

**Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005, section 22
Notice of Objection or Representation**

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Please refer to [Guidance Note for making Objections](#) before completing this form

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Depute Clerk to the Licensing Board
Licensing Team
Business Hub 6
Marischal College
Broad Street, Aberdeen
AB10 1AB

Your full name & address (include postcode)

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Your email address

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Name & Address of premises

NOx
2 Justice Mill Ln
Aberdeen
Ab11 6EQ

Applicant's Name (if know)

Signature Pubs Limited c/o/ TLT Solicitors

The Application is for:

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| Provisional Premises Licence | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Premises Licence | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Variation of Premises Licence | XX |
| Occasional Licence | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Any person may, by notice to the Licensing Board—

- (a) Object to the application on any ground relevant to one of the grounds for refusal or**
- (b) Make representations to the Board concerning the application.**

If you are OBJECTING, please complete Part A of this form.

If you are MAKING REPRESENTATIONS, please complete Part B of this form.

PART A - OBJECTION

I object to a premises licence being granted to the above premises, on the following grounds (delete any that do not apply):-

Granting the application would be inconsistent with one or more of the licensing objectives. Please indicate which of the licensing objectives the application would be inconsistent with, along with a concise explanation why. Please delete any of the objectives that do not apply.

Objective	Objection
Preventing crime and disorder	<p>We were out for dinner as a family at Harmony on the 18th of June 2022 when just in front of the window we were seated at an altercation took place between the bouncers of NOX and some drunk patrons, my children were transfixed. A lot of police officers and several police vehicles came and arrests were made. It was like an episode of 'The 'Bill', but unfortunately not fiction just a regular Saturday night occurrence where we live.</p> <p>Mixing live sporting events and extending drinking hours will inevitably lead to even more crime and disorder. Imagine the shouts and roars when goals/tries are scored combine this with the early afternoon pre-match drinking and the post-match celebrations/drowning of sorrows.</p> <p>Granting this Premise License Variation will only extend the scope and frequency of crime and disorder that directly relates to this venue.</p>
Securing public safety	<p>When NOx is open and people are queuing to get in, coming out to smoke, coming out to move to another venue or particularly when coming out at the end of the night and not dispersing for extended periods, there are very drunk and thus very vulnerable people ambling around in the middle of the street in front of NOx which happens to be a 5-street junction. This is unsafe for the inebriated people and for drivers who must try and get around them.</p> <p>I firmly assert that granting this application would be gravely detrimental to the safety of the residents and pedestrians in the vicinity.</p>

Preventing public nuisance	<p>To put it simply we can already hear and feel the vibrations from the indoor music emanating from NOx when it is open for business. If NOx is given permission to have an outdoor drinking area where they can play live sports and recorded music then there would be no building fabric to attenuate the noise. Thus, the public nuisance caused by noise would be so much more intrusive and disruptive to the sleep of my family including my two school age children than is already the case.</p> <p>When NOx is open there is a lot of noise when people are queuing to get in but the worst point which is almost guaranteed to wake us all up for an extended period (at 2 or 3am depending on the night) is when the venue shuts and the NOx patrons hang around shouting, singing, having heated arguments etc The student events were the worst and these revellers also took the longest to disperse and I felt even more resentful of having our sleep disturbed as we would have to get up for school and work the following day as these events were held on school nights. There are many serious health implications in terms of both physical and mental health to ongoing sleep disruption particularly for growing children.</p> <p>I was very concerned about the wording of the variation. Reading the text, I had the impression that NOx was applying for a variation that would allow them to open whenever they wanted irrespective of what their licenced hours are? NOx requested to add a list of activities including outdoor drinking facilities and televised sport outside of their core hours. They also requested to add indoor and outdoor sports as an activity within or out with their core hours. The variation states that recorded music and televised sport may be played out with core hours. Finally, there was a mention of a further application for alcohol be sold during these extended hours. They can already open 14/15 hours/day, the thought of extended hours that are not even regulated and may ultimately include alcohol sales is unacceptable. It will make the area uninhabitable. The health and welfare of residents must be protected from the possibility of such intrusive and disruptive activity.</p>
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The contemplated Premises License Variation, permitting additional activities, extended hours and a licensed point of dispatch, are inexcusably imprudent. Granting such a license, under the circumstances mentioned above, is tantamount to endorsing a deterioration of the prevailing City Centre public safety and wellbeing.

I urge the Licensing Board to rigorously assess the implications of this application and prioritize the paramount duty to secure public safety and prevention of crime and disorder.

Your Signature 
Date 10/09/2023
<p>Please refer to the Privacy Notice for information on how we use your data.</p> <p>Your data: Liquor Licence objections and representations Aberdeen City Council</p>