

# 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- not have been withdrawn;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	
<p><b>I object to the following Application:</b>            Applicant's name (if known): Donkeystone Brewery</p> <p>Premises name and address:            Wellington Rd            Greenfield            Oldham            OL3 7AQ</p>	
Type of Application: Licensing	
Application Number (if known):	

Section 2 – Details of person making Representation (objection)	
<p>Details of person making Representation (objection):  <i>If you are a representative for an objector go to the next section</i></p>	
Objector's Title	Mr <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Miss <input type="checkbox"/> Ms <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
Surname	Roberts
First name(s)	Joanne
Telephone:	
<p>Address (including post-code):  <i>Please complete this information or your objection may not be considered.</i>            25 Knoll Close            Greenfield            Oldham            OL3 7FJ</p>	

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**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	
<b>Representative’s Details:</b>	
Representative’s Title	Mr <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs <input type="checkbox"/> Miss <input type="checkbox"/> Ms <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
Surname	_____
First name(s)	_____
Telephone:	_____
Organisation	_____
Address (including post-code): <i>Please complete this information or your objection may not be considered.</i>	
Please state nature of representation:  e.g. Residents association Ward councillor MP Trade association	

Section 4 – Representation (Objection) Details	
x	I object to the application being granted at all
	I object to the application being granted in its current form*
*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.*

<p>To prevent crime and disorder</p>	<p><i>Please state your reasons:</i>  <i>I have concerns regarding people entering and exiting the premises via Knoll Close. Drunk people will be walking through this quiet street where all there are lot's of young families. I am concerned that the people once intoxicated could damage property including vehicles and gardens. The amount of litter will increase on the back path and there is already a huge issue with this. Broken bottles will become an issue where children play and people walk their dogs. Wellington road and surrounding streets already have an issue with crowds gathering at night and damaging property and creating havoc, the opening of the brewery will only add to this.</i></p>
<p>Public safety</p>	<p><i>Please state your reasons:</i>  <i>The back path where the entrance/exit is poorly lit and badly littered. There is also only a low (and broken) railing between the path and the river. This could be a hazard and potential threat to life when drunk people are leaving the premises via this path. Broken bottles could cause an injury to children/adults/animals.</i></p>
<p>To prevent public nuisance</p>	<p><i>Please state your reasons:</i>  <i>This venue is located near several quiet residential streets where young children and elderly people reside. This is not a good place for live music and late night drinking. When the brewery was situated on Boarshurst Lane in generated numerous complaints from residents regarding noise from drunk people and children running around unattended whilst there parents were drinking in the brewery, I fail to see how moving the brewery to a more populated area is going to be any different. The licensing proposal is asking for events which will mean loud music, crowds of people and PA systems. This is unfair on local residents.</i></p>
<p>The protection of children from harm</p>	<p><i>Please state your reasons:</i>  <i>A large number of children live on Knoll Close and Herons Reach. These children enjoy playing out on their bikes and playing ball games. The brewery will create footfall (drunk people) and traffic on our quiet streets thus endangering the children when they play. Consequently the children would not be able to play out and that is unfair, this is there home and they have had enough of being shut inside recently.</i></p>

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.

Limited opening hours

No music

No through road signs on Knoll Close

A gate /fence put across to stop people entering/exiting via Knoll Close

Access through front off Wellington Road

Signed-*J Roberts*.....

Date 12/08/21

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](mailto: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](mailto:licensing@oldham.gov.uk).