

Appendix E

The Licensing Team,
Communities & Environment,
City Hall,
Beaumont Fee,
Lincoln,
LN1 1DD

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F.A.O: The Licensing Team, Communities & Environment

Re: Application for a new premises licence - The Terrace, 1 St Pauls Lane, Lincoln, LN1 3AL

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express my concerns as a resident of West Bight regarding this new application.

I am also writing on behalf of my sister, my neighbour, of whom I am a legal advocate for these situations.

We both oppose the new application of a late license for alcohol sales and live music between 23.00hrs - 01.00am seven days or any amount of days, a week.

May I start by highlighting that this is a predominantly residential area of the Bailgate. It is not the High Street.

People in this area have invested a lot of money to create a home here and luckily most of the businesses to date have been respectful of the residents and the historical value this area has for our city. It seems until now.....

Unfortunately 1 St Pauls Lane is not situated well for noise control.

What seems to be the case presently, is any noise from customers leaving or smoking outside the premises, echoes all around and seems to increase in volume especially as the evening gets later and more alcohol is consumed. It's as if they are just outside our properties.

Please note - that when the occupiers have had staff/Christmas parties in the past, the noise level has been completely inappropriate - it felt like we lived next to a night club! That was with the music downstairs in the property, people constantly going in and out of the entrance, gathering for a smoke at the front, often leaving the doors wide open causing a public nuisance.

We also have concerns about the temporary structure that is on the balcony at present, this usually comes down when the weather improves; amplifying noise levels.

Sitting in our gardens to relax on a weekend is quite impossible, due to the noise from rowdy people on the balcony which sounds like shouting due to how the noise travels, it really does echo, we can not relax, but we have been tolerable of the situation to date.

Which makes me wonder what measures of monitoring and restrictions are presently in place?

Bearing in mind the conditions imposed on planning permission application number 2005/0718/F

I feel that the proposed application if granted, even with the doors closed and music playing, be it a live band or dj, will not prevent a public nuisance being created.

To help put the noise situation in some context, West Bight residents already have to put up with pounding music that is playing from the outdoor speakers of The Lion & Snake. That is how far the noise travels in this area. And I am referencing this noise level from inside our homes not outside.

Again, I wonder how this is monitored?

The Castle Hotel in wedding season probably have a minimum of 1 wedding a month and they have live bands/djs, but are respectful to their neighbours - windows and doors are kept shut and the music stops by 11pm, the volume is always monitored.

As a resident this is not ideal, but manageable. Anything more and there would be complaints as it does disrupt my sleep and the impact would affect my wellbeing and work.

There is one other important reason for objection to highlight.


My sister has sleep in care workers. These lovely people provide an important role to many vulnerable people in our city. Their hours are long and they have an early start to their day. Having a disrupted sleep due to pounding music into the early hours of the morning and loud drunk people on the streets, is going to hinder the care they provide and quite possibly their health.


I really hope that all committees/departments reviewing this application, take into account the negative impact it will have to residents, local established businesses and future visitors of the area, if agreed.

Maybe a suggestion from yourselves to the occupier that if they wish to run an establishment that serves alcohol and plays live music 7 days a week up to 1am in the morning, they may wish to look at a more suitable location, such as the newly developed Cornhill area?

Thank you for your time

Kind regards

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Any correspondence from yourselves regarding this matter can be sent to my email -



