

From: David Skinner [REDACTED]
Sent: 23 December 2013 16:00
To: Grant, Lisa
Subject: Re: Putters Bar - Variation Application

Mr David Skinner and Miss Melanie Carter 37 Church St. Trowbridge BA14 8DN
[REDACTED]

I wish to complain about the temporary events license awarded to Putters Bar 35 Church St. Trowbridge BA14 8DN and submit an official representation against the variation / change of use of premises to that of a nightclub currently being applied for.

Although to my knowledge no application was made to Wiltshire Council planning dept. Building work was carried out in the week leading up to Fri 13th Dec. This continued till around 1am each day with drilling and banging. We didn't know which adjoining property this construction noise was coming from and we were not informed of any disruption or building work planned.

(We only discovered they were converting the premises to a nightclub when one of the builders stopped and asked me where it was when i was leaving my flat) So I had a look on their door and after searching amongst all the posters and flyers they were displaying i did manage to spot a licence application in the very bottom corner.

When the 'new' nightclub 'Harveys' opened on Fri 13th Dec I rang to inform the Police how loud the music and vibrations were inside our flat at 37 Church st. Trowbridge BA14 8DN I shared my concerns with them regarding whether they had a license for this use of premises due to the fact that public representations / objections were open till 24th Dec.

Trowbridge Police went to the club to investigate and view the relevant paperwork.

I was informed by the Police that they had been granted a temporary license for some one off events leading up to the new year. (even though no application was made to planning for the conversion to a nightclub).

The reasons why we are objecting are as follows.

We live in a property within the same building as the venue. The music and vibrations (especially low end frequencies) are transmitted into our flat. We can hear the songs being played well enough to be able to tell which tracks are being played, and feel the vibrations in the structure of our property, especially in our bedroom which directly backs on to the wall of the nightclub.

There is constant noise from people stood in the street outside the club and in the lane leading to our flat entrance. This includes shouting, screaming, arguing, fighting (sat 21st 1.50am and 3am), people constantly coming up the lane to urinate on / outside our flat, people using the carpark and lane as an access to the club from the other side of town by climbing over the gate at the rear of HSBC Bank. This antisocial behavior and noise continues until for example 5am on Sat 14th Dec.

I have made audio recordings (using a minidisc and microphone) of the noise outside and the music coming from the club's sound system from within the bathroom and bedroom of our flat on Sun 14th Dec between 3 and 4 am. (The DJ calling for last orders at the bar on one recording taken in our bathroom and Church bells chiming in another recording taken from within our bedroom confirm the time of day in these recordings) I finished recording when the disc was full at 4am, and the music is still on long after the 3.30am temporary licence permitted.

Richard and Susie from Wiltshire Council applications dept visited our property on Sat / Sun between midnight and 2am to witness / hear all of the above noise pollution and antisocial behavior in person, and will be able to confirm that this statement is a true representation of what we are having to suffer.

I would be willing to bring these recordings to the hearing if required as evidence and look forward to hearing from you as to when and where this meeting will be taking place.

Many thanks

David Skinner.

From: Francis, Richard

Sent: 23 December 2013 13:15

To: Holland, Linda; Environmental Health; Grant, Lisa; Bahadoor, Roy

Cc: Vowles, Susie

Subject: Representation to Harveys Nightclub and Sports Bar premises licence application (formally putters bar)

Dear Sir/Madam

**Consultation on a Premises Licence Application
Licensing Act 2003
35 Church Street Trowbridge**

I refer to the above premise licence application. Following consultation with the applicant I find that the application as applied does not adequately promote the licensing objective of Public Nuisance.

I have listed my concerns briefly and will expand on these in a report to be presented to the licensing committee. My concerns are:

Suitability of the building

I am concerned about the adequacy of the building structure and windows and their suitability to prevent music noise escaping and being transmitted through the building and causing a public nuisance to adjoining and neighbouring properties.

The Environmental Protection team as a responsible authority wish to make a representation to this licence application .

A detailed report will follow prior to the licensing hearing.

Yours Faithfully

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