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**Subject:** Temporary Event Notice (29/05 – 30/05/2021); Bowdon Cricket, Hockey and Squash Club, South Downs Road, Bowdon, WA14 3DT

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Dear Licensing Team,

Further to your consultation of the 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2021 in respect of the above Temporary Event Notice (TEN), I wish to raise an objection to the acceptance of this TEN on the basis of the proposed activities potentially not being consistent with the licensing objective for the prevention of public nuisance.

The proposal is for socially distanced community concerts forming part of a community festival with an outdoor stage on the cricket pitch and open areas with proposals for live music, rides and associated activities from 14:00 – 21:30 hrs on the 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> May 2021 for 499 people. The application description refers to the event as 'socially distanced community concerts for 2 nights'. The plan associated with the application presents the layout of the stage, bar, rides, VIP area, hot food area, local business showcase pitches and toilet area.

I am aware of historical noise complaints being received by the Pollution team about the playing of loud music at similar events involving regulated entertainment held at the premises. Residents complained of loud live music during such events which resulted in formal action being taken against the club in 2014. The site is directly overlooked by a number of noise sensitive residential premises which include apartments and houses.

I would have concerns about the possibility of undue disturbance from the outdoor events since the need to provide satisfactory sound coverage for the audience combined with the lack of any sound containment can result in excessive noise being easily propagated to receptors who are located in close proximity to the site. This being also subject to variabilities such as weather conditions and wind direction. The complaints received historically provide evidence that music noise from such events has negatively impacted on noise sensitive residential premises in the vicinity.

Low frequency noise in particular can travel surprising distances and may reflect around buildings, leading to additional difficulty in the control of this aspect of the sound. The provision of outdoor entertainment through the quietest period of the



evening and into the night time is not acceptable given the proximity of residents, the inherent problems in sound control indicated above and also considering the historical impact of a similar event.

The TEN supporting documentation does not specify a detailed plan for any noise control and mitigation measures. The documentation includes no detailed reference to any undertaking for the monitoring and control of sound levels or to give residents detailed prior notification of the event. The application is therefore not considered to be sufficient for the local authority to assess the environmental impact of these events and as such it would not be unreasonable for this Service to raise an objection in this matter.

For information, the Council has a duty to investigate complaints of noise nuisance and should any statutory nuisance be witnessed, is obliged to serve a Noise Abatement Notice on the person responsible, and potentially on the owner and/or occupier of the premises in addition.

I would therefore object to the Temporary Event Notice

Kind Regards

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