

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

As well as Responsible Authorities, any other person can play a role in a number of licensing processes under the 2003 Act. This includes any individual, body or business entitled to make representations to licensing authorities in relation to application for the grant, variation, minor variation or review of premises licences and club premises certificates, regardless of their geographical proximity to the premises. Any representations made by these persons must be 'relevant'. For a representation to be relevant it must:

- relate to the likely effect of the grant of the licence on the promotion of the licensing objectives
- 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- not have been withdrawn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

In the case of variation applications, the representation must be confined to the subject matter of the variation.

What are the Licensing Objectives?

- **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, however, guidance issued under Section 182 of the Act states that beyond the immediate area surrounding the premises are matters for the personal responsibility of individuals under the law)

- **Public safety**

(Examples of representations relevant to this objective are lack of adequate lighting, unauthorised alterations to property and so on)

- **The prevention of public nuisance**

(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)

The Section 182 Guidance is a valuable source of information that interested parties may wish to consult when considering making a representation and can be found online on this link: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/explanatory-memorandum-revised-guidance-issued-under-s-182-of-licensing-act-2003>

Section 1 - Application Details

Applicants Name	Woodhouses Cricket Club
Premises Name	Woodhouses Cricket Club
Premises Address	Medlock Road
Type of Application	Review of a Premises license

Section 2 – Details of Person making Representation

(if you are a representative for an objector please use the next section)

Title <i>(Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms/Other)</i>	Mrs
Full Name	Meryl Crummack
Telephone	
Email Address <i>(we will use this to correspond with you unless you notify us otherwise)</i>	
Full Address <i>(Including postcode)</i>	6 Wayne Close, Droylsden M43 7LQ

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.

Section 3 – Details of Representative

Title <i>(Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms/Other)</i>	
Full Name	
Telephone	
Organisation	
Email Address <i>(we will use this to correspond with you unless you notify us otherwise)</i>	
Full Address <i>(Including postcode)</i>	

Please state nature of representation:

(residents association / ward councillor / MP / trade association)

As a user of facilities for my horse on the village and the impact relating to the safe housing of that horse.

Section 4 – Representation Details

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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 Section 5 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 Panel may not understand why you have objected.

Try to be as specific as possible and give examples such as *“on 1st February 2021 I could hear loud music from the premises between 10pm and 1am. I am concerned that if the premises is allowed to open until 2am this will cause further public nuisance to me and other residents on the street”*

Licensing Objectives

The Prevention of Crime & Disorder

Please state the reasons you believe granting the application will undermine this objective

Public Safety

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When planning events no thought is given to the impact of the lack of parking facilities at the club. This results in blockages at the narrowing of the road where tempers become heated and possibly needed access to properties for emergency services and local vehicles including horseboxes to safely manoeuvre off and onto property.

The annual firework display and bonfire causes issues around fire safety both on the cricket ground where there is only 1 exit and in neighbouring properties.

- There has never been an inspection of property adjacent to the club to assess the possible fire risk from hot ash and sparks from the bonfire and fireworks where significant risk to the horses who are only able to tolerate the 20 minute display by being sedated.
- There is evidence of this being a true safety risk as previously the fire brigade have been needed to dampen the bonfire as hot ash and sparks were blown across Diamond Hall Farm onto the wooden buildings causing great concern.
- Reliable information regarding times of the firework displays and the increase from 1 to 2 separate displays on the same night causes accurate sedation for the horses impossible as sedation needs 40 minutes to take effect and only lasts for 20-40 minutes depending on each individual animal.
- When trying to establish the times only 1 person has been at all helpful while others have been aggressive and at one point suggested that on the night of the display we walk the horses round the village until it was over. This would definitely be a safety issue.

On a number of occasions the ground has been used as a helicopter landing pad. This has caused distress for horses when landing and taking off with no notification being given of expected times of landing and takeoff. These events have resulted in:

- a hospital visit for one person
- a horse being injured due to fright.

The Prevention of Public Nuisance

Please state the reasons you believe granting the application will undermine this objective

The noise from

- The landing and take-off of helicopters (I believe currently suspended)
- The firework display lasting 10 minutes for the first and 20 minutes for the second (video evidence available)

Impacts the neighbouring homes with many of these homes having dogs which are unable to tolerate the fireworks especially.

Protection of Children from Harm

Please state the reasons you believe granting the application will undermine this objective

Section 5 – Suggestions

(please provide any suggested conditions that could be added to the licence if granted which would remedy the cause of your representation, or other suggestions you would like the licensing panel to consider)

2. Entertainment to be Inaudible

Noise generated by regulated entertainment, live music (amplified or unamplified), recorded music or any other type of entertainment (amplified or unamplified) must be inaudible at the nearest noise sensitive location.

This should be amended to disclose the nearest noise sensitive location.

6.

Notice to local residents

Local residents will be notified by letter at least 28 clear days before such an event. Not including the day that the notice is given or the day of the event. The letter will include details of the event and details of a point of contact for the cricket club who will be on duty on the day of the event including a telephone number.

The term local should be more specific. People living near the Dog and Partridge on Medlock road didn't received any notification of the Bank Holiday Music Festival.

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Number of events permitted

The number of events will be limited to 4 in total. This includes the bonfire night event which will be held on the nearest Saturday to the 5th November and the event held on the Sunday directly before the August bank holiday. Leaving the date of the 2 remaining events to be decided upon by Woodhouses Cricket Club.

I believe that the bonfire night event should be removed from the permitted events

Section 6 – Signature
Sign: Meryl Crummack Date: 21st September 2025

Guidance Notes:

Please provide all relevant information you feel is pertinent to the consideration of the application. The Licensing Authority will review all representations as they are received, and any information contained within representations that is not considered relevant for the purposes of determining the application will be highlighted.

Members of the Panel who preside over any subsequent hearing to determine the application will be alerted to the highlighted sections of representations and informed those sections cannot be considered in their decision-making process.

If you do make a representation you will be invited to attend the Licensing Panel hearing and any subsequent appeal hearings. Where you choose to attend the Panel, you may only address the panel around the relevant sections of your representation and will not be permitted to discuss the highlighted irrelevant information.

Please return the completed representation form, and any additional evidence, to the Licensing Service, Sir Robert Peacock House, Vulcan Street, Oldham, OL1 4LA or email to licensing@oldham.gov.uk

TIME LIMITS

All representations must be returned within the statutory period, generally 28 days from the date 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 a representation for a particular application, please check with the Licensing Service by emailing licensing@oldham.gov.uk