

Chelmsford City Council Licensing Committee

18th March 2024

Licensing Act 2003 – Application to Review a Premises Licence: Mosaic, 122 Springfield Road, Chelmsford, Essex, CM2 6LF

Report by: Director of Public Places

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Purpose

The Committee is requested to consider an application made by the Home Office for a review of the said premises licence under section 51 of the Licensing Act 2003 and to have regard to the representations made during the consultation period that followed in line with the promotion of the licensing objectives:

- a) The prevention of crime and disorder
- b) Public safety
- c) The prevention of public nuisance
- d) The protection of children from harm

Recommendations

Members are advised that they have the following options when determining this application.

- 1. To modify the conditions of the licence either permanently or for a period not exceeding three months
- 2. To exclude a licensable activity from the scope of the licence, either permanently or for a period not exceeding three months
- 3. Remove the Designated Premises Supervisor

- 4. To suspend the licence for up to three months
- 5. Revoke the licence

An appeal against the review decision may be made to a magistrates' court within 21 days of the appellant being notified of the licensing authority's determination on the review. An appeal may be made by the premises licence holder, the chief officer of police and/or any other person who made relevant representations.

The decision of the licensing authority, following the review hearing, will not have effect until the end of the period allowed for appeal, or until the disposal of the appeal.

1. Introduction

- 1.1. Mosaic is a restaurant situated on Springfield Road near both commercial and residential properties.
- 1.2. The Premise licence holder is Mr Mehmet Kilic who successfully transferred the licence into his name on the 22nd of May 2017. Full details of the licensable activities are detailed on the current licence. A copy of the Premises Licence is attached at **Appendix A**
- 1.3. Mr Kilic is also the nominated designated premise supervisor at Mosaic who is responsible for the sales of alcohol. He holds a personal licence issued by the London Borough of Havering.

2. Application

- 2.1. On Wednesday 24th January 2024 Chelmsford City Council received an application from the Home Office for a review of the premise licence at Mosaic on the grounds of failure to promote one of the four licensing objectives specifically, the prevention of crime and disorder objective which is detailed on page 3 of the review application. A copy of the application for the review and supporting document is attached as **Appendix B**.
- 2.2. The application has been properly made in accordance with The Licensing Act 2003 and all procedures have been correctly followed. The public notice was properly displayed, and copies of the application were served on the Premises Licence Holder through their legal representative and responsible authorities. The application was also advertised via the Council's website.

3. Representations

- 3.1. Essex Police made representation to support the application for a review in relation to licensing objective 'Crime and Disorder.' A copy of this representation is attached as **Appendix C**.
- 3.2. There have been no other representations from other responsible authorities or members of the public.

4. Conclusion

- 4.1. The relevant sections of the Statement of Licensing Policy are brought to the attention of members and are as follows:
- 4.2. (1.37) Where relevant representations are made, the Council will seek to make objective judgements as to whether conditions may need to be attached to various authorisations, to secure promotion of the licensing objectives.
- 4.3. This application has been correctly submitted.
- 4.4. At the conclusion of this hearing members are advised to consider the options as previously recommended

List of appendices:

- Appendix A Copy of the premise licence
- Appendix B Application for Review of premise licence and supporting documents made by the home Office.
- Appendix C Essex Police Representation

Background papers:

- Application file held by Licensing Authority
- Statement of Licensing Policy
- Licensing Act 2003

Corporate Implications

Legal/Constitutional: None

Financial: None

Potential impact on climate change and the environment: None

Contribution toward achieving a net zero carbon position by 2030: None

Personnel: None

Risk Management: None

Equality and Diversity: None

(For new or revised policies or procedures has an equalities impact assessment been carried out? If not, explain why)

Health and Safety: None

Digital: None

Other:

Consultees: As per that required by legislation

Relevant Policies and Strategies: Statement of licensing policy



Licensing Act 2003 Schedule 12 - Part A Regulation 33,34

Premises Licence

Premises Licence Number

05/00993/LAPRE

Part I – Premises Details

Mosaic Restaurant 122 Springfield Road Chelmsford Essex CM2 6LF				
Telephone number 01245	352542			
Where the licence is time limi	ted the dates are			
Not applicable				
Licensable activities authorised by the licence and the times the licence authorises the carrying out of licensable activities are				
Sale or supply of Alcohol	Monday - Saturday	11:00 - 00:00		
Sale or supply of Alcohol	Sunday	12:00 - 23:30		
Sale or supply of Alcohol	Good Friday	12:00 - 23:30		
Sale or supply of Alcohol	Christmas Eve	12:00 - 23:30		
The opening hours of the pren	nises are			
Opening hours	Monday - Saturday	11:00 - 00:30		
Opening hours	Sunday	12:00 - 00:00		
Opening hours	Good Friday	12:00 - 00:00		
Opening hours	Christmas Day	12:00 - 00:00		
Where the licence authorises supplies	supplies of alcohol whether these	e are on and / or off		
On the premises				

Part 2

Name, (registered) address, telephone number and email (where relevant) of holder of premises licence

Mr Mehmet Kilic I I 3 Blake Avenue Basildon Essex SSI4 2FR

Registered number of holder, for example company number, charity number (where applicable)

Not applicable

Name, address and telephone number of designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises for the supply of alcohol

Mr Mehmet Kilic

Personal licence number and issuing authority of personal licence held by designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises for the supply of alcohol

Signed: On behalf of the Licensing Authority Issued on the 14th October 2020 following a premises change of name Dated: 30th August 2005

Annex I – Mandatory conditions

- I Where premises authorise the supply of alcohol no supply of alcohol may be made under the premises licence
 - a) at a time when there is no designated premises supervisor in respect of the premises licence, or
 - b) at a time when the designated premises supervisor does not hold a personal licence or his personal licence is suspended.

Every supply of alcohol under the premises licence must be made or authorised by a person who holds a personal licence.

2 Where the film body has specified in the licence, admission of children (aged under 18) must be restricted in accordance with any recommendation made by that body.

Where

- a) the film classification body is not specified in the licence, or
- b) the relevant licensing authority has notified the holder of the licence that this subsection applies to the film in question, admission of children must be restricted in accordance with any recommendation made by the licensing authority.
- 3 Where a premises licence includes a condition that at specified times individuals must be at the premises to carry out a security activity(s) each individual must, be licensed by the Security Industry Authority.
- 4 (1) The responsible person must ensure that staff on relevant premises do not carry out, arrange or participate in any irresponsible promotions in relation to the premises.
 (2) In this paragraph, an irresponsible promotion means any one or more of the following activities, or substantially similar activities, carried on for the purpose of encouraging the sale or supply of alcohol for consumption on the premises—

(a) games or other activities which require or encourage, or are designed to require or encourage, individuals to—

(i) drink a quantity of alcohol within a time limit (other than to drink alcohol sold or supplied on the premises before the cessation of the period in which the responsible person is authorised to sell or supply alcohol), or
(ii) drink as much alcohol as possible (whether within a time limit or otherwise);

(b) provision of unlimited or unspecified quantities of alcohol free or for a fixed or discounted fee to the public or to a group defined by a particular characteristic in a manner which carries a significant risk of undermining a licensing objective;

(c) provision of free or discounted alcohol or any other thing as a prize to encourage or reward the purchase and consumption of alcohol over a period of 24 hours or less in a manner which carries a significant risk of undermining a licensing objective;

(d) selling or supplying alcohol in association with promotional posters or flyers on, or in the vicinity of, the premises which can reasonably be considered to condone, encourage or glamorise anti-social behaviour or to refer to the effects of drunkenness in any favourable manner;

(e) dispensing alcohol directly by one person into the mouth of another (other than where that other person is unable to drink without assistance by reason of disability)..

- 5 The responsible person must ensure that free potable water is provided on request to customers where it is reasonably available.
- 6 (1) The premises licence holder or club premises certificate holder must ensure that an age verification policy is adopted in respect of the premises in relation to the sale or supply of alcohol.

(2) The designated premises supervisor in relation to the premises licence must ensure that the supply of alcohol at the premises is carried on in accordance with the age verification policy.

(3) The policy must require individuals who appear to the responsible person to be under 18years of age (or such older age as may be specified in the policy) to produce on request, before being served alcohol, identification bearing their photograph, date of birth and either—

(a) a holographic mark, or

(b) an ultraviolet feature.

7 The responsible person must ensure that—

(a) where any of the following alcoholic drinks is sold or supplied for consumption on the premises (other than alcoholic drinks sold or supplied having been made up in advance ready for sale or supply in a securely closed container) it is available to customers in the following measures—

- (i) beer or cider: $\frac{1}{2}$ pint;
- (ii) gin, rum, vodka or whisky: 25 ml or 35 ml; and
- (iii) still wine in a glass: 125 ml;

(b) these measures are displayed in a menu, price list or other printed material which is available to customers on the premises; and

(c) where a customer does not in relation to a sale of alcohol specify the quantity of alcohol to be sold, the customer is made aware that these measures are available.

8 (1) A relevant person shall ensure that no alcohol is sold or supplied for consumption on or off the premises for a price which is less than the permitted price.

(2) For the purposes of the condition set out in paragraph I—

(a)"duty" is to be construed in accordance with the Alcoholic Liquor Duties Act 1979;

(b)"permitted price" is the price found by applying the formula-

$$\mathsf{P} = \mathsf{D} + (\mathsf{D} \times \mathsf{V})$$

where—

(i) P is the permitted price,

(ii) D is the amount of duty chargeable in relation to the alcohol as if the duty were charged on the date of the sale or supply of the alcohol, and

(iii) V is the rate of value added tax chargeable in relation to the alcohol as if the value added tax were charged on the date of the sale or supply of the alcohol;

(c) "relevant person" means, in relation to premises in respect of which there is in force a premises licence—

- (i) the holder of the premises licence,
- (ii) the designated premises supervisor (if any) in respect of such a licence, or

(iii) the personal licence holder who makes or authorises a supply of alcohol under such a licence;

(d) "relevant person" means, in relation to premises in respect of which there is in force a club premises certificate, any member or officer of the club present on the premises in a capacity which enables the member or officer to prevent the supply in question; and

(e) "value added tax" means value added tax charged in accordance with the Value Added Tax Act 1994.

(3) Where the permitted price given by Paragraph (b) of paragraph 2 would (apart from this paragraph) not be a whole number of pennies, the price given by that sub-paragraph shall be taken to be the price actually given by that sub-paragraph rounded up to the nearest penny.

(4)(1) Sub-paragraph (2) applies where the permitted price given by Paragraph (b) of paragraph2 on a day ("the first day") would be different from the permitted price on the next day ("the second day") as a result of a change to the rate of duty or value added tax.
(2) The permitted price which would apply on the first day applies to sales or supplies of alcohol which take place before the expiry of the period of 14 days beginning on the second day.

Annex 2 – Embedded Conditions

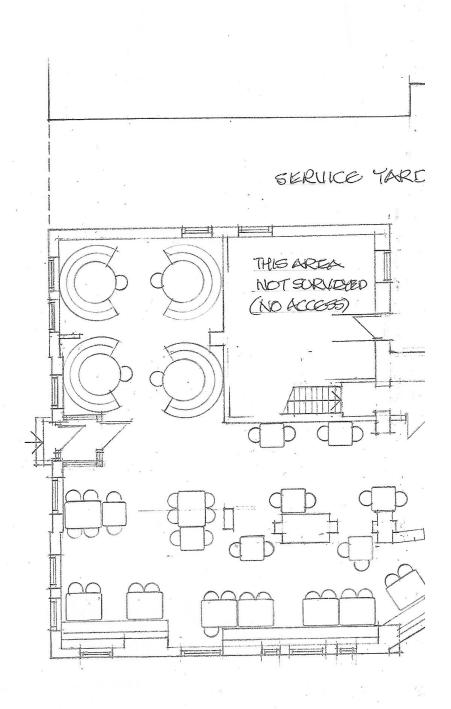
None

Annex 3 – Conditions attached after a hearing by the licensing authority

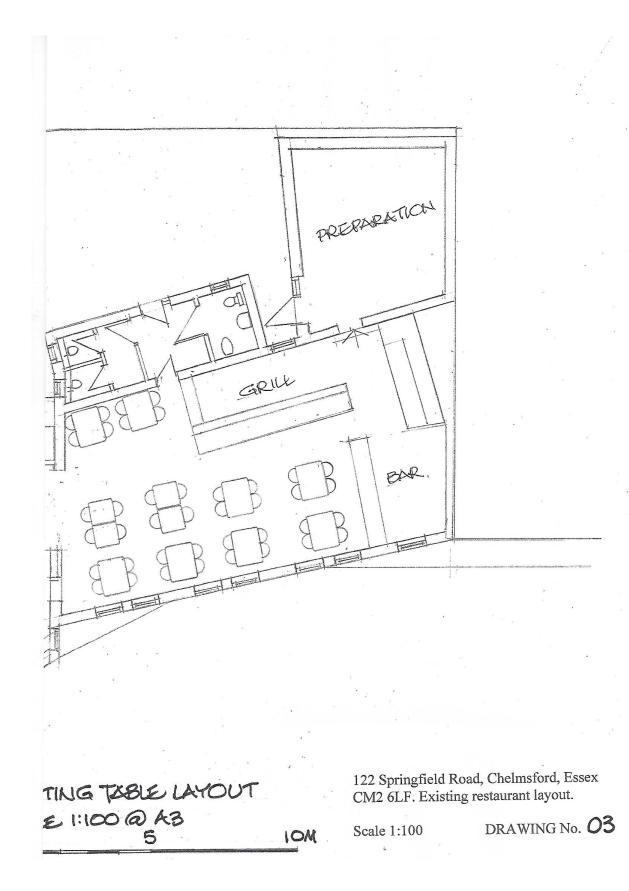
Not applicable

Annex 4 – Plans

See attached



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Licensing Authority: Chelmford City Council By email: <u>Licensing@chelmsford.gov.uk</u>

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 Home Office Immigration Enforcement

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

Part 1 – Premises or club premises details

Postal address of premises or, if none, ordnance survey map reference or description			
Mosaic Restaurant 122 Springfield Road			
Post town Chelmsford	Post code (if known) CM2 6LF		

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

Mehmet Kilic

Number of premises licence or club premises certificate (if known) 05/00993/LAPRE

Part 2 - Applicant details

lam	Please tick
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)	\boxtimes

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				F	irst names	
						Please tick
l am 18 years old	or over					
Current postal address if different from premises address						
Post town				P	ost Code	
Daytime contact	telephor	ne numl	ber			
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

Home Office Immigration Enforcement Alcohol Licensing Team Lunar House 40 Wellesley Road Croydon CR9 2BY
Telephone number (if any)
E-mail address (optional) IE.Alcoholreviews@homeoffice.gov.uk

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

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

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

Grounds for review:

We have grounds to believe the license holder has failed to meet the licensing objectives of prevention of crime and disorder, as illegal working has been identified at this premises.

Please tick one or more boxes ✓

Section 36 and Schedule 4 of the Immigration Act 2016 (the 2016 Act) amended the Licensing Act 2003 (the 2003 Act) to introduce immigration safeguards in respect of licensing applications made in England and Wales on or after 6 April 2017. The intention is to prevent illegal working in premises licensed for the sale of alcohol or late-night refreshment.

The Home Secretary (in practice Home Office (Immigration Enforcement)) was added to the list of Responsible Authorities (RA) in the licensing regime, which requires Home Office (Immigration Enforcement) to receive premises licence applications (except regulated entertainment only licences and applications to vary a Designated Premises Supervisor (DPS)), and in some limited circumstances personal licence applications. In carrying out the role of responsible authority, Home Office (Immigration Enforcement) is permitted to make relevant representations and objections to the grant of a licence or request a review of an existing licence as a responsible authority where there is concern that a licence and related licensable activity is prejudicial to the prevention of immigration crime including illegal working.

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

Please refer to accompanied review pack for detailed information

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	

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

- 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
- \boxtimes

Please tick ✓

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 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	K Sooriyaarachchi
Date	24 January 2024
Capacity	Responsible Authority

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

Alcohol Licensing Team Lunar House 40 Wellesley Road

Post town	Post Code	
Croydon	CR9 2BY	
Telephone number (if any)		

If you would prefer us to correspond with you using an e-mail address your e-mail address (optional) IE.Alcoholreviews@homeoffice.gov.uk

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.



Premises Licence Review

Mosaic Restaurant 122 Springfield Road Chelmsford CM2 6LF

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Case Summary

On 29 June 2023, the East of England Immigration, Compliance and Enforcement team (ICE) visited Mosaic Restaurant, 122 Springfield Road, Chelmsford CM2 6LF after intelligence was received that illegal workers were employed at the business. Entry was gained to the premises at 18:30hrs under section 179 of the Licensing Act 2003.

Officers swept the premises, and seven members of staff were encountered and two were arrested. One male had an outstanding application from May 2023 and was bailed. The other male had overstayed his seasonal worker visa. Illegal working interviews were completed, and a civil penalty referral notice was served.

Licensed Premises History

Mosaic Restaurant holds premises licence 05/00993/LAPRE issued by Chelmsford City Council.

The licence is registered to Mehmet Kilic,

. Mr Kilic is also the Designated Premises Supervisor (DPS). The licence is still in the name of the previous restaurant Stone Grill as Mr Kilic has recently re-named the premises.

The premises is licensed for the sale and supply of alcohol on the premises.

The opening hours of the premises are:

Monday - Saturday	11:00 - 00:30
Sunday	12:00 - 00:00
Good Friday	12:00 - 00:00
Christmas Day	12:00 - 00:00

Licensable activities authorised by the licence and the times the licence authorises carrying out of licensable activities are:

Monday - Saturday	11:00 - 00:00
Sunday	12:00 - 23:30
Good Friday	12:00 - 23:30
Christmas Eve	12:00 - 23:30

Enforcement Visit: 29 June 2023

Entry was gained to the premises at 18:30hrs. A total of seven individuals were encountered of which two were illegal workers.

One of the illegal workers and the employer share the same. For clarity, they will be referred to by their surname followed by their year of birth.

was encountered in the kitchen behind "Just Eat" terminals by immigration officers. Home Office checks indicate that arrived arrived in the UK illegally by small boat on 07 May 2023. He made an application for leave to remain which is currently outstanding, he does not have the Right to Work in the UK.

An illegal working interview as an employee was conducted with the state of that he was not questioned by the encountering immigration officer he stated that he was not working at the premises. If the admitted that he does not hold the Right to Work and maintained he did not work at the premises. If the state of that he was on the stays at his uncle's (later identified as Kilic (1970)) house and that he was on the premises because he was bored at home. If the state of that he showed his documents to Kilic (1970) and he is aware that the premises on the day of encounter and that he was visiting a solicitor the following day. Although

denied working, he was encountered in a staff only area where live orders were being processed. It is considered that his denial was an attempt to deceive officers and cover up his illegal working.



Images of staff only area where "Just Eat" terminals are located where officers encountered was encountered by officers whilst working in the kitchen washing dishes. Home Office checks conducted revealed that was granted a temporary work visa which was valid from 27 July 2022 to 27 December 2022. was an overstayer and did not hold the Right to Work in the UK when

encountered at the premises.

An illegal working interview as an employee was conducted with the end of the second by officers how long he has been working at the premises he replied, "I don't work here I was washing my hands in the kitchen". However, officers observed that he was washing dishes when encountered. The maintained that he did not work at the premises throughout the interview. While the denied working at the premises, it is clear from the observations of officers that he was washing dishes for the operations of the restaurant and his belongings were kept in the staff only areas. It is considered that his denial was an attempt at deceiving officers and covering up his illegal employment.

Manager: Mehmet Kilic - 1970

Kilic (1970) confirmed that he was named on the license. Kilic (1970) informed officers that he had been working at Mosaic for four months and that his son was the company owner. He stated that he has been covering for his son whilst he was on holiday and was due to return in one week.

Kilic (1970) confirmed that they had 5 staff members working that night and stated that the staff are paid weekly in cash or occasionally via bank transfer. Kilic (1970) stated that Right to Work checks for staff are conducted but he was unsure if this had been completed for all employees and was unable to provide evidence of copies of Right to Work checks. When questioned if accommodation is provided to staff Kilic (1970) stated that accommodation was not provided but food is provided.

When officers walked through the premises, they noted that there was a basement which contained of 5 - 6 rooms. Some of the rooms were used to store furniture and freezers and two other rooms were locked which were later opened by Kilic (1970) and appeared to be living accommodation. Officers also noted that belongings were found in these rooms.

Reasons for Review

Section 36 and Schedule 4 of the Immigration Act 2016 amended the Licensing Act 2003 to introduce immigration safeguards in respect of licensing applications made in England and Wales on or after 06 April 2017. The intention is to prevent illegal working in premises licensed for the sale of alcohol or late-night refreshment.

There were two illegal workers encountered at the premises. Both workers maintained that they were not working at the premises. In contrary to their claims one employee was encountered whilst working behind a "Just Eat" terminal in a 'staff only' area and the other employee was washing dishes in the kitchen. Both these situations indicate of them working at the premises. In this instance the DPS for the premises claims that Right to Work checks are generally conducted for staff but he was unsure if this had been completed for all staff working and was unable to provide evidence of documents/checks carried out.

The license holder/employer could have protected themselves and prevented crime and disorder by completing a straightforward Right to Work check. These checks should be carried out on all employees prior to commencing work. All employers are dutybound by law to conduct these checks if they wish to avoid being penalised if found to have employed someone who is prohibited from working, and guidance can be found on the gov.uk website or by using a search engine. Additional information on how to conduct these checks is available online, this includes the Home Office's official YouTube page.

In this case, one illegal worker had an outstanding claim. Claimants are issued with an Application Registration Card (ARC), this card clearly states the holder's employment restrictions. The license holder could have protected himself from falling foul of the law by conducting a simple check of the ARC.



Example of an ARC card where work is not permitted.

It is an offence to work when a person is disqualified to do so, and such an offence can only be committed with the co-operation of a premises licence holder or its agents. The license holder has overlooked the rules and laws in place to prevent crime and disorder.

Section 182 guidance at point 11.27 states that certain activity should be treated particularly seriously, and this includes employing someone who is disqualified from that work by reason of their immigration status in the UK. 11.28 of the guidance states that it is expected that revocation of the licence – even in the first instance – should be seriously considered.

Immigration Enforcement submits that for commercial reasons those engaged in the management of the premises employed an illegal worker and a warning or other activity falling short of a review is inappropriate; therefore, Immigration Enforcement has proceeded to a review.

Outcome Sought

The objective of the Licensing Act 2003 (the Act) is to provide a clear, transparent framework for making decisions about applications by individuals or businesses wishing to sell or supply alcohol or provide certain types of regulated entertainment and late-night refreshment.

There are four licensing objectives which underpin the Act, and which need to be considered and promoted throughout the licensing process.

The licensing objectives are:

- the prevention of crime and disorder
- public safety
- the prevention of public nuisance and
- the protection of children from harm.

Mosaic restaurant has been found employing illegal workers. This business has clearly failed to meet the prevention of crime and disorder objective. The license holder would have been aware of their responsibilities to uphold the licensing objectives as they are clearly defined as part of the premises license application.

Illegal workers are those subject to immigration control who either do not have leave to enter or remain in the UK, or who are in breach of a condition preventing them taking up the work in question. It is an employer's responsibility to be aware of their obligations and ensure they understand the immigration landscape to avoid the risk of prosecution, the imposition of a civil penalty or the revocation/suspension of their premises licence.

The use of illegal labour provides an unfair competitive edge and deprives the UK economy of tax revenue. Illegal workers are often paid below the minimum wage (itself an offence) and National Insurance payments are not paid. A key draw for illegal immigration is work and low-skilled migrants are increasingly vulnerable to exploitation by criminal enterprises; finding themselves in sub-standard accommodation and toiling in poor working conditions for long hours for remuneration below the National Minimum Wage.

A firm response is required to ensure that the licence holder and/or its agents are not allowed to repeat the exercise and in particular, in the interests of the wider community to support responsible businesses and the jobs of both UK citizens and lawful migrants. It is also required to act as a deterrent to others who would otherwise seek to seek an unfair competitive advantage, exploit workers and deny work to the local community, evade the payment of income tax and (unlawfully) inflate their profits to the expense of others.

Merely remedying the existing situation (for instance by the imposition of additional conditions or a suspension) is insufficient to act as a deterrent to the licence holder and other premises' licence holders from engaging in illicit activity by employing

illegal workers and facilitating disqualified immigrants to work illegally. Immigration Enforcement asks that the premises licence is revoked.

This submission and appended documents provide the licensing subcommittee with background arguments and information pertinent to that contention. These provide the sub-committee with a sound and defensible rationale as to why it should revoke the licence.

Appendix A – Supporting Evidence

Illegal Working-Employee	
Illegal Working-Employee	
Illegal Working-Employer	

Illegal Working - Employee		
Details		
Type of work	Visit	
Visit reference		
Created by		
ProntoID		
Subject CIDPID/CEPR		
Subject name		
Subject DOB		
Subject nationality		
Subject gender	Male	
Time	19:28	
Created at geolocation	Easting 571461	
	Northing 206966	
Creation date	29-06-2023 19:28:21	
Language of Interview		
What language is the interview carried out in?	Turkish	
Interpreter used?	Yes	
Details of interpreter	See encounter	
Does the individual understand the interpreter?	Yes	
Obligation		
How long have you been working at this business?	I don't work here	
What is your job role/ what are your duties?	I don't work here. I know I have no work permit.	
Do you work the same hours/ days every week?	I don't work	
Control		
Who gave you this job (name and role in business)?	I stay at my uncles house but I was bored so I came here.	
Who tells you what days/ hours to work?	I just came here no one asked me	

Remuneration	
No details provided.	
Pre-employment Checks	
What name does the employer know you as?	
Does your uncle the owner know you can't work?	Yes he knows
Did you show any documents prior to getting the job?	Yes I showee my paperwork to him. So he knows I can't work. I have only been here today. I am going to a solicitors tomorrow.
Additional Questions	
Does that gentleman work here? (pointing at gentleman arrested by	I haven't seen him working
Who else works here?	I don't know
Photographs	
af/001	

Declaration	
	estions and that the details are true and correct.
Subject has refused to provide a signature	
Employee read the contents of the interview themselves	No
Contents read back to the employee in the language used during the interview	Yes
Observations	
Observations	Individual was in a staff only area on arrival. He was behind a just eat terminal as pictured below
Do you suspect this person of illegal working?	Yes
Photo 1	Caution af/002
	Caption af/002



Illegal Working - Employee			
Details			
Type of work	Visit		
Visit reference			
Created by			
ProntoID			
Subject CIDPID/CEPR	Unknown		
Subject name			
Subject DOB			
Subject nationality			
Subject gender	Male		
Time	19:48		
Created at geolocation	Easting 571446		
	Northing 206969		
Creation date	29-06-2023 19:48:50		
Language of Interview	anguage of Interview		
What language is the interview carried out in?	Turkish		
Interpreter used?	Yes		
Details of interpreter	Big word		
Does the individual understand the interpreter?	Yes		
Obligation			
How long have you been working at this business?	I don't work here I was washing my hands in the kitchen		
What is your job role/ what are your duties?	I don't work here		
What days/ hours do you work each week?	I don't work here		
Do you work the same hours/ days every week?	I don't work here		
Control			
Who gave you this job (name and role in business)?	I don't work here		

Contents read back to the employee in the language used during the interview	res
Employee read the contents of the interview themselves	Yes
Subject has refused to provide a signature.	
I confirm that I have understood all the questions and that the details are true and correct.	
Declaration	
No photographs.	
Photographs	
No details provided.	
Additional Questions	
allowed to work in the UK?	
were they originals? Does your employer know you're not	I don't work here
code with the employer to prove your right to work before being offered the job? If so, what did you show and	
Did you show documents or share a	I don't work here
Did the employer check your right to work or immigration status before they offered you the job?	I don't work here
What name does the employer know you as?	I don't work here
Pre-employment Checks	
Do you pay income tax or have a National Insurance number?	I don't work here
Who pays you?	I don't work here
If money, how much and how do you receive it?	I don't work here
How are you paid (money, accommodation, food)?	I don't work here
Remuneration	
Who tells you what tasks/ duties to do each day?	I don't work here
Who tells you what days/ hours to work?	I don't work here

Observations	
Observations	This man was encountered working in the kitchen and cleaning dishes. He said he doesn't work here but all his belongings were in the room below where the staff lived .
Do you suspect this person of illegal working?	Yes

Illegal Working - Employer		
Details		
Type of work	Visit	
Visit reference		
Created by		
ProntoID		
Subject CIDPID/CEPR	Unknown	
Employer		
Subject DOB		
Subject nationality	Turkey	
Subject gender	Male	
Time	19:19	
Created at geolocation	Easting 571453	
	Northing 206968	
Creation date	29-06-2023 19:18:52	
Language of Interview		
What language is the interview carried out in?	English	
Interpreter used?	Νο	
Employer Details	·	
What is the name of the business?	Mercimek Itd	
What is your position here?	Director	
how long have you worked here?	4 months. My son is the company owner and he is on holiday in Cyprus. He returns in 1 week	
how do you pay the staff whilst your son is away?	We pay weekly always mostly cash. It's done online via bank transfer	
do you know if the staff are checked for work status?	Yes we check but I'm not sure for all of them. Some are British. I don't know about everyone today	
does your company hold copies of documents	I don't know if there are or where they are kept	
how many staff are employed?	I think 5. Tonight we have 5 staff working.	
what are your opening hours?	We open at 1200 and work until 2200hrs.	
do operate and trade within your license times?	Yes	
are you named on the license?	Yes. I am the DPS	

how have you held the license?	20 years across different restaurants		
do you own any other restaurants?	Yes. Mosaic in Braintree. I hold the license there also		
what type of restaurant is your restaurant in Braintree?	It's a Turkish grill restaurant		
do you provide any accommodation for your staff?	No		
do you provide food for your staff whilst they work?	Yes, they get to chose what they like ans its free of charge		
Declaration by Employer			
I confirm that I have understood all the qu	estions and that the details are true and correct.		
Signed by	29-06-2023 19:29:24		
Observations	Observations		
Observations	Mehmet was fully compliant with answering questions around employment of staff		
Management Checks Complete			
Date management checks complete	04-07-2023 15:50:31		
Reviewer(s)			

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06th February 2024

Representation in relation to Premises Licence Review – Mosaic Restaurant, 122 Springfield Road, Chelmsford

Dear sirs,

With regards to the above review brought on by Immigration Enforcement, Essex Police would like to make representations to support this application.

Essex Police is of the opinion that the the crime and disorder objective of the Licensing Act 2003 has been undermined. The statutory crime prevention objective in the 2003 Act includes the prevention of immigration crime and the prevention of illegal working in licensed premises.

On the 29 June 2023, the East of England Immigration, Compliance and Enforcement team (ICE) visited Mosaic Restaurant, 122 Springfield Road, Chelmsford CM2 6LF after intelligence was received that illegal workers were employed at the business. Entry was gained to the premises at 18:30hrs under section 179 of the Licensing Act 2003.

Seven members of staff were encountered and two were arrested. One male had an outstanding application from May 2023 and was bailed. The other male had overstayed his seasonal worker visa. Illegal working interviews were completed, and a civil penalty referral notice was served.

The two illegal workers maintained that they were not working at the premises. But one employee was encountered whilst working behind a "Just Eat" terminal in a 'staff only' area and the other employee was washing dishes in the kitchen.

The Premises licence holder/DPS was unable to provide immigration enforcement with any evidence of right to work checks.

If immigration enforcement had not brought this premises to review, Essex police would have done based on the findings from this visit.

Essex Police supports revocation of the premises licence, as the imposition of additional conditions or a suspension is insufficient to act as a deterrent to the licence holder and other premises' licence holders from engaging in criminal activity by employing illegal workers and facilitating disqualified immigrants to work illegally.

Essex Police contends that a licence holder who has himself or through his agents negligently or deliberately failed to conduct right to work checks, which have been a requirement since

2006, should not be afforded an opportunity to do so once caught and then merely be asked to do what they should have been doing already.

Please can Essex police be informed of the upcoming hearing.

Yours sincerely

Police licensing officer

Chelmsford & Maldon