

APPENDIX B

Licensing Act 2003 - Representation in respect of Premises Licence

Details of person or body making representation	
Your Name:	Chloe Roper
Your Address:	Noise and Pollution Team, Phoenix House, 1 King Street, Leicester

Details of premises representation is about	
Name of Premises:	Public House
Address of premises:	660-662 Aylestone Road, Leicester, LE2 8PR
Application No. (if known)	092724

Please tick one or more of the licensing objectives that your representation relates to:	
Prevention of crime and disorder	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Public Safety	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Prevention of public nuisance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes
Protection of children from harm	<input type="checkbox"/> No

Please summarise your concerns about this application:
<p>I am concerned that noise from the bar will impact occupiers of the two flats above, particularly if it was to operate later than 23.00 hours.</p> <p>Therefore, I request that the opening hours of the premises are modified, so that the premises do not operate after 23.00, in line with the current planning permission (20161853).</p>

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Please give further details of why you believe this application will have an adverse effect on the licensing objectives

I am concerned that noise from the on street activity that a bar produces, especially since the smoking ban was introduced. This type of noise is very difficult to control and is one of the main complaints we get from flats above bars/restaurants. Street noise becomes even more of an issue late at night and early in the morning, when the background noise levels in the area drop and residents are trying to sleep.

I have noted that the submitted proposed measures include details regarding sound proofing the ceiling above the public drinking area in order to protect the upstairs flats from noise generated by patrons using the premises and unamplified music. However, I still have concerns relating to noise from on-street activity, which cannot be easily controlled.

I don't believe that the proposed measures by the applicant, relating to controlling noise from the outside street area, will be sufficient in ensuring that noise from that area will not affect residents in the flat above. They propose to display notices at the exit encouraging patrons to leave quietly and use CCTV to monitor the outside area. However, the noise generated from a group of people having a conversation at midnight in such a relatively quiet area could still disrupt sleep to those nearby residents, sleeping only a few metres away. It would also be very difficult for the licensee to stop people from using raised voices or shouting on a public highway (on the front of the premises).

In the interests of amenities of nearby occupiers, planning permission for the use of the premises includes the following condition:

4. The use shall not be carried on outside the hours of 07.30-23.00 Mondays to Saturdays and 09.00-23.00 Sundays and Public Holidays.

Therefore, I recommend that the opening hours of the premises are modified from closing at 24.00 to 23.00, in line with the current planning permission (20161853) for the use.

Return your completed form to:

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