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The Licensing Department Cherwell District Council Bodicote House Bodicote Banbury OX15 4AA

28th October 2020

Dear Sir / Madam

<u>Licensing Act 2003: Application for a new premises licence</u> <u>Euro Food Centre Ltd, 30 Bridge Street, Banbury</u>

I write in reference to the above application for a new premises licence. As a designated Responsible Authority under the Licensing Act 2003, the Trading Standards Service wish to object to this application.

The reason for the objection is that we have reasonable cause to believe that an individual, holding a position of control within the business, has been involved in certain criminal activity in the last year, in connection with other licensed premises, which is deemed by the revised guidance issued under section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 as being particularly serious. As such, the Trading Standards Service raises its objection pursuant to the objective of preventing crime and disorder.

A full report will be produced setting out the evidence gathered during the consultation period. It is not possible to issue this at the current time as witness statements and exhibits etc have been requested from third party organisations and have yet to be received.

I have tasked Russell Sharland, Tobacco Control Officer to represent the Trading Standards Service at any hearing. I would be most grateful if, prior to the date of any hearing being set, his availability could be sought.

Yours faithfully



Jody Kerman Head of Trading Standards

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