

The Licensing Act 2003 Interested Party Representation Form

The Licensing Act 2003 (the act) makes local authorities responsible for the licensing of pubs, clubs, theatres, cinemas, restaurants, takeaways and so on. Some premises may apply to extend their hours or add some form of regulated entertainment and this is where interested parties can have their say by making relevant representations and objecting to the proposals.

Interested parties

An interested party is defined by the act as:

- An Elected Member
- A person living in the vicinity;
- A body representing persons living in the vicinity;
- A person involved in business in the vicinity of the premises; or
- A body representing persons involved in such businesses.

The word "vicinity" has not been clearly defined by the act. If you are living or working close enough to a premises and you are to be affected by the activities, we will look at your location to determine if you can be described as 'in the vicinity'.

What are the objectives?

Representations can only be made on the grounds that there may be a breach of the licensing objectives in the act. These are:

- The prevention of crime and disorder; (Examples of representations relevant to this objective are illegal drugs, sex related activities, violent behaviour, anti-social behaviour, drunkenness, drug dealing, underage selling, and so on.)
- Public safety:

(Examples of representations relevant to this objective are breaches of health and safety laws, accommodation limits, first aid, unauthorised alterations to property and so on.)

- The prevention of public nuisance; and (Examples of representations relevant to this objective are noise nuisance, noxious smells, anti-social behaviour, litter in the vicinity and so on.)
- The protection of children from harm. (Examples of representations relevant to this objective are underage selling, sexual activities, access to premises, drugs use and so on.)

What are relevant representations?

"Relevant representations" is the term used in the act for comments including objections on applications, reviews etc.

For the purposes of making a representation by an interested party, a representation must be relevant. For a representation to be relevant it must:

 relate to the effect of the grant of the licence on the promotion of the licensing objectives (stated as above);

- be made by an interested party or responsible authority;not have been withdrawn;
- not be 'frivolous' or 'vexatious' or, in the case of a review, 'repetitious' if made by an interested party.

Section 1 - Application Details				
I object to the following Application: Applicant's name (if known): Tony and Donna				
Premises name and address: King William IV Public House. 134 Chew Valley Road, Greenfield, Oldham, OL3 7DD.				
Type of Application:				
Liquor licensing extention				
Application Number (if known):				
Section 2 – Details of person making Representation (objection)				
Details of person making Representation (objection): If you are a representative for an objector go to the next section				
Objector's Title	Mr □ Mrs □ Miss □√ Ms □ Other			
Surname	Speedy			
First name(s)	Sarah Jayne			
Telephone:	07718 996107			
141 Chew Valley Road, Greenfield, Oldham, OL3 7JN.				

Please note that a full copy of your objection (including your name and address) will be sent to the applicant and will be a public document at any hearing of this matter.

If you represent residents or businesses in the vicinity, please complete the boxes below.

Section 3 – Representative's details		
Representative's Details: Representative's Title Mr Mrs Miss Ms Other Surname First name(s) Telephone: Organisation		
Address (including post-code): Please complete this information or your objection may not be considered.		
Please state nature of representation:		
e.g. Residents association Ward councillor MP Trade association		

Section 4 – Representation (Objection) Details

I object to the application being granted at all I object to the application being granted in its current form $^*\sqrt{}$

*If you choose this option remember to tell us in the next section what changes you would like to see.

You need to complete the boxes below as fully as possible. If you do not, then the Licensing Sub-Committee may not understand why you have objected.

Please attach supporting documents/further pages as necessary. Please number all extra pages and add the applicant's name and your name to each page.

Try to be as specific as possible and give examples e.g. on 1 February I could hear loud music from the premises between 10pm and 1 am. I am concerned that if the premises open until 2 am this will cause a public nuisance to me and other residents of the street.

To prevent crime and disorder	Please state your reasons: Any extension in licensing hours will have a knock on effect on anti social and drunken behaviour, and potentially increase the occasion current violent altercation.
Public safety	Please state your reasons:

To prevent public nuisance	Please state your reasons:
maioanos	The noise that already emits from the front outside areas creates an increasingly disruptive level of noise as the night draws on. To increase licensing for the rear would increase noise pollution and aggravation to neighbouring residents as naturally the capacity would increase and also the hours in which people are permitted to stay, drink and generally get rowdier.
	Currently, the outside noise steadily increases from early evening onwards (particularly in line with warmer weather). To the point that our front windows are never open, and yet we can still hear through our rear windows the pub activity and noise. The noise can already be disruptive to our children's sleep as my two youngest have bedrooms at the front of the house. We use white noise to buffer out the street noise of people talking and getting louder and rowdier from the pub, and their exit.
	The activity on kicking out time with taxi's beeping etc would also increase noise and outdoor activity, at proposed extended anti social times.
The protection of children from harm	Please state your reasons:

Please give any suggested conditions that could be added to the licence to remedy the cause of your representations, or other suggestions you would like the Licensing Sub-Committee to take into account.

This is a local pub that already has a generous capacity given that there are three pubs within a small radius, the area is well catered for choice and social. If the outside area is granted permanent licensing and hours extended, this would naturally increase capacity to the pub and area. The effects of this will be felt within our neighbour hood with I believe an increase in noise, parking pressure, and potential anti-social and violent behaviour (which is often the case when alcohol involved).

I understand that as with every business, Covid has impacted and obviously want to be able to support neighbouring businesses, but the current proposed increased hours and permanent extension to outside trading, and likely events that tie into this, I feel are simply unfair to those on the doorstep of the pub and unnecessary to village life.

Greenfield naturally is a family friendly village and has always supported the pub within its previous operating hours, despite these hours already having some impact on noise through naturally occurring social activity, but also when live music within the pub is staged. I am confused as to why the pub needs to extend trading and licensing hours to those more akin to city centre social activities?

Any extension to licensing hours should be applicable only to the weekends and limited to 11pm indoors. Alongside this, for outside areas; limited to 8pm as already this would have a finishing up time of 9pm and impact to local residents, particularly to younger residents.

If the pub car park is not reinstated, then local parking permits and permit areas should be given to neighbours to reduce impact. (Though this obviously would add complications to visiting shoppers to local business's, so some compromise and considerations need to be made).

If the pub is granted permanent licensing for the outside bar/restaurant, the total capacity for inside and outside needs to be limited to minimise outside disruptions when people use and leave the property.

If hours are increased, consideration to door men monitoring capacity, noise and managing those leaving the property in a respectful manner should be applicable.

Bigger events such as live music, weddings, parties should only occur under one off event licences, and not granted as standard as there are already several venues within the village that can accommodate parties and large scale events indoors, therefore minimising local disruption, but also protecting the trade these events brings to other venues.

There is a certain level of noise and behaviour that is acceptable to a local pub, and although this occasionally escalates (this is not a weekly event), we had accepted these as normal to local pub life, however the application proposed is not that of a local village pub and thus the current application should be vastly amended to support that of the local community and to maintain a balance of social versus disruption.

I also question the need for the extension of hours and outdoor space increase as the footfall to the pub currently doesn't appear to warrant it?

N.B if you do make a representation you will be invited to attend the Licensing Sub-Committee hearing and any subsequent appeal proceedings. Please return this form along with any additional sheets to: Licensing Service, Sir Robert Peacock House, Vulcan Street, Oldham, OL1 4LA or email to licensing@oldham.gov.uk

TIME LIMITS

This form must be returned within the Statutory Period. Generally, **28 days** from the day the notice was displayed on the premises or the date specified in the Public Notice in the newspaper.

If you are unsure of the time limit to lodge this application for a representation (objection), please check with the Licensing Section at licensing@oldham.gov.uk.