LICENSING BOARD INFORMATION SHEET

TYPE OF APPLICATION: VARIATION OF A PREMISES LICENCE PREMISES: CO-OPERATIVE GROUP LIMITED, 219 HOLBURN STREET

DESCRIPTION

 Addition of recorded music as an activity both during and outwith core licensed hours.

OBJECTIONS/REPRESENTATIONS

- Environmental Health
- LSO
- Objections x 4

LICENSING POLICY STATEMENT

26 LICENSING OBJECTIVE - PREVENTING PUBLIC NUISANCE

- 26.1 The Board believes that licensed premises have the potential to have a significant adverse impact on communities. It wishes to maintain and protect the amenity of occupiers of other businesses and residents from the potential consequence of the operation of licensed premises, whilst recognising the valuable cultural, social and business importance that such premises provide.
- 26.2 The Board will interpret public nuisance in its widest sense and will take it to include such issues as noise, light, odour, litter and anti-social behaviour. In particular the Board will consider that flyposting is both a public nuisance (litter) and anti-social behaviour in terms of its impact on the community.
- 26.3 Applicants should be aware that the Board may apply stricter conditions, including restrictions on licensed hours, where the activities may impact on residents or other business premises and where relevant representations have been received.
- 26.4 The Board believes that the impact of licensed premises on a neighbourhood is significantly influenced by the times when those premises are open. The Board may restrict hours of opening when considering a premises licence application, if it considers this to be appropriate. The Board will consider each case on its merits.
- 26.5 Applicants will be expected to consider the following
 - when addressing the prevention of public nuisance:- the location of premises and proximity to residential and other noise sensitive premises, such as hospitals, hospices, care homes, schools, nurseries and places of worship
 - the licensed hours, especially late at night
 - the nature of activities to be provided, including whether those activities are of a temporary or permanent nature and whether they are to be held inside or outside premises

• the design and layout of premises and in particular the presence of noise

limiting features and a functioning CCTV system (to a prescribed standard), which complies with relevant legislative requirements

- the occupancy capacity of the premises
- the availability of public transport
- the wind down period
- the last admission time

26.6 The following examples of control measures are given to assist applicants.

- effective and responsible management of premises
- appropriate instruction, training and supervision of those employed or engaged to prevent incidents of public nuisance, for instance to ensure that customers leave quietly
- control of operating hours for all or parts of the premises, for instance garden areas
- adoption of best practice guidance
- installation of soundproofing, air conditioning, acoustic lobbies, sound limitation devices and other mitigation measures
- management of people, including staff, vehicular traffic, queues, and patrons arriving and leaving premises
- liaison with public transport providers
- siting of external lighting, including security lighting and installation of an effective CCTV system (to a prescribed standard) which complies with relevant legislative requirements
- management arrangements for collection and disposal of waste and empty bottles
- effective ventilation systems to prevent nuisance from odour.