

**Licensing Hearing**

**South Yorkshire Police v Ian Middleton 'Waddies'**

Intelligence to support the Police application for a licence review. It is also believed intelligence of a similar nature is held within Trading Standards.

9<sup>th</sup> April 2008  
PC 62 WHITELEY

INFORMATION RECEIVED THAT A FEMALE REPORTED AT FRONT DESK OF PENISTONE POLICE STATION THAT HER 16 YEAR OLD SON HAD RETURNED HOME ONE EVENING EARLIER IN THE WEEK EXTREMELY DRUNK. SHE HAS MANAGED TO ASCERTAIN FROM HIM THAT HE OBTAINED THE ALCOHOL FROM WADDIE'S ON GREEN ROAD, PENISTONE. SHE STATED THAT HER SON HAD TOLD HER THAT AT NO TIME WAS HE ASKED HIS AGE OR FOR ANY IDENTIFICATION.

13<sup>th</sup> Jan 2008.  
PC 346 THOMPSON

WADDIES OFF LICENCE, GREEN ROAD, PENISTONE. - N/A AT 13.15 HOURS ON SUNDAY 13TH JANUARY 2008 INFORMATION WAS RECIEVED THAT IAN MIDDLETON HAD RECENTLY SOLD ALCOHOL AND CIGARETTES FROM HIS SHOP CALLED WADDIES ON GREEN ROAD, PENISTONE, TO UNDERAGED PERSONS.  
HE IS ALSO ALLEDGED TO BE ALLOWING CIGARETTES TO BE SOLD OVER THE COUNTER TO THE UNDERAGED AT HIS PUBLIC HOUSE - BRITANNIA INN ON SHEFFIELD ROAD, SPRING VALE, PENISTONE.

22<sup>nd</sup> Dec 2007  
PCSO 8138 WEATHERALL

INFO RECEIVED THAT ON 22.12.2007 A 16 YEAR OLD BOY (NAME KNOWN) WAS BEING SOLD ALCOHOL AT WADDIES SHOP, GREEN ROAD, PENISTONE ON A REGULAR BASIS, WHICH IN TURN IS THEN BEING SUPPLIED TO OTHER UNDERAGED PERSONS IN THE AREA OF MILLHOUSE GREEN. THE 16 YEAR OLD IS BEING SUPPLIED THE ALCOHOL VIA THE REAR DOOR TO PREVENT BOTH HIMSELF AND THE LICENSEE/ SUPPLIER BEING SEEN BY THE POLICE OR PCSO'S.

14<sup>TH</sup> Dec 2007  
PC 346 THOMPSON

WADDIES SHOP, GREEN ROAD, PENISTONE. AT 17.10 HOURS OF FRIDAY 14TH DECEMBER 2007 INFORMATION WAS RECIEVED THAT VODKA HAD BEEN SOLD TO TWO FIFTEEN YEAR OLD GIRLS AT WADDIES OFF LICENCE ON GREEN ROAD, PENISTONE. SOLD BY A YOUNG FEMALE SHOP ASSISTANT AT APPROX 21.00HOURS ON 13/12/07.

1<sup>st</sup> Oct 2007  
PC 2541 OGDEN

WADDIES OFF LICENCE, GREEN ROAD, PENISTONE WITH REGARDS TO THE ABOVE LOCATION, THE SHOP HAS RECENTLY OPENED AND THE NUMBER OF YOUTHS DRINKING IN THE AREA HAS DRAMATICALLY INCREASED. ALL THE YOUTHS INVOLVED ARE CLEARLY UNDER 18 YEARS, AND HAVE BEEN SEEN DRINKING OUTSIDE THE SHOP. YOUTHS HAVE BEEN OVERHEARD WALKING TO THE SHOP BRAGGING THAT ANYBODY CAN GET SERVED ALCOHOL FROM WADDIES, WITHIN MINUTES THE YOUTHS WERE SEEN WITH ALCOHOL, AGAIN THEY WERE CLEARLY UNDER 18 YEARS.

**The below is an extract of an e-mail sent from Barnsley Trading Standards to Penistone Police Station.**  
**However, the offer to supply a statement was withdrawn.**

**From:** Brookes , Gill  
**Sent:** 28 February 2008 11:46  
**To:** 'mark.silcock@southyorks.pnn.police.uk'  
**Subject:** Waddies

Dear Mark,

I've just spoken to Angela who has asked me to email you the details below for yours and Andys consideration.

I had a call from Mrs Ruth Gray, 7 Castle Street, Penistone Tel , mobile regarding Waddies shop. She tells me she is/was? a personal licence holder and is upset that her 14 yr old son buys alcohol at Waddies, so do his 2 friends age 14 and 16 . She tells me that gangs of teenagers regularly hang around outside shop - the bins regularly have empty cans in them. Beer is sold cheap for the youngsters - £6 for 8 cans. Youngsters have caused damage to vehicles, litter and generally make a lot of noise. Youngsters gather in the back of the shop too. There is a thick smog of smoke in the shop when the kids are in the back room. There can be as many as 8 kids in the room. Main underage activity takes place between 8.30 and 9.

She is willing to give a statement and has no problem with her son doing one too. She is happy for her details to be passed to the police and says she has not contacted you before. This surprised me because it sounds similar to a report by a personal licence holder I discussed with Andy previously. I know that you are aware of the situation above but wondered whether a number of statements may be sufficient for further action to be considered in view of the high number of complaints.

Regards  
Gill

Mrs Gill Brookes

Fair Trading Officer - Trading Standards