

Licensing Act 2003 - Representation in respect of Premises Licence

Details of person or body making representation	
Your Name:	Terence Olaf
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Details of premises representation is about	
Name of Premises:	
Address of premises:	Area encompassed by the following streets – St John Street and Burleys Way. Please Map on page 3.
Application No. (if known)	

Please tick one or more of the licensing objectives that your representation relates to:	
Prevention of crime and disorder	
Public Safety	
Prevention of public nuisance	yes
Protection of children from harm	

Please summarise your concerns about this application:

I refer to the above-mentioned application for a premises licence for the site encompassed by Friday street to the North, Burleys Way to the South, Thames Street to the East and St. John Street to the West in Leicester. Please see map on page 3; the application site is outlined in red.

The application includes the provision of largescale events involving live and recorded music for up to 5000 people from 10:00 hours to 00:00 hours from Monday-Sunday, 365 days a year.

Subsequent information from the applicant proposes 15 music events plus 68 other events.

My representation relates to the Prevention of Public Nuisance.

The site is overlooked by the Horizon building on Navigation Street and Abbey House on Burleys Way which are multi-storey block of flats. The flats on the higher floors of these buildings have direct line of sight of the application site. Furthermore, it is my understanding that an application for planning consent has been submitted to convert an existing building on St. John street into a block of flats. Existing and proposed block of flats indicated by green circles in map on page 3.

The applicant proposes to hold music events outdoors. This is particularly problematic and challenging in an urban setting because of the proximity to noise sensitive properties and inherent challenges in noise control and management.

The application contains no information of the expected noise levels from proposed event and displays no understanding of the sensitivity to noise of the immediate surrounding of the application site.

I am concerned that if this application is granted it is likely that the licensing objective of Prevention of Public Nuisance will be undermined and will result in complaints of noise nuisance.

Main points of objection

Proximity to residential properties; existing and proposed.

Outdoor events (inherent difficulty in noise control and management).

Scale of proposed events (up to 5000 people).

Intensity of use (15 music events plus 68 other events).

Lack of information of expected noise levels from proposed events.

Therefore, in order to prevent the occurrence of public nuisance I recommend that the application should be refused.

Figure 1: Showing Application Site in Red and Noise Sensitive Buildings in Green

