



Licensing Act 2003 - Representation in respect of Premises Licence

Details of person or body making representation	
Your Name:	James Brown
Your Address:	Noise and Pollution Control Team Leicester City Council City Hall 115 Charles Street LE1 1FZ

Details of premises representation is about	
Name of Premises:	Mix'd Bar
Address of premises:	73B Car Park (rear of 75) Church Gate Leicester LE1 3AN
Application No. (if known)	

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:

I am concerned that noise associated with the applied for licensable activities at this premises will interfere with the use and may cause nuisance to nearby properties. The venue is outdoors and surrounded by residential properties. If the license is granted, we anticipate that a noise statutory nuisance will be witnessed.

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

This application is seeking a license variation to allow for the use of the rear outdoor car park as venue for live music, recorded music, provision of plays, films, indoor sporting events, boxing or wrestling entertainment, and dance.

The stated licensable activities are proposed to occur from 12:00hrs to 23:00hrs, Monday – Sunday.

The applicant notes that the operating schedule shall have a cap of 30 events per year.

The car park is accessed via Church Gate. This street consists of shops, cafes, small business, and residential properties. The car park itself is enclosed on the south side by a residential façade where windows can be seen with view down into the car park. To the rear of the property is Short Road, with a car park beyond.

This space has been granted 7 Temporary Event Notices since May 2022. The noise team have not received any complaints since then. I am aware that the applicant has been engaging and informative with residents about these events which may explain the absence of complaints.

However, the proposed shift to 30 events per year, which may include events over multiple days, may affect the feelings of residents due to the frequency events which will be detrimental over time.

Outdoor venues are particularly difficult to manage regarding noise control. Environmental factors such as wind direction and speed can carry music noise. The application includes live and recorded music, which could vary greatly between events and likely include bass which can travel across long distances and affect an increasing number of residents.

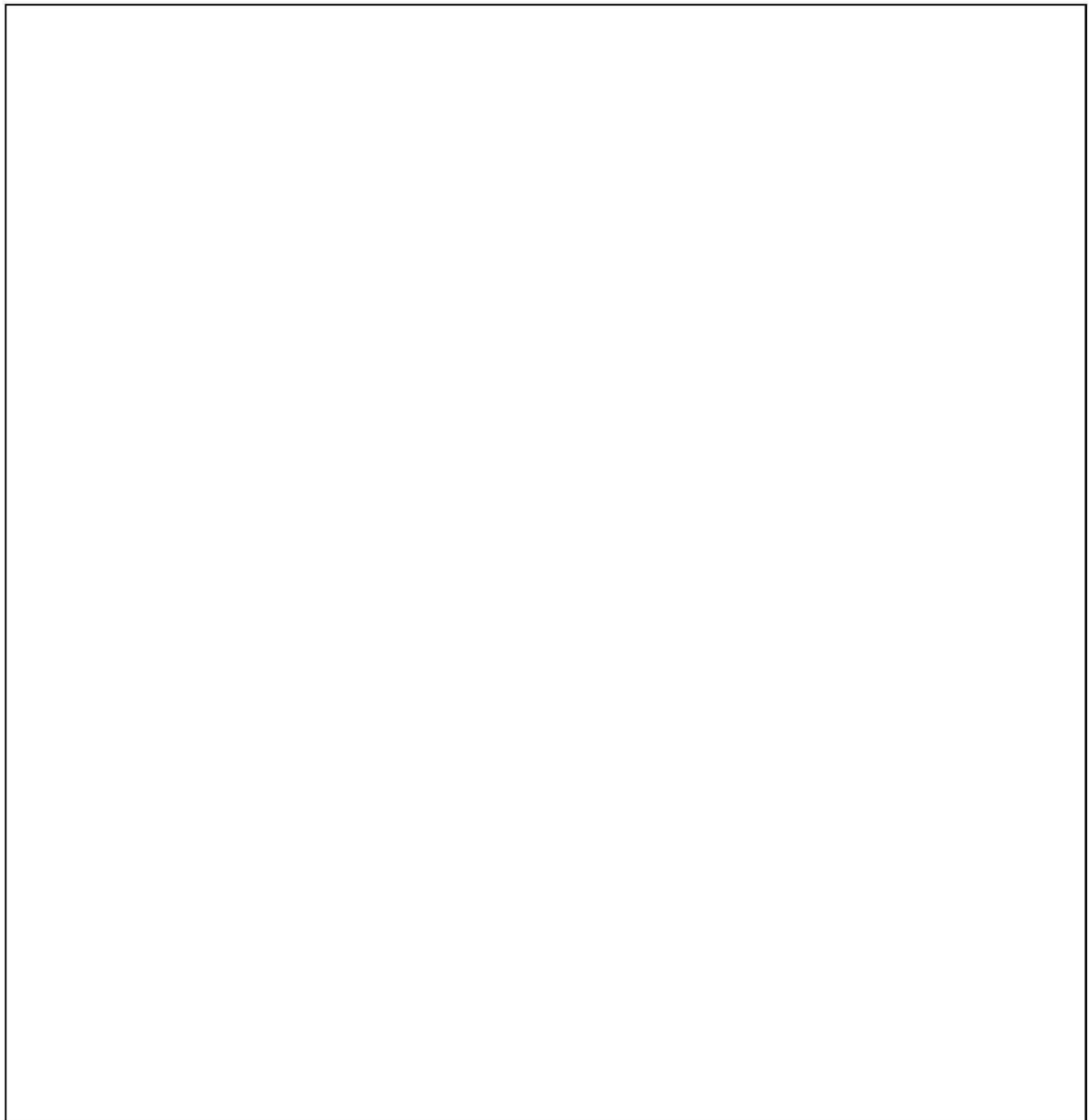
Mitigation can come in the form of a noise limiting device that is permanently fitted to the speaker system which all amplified music or voice is run through for each event. It would not be practical for us to set a sound limit for an outdoor venue, and we will not be doing so.

Due to the size of the car park and the proximity to residential properties, most sound produced by licensable activities in the car park will likely lead to unacceptable internal noise levels in the nearest residences, and lead to noise nuisances witnessed by our team. To avoid noise nuisances, the sound level in the car park would have to be significantly limited, undermining the intended licensable activity, and impacting the experience for patrons.

Crowd noise is also likely to be a factor with this venue; sporting events such as football and boxing could attract many often-intoxicated people. This can lead to random incidences of loud outbursts or glasses smashing, that are particularly intrusive while being very difficult to control.

Therefore, for the reasons I have given, I recommend that the application be refused.

James Brown
Pollution Control Officer
Leicester City Council



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