



Memorandum

To Senior Licensing Officer
From Environmental Protection and Community Safety Manager
Subject NEW PREMISES LICENCE. The Timber Yard, Moorgate, Ormskirk
Date 27 July 2018

Our Ref: 242816
Your Ref: wk/241258

Thank you for consulting me with regard to this application.

I object to this variation on the grounds of prevention of public nuisance objective.

The grounds for this objection are that I consider that noise from live and recorded music and noise from patrons would cause a public nuisance to occupiers of residential dwellings in close proximity.

Noise from music

The premises consist of a small bar area and large outdoor yard. The building is poorly sound insulated, with one wall made of timber and a corrugated asbestos and corrugated metal roof with numerous gaps around the structure. It is in close proximity to neighbouring residential premises on Moorgate, Bridge Avenue, Bridge Street, Moss View and other nearby community/leisure buildings.

Therefore neither the yard nor the building is suitable for playing anything other than background music (incidental to the enjoyment of the premises). Any entertainment would likely cause public nuisance to nearby residents and users of the community/leisure buildings.

Whilst the premises were in operation as a 'pop-up' bar during 2017 we did receive a complaint about noise from live and recorded music. One complaint was received which listed dates when the music (both live and recorded) allegedly caused disturbance to a resident of Bridge House (apartments). The 'pop-up' operations only operated on occasional days until 21.30 in the summer and up to 23.00 in the winter.

Noise from patrons

Licensed premises invariably bring noise from patrons. Noise is particularly an issue from outside areas and from patrons arriving at and leaving the premises. Late at night this becomes more of a problem as this type of noise can cause sleep disturbance. 11pm is generally recognised as the time night-time starts when adults should expect to sleep. In this location patrons in the yard area and also people leaving the premises late at night are likely to cause noise disturbance to nearby residents

The applicant has not put in the application sufficient steps to promote the prevention of public nuisance objective.

I therefore object to the application on the grounds of prevention of public nuisance.

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