

**NORTH WEST LEICESTERSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL
LICENSING ACT 2003**

REPRESENTATION FORM

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| Your name/organisation name/name of body you represent | |
| Organisation name/name of body you represent (if appropriate) | N/A |
| Your Postal address | |
| Name of the premises you are making a representation about | Bucko's Bar |
| Address of the premises you are making a representation about | Buckos Bar, Ex Servicemens Club, Queens Street, Measham, DE12 7JE |

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| What are you making a representation about? |
| Please indicate which part of the licence/certificate application you are making a representation about (i.e. Terminal hours, and music and dancing on Friday and Saturday night) |
| <p>Operating hours that permits live and/or recorded music to a late hour. Generation of noise from music and late-night operations – people talking outside the premises and car doors closing. Restrictive parking areas.</p> <p>We appreciate the aspiration to take the premises on and make it a successful venture, and we do not want to deny the proprietor this opportunity; however, this needs to be balanced with due regard to the surroundings and environment where the bar will operate.</p> |

Your representation must relate to one of the four Licensing Objectives

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| Licensing Objective | <i>Please provide full details of your concerns regarding the application and include any evidence you may have in support of it. Please use separate sheets if necessary</i> |
| To prevent crime and disorder | Can advice please be provided on what security arrangements will be put in place to manage the Bar, please? Are there any activities that are proposed that differentiates the premises from the other licenced premises in Measham (i.e. that means it is a 'bar')? What measures are to be taken to ensure that drugs are not be brought and consumed on the premises? |
| Public safety | The area around the Bar can become heavily congested leading to people having to park cars in inappropriate locations. This will be exacerbated when the new properties are constructed in the immediate vicinity of the Bar. Any further traffic generated by the Bar should be assessed to ensure there is sufficient capacity. There is a large cross-section of pedestrians use the area, from the very young to the very old, and infirm. Their safety is at risk where trying to negotiate their way in area when it is busy. |
| To prevent public nuisance | The generation of noise is a concern for a few reasons. The application is made for live or recorded music 7 days a week to midnight. The area around the Bar is overwhelmingly residential with some young families and school children, as well as elderly retired couples, of which some do have health issues. Sociable hours are conventionally 08:00 to 23:00. So, by definition anytime after 23:00 would be deemed 'unsociable' and hence cannot be acceptable in a residential area. |

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| | <p>It would appear reasonable for live/recorded music to be allowable to 22:00 Sunday to Thursday and to 23:00 Friday and Saturday.</p> <p>A further concern is that the front door will be used for patrons to smoke/vape. This will allow the noise from within the premises to be projected outside. Everytime the door opens to allow patrons in/out this will project the noise around the surrounding area. Furthermore, the noise generated by people, understandably, socialising is likely to be excessive. What provisions will be put in place for discarded cigarettes and other litter generated by customers?</p> <p>The High Street can be busy through the day with an expected level of background noise. At night, the quiescent noise level is very low and otherwise seemingly low noise can sound disproportionately loud. This includes normal speech, raised voices (in mirth and anger) and the noise of car doors being closed.</p> <p>We appreciate that these latter noises (i.e. not the music) would be evident until closing time, irrelevant of the restriction on permissible hours of music.</p> <p>Is Bucko's Bar to be marketed as a 'sports bar'? The additional concern would be the additional noise and traffic generated from any competition/events. Are these permitted under the terms of the Licence?</p> |
| To protect children from harm | No particular concerns. |

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| Please suggest any conditions that could be added to the licence to remedy your representation or other suggestions you would like the Licensing Sub Committee to take into account. | Confirmation of the permissible noise levels to be generated, literally what is the allowable dBA? |
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Signed:

Date: 31-Jan 2023

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| <p>I acknowledge that licensed club premises have existed at the address for many years providing a meeting place for members and their guests and I wish the new applicant success with his venture. I also note the recent efforts made to improve and update the decor within the building. However, in operating premises in a largely residential area, the applicant's ambitions need to be balanced with the opportunity for residents to continue to enjoy their homes and the environment around their homes.</p> <p>My representations are:</p> <p>Concerns over operating hours that permit live and/or recorded music to a late hour on all nights of the week generating potentially nuisance noise in a largely residential area and how that noise will be controlled.</p> <p>Concerns regarding behaviour of customers inside and outside of the premises during their visits and when leaving the premises potentially causing disturbance. Late operating hours tend to exacerbate any disturbances.</p> <p>Concerns over the impact on parking in a street that already suffers inadequate parking provision and the likelihood of customers parking inconsiderately, unsafely and illegally especially when the premises has no ability to provide its own parking.</p> <p>Concerns over how the character of the operation and potentially the behaviour of its customers may change with a new applicant and their vision for the future use of the premises. Specifically there seems some ambiguity as to whether Buckos Bar will continue as a "family orientated club" which has been the stated ethos of previous licensees in their applications or a more commercial bar open to the general public. As I have not been able to view the application paperwork within the timetable set for representations, I find the naming of the premises as "Buckos Bar" and addressing as "Ex Servicemens Club" slightly in conflict with one another. Which of these best characterises the intended identity of the operation best? Perhaps the applicant can share his vision with residents so that we can be more informed in assessing the likely impact and how it compares to other licensed premises within the village.</p> <p>My feeling is that more restricted opening hours should be imposed to provide an opportunity for the new applicant to show that the premises can be operated successfully whilst also recognising the needs of nearby residents. Should this be achieved, the applicant would be able to apply for a variation at some future date.</p> |

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| To prevent crime and disorder | <p>Can the applicant advise what security arrangements will be put in place to manage the bar particularly controlling admission and/or in the event of disorder within or immediately outside the premises?</p> <p>Are there any activities or entertainments proposed that differentiate the premises from its historical use as a family orientated club or indeed other licensed premises within the village?</p> |
| Public safety | <p>Queens Street already suffers inadequate parking provision and there is an unfortunate history of some customers parking inconsiderately, unsafely and sometimes illegally. This will inevitably worsen with new houses being built immediately opposite the premises.</p> <p>Until recently, the premises was open only a few evenings each week but the new applicant may well want to open more days and longer hours. What has so far been congestion on Thursday evening and weekend evenings may well become a more frequent problem during the week and potentially during daylight.</p> <p>The premises has no ability to provide its own parking due to the nature of the site and further development of opening hours may possibly cause safety issues for pedestrians. Saturday afternoon would be of particular concern due to already established congestion in Queens Street with visitors to the village hall.</p> <p>What efforts can the applicant make to mitigate against this congestion and the potential impact on safety?</p> |
| To prevent public nuisance | <p>The application includes providing live or recorded music including sometimes late at night in the week. This causes concern for two reasons, the lateness and the volume experienced by residents.</p> <p>There is a tendency for the premises doors to be left open (and sometimes windows during summer) which may be understandable from a ventilation point of view but unfortunately the music entertainment volume for residents increases considerably. It may be that the entertainment is made inside the premises but high volumes with open doors means it easily becomes a nuisance outside and even within resident's nearby homes.</p> <p>I would suggest that some constraint on late night music be achieved by 1) limiting hours further and 2) specifying limited music volume when doors or windows are likely to be left open.</p> <p>As the premises has no ability to provide an outside area for patrons to smoke or vape, it has become natural for some to gather on the pavement in front of the building. Understandable as this may be, the volume of conversation carries into resident's homes late at night as other background noises decrease. Similarly, when patrons leave the premises by car or minicab, the noise can be considerable.</p> |

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| | I would suggest that some constraint on late night outside noise be achieved by limiting hours further. |
| To protect children from harm | Previous applicants at the premises have described the operation as a "family orientated club". Is the applicant likely to wish to follow a different ethos and if so how would admission be controlled/denied to ensure those under 18 were protected? |

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| Please suggest any conditions that could be added to the licence to remedy your representation or other suggestions you would like the Licensing Sub Committee to take into account. | <p>Please consider the shortening of licensing hours such as to limit peaks of disturbance for residents and mitigations for the carrying of noise due to open doors.</p> <p>If the applicant is also mindful of the effect that limited parking may have on his customers enjoyment of the premises as well as residents quality of life, that may suggest 1) timings of entertainments during the week that limit frustrations for everyone. 2) encouraging a more local clientele that are more likely to walk to the premises rather than simply increasing the number of cars belonging to a more distant clientele.</p> |
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Signed:

Date: 7th February 2023

Capacity:

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| Your e-mail address | |
| Your contact telephone number | |

SUPPORTING NOTES

If you do make a representation you will be invited to attend a meeting of the Licensing sub Committee and any subsequent appeal proceeding. If you do not attend, the Committee will consider any representations that you have made.

This form must be returned within the Statutory Period, which is 28 days from the date the notice was displayed on the premises or the date specified in the Public Notice in the newspaper. Please contact the Licensing Section on 01530 454556 if you are in doubt about the date.

They can only relate to the four licensing objectives.

Your representation will be passed to the applicant, to allow them the opportunity of addressing your concerns. Your representations will be published in the report available to the Licensing Sub-Committee, which will be publicly available. Names and addresses will only be withheld from the Sub-Committee report at your request. Email addresses and contact telephone numbers will not be publicly available.

Please return this form when completed along with any additional sheets to:

Community Services
Licensing
North West Leicestershire District Council
Council Offices
Coalville
Leicestershire
LE67 3FJ

Email to licensing@nwleicestershire.gov.uk

Tel: 01530 454545
Fax: 01530 454574

Reference:-

Application for New Premises Licence

TOP PUB

9, Queens St

Measham

DE12 7JE

Dear Sirs

With reference to the above application for a new Premises licence for the purposes of selling alcohol from 12 noon to midnight, Monday through to Sunday and to have live bands and recorded music playing, we would like to voice our strong objections!

- ① This will undoubtedly affect the lives and mental wellbeing of local residents, especially during the summer months when doors and windows will be open to provide more ventilation.
- ② Parking, even now this is difficult, with cars currently parking illegally on double yellow lines and flouting no entrance signs to access Queens Street and making vehicular access to residents property more precarious and difficult.
- ③ Anti Social behaviour, car doors banging, loud shouting, people coming outside to smoke and using various localities as a public toilet, even though there are facilities within the premises.
- ④ We have first hand experience of all of the above and feel that the application be turned down on several and important

Health wellbeing will be severely compromised by such an application.

Yours Sincerely,

A further note to be aware of:-

The Public notice was placed not at eye level but in a window above said eye level, making it difficult to see and read. We only knew about the application when being approached by another resident who had asked what we thought about the application.

The Manager
Central Support
NWLDC
Council Offices
Coalville
LE67 3FJ

Dear Sir / Madam

Re: Application for new premises
licence, Queens Street, Measham

I wish to express my concerns
in connection with the above
application.

I have 3 young children that
need their rest, not to mention

myself and husband. I feel that living in very close proximity to a club which has a licence to play music 7 days a week until 12 midnight is somewhat excessive.

Might I also point out, that in my opinion there is inadequate parking in Queens Street. The Club doesn't have a car park and there is limited street parking.

Also if the licence is granted until 12 midnight it doesn't necessarily mean that the clientele would be puntual when leaving the premises.

Yours faith fully