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Application number- 20130304

Objection

Application under the Licensing Act 2003 for a New Premises Licence at Durrington Development Centre for Young People, The Ham. Durrington SP4 8HW

11/03/2013

Dear Sirs,

I'm writing to object to the recent application for live and recorded music at the youth and community centre at The Ham, SP4 8HW.

Firstly I'd like to say how disappointed i am to hear of such an unreasonable, ill conceived and selfish proposal but it would appear that this type of thoughtless application is becoming more frequent.

This is not, never has been and never will be a 'development centre' it is quite simply a youth club used as a headquarters to create obscene behaviour, use bad language and it would appear they are given a green light to do so.

Apparently, I'm unable to object on the grounds of 'dislike of noise'? This is extraordinary considering live & recorded music will be playing outside my front door until12.00pm on Saturday evenings, 10.00pm midweek and 10.30pm on Sundays!

Putting the noise to one side, I would like to object on the following grounds:

1. Is the applicant aware that this is a residential area with numerous houses in close proximity to the building in question? My House is approximately 15

metres from these wooden huts. This is not a realistic distance from what could potentially be a life changing decision if approved.

- 2. These Pratten Huts as the name suggests are wooden huts with a similar build structure to a garden shed were originally erected as <u>temporary</u> <u>classrooms</u>. They are flimsy and noise is not contained within them I can assure you. There is no form of sound proofing or insulating properties from a wooden panelled structure with a flat, felt roof. I think it's obvious these buildings are not fit for purpose and are certainly not environment friendly.
- 3. Since the centre opened, I have had numerous accounts of vandalism to my property including; frequent graffiti to our boundary wall which we have had to keep painting to hide obscenities, vandalism to our boundary wall in the form of smashing the capping tiles from the supporting piers, vandalism to our garage doors in the form of launching rocks over the gates, garage windows smashed with stones, glass bottles and drink cans thrown into our garden, dogs mess thrown over the wall, the use of obscene language and many cigarette ends in our drive. My late husbands spare wheel was slashed with a knife deflating and ruining a brand new tyre and numerous verbal altercations with youths in our drive. We have made numerous phone calls to the police with various matters mentioned above.
- 4. Noise from cars, screeching tyres and performance exhaust pipes, excessive speed in the lane and a motorcycle riding through a neighbour's fence and through their garden!
- 5. My late husband made a visit to the youth centre on an occasion in the hope of having the loud music turned down. He was greeted with jeering, abuse and bad language. The so called manager at that time was Mr McCaffery who had absolutely no control over who was attending.
- 6. The pre school planning application for the nursery <u>was denied on the 14th February for the second time</u> on the grounds of excessive vehicular movements on inappropriate roads which was to be situated close to the Youth Centre. The road is narrow at the entry end, and as some residents have to park on the road this causes limited access. I have had heating oil deliveries not able to complete delivery due to this reason and if a heating oil lorry can't gain access, <u>then neither will a Fire Engine</u>. If any of the houses, the college or any other buildings catch fire in the Ham, the Fire Engine will have to stop at the entrance to The Ham and reel a hose to the location on foot. Surely the fire chief will have something to say with regard to this matter?! I have also had other deliveries have to wheel items to my door on pump trucks due to the narrow access. I would willingly provide proof of these above mentioned incidents.
- 7. Do you really think residents of The Ham, some of which have lived here since 1969 should have to tolerate loud music, bad language and vandalism? Does the applicant find this acceptable seven days per week? If so, I'd like to hear reasons as to why!

If there is the need for this type of entertainment, the location needs to be where it is not going to offend residents particularly late at night. The building required to permit this amount of noise needs to be purpose built with the correct building regulations and situated in a practical location .

The application states the word 'regulated' may I ask: what structure is in place to control the 'entertainment'? The centre as far as I am aware in the past has had no form of control or anything close considering the amount of antisocial behaviour we have had to endure in the past.

I'd also like to know why residents of The Ham were not notified individually in writing with regard to this very important matter.

Please noteJ I under no circumstances wish my name or address to be entered into the public domain for obvious reasons. I would like this letter of objection to remain private to the bodies concerned.

Yours sincerely,

Hamm Lodge The Ham Durrington

Salisbury

Wiltshire

SP4 8HW

From: DAWN FIELDS

Sent: 15 March 2013 10:26

To: LicensingSouth

Subject: Fw: Application 20130304 Durrington Development Centre

Dear Sir

Application 20130304 live Entertainment licence

We are writing to express our serious concerns regarding the above licence application by Durrington Development Centre for Young People, The Ham, Durrington, SP4 8HW. This application for live and recorded music covers the hours of Monday to Friday (8.00am to 10.00pm), Saturday (8.00am to Midnight) and Sunday (8.00am to 10.30pm).

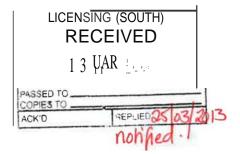
The current opening hours for Durrington Development Centre for Young People is Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 7.00pm-9.00pm, Tuesday afternoons for young parents (1.00pm-3.00pm) and the occasional Saturday 9.00am-9.00pm). We strongly feel the licence application should just cover the current opening hours for the centre.

This blanket licence, understandably concerns us as residents of The Ham, that the opening hours of the Centre could be increased, which in turn would contribute to increased traffic, noise and at times anti-social behaviour.

Your faithfully

Jeff & Dawn Fields
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11th March 2013

RE: Application under the Licensing Act 2003 for a New Premises Licence at Durrington Development Centre for Young People, The Ham, Durrington, SP4 BHW Live Entertainment License Application 20130304

Dear Sir,

I am writing to object to the above live entertainment license application. The proposed application would cause significant noise which would affect many of the neighboring houses in The Ham. There would also be an increase in traffic down this no through road. Iiving near the Development Centre since it was opened we have experienced many occasions where the noise from the centre/traffic/people has caused disruption. As my bedroom is at the front of the house, by proposing increasing the times whereby the development centre is open, I am very concerned that my sleep will be disturbed. From previous experience I know thatonce the centre has closed those who attended do not immediately leave the area, but often remain for a considerable period of time causing noise, dropping litter and causing disturbances. This will even further extend the period over which residents will be inconvenienced and disturbed.

Since this is meant to be a centre for 'Young People' why is it necessary to have a license for such long hours and so late into the evening, in what is a very quiet residential location?





Application under the Licensing Act 2003 for **Z** New Premises Licence at Durrington Development Centre for Young People, The Ham, Durrington SP4 8HW No: 20130304-2

We are writing to express our concern regarding this recent application. As written the application appears to be a generic one which, if granted, would give the potential for disturbance for at least 14 hrs per day, 7 days per week. These proposed times are unsuitable for the actual requirements and wholly inappropriate in a quiet residential road, such as The Ham, with a number of residences in close proximity to the the Development Centre.

We understand from discussions with Jenni Bertram the Leader of the Development Centre that the times given on the licence application are not what are required. She has said that she would be happy if the licence is granted within these limitations the current opening times of the Centre which are:

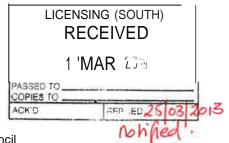
Monday, Wednesday and Friday 19.00-21.00; Tuesday 13.00-15.00 and occasional Saturdays 09.00-21.00.

We live within 50yds of the Centre and our in the past our experience of extended late night opening times, as proposed in the license application, has been that they can cause significant disturbance from loud music, both from the volume and bass vibrations transmitted through the ground within our house and garden. In addition late night events give rise to additional disturbances, as those attending often have paid scant regard to the peace and quiet of the neighbourhood when arriving, during, and after the events, whether they are on foot or in cars. This has involved youths drinking alcohol in the car park and when leaving, throwing their cans and bottles into gardens along The Ham.

We strongly suggest that this application be reconsidered and resubmitted to address the requirements of the Youth Centre and The Ham residents, and to define the times at which the licence is actually required and may operate.



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Braemar The Ham Durrington SALISBURY SP48HW

12th March 2013

Wiltshire Council Licensing Team South Bourne Hill SALISBURY SP13UZ

Dear Sirs

Re: The Currington Development Centre for Young People at The Ham, Currington

We refer to the recent application sought for regulated entertainment including live and recorded music at the above address.

Some of The Ham residents met with Ms Jenni Bertram on site and e)(J)lained we were quite happy with the hours that the premises are currently open. We also stated that we strongly objected to the proposal made by Wiltshire County Council to extend those hours to cover the period from 8 am to 10 pm and later for seven days a week.

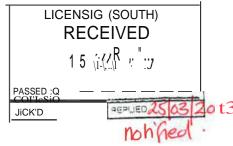
The said building is within metres of residential properties and the building itself is a wooden structure with very little sound proofing. In the summer months when either windows are open or people are outside, the music whether live or recorded can be most intrusive. Over and above the increased noise levels during evenings and weekends we feel that there will also be increased traffic over the roadway which is hardly wider than a lane.

Yours faithfully



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Wiltshire Council Licensing South, Bourne Hill Offices, SALISBURY, Wiltshire SP13UZ

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Dear Sir/Madam

Re: Application 20130304 under the Licensing Act 2003 for a New Premises Licence at Currington Development Centre for Young People, The Ham, Currington SP4 8HW

Regarding the above Licence application we would like to express our concerns about the length of the licence hours. As The Ham is a quiet residential road, we are concerned that late night noise from live or recorded music and any rowdiness caused by partying could pose a significant problem for residents if occurring on a regular basis.

We also have concerns about related parking issues as the The Ham is a single track road in some places. Any additional road parking during license hours could potentially cause obstruction to residents.

Whilst we do not have any objection to the good work of the Development Centre, we feel that this application needs to be considered carefully in relation to the residential area in which it is situated. Of particular concern is the late night application on Saturdays until midnight.

We would be grateful if you could consider our concerns before a decision is made.

Mrs Angela Reeves Mr Eric Reeves LICENSING (SOUTH)
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Mr & Mrs T Adaway "Lezane", The Ham, Durrington, Salisbury, Wilts. SP4 8HW

Wiltshire Council, Licensing Team South, Bourne Hill Offices, Salisbury. SP13UZ

13th March 2013

REApplication (20130304) under the Licensing Act 2003 for a New Premises Licence at Currington Development Centre for Young People, The Ham, Currington SP4 SHW

Dear Sir/ Madam

I notice the new application for regulated entertainment including live and recorded music licence has generic times attached to it, seemingly to cover all possible future requirements of this centre or other local centres. These being:

Mon-Fri 08:00-22:00, Sat 08:00-Midnight, Sun 08:00-22:30 and late night refreshment Sat 23:00-Midnight

In light that the Durrington Development Centre is only open:

Man, Wed, Fri 19:00-2.1:00 Tues 13:00-15:00 And in future it may open on some manager)



i would like to request that the new licence is tailored to these more accurate timings.

Why do we request this?

In the past there has been antisocial behaviour aimed at the local residents, often resulting in Police intervention. These incidents tended to be later at night and involving complaints about excessive noise. ie the hours the licence refers to.

Since the current opening hours were in place and then the arrival of a new manager (Jenni Bertram). The complaints re noise have reduced dramatically and many of the residents concerns have been solved.

The Ham is a quiet, narrow peaceful lane and all of the residents living in the closest proximity to the centre are retired, or nearing retirement, but our hearing unfortunately hasn't deteriorated that badly.

There is no need to have the hours stated and it WILL affect us (as it did in the past):

le Summer evenings, windows open or outside in the garden and music blasting out from the centre and more importantly later on when we are trying to sleep. We should not be forced to have to have our windows dosed.

We only live approx SOm away and CAN hear the music from our bedroom when it is on and the windows are closed in both premises. This we accept up to 21:00 but as we are both retired, and with the threat of loud music up to 22:30 being authorised in this generic licence, we a fearful of a return to the old days.

Having spoken to Jenni, she does not require the hours as stated in the proposed licence, and there has been verbal agreement between her and us (the local residents) that a tightening up of the hours is an acceptable proposal for both parties, to avoid any future altercations and a possible return of the complications of the past.

Please will you consider these proposed changes when granting the new licence?

Yours faithfully



Mr Jones 208 Bulford Road Durrington Salisbury Wiltshire SP4 8HB



Application number- 20130304- Youth & Community Centre Late Night License SP48HW

12th March 2013

To whom it may concern,

Unfortunately I have been notified of an application for a license to allow late night music at the Youth & Community Centre at The Ham in Durrington SP4 8HW. I'm disgusted to hear of another thoughtless application. Why would the applicant want to try and turn what used to be a quiet, tranquil area into a Ghetto?

I would like to **object** for the following reasons.

- # I have had to tolerate loud music, screaming foul language, obscene and sometimes intimidating behaviour from youths attending the centre.
- # One of the reasons the previous occupiers left my home was due to unreasonable noise and youths loitering after the youth club has closed.
- # Damage to my property in the form of an upstairs window smashed by youths brandishing Golf clubs using the sports field as a Golf course.
- #Various amounts of graffiti on walls/houses on the walk to the river along The Ham.
- # Bad language in the field opposite late at night.
- # Cars being driven at excessive speed through the village when the centre closes.
- # The wooden hut proposed to be used to allow the late night license is far from adequate. Music and shouting travels throughout this particular part of the village. A satisfactory building, built for purpose is required to contain the noise within away from local residents.

Yours faithfully

Mr Jones

Mulvey, Debbie

23/03/2013 Notified by email.

From: McMillan, Peter
Sent: 15 March 2013 10:28
To: Mulvey, Debbie

Subject: Premises Licence Application: Durrington Development Centre for Young People, The Ham,

Durrington

Dear Debbie,

I write concerning the above premises licence application.

Unfortunately we have concerns regarding this licence application. The contents and extent of the application are-in our opinion-incompatible with the nature of the area and proximity of neighbours. We object to this licence application on the basis that it is likely to cause "public nuisance."

In particular we consider that

- a) the nature and construction of the building are inadequate to adequately contain loud regulated entertainment. The building is light weight, only has single glazing, and of considerable age.
- b) The nearest residential neighbours are in very close proximity to the building
- c) The times the premises would be open to the public are unreasonable. Given the nature of the area and proximity of neighbours we consider that people and in particular the young people coming and going from the centre at the times applied for are likely to cause an unacceptable level of noise
- d) The area benefits from low levels of background noise which will increase the significance and impact of the noise created by comings and goings and from the regulated entertainment.
- e) There is some history of complaints from people living nearby as a result of noise caused by the young people attending the centre.

As you know we have recommended the applicant amend their application in a numbers of ways to deal with these concerns. We hope the application can be amended appropriately.

Regards,

Pete

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