacco and the conspiracy to supply class A drugs.

On the 13th October 2015, Trading Standards assisted with the search and seizure of 15040 cigarettes (752 packets) and 3.9kg of hand rolling tobacco (79 pouches). These 13 brands were found in hidden concealments within the shop. Trading Standards confirmed that the foreign labelled cigarettes did not comply with labelling requirements and the hand rolling tobacco was suspected to be counterfeit therefore these products were seized.

On the 21st October 2015, Trading Standards revisited the shop with PC Robinson. A further 1560 cigarettes (78 packets) and 350g (7 pouches) of hand rolling tobacco were found under the counter. These tobacco products were seized by Trading Standards and the paperwork was left with the designated premises supervisor Mr Aso Hassan ALI.

Under the Guidelines as set out by section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 (paragraph 11.27) Trading Standards take a serious view on the sale of illicit and counterfeit tobacco and do not feel that the business is upholding the licensing objective of preventing crime and disorder.

We fully support Cambridgeshire Constabulary and their recommendations for the full revocation of the licence.

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