Dizzy's ,

70 Carden Place

Aberdeen

Ref AC068

Clerk to the Licensing Board
Aberdeen City Licensing Board
Marischal College
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Dear Sir/Madam

I wish to object to the application from Dizzy's, 70 Carden Place, Aberdeen for a variation (major) of its licence. This variation is in relation to a roof terrace/balcony bar on the rear first floor of the above premises.

I believe my property at , Aberdeen may be the nearest residential property to Dizzy's. Since this additional facility was introduced earlier in June, there has been a significant degree of noise nuisance emanating from Dizzy's. This increase in noise has been exceptionally disruptive......bad language is common, noise of broken glass, music, shouting and laughing and the general sounds of people under the influence of alcohol.

The roof terrace/balcony bar is very spacious and accommodates a large number of tables and chairs and therefore a lot of people. This area is used regularly, week days as well as weekends, and customers can be there until very late at night and on occasion after midnight. One just has to look at the official Facebook page of Dizzy's to see how busy it is.

The main bedroom in my property is to the rear and as such is very close to the roof terrace/balcony bar at Dizzy's. I believe one is entitled to peace and quiet in one's home and to be able to retire to sleep with the window open and not have to close it to try to diminish noise intrusion. When customers are using the roof terrace/balcony bar there is no point in trying to sleep until beyond midnight.

In addition, there has been at least one barbecue held on the roof terrace/balcony bar where the food has been prepared and cooked there. The noise and smells were, again, intolerable.

This roof terrace/balcony bar opened in June and it has been a nuisance and disruptive to quality of life ever since. Can I point out that I have owned my property for 17 years, have lived in harmony with Dizzy's all that time and never had any cause to complain until now.

It is my understanding that there is a desire within the city and Aberdeen City Council for more of the properties in the Carden Place/ Queen's Cross area to be returned to residential use. I respectfully suggest that will not happen if licensed premises are allowed to create such areas, with the associated noise and nuisance. I believe this area of the city is already well served by licensed premises and there is no need for further capacity, especially of this type.

Rain is now welcomed in the hope it will deter people from using the roof terrace/balcony bar.

I urge you to consider these points and the impact this roof terrace/balcony bar is having when you decide on the application from Dizzy's.

Twice I have contacted Dizzy's to discuss this with the owner or manager. Both times my details were taken and I was told I would be contacted.....no one has been in touch.

Kind regards