

**North West Leicestershire District Council
Licensing Act 2003**

Representation Form

Name : Vincent Aleman

Address : [REDACTED]

Premises : THE KNIGHTS BAR at ASHBY IVANHOE FOOTBALL CLUB

Address : NFU Sports Ground, Lower Packington Rd, Ashby de la Zouch, Leics. LE65 1TS

I want to make representation about the three variations that the Ashby Ivanhoe Football Club is applying for, namely

1. The extension of the sale by retail of alcohol from 10:00am to midnight and the extension of recorded music from 12:00 - 23:00hrs
2. The addition of live music inside and outside the premises from 12:00 to 23:00hrs
3. The removal of restrictions with regard to the playing of live/amplified/recorded music and the removal of restrictions concerning prebooked private functions.

The nature of the license is changing fundamentally from a sports club that is catering for private functions within the clubhouse to an Entertainment Venue that is open to the public that will hold events and functions over an extended time period both inside and outside the clubhouse. This change will significantly have a detrimental effect on the quality of life to the residents of the properties that are adjacent to the venue. The concerns are in the following categories.

The Prevention of Crime and Disorder

As the events are open to the public there will be an increased chance of conflict, crime and aggression when

- a) A large crowd arrives to attend an event i.e. arrival of a coach or coaches
- b) When people are refused entrance
- c) When people are ejected from the premises due to bad behaviour or drunkenness
- d) Drugs and weapons are brought on to the premises
- e) Consumption of alcohol on the road and adjacent streets

Public Safety

- a) The increased chance of glasses or dinking vessels being left on the roads, especially with the move to the outside entertainment.
- b) An increase in traffic and associated parking problems with the site especially at the start and end of events, increasing the likelihood of an accident.

Public Nuisance

- a) Increased levels of noise from the premises with the playing of music outside until 23:00 hours. Currently the music can be heard before all matches at present if this was to go on for hours it would make living in the vicinity intolerable
- b) There would be additional noise from customers arriving and leaving the premises, especially after 23:00
- c) As the entertainment and drinking would not be contained within the clubhouse there would be considerably more litter around the site which would spill out on to the surrounding roads

Protection of children

- a) As the intention is to increase the number of customers at the club this will increase traffic and therefore increase the chance of an accident especially to the children who live locally to the site.
- b) Where alcohol is sold on a site that is holding "outdoor" events there is an increased chance of sales of alcohol to underage children.

The current sports club is based on the edge of the town surrounded by fields and a well established residential area. This variation to their existing license is more appropriate to a premise on Ashby Market street which has the infrastructure and systems in place to police and service such a site and is therefore totally unsuitable for the Lower Packington Road.

V. P. Aleman

17/12/2020.

email

[REDACTED]

tel :

[REDACTED]