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Dear Sir / Madam,

Re: Application for the Review of a Premises Licence – Keele Road Stores, 28 Keele Road, Newcastle-under-Lyme, Staffordshire, ST5 2JX.

Staffordshire Police wish to submit representations in connection with the Review of the Premises Licence at Keele Road Stores, 28 Keele Road, Newcastle-under-Lyme, Staffordshire, ST5 2JX.

On the 15th February 2016, Keele Road Stores was tested as part of a compliance test purchase operation conducted by Trading Standards. A member of staff at the premises sold alcohol to a 14 year old volunteer. The sale was witnessed by a Licensing Officer from Staffordshire Police. The seller in relation to this matter was formally interviewed and was subsequently dealt with via the Community Resolution process.

On the 14th May 2016, Staffordshire Polire received an anonymous report from a complainant that had witnessed a male enter Keele Road Stores, the previous day, and purchase some wine and Lager. They then witnessed this male go 200 yards along the road where he handed the items over to a female who appeared to be 13/14 years of age. The witness did go bac. ii to the store and advise the staff and was told that they could not stop the male ou chasing it as they did not know he was supplying to the child.

Staffordshire Police support the Review application submitted by Mr. Tony Shore, Community Protection Manager, Staffordshire County Council, on the 4th May 2016. Staffordshire Police believe that in light of the issues presented and that the Designated Premises Supervisor / Premises Licence Holder have failed in their

responsibilities to promote the licensing objectives, we respectfully request the Licensing Sub-Committee gives serious consideration to imposing the recommendations of Staffordshire County Council.

If you have any queries in relation to the above please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully,

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