

Wiltshire Council

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REPRESENTATION FORM

This form must be returned within the statutory period, which is 28 days from the date the notice was displayed on the premises or the date specified in the Public Notice in the newspaper. Please contact the Licensing Section to confirm this date.

Any individual, body or business can make a Representation to the Licensing Authority in relation to an application, regardless of their geographic proximity to the premises. Any Representation must be relevant, in that the Representation relates to one or more of the Licensing Objectives.

Premises about which Representation is being made	SN15, Station Hill, Chippenham
Your Name	(Cllr) Chris Caswill
Postal Address	19 The Street Cherhill SN11 8XP
Contact Telephone Number	[REDACTED]
<p>Are you:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An individual? <input type="checkbox"/> • A person who operates a business? <input type="checkbox"/> • A person representing residents or businesses? <input type="checkbox"/> • A member of the Relevant Licensing Authority (ie, elected Councillor of the Licensing Authority)? <input type="checkbox"/> 	
If you are representing residents or businesses who have asked you to represent them?	

Your Representation must relate to one of the four Licensing Objectives, which are detailed below. Please detail the evidence supporting your Representation and the reason for your Representation. If necessary, separate sheets may be used.

OBJECTIVES	EVIDENCE
1. The prevention of harm to children	N/A
2. To prevent public nuisance	The use and management of the rear patio need to be controlled by the existing conditions. It is unacceptable for this to be left to the management's discretion, not least because of past late night nuisance to residents in the neighbouring and nearby properties. This application would allow for unsupervised late

	<p>night drinking on the patio, unsupervised. The current conditions relating to the patio should be maintained.</p>
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<p>3. To prevent crime and disorder</p>	<p>The removal of the condition for front door staff with an approve dress code, and the requirement for staffing the door half an hour after the last customer has left would fail to meet the crime and disorder licensing objective, especially if the club was serving drinks till 3 in the morning – which is clearly possible in the future, even if not now. Those current conditions should be maintained.</p> <p>It is not clear how the staffing for an additional hundred' or staying open after midnight, or operating the first floor, could be recruited at short notice if any of those options was activated. Would people be turned away if there were not additional staff to hand? If so, this could be the cause of public disorder.</p>
<p>4. Public Safety</p>	<p>First of all, the application is poorly worded in terms of the 'additional 100 customers' Additional to what? Secondly its not clear if the staffing proposals for trading after midnight and for the use of the first floor are additional and cumulative or the same, ie if trading after midnight with the first floor open, does that require 2 door staff or 4? It is unacceptable to have this level of ambiguity in an application of this kind.</p> <p>The removal of any conditioned need for door staff at the front door, and the requirement for the door to be staffed for 30 minutes after the last customer would permit decisions and lack of supervision which could endanger public safety. Those circumstances should not be left to managerial judgement and the current conditions must be maintained to ensure public safety. Similarly the conditioned use of polycarbonates in certain circumstances were included in order to ensure public safety within the premises, and should be maintained. All these decisions should be taken irrespective of the current levels and types of use of the premises, bearing in mind that the licensing conditions, once agreed, could at some time in the future be those governing a fully functioning night club with up to 600 customers.</p>

Please list below any suggested actions that you feel the applicant could take to address your concerns.

This application is in essence a proposal to remove all conditions on staffing levels, on the use

of polycarbonates on and near the dance floors, on use of the rear patio and on front door management. As the local Councillor for the area, I object strongly, also on behalf of local residents and businesses, very many of whom still recall the mayhem on Station Hill from the time of the Karma night club on this site. Local residents and businesses were very concerned by the relaxation of the conditions at this premises at the most recent hearing. The fact that they have for the most part not lead to any breaches of the licensing objectives is, I submit, due to the current lack of demand for a fully functional night club on these premises. The reduced numbers of customers should not be taken as reason to reduce the conditioned requirements because, once in place, the requested conditions would apply if and when demand increased and much larger numbers of people would be consuming alcohol late at night. There is also no guarantee that future owners would judge the risks correctly, even if it is accepted that the current management would do so. The conditions should be determined for the most demanding circumstances, and should be maintained as they are.

Accordingly, the applicants should understand that and withdraw their application.

If a hearing needs to be held to determine the Premises Licence Application, the Councillors will generally only be able to consider matters that have previously been disclosed. However, additional information in support of your Representation may be considered if all parties at the Hearing agree. We advise that you detail all matters that you wish to be considered on this initial Representation, attaching additional sheets if necessary.

If you do make a Representation you will be invited to attend the Licensing Sub-Committee Hearings and any subsequent appeal proceedings relevant to your Representation.

All Representations in their entirety, including your name and address, will be disclosed to the Premises Licence applicant. A copy of Representations will be annexed to the Licensing Officer's hard copy report, which is a public document circulated to the Licensing Sub-Committee and to all those who have made relevant Representations.

Signature**Chris Caswill** (signed copy can be provided if needed)

Date13/08/16

Please return this form, along with any additional sheets, to the Licensing Officer at the Wiltshire Council Office covering the area in which the licensed premises are situated (see below):

Chippenham:	Wiltshire Council, Monkton Park, Chippenham, Wiltshire, SN15 1ER
Devizes:	Wiltshire Council, Browfort, Bath Road, Devizes, Wiltshire, SN10 2AT
Salisbury:	Wiltshire Council, 27/29 Milford Street, Salisbury, SP1 2AP
Trowbridge:	Wiltshire Council, Bradley Road, Trowbridge, Wiltshire, BA14 0RD