

Claire Ryles

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Subject: Caprinos, Newcastle-under-Lyme

Good Afternoon Mr Rafique

We currently have concerns over the premises Caprinos, Newcastle-under-Lyme to which you are associated as the premises licence holder.

The licence allows the provision of late night refreshment to the terminal hours of:

Sunday to Thursday 12midnight
Friday and Saturday 01:30hours

We have reason to believe that late night refreshment is being offered to the following terminal hours:

Monday to Thursday 02:00hours
Friday and Saturday 04:00hours
Sunday 03:00hours

As you will know, it is an offence under Licensing Act 2003, Section 136 to provide late night refreshment between the hours of 23:00 and 05:00 in the UK without a licence and therefore we request that action is taken to amend the account so that they are unable to provide late night refreshment outside of their licensable hours. If you are still associated with the premises then you should take action to amend all online delivery/collection services i.e. Deliveroo, Uber, etc. to the correct licensable hours and you **MUST** not operate outside of the hours on your licence.

As you are still listed as the premises licence holder any action against such offences will be taken against you. Should we gather any evidence over the next few days then we will be looking to bring you in for an interview under caution.

If you are no longer associated with the premises then as the current premises licence holder you can surrender the premises licence by reply to this email. Please note, although the surrender of the licence will immediately remove your association to the premises there is a 28 day period following the surrender where any other person can then reinstate the licence by making a transfer application so it will be up to any current person managing the premises to contact us as a matter of priority to make the correct application.

If you have any questions in regard to this matter please contact the licensing team as soon as possible.

Kind regards

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Caprinos
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ST5 9HD



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Dear Caprinos

Licensing Act 2003 – Section 136 Carrying out a licensable activity of providing late night refreshment without authorisation at Caprinos, 131 Liverpool Road, Newcastle Under Lyme, ST5 9HD

The Licensing Department have received information that your premises has been operating and serving hot food / drinks until 04:00 hours at the weekend, which is 2 hours and 30 minutes in excess of what you are authorised. You have also been exceeding your authorised hours during the week days by 1 hour and 30 minutes.

With immediate effect, you must stop selling hot food and drink at the terminal hours stated on your premises licence which are as follows:

The Times the Licence Authorises the Carrying out of Licensable Activities		
ACTIVITY	LOCATION	TIMES
Late Night Refreshment	Indoors	Sunday to Thursday 23:00-00:00
		Friday and Saturday 23:00-01:30

If you want to apply to extend your licensing hours then you can apply to do so by completing an application to vary the premises licence and information regarding this process can be found on our website

The Council are now monitoring your premises and if you are witnessed selling hot food or drink after the hours stated on your premises licence then we will seek to prosecute you for carrying out licensable activity without a premises licence and the maximum penalty upon conviction is an unlimited fine and/or 6 month imprisonment.

A copy of this letter has been sent to Staffordshire Police Licensing Department.

Yours faithfully

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