Bath & North East Somerset Council

Improving People's Lives

Licensing Sub-Committee

Date: Thursday, 31st October, 2024

Time: 10.00am

Venue: Council Chamber - Guildhall, Bath

Councillors: Steve Hedges, Toby Simon and Ann Morgan

Chief Executive and other appropriate officers Press and Public

A briefing session for Members will be held at 9.30am



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Licensing Sub-Committee - Thursday, 31st October, 2024

at 10.00am in the Council Chamber - Guildhall, Bath

AGENDA

1. EMERGENCY EVACUATION PROCEDURE

The Chair will draw attention to the emergency evacuation procedure as set out under Note 5 on the previous page.

- 2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS
- DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

At this point in the meeting declarations of interest are received from Members in any of the agenda items under consideration at the meeting.

- (a) The agenda item number in which they have an interest to declare.
- (b) The nature of their interest.
- (c) Whether their interest is a **disclosable pecuniary interest** or an **other interest** (as defined in Part 4.4 Appendix B of the Code of Conduct and Rules for Registration of Interests).

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- 4. TO ANNOUNCE ANY URGENT BUSINESS AGREED BY THE CHAIR
- 5. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: 3RD OCTOBER 2024 (Pages 5 16)
- 6. LICENSING PROCEDURE (Pages 17 20)

The Chair will, if required, explain the licensing procedure.

7. APPLICATION FOR A NEW PREMISES LICENCE FOR KING EDWARDS SCHOOL BATH PAVILION AND PLAYING FIELDS, BATHAMPTON, BATH. BA2 6SY (Pages 21 - 144)

The Committee Administrator for this meeting is Mark Durnford who can be contacted on 01225 394458.



BATH AND NORTH EAST SOMERSET

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

Thursday, 3rd October, 2024

Present: - Councillors Steve Hedges (Chair), Toby Simon and Ann Morgan

Also in attendance: John Dowding (Lead Officer - Licensing), Wayne Campbell (Public Protection Officer (Licensing)), Holly Woodrow (Public Protection Officer (Licensing)) and Rebecca Jones (Deputy Team Leader - Legal Services)

58 EMERGENCY EVACUATION PROCEDURE

The Democratic Services Officer drew attention to the Emergency Evacuation Procedure.

59 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS

There were none.

60 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Chair, Councillor Steve Hedges declared an other interest in respect of agenda item 8 as he said that he knew the witness who was due to give a character reference for that licensee. He made it clear that this in no way would affect his judgement in this matter.

61 TO ANNOUNCE ANY URGENT BUSINESS AGREED BY THE CHAIR

There was none.

62 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: 22ND AUGUST 2024 AND 5TH SEPTEMBER 2024

The Sub-Committee **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the meetings held on 22nd August 2024 and 5th September 2024 and they were duly signed by the Chair.

63 LICENSING PROCEDURE

The Chair referenced the procedure that would be followed during the course of the meeting.

Those that were present confirmed that they had received and understood the licensing procedure.

64 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

The members of the Sub-Committee agreed that they were satisfied that the public interest would be better served by not disclosing relevant information, in accordance with the provisions of Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972.

It was **RESOLVED** that the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business and the reporting of the meeting be prevented under Section 100A(5A), because of the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1 and 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act, as amended.

65 CONSIDERATION OF FIT AND PROPER STATUS - 22/00256/TAXI

The Public Protection Officer (Licensing) introduced the report to the Sub-Committee. She stated that they were being asked to determine whether a licensee remains fit and proper to hold their combined Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's licence.

The motorcyclist involved in the road traffic incident with the Licensee on the 13 December 2023 was present and confirmed that he stands by the statement provided by him regarding the incident.

The Deputy Team Leader asked the motorcyclist if he had now received the Licensee's insurance details.

The motorcyclist replied that he had, but said this had only happened since he had made his complaint to the Council.

The Licensee's representative asked the motorcyclist if he was aware that the Licensee had given his insurance details to the motorcyclist's insurance company.

The motorcyclist replied that he was not aware of this.

The Licensee's representative referred to Annex J and asked the Licensee to give his account of the incident to the Sub-Committee.

The Licensee said that he simply asked the lady to repeat her destination as she spoke quietly and he has protective screens fitted within his vehicle. He stated that he had never seen her before this incident.

The Licensee's representative referred to Annex I and asked the Licensee to give his account of the incident to the Sub-Committee.

The Licensee said that the couple in question were visibly tired and angry and that he was only trying to help them by saying their destination was not far to walk.

Councillor Toby Simon stated that it was not his role to give a view on whether customers should be asking to travel what he perceives to be a short distance.

The Licensee said that he did not refuse the fare and was just offering his opinion.

The Chair commented that if the Licensee could see the customers were tired and it was raining, why suggest that they walk. He said that he should accept the fare, no matter how short the journey.

The Licensee said that the couple misinterpreted his comments and that he has taken customers on many short journeys.

The Licensee's representative referred to Annex E and asked the Licensee to give his account of the incident to the Sub-Committee.

The Licensee said that he was travelling back home after taking a customer to the Royal Marsden Hospital in Sutton. He explained that whilst driving he had seen a motorcyclist, signalled and overtook him safely. He added that around half a mile later there was another motorcyclist, and again he signalled and overtook him safely.

He stated that two to three minutes later he heard a noise from behind his vehicle before a motorcyclist punched the mirror of his vehicle before losing balance.

He said that he asked the motorcyclist if he was ok or needed any help. He also asked the motorcyclist why he punched his mirror.

The Licensee says that the motorcyclist said that he had been disrespected by being overtaken.

The Licensee said that he helped the motorcyclist up from the ground, picked up his bike and some of the parts that had fallen off his bike during the incident. He added that he had given his card, with contact details on, to the motorcyclist and said after the motorcyclist had driven off he reported the incident to the Police as a matter of road rage.

The Licensee informed the Sub-Committee that in the following days / weeks he had been hassled by the mother of the motorcyclist to provide his insurance details.

The Licensee's representative asked when had the Licensee provided his insurance details to the insurer of the motorcyclist.

The Licensee replied that he had done this within a few days of the incident. He added that he had evidence from his insurance company at the time that no contact has been made with them regarding this incident.

Councillor Toby Simon commented to the Licensee that the motorcyclist has stated that the licensee's vehicle was indicating right to turn into Entry Hill at the time of the incident. He asked if this was correct or had the Licensee continued along the Bradford Road towards Pennyquick.

The Licensee replied that he did not drive down Entry Hill as he lives near Chew Magna and remained on the Bradford Road.

Councillor Simon asked the Licensee if he was aware of any injury to the motorcyclist at the time of the incident.

The Licensee replied that the motorcyclist had said that he was not injured, but he had offered to call an ambulance. He added that he thought that the motorcyclist might have had a grazed arm.

Councillor Simon asked the Licensee how he had been able to contact the motorcyclist's insurance company.

The Licensee replied that he had been given this information by the motorcyclist's mother.

Councillor Simon asked the Licensee if he had contacted his insurance company at the time of the incident.

The Licensee replied that he had not.

Councillor Simon asked the Licensee if his vehicle was stationary at the time of the incident.

The Licensee replied that it was not. He said that the motorcyclist came alongside his vehicle and punched the mirror.

The Chair commented that the Licensee has a legal obligation to provide his contact / insurance details when involved in a road traffic incident.

The Licensee replied that the Police did not advise him to do so and that he did not want to reward thuggery.

Councillor Simon asked if the Licensee had any further documentary evidence for the Sub-Committee to consider.

The Licensee's representative said that they wished to submit a letter from his insurance company at the time of the incident to show that no contact has been made with them to date regarding the incident by the motorcyclist.

The Deputy Team Leader explained that the letter states that contact has been made though by a third-party solicitor. She suggested at this point that the Sub-Committee review the Police call logs.

The Public Protection Officer (Licensing) stated that the Police had logged the incident as a Road Traffic Collision and that there was no mention of road rage, pursuit or of any damage to the Licensee's vehicle.

The Licensee said that his call to the Police was cut short by them.

The Licensee's representative referred to Annex B and asked the Licensee to give his account of the incident to the Sub-Committee.

The Licensee said that after having attended a funeral that day he was driving near the train station and saw a long queue of people and thought he would help out. He said that the lady customer had tried to talk about the funeral and there had been a misunderstanding. He added that he had not intended to upset her. He explained that he had not told her to walk, but said 'It's not very far'. He said that he always takes the fares requested of him.

The Licensee's representative referred to Annex C and asked the Licensee to give his account of the incident to the Sub-Committee.

The Licensee said that he drove the three passengers to their destination and received a £2 tip and said that he was therefore surprised to have this complaint made against him.

The Licensee's representative asked him if he had told the passengers they should walk to their destination.

The Licensee replied that he had not. He added that he had now learned his lesson about making these types of comments to potential customers.

The Licensee's representative stated that they have five further written references in support of the licensee to submit to the Sub-Committee and that one person was in attendance to offer a personal character reference.

The member of the public stated that she was a regular customer of the Licensee and had known him for many years. She described him as helpful and co-operative when in his role as a taxi driver.

The Chair asked the Licensee to make a summing up statement.

The Licensee said that he has held his licence since 2008 and has many clients. He added that he has an exceptionally good character, was courteous and carries out charity work, including driving people on Christmas day.

He stated that most of his clients were of a high profile and that, in the main, he has no issues from members of the public about his service. He added that he might make some mistakes and apologises for any offence that he has caused.

The Chair commented that at his previous appearance before the Sub-Committee in 2015 he was warned that his licence could be revoked and asked was his current behaviour likely to continue.

The Licensee replied that he would like the Sub-Committee to look at the references provided and said that he was a good person who helps a lot of people.

The Lead Officer (Licensing) commented that the Licensee seems to encounter a number of irritable or bad tempered customers in comparison to many other drivers and said that the number of complaints against him was way above the level of the majority of his colleagues.

The Licensee said that he could not speak on behalf of others, but these were his observations.

The Licensee's representative said that the Licensee had addressed and explained the misunderstandings that had been brought before the Sub-Committee. She added that the Licensee has learnt not to say that 'It's a short journey' to future customers.

She reaffirmed that the Licensee had not left the scene of the incident with the motorcyclist and had given his insurance details to the insurer of the motorcyclist.

She stated that they have submitted a number of references to show that the Licensee remains a fit and proper person and said that he should be allowed to continue in his role as a taxi driver.

The Deputy Team Leader stated that he had failed to report the incident with the motorcyclist to the Licensing department.

The Licensee's representative replied that this had not been done because it was the Licensee's view that this had not been a collision between two vehicles. She added that he was now aware of reporting any such incident in the future.

Decision & Reasons

Members have had to consider whether or not the licensee is a fit and proper person to continue to hold his combined Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's licence in the light of failures to comply with the license conditions by his conduct to customers in being rude, unhelpful, aggressive and discouraging potential hirers and following a road traffic incident on 13 December 2023 failing to inform licensing and failing to provide his insurance details for several months to the motorcyclist involved in the incident. In doing so Members took account of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976, Human Rights Act 1998, case law and the Council policy.

Members considered the officers report, including the additional papers from the police call logs, heard from officers, and considered the written complaints from members of the public. Members considered the written and oral submissions from the licensee, including, eight written and one oral character references in his support as a helpful and considerate taxi driver. The Members also heard submissions from his representative.

Members considered the facts:

- First licensed on 29 August 2008, his current combined hackney carriage/private hire driver's licence is due to expire on 28 February 2025.
- Between 2008 and 2015 there were a number of complaints from members of the public regarding his conduct.
- On 26 May 2015 the complaints were referred to LSC, which considered fifteen issues including issues of rudeness, aggression, discouraging fares, being unhelpful and other concerns. The licensee was given a clear warning as to his future conduct and that he was at risk of having his license revoked if he appeared before the LSC again.
- Since then there have been a number of further complaints from members of the public:

- 24 October 2021 complaint from member of public alleging the licensee was rude, aggressive and intimidating
- 14 October 2022 complaint from member of the public alleging the licensee had been unpleasant and reluctant to accept fare
- 20 April 2024 complaint from member of public re alleged rudeness and reluctance to accept fare
- 2 May 2024 complaint from member of the public the licensee was aggressive and abusive and reluctant to accept fare
- 10 March 2024 complaint from member of the public re road traffic incident on the 13 December 2023.
 - The licensee failed to comply with his licensing conditions to report the road traffic incident and damage to his vehicle to licensing
 - Not until 25 June 2024 after several requests from the motorcyclist and licensing did the licensee provide his insurance details to the motorcyclist.
- Eight written and one character reference letters in support of the licensees conduct as a taxi driver were submitted to the Sub-Committee.

Members heard from the motorcyclist involved in the incident on 13 December 2023. He confirmed the evidence he had provided in his written statement to licensing officers. That is that he had fallen from his motorbike following a collision with the licensee. He had hurt his arm, his motorbike had fallen to the ground and been damaged. The licensees response had been aggressive and unhelpful, despite several requests he had not provided his insurance details to him until several months later.

Members heard from the licensee and his representative. The licensee expanded on the written reasons that he had provided to licensing officers explaining his behaviour with hirers. He stated that he had been misunderstood, that he had not refused or been reluctant to takes fares, but had merely provided information re the closeness of their requested destination and had now learnt his lesson not to do that. On another occasion he had merely been reluctant to converse with a hirer as he had just come from a funeral. He considered he was helpful, polite, often drove persons who were unwell or struggling without charge and that he provided exceptional service.

The licensee stated that he had provided his insurance details directly to the motorcyclists insurers shortly after the incident. That he had not reported the incident to licensing as he did not consider he was required to do so as there had not been a direct collision between the vehicles.

The licensee stated that he had reported the incident to the police as road rage and that the motorcyclist had hit his car, as in punched it. Members reviewed the call logs from both parties and noted that in the licensees call there was no mention of road rage or a punch by the motorcyclist.

Members reviewed the texts exchanged at page 61 to 64 of the bundle, it did appear that the licensee contacted the insurers of the motorcyclist. Members considered, those insurers appear to have said that they had to hear directly from their own client and their own client had not been provided with the licensees insurance details, despite requests via his mother and licensing until June 2024. Members do not consider that this discharged the licensee's duties under section 170 of the Road Traffic Act to provide full details, especially as the motorcyclists insurers may not have recorded details provided to them by a third party.

Members found on the facts:

- The four complaints since 2021 together with the incidents considered by LSC in 2015 demonstrated a pattern of behaviour which was incompatible with the duties of a licensed taxi driver.
- The licensee had received a clear warning from the LSC in 2015 as to his future conduct
- The licensees behaviour following the road traffic incident on 13 December 2023 displayed an attitude that was combative, unhelpful and demonstrated a failure to comply with the requirements of his license including following the Council policy and the Road Traffic Act.

Members find on balance that the Licensee is not a fit and proper person to continue to hold the combined Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence.

Members therefore conclude separately and together these issues demonstrate that the licensee is not a fit and proper person to hold a combined a taxi and hackney carriage license.

66 CONSIDERATION OF FIT AND PROPER STATUS - 22/00248/TAXI

The Public Protection Officer (Licensing) introduced the report to the Sub-Committee. He stated that they were being asked to determine whether a licensee remains fit and proper to hold their combined Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's licence.

The Licensee addressed the Sub-Committee and said that he had struggled with completing forms for many years and should have asked for help. He stated that he had now put things in place to help him.

Councillor Toby Simon asked if the Licensee could give any examples of how he has struggled and for how long.

The Licensee replied that, if honest, he had probably had these issues since being at school and would avoid having to confront them as much as possible. He added that he had recently become more aware as his children had been diagnosed with ADHD.

He explained that he asks his partner to now double check forms before signing them and acknowledged that he requires some instructions to be repeated to him.

Councillor Simon asked the Licensee how he feels when receiving information from passengers about where they want to travel to.

The Licensee replied that he checks with them two or three times to make sure he has the right destination.

Councillor Simon asked the Licensee how he handled information whilst driving, such as road diversions.

The Licensee replied that this was normally fine as the information would normally be in large print.

The Chair asked the Licensee how he would cope if his partner was away for a period of time and he had to respond or complete some forms within a required timeframe.

The Licensee replied that he would find another family member to help him. He added that he has an eye test every year and knows to inform the Licensing department if there are any changes in his medical condition.

Councillor Simon asked the Licensee if he was now driving full time.

The Licensee replied that he was now driving around 40 hours per week.

The Chair asked the Licensee to make a summing up statement.

The Licensee said that he acknowledges the mistakes that he has made and will now ask for support from family members when required. He added that he has had no complaints made against him from any members of the public.

Decision & Reasons

Members have had to consider whether or not the licensee is a fit and proper person to continue to hold his combined Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's licence in the light of failures to comply with the license conditions relating to failing to inform the Licensing Authority of relevant medical conditions and falsely declaring at four licence renewals that he had no relevant medical conditions. In doing so Members took account of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976, Human Rights Act 1998, case law and the Council policy.

Members considered the officers report, heard from officers, and considered the written and oral submissions from the licensee. Officers stated that the licensee had now provided relevant medical reports and was assessed fit to drive.

Members considered the facts that:

- The licensee has held a license since 6 November 2006, the current licence expires on 28 February 2025.
- B&NES licensed drivers have to meet the DVLA group 2 standards for vocational drivers. The DVLA provides guidance: Assessing Fitness to Drive

 A guide for medical professionals (last update June 2022).

- The licensee had a number of medical conditions that should have been declared to the Licensing Authority when first diagnosed. One condition required an assessment and new glasses before he was assessed as fit to drive.
- At 45 years old all B&NES drivers have to produce a medical form (D4). A D4 report submitted on 31 January 2024 (first report since he was licensed in 2006) stated that the licensee had multiple conditions which he had not notified licensing of previously:
 - Diabetes first diagnosed in 2020 and on medication for this. Notified licensing of this four years after diagnosis.
 - Hypertension. On medication for this.
 - Obstructive sleep apnoea syndrome first diagnosed moderately severe in 2017 and referral for CPAP therapy. Licensing first informed of this condition seven years later. In 2021 licensee reported to a doctor he was too tired to drive his taxi in the afternoons. Last review of his sleep apnoea in 2018 so is now overdue.
 - In 2015 underwent an ECG due to breathlessness. Not reported to licensing until nine years later.
 - Visual acuity readings indicated he did not meet the Group 2 standards

On 2 and 8 February 2023 the licensee provided further information in relation to his medical status.

- Since 2015 the licensee renewed his combined license four times, each time
 making a false declaration on the renewal applications as he had indicated an
 answer of "no" when asked "are you aware of any event which would affect
 the information supplied on the last medical certificate submitted to B&NES
 Council by you?"
- The licensee has indicted he has dyslexia and ADHD which makes it difficult
 for him to read and understand forms. The Members noted he has not been
 formally diagnosed with either condition. He has never previously expressed
 any difficulties to licensing in completing applications and had completed
 forms in the presence of licensing officers without apparent difficulty.
- On 5 April 2024 his licence was immediately suspended as licensing could not be satisfied he met the group 2 standards. The license was reinstated on 11 April 2024 on production of evidence he met those standards.
- Apart from the failure to declare medical concerns there have been no other concerns or complaints regarding the licensee.

Members heard from the licensee:

- He has struggled with forms and to read all his life.
- He admitted he should have asked for help
- He has let himself and licensing down
- He has now put things in place with his partner or eldest son to read things to him and he asks them to repeat information until he has understood.
- He has now read and fully understands the terms and conditions of his license.
- He can read road signs without difficulty due to the size of the text
- He will ask hirers more than once to clarify information.

- He admitted it took a long time for licensing to become aware of his serious medical conditions. He was not a full time driver until more recently.
- He has now arrangements in place for a CPAP review and eye test every year.
- He knows that any issues and changes to his conditions he must report to licensing.

Members found the on the facts the licensee:

- Had failed to comply with the condition on his licence regarding informing licensing of changes in his medical condition. Some conditions he had for seven years and had not notified licensing.
- Had made four false declarations on renewal applications.
- Members accepted the licensee's evidence regarding his dyslexia.
- The licensee had held his licence for approximately eighteen years and there have been no other concerns or complaints.

Members find on balance that the Licensee is a fit and proper person to continue to hold the combined Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Driver's Licence, but they issue a final warning to the Licensee that:

- 1. He must familiarise himself with the conditions of his licence, especially those relating to medical conditions
- 2. He must comply with the conditions on his licence as they are an important safeguard to ensure the safety of the travelling public.
- 3. He must ensure that he appropriately seeks medical advice and reports any changes to his conditions to licensing as required by his license conditions.
- 4. If he is unsure about any matter he must speak to licensing.
- 5. If he comes before the Licensing Sub-Committee again, against this background, there is a strong risk of revocation of his licence.

The meeting ended at 1.45 pm
Chair(person)
Date Confirmed and Signed
Prepared by Democratic Services

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LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE LICENSING ACT 2003 PROCEDURE FOR HEARING AN APPLICATION FOR A NEW PREMISES LICENCE OR FOR A VARIATION OF A PREMISES LICENCE

The Chair will allow the parties an equal maximum period of time in which to make representations that will not normally exceed <u>twenty minutes</u>. Where more than one party makes relevant representations this time will be split between the parties and where several parties make similar representations it is suggested one representative is appointed to avoid duplication.

The term "party" or "parties" will mean anyone to whom notice of this meeting has been given.

- 1. The Chair will introduce Members of the Sub-Committee, the Officers present and explain the procedure to be followed.
- 2. The Licensing Officer will outline the nature of the matter to be considered by the Sub-Committee.
- **3. (i)** The Applicant/Licence Holder , or representative, addresses the Sub-Committee who may be asked relevant questions by the other parties and Members.
 - (ii) witnesses may be called in support of the application who may be asked relevant questions by the other parties and Members.
- **4. (i)** Any party making relevant representations, or representative, will address the Sub-Committee who may be asked relevant questions by the Applicant, other parties and Members.
 - (ii) witnesses may be called in support of such representations who may be asked relevant questions by the Applicant, other parties and Members.
- **5.** Responsible Authorities making representation will address the Committee and may be asked relevant questions by the Applicant, other parties and Members.
- **6.** The other parties will be invited in turn to summarise their representations.
 - Responsible Authorities will be invited to summarise their representations
 - The Applicant/ Licence Holder will be invited to summarise the application.
- 8. The Chair will invite the Sub-Committee to move into private session to enable the Members to deliberate in private. The Committee will reconvene publicly if clarification of evidence is required and/or legal advice is required. The Committee may retire to a private room, or alternatively require vacation of the room by all other persons.

Whilst in deliberation the Sub-Committee will be accompanied by Legal and Democratic Service Officers for the purpose of assisting them in drafting their reasoning for the decision.

The Sub-Committee will reconvene the meeting and the Chair will announce the Sub-Committee's decision with reasons and advise that the decision will be

released in writing within the statutory time limits or advise that the decision will be released in writing with reasons within the statutory time limit, in this instance, 5 working days.

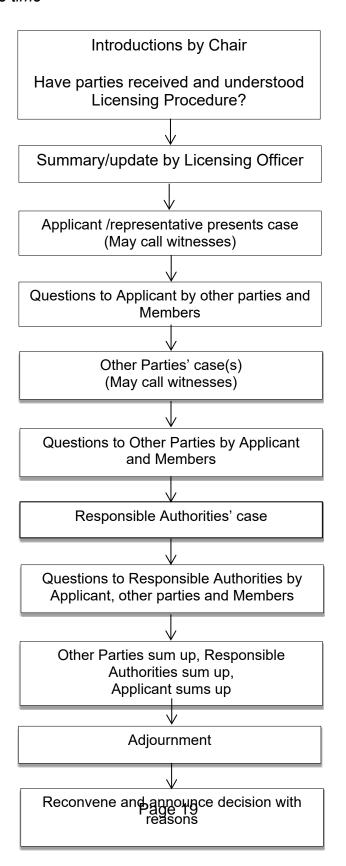
PLEASE NOTE:

- Where the Sub-Committee considers it necessary to do so, it may vary this procedure.
- In circumstances where a party fails to attend the Sub-Committee will consider whether to proceed in absence. Should a matter be deferred the deferral notice will state that the matter may proceed in a party's absence on the next occasion. In deciding whether to proceed all notices, communications and representations will be considered.
- Only in <u>exceptional circumstances</u> will the Sub-Committee take into account
 any additional late documentary or other information produced by an existing
 party in support of their application/representation. This will be at the
 discretion of the Chair and with the agreement of all the other parties. No new
 representations will be allowed at the hearing.
- The hearing will take the form of a discussion and parties will be able to ask questions as set out above. However, formal cross examination will be discouraged.
- The Authority will disregard any information or representation given by a party which is not relevant to the Application and the Licensing Act 2003.
- Where there is more than one party making relevant representations the time allocated will be split between those parties.
- Where several parties are making the same or similar representations it is suggested that one representative is appointed to avoid duplication and make efficient use of the allocated time.
- Where an objection is made by an association or residents group, a duly authorised person as notified to the Licensing Authority may speak on behalf of that association or group.
- The Chair may request that persons behaving in a disruptive manner should leave the hearing and their return refused, or allowed subject to conditions.
 An excluded person is however, entitled to submit the information they would have been entitled to present had they not been excluded.

Bath & North East Somerset Council is committed to taking decisions in an honest, accountable and transparent fashion. On occasion however, it may be necessary to exclude members of the press and public pursuant to the Local Government Act 1972 Schedule 12 (a). In those circumstances reasons for such decisions will be given.

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE LICENSING ACT 2003 PROCEDURE FOR NEW APPLICATIONS AND VARIATIONS

The parties will be allowed an equal maximum period of time not normally exceeding twenty minutes. Where more than one party make representations the time should be split equally between them. Where several parties make similar representations one representative should be appointed avoiding duplication and making the best use of the available time



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Bath & North East Somerset Council					
MEETING Licensing Sub Committee					
MEETING DATE	Thursday 31 October 2024	EXECUTIVE FORWARD PLAN REFERENCE:			
TITLE:					
WARD:	Bathavon North				
AN OPEN PUBLIC ITEM					
List of atta	achments to this report:				
Annex A	Application for a new premises licence.				
Annex B	Plan of premises submitted with application.				
Annex C	Representations of objection received.				
Annex D	Representations of support received.				

1 THE ISSUE

- 1.1 An application has been made under s.17 of the Licensing Act 2003 by King Edward's School Bath for King Edwards's School Bath, Pavilion and Playing Fields, Bathampton BA2 6SY for a new Premises Licence.
- 1.2 48 relevant representations of objection have been received from local residents and other interested parties within the statutory period. 3 representations of support for this application have also been received.

2 RECOMMENDATION

2.1 The Committee is asked to determine the application.

3 THE REPORT

3.1 An application has been received from King Edward's School Bath for a new Premises Licence for King Edward's School Bath, Pavilion and Playing Fields, Bathampton BA2 6SY.

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(Annex A).

- 3.2 The application proposes the following licensable activities:
 - The sale of alcohol (for consumption on the premises only) 12:00 23:00 every day.
 - Performance of Dance, Exhibition of Film and Performance of Plays (outdoors) 14:00 – 22:00 every day.
 - Performance of Live Music (indoors and outdoors) 10:00 22:00 every day.
 - Performance of Recorded Music (indoors and outdoors) 10:00 23:00 every day.
- 3.3 The application proposes the following opening times:
 - 07:00 Midnight every day.
- 3.4 The following measures have been offered by the applicant to promote the licensing objectives:
 - Following consultation with the police during the statutory 28-day consultation period, the applicant agreed to amend the original application. The measures offered by the applicant to promote the licensing objectives are now:
 - There will be no more than 10 events per calendar year that either a) finish after 6pm or
 b) have more than 500 people present.
 - Live or recorded music will only take place in the pavilion or areas marked on the site plan.
 - The showing of films outdoors will only take place in the pavilion or areas marked on the site plan.
 - For each event held under the licence an Event Safety Management Document (specific to the event) shall be completed outlining the proposed management structure, responsibilities and contact details for each event, together with details of the organisation, control, monitoring and review mechanisms as identified by the event specific risk assessment.
 - If capacity of the event is over 500 this shall be submitted to the Licensing Authority, the Police, and the Emergency Planning Authority one calendar month in advance of the event. When the proposed maximum occupancy shall exceed 2,000 two calendar months notice shall be required.
 - The max capacity of any event will be 3000 people.
 - An incident logbook shall be kept and maintained on the premises. The log shall be used to record incidents that occur on the premises and carry a significant risk of leading to crime and disorder, prejudice to public safety, public nuisance or harm to children. The log will include the date and time, the name of the member of staff making the record, along with the details of the incident and any action taken. The incident logbook shall be available for inspection by the police or authorised Local Authority officers.

The incident logbook will record the following:

- All crime reported to the venue
- All ejections of patrons
- Any complaints received
- Any incidents of disorder
- All seizures of drugs or weapons
- Any person found to be dealing drugs will be detained and the police informed immediately. Drugs seized will be securely stored, logged and handed over to the police.
- All staff shall be trained before they are allowed to sell alcohol to the public. Records of staff training, along with any training material used, must be kept by the Designated Premises Supervisor or Premises Licence Holder. All training records shall be signed by the trainer and trainee in respect of training received.
- The Premises Licence Holder shall implement a training manual, and all members of staff shall be suitably trained in underage sales prevention before they are allowed to make any sales of alcohol. Refresher training shall be carried out at least every 12 months for all staff and documented within the training records. The training records shall be available for inspection by the police or authorised Local Authority officers.
- Any drinks sold for consumption in areas other than the sports pavilion must be served in plastic containers and or cans.
- o It is the responsibility of all members of staff to ensure that alcoholic drinks are securely kept in a private area when being served in the pavilion. Alcoholic drinks sold on the sports field during events must be kept out of reach of customers until such time as they are purchased and handed to the customer.
- During events taking place after 20:00 clear and legible notices must be prominently displayed at all exits requesting customers to respect local residents and leave the area quietly.
- The Licence Holder shall assess the potential sources of public nuisance that may originate from the operation of the premises within a Noise Management Plan (NMP).
 The NMP shall be implemented ahead of any licensable activity taking place at the premises

The NMP shall be reviewed annually or following any changes to the operation of the premises, whichever is sooner

The NMP shall identify the person responsible for ensuring the plan is implemented, monitored and reviewed.

The NMP shall incorporate the assessment together with actions to control identified sources of disturbance.

The NMP shall be available for inspection by any responsible authority.

- A suitable noise complaints procedure must be established and in operation at the premises. All staff must be familiar with the procedure and any complaint made in respect of the premises must be investigated and remedied so far as is reasonably practicable to prevent public nuisance.
 - i) A suitable noise complaint log will be kept and include:
 - ii) Date and time of complaint:
 - iii) The nature of the complaint;
 - iv) Member of staff who handled complaint;
- Evidence of age in the form of photographic identification (ID) shall be requested from any person appearing to those selling or supplying alcohol to be under the age of 25 and who is attempting to buy alcertage 23

Acceptable identification for the purpose of this condition includes: Current passport or an equivalent form of identification such as a national identity card with a photograph and date of birth; current photographic driving licence or provisional licence with date of birth; Military identification card with a photograph and date of birth; A Proof of Age Standards Scheme (PASS) approved age card.

- Notices shall be strategically and prominently placed at points of sale advising customers that they may be asked to provide evidence of age.
- A refusals book, to record every instance that sales of alcohol are refused, shall be maintained.
- The refusals book shall document the date and time a refusal of sale is made and the member of staff refusing the sale. The refusal book shall be available for inspection by the police or authorised Local Authority officers.
- The premises licence holder will ensure that all hot food traders will have individual wash hand facilities and wash sinks in addition to the central wash station.
- There will be a Personal license holder on site at all times during events with over 500 people.
- Missing children and vulnerable adults' policy will be in place.
- Maintenance and construction activities shall only be carried out between 08:00 and 23:00 hours on event days and 08:00 and 20:00 on any other days.
- A minimum of 5 briefed stewards will be on site during events over 500 people.
- A first aid member will be on site at all times during all events.
- Members of the public will not be permitted to bring glass drinking vessels on-site.
- For each event that is held under the licence, the premises licence holder or designated premises supervisor will assess whether security industry authority (SIA) licensed door supervisors are required.
- SIA registered security staff must be employed at an event at a ratio of 1 Security Industry Authority (SIA) registered Door Supervisor from an Approved Contractor Scheme registered company per 100 patrons if following a risk assessment or advice from Police, it is considered necessary. All assessments are to be retained for a period of 6 months and shall be available to inspect by the police and authorised responsible authority officers.
- 3.5 The floor plans detailing the extent of the proposed licensed Premises are attached at **Annex B**.
- 3.6 The Licensing Act 2003 (Section 4) states that it is the duty of all Licensing Authorities to carry out their functions under the Act with a view to promoting the licensing objectives. The licensing objectives are:
 - a) the prevention of crime and disorder.
 - b) public safety.
 - c) the prevention of public nuisance; and
 - d) the protection of children from harm.

- 3.7 Each objective is of equal importance and these four are of paramount consideration at all times. When considering applications, representations or notifications, the Licensing Authority will have regard to these licensing objectives.
- 3.8 The Licensing Authority may grant the application with or without additional conditions.
- 3.9 Section 4(3) Licensing Act 2003 states that the Licensing Authority should also have regard to the Council's Licensing Policy, the Statutory Guidance issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003, and the Licensing Act itself, and in particular to:
 - a) Paragraphs 3-6, 8-10, 13-14, 17-24, 29, 33-36, 38-41 of the 2020 policy;
 - b) Chapters 2, 8, 9 and 10 of the Statutory Guidance as revised December 2023;
 - c) Sections 4, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 16, 17, 18, 23, 182, and 183 of the Act.
- 3.10 The Licensing Authority recognises that Licensing and Planning are separate regimes. Where an application is granted by the Licensing Authority which would require planning permission this would not relieve the applicant of the need to obtain that permission. It will still be necessary for the applicant to ensure that he/she has **ALL** the necessary permissions in place to enable them to run the business within the law.
- 3.11 If the application is refused the applicant may appeal within 21 days of the notification to the Magistrates' Court. If the application is granted the person making the relevant representation may appeal within 21 days of the notification to the Magistrates' Court. On appeal the court may either dismiss the appeal, substitute the decision appealed against for any other decision which could have been made by the Licensing Authority, or remit the case to the Licensing Authority to dispose of in accordance with the direction of the court. The court may make such order for costs as it thinks fit.
- 3.12 In accordance with the requirements of the Act, copies of the application were forwarded to the Police, the Fire Authority, the Environmental Protection Team, Development Control, Trading Standards, Health Authority and the Safeguarding Children and Young Persons Team.
- 3.13 The applicant was required to place a notice at the premises for a period of 28 consecutive days starting the day after the application was made, and to place an advert in a local newspaper within 10 working days of submitting the application to the licensing authority.
- 3.14 Representations of objection have been received within the statutory period from a number of residents living locally who express concerns that the applicant's proposals are likely to undermine all four licensing objectives, namely The Prevention of Crime and Disorder, Public Nuisance, Public Safety and the Protection of Children from Harm. (Annex C).

- 3.15 3 representations in support of the proposed application have been received (Annex D).
- 3.16 As relevant representations have been received, the Licensing Sub Committee must determine the application in accordance with the Licensing Act 2003.

4 STATUTORY CONSIDERATIONS

- 4.1 An Equality Impact Assessment (EqIA) has been completed. No adverse or other significant issues were found.
- 4.2 Consideration must be given to the Human Rights Act 1998 and the "convention rights".
- 4.3 The Sub Committee have been delegated authority to determine the application on behalf of the Licensing Authority in accordance with the Licensing Act 2003.
- 4.4 When reaching a decision, the Licensing Authority must carry out its functions with a view to promoting the four licensing objectives.

5 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (FINANCE, PROPERTY, PEOPLE)

5.1 The costs of processing licences are covered by the fees charged. The fee for this application is £190

6 RISK MANAGEMENT

6.1 A risk assessment related to the issue and recommendations has been undertaken, in compliance with the Council's decision-making risk management guidance.

7 CLIMATE CHANGE

7.1 The licensing objectives do not require the applicant to specify steps to mitigate the impact of climate emergency. However, the applicant is encouraged to consider locally sourced ingredients and reducing single use plastic in the operation of their business.

8 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

8.1 None.

9 CONSULTATION

- 9.1 The Council's Monitoring Officer (Head of Legal & Democratic Services and Council Solicitor), Section 151 Officer (Director of Finance) and Head of Service,

 Community and Compliance have had the opportunity to input to this report and have cleared it for publication.
- 9.2 This report has not been sent to the Trades Union because they would have no involvement.

Contact person	Geoff Cannon Public Protection Officer (Licensing) 01225 396719
Background papers	Licensing Act 2003 Guidance issued under s.182 of the Licensing Act 2003 Licensing Act 2003 (Premises and Club Premises Certificates) Regulations 2005 B&NES Statement of Licensing Policy

Please contact the report author if you need to access this report in an alternative format

ANNEX A

Application for a Premises Licence under the Licensing Act 2003

Please read the following instructions first -

- Use the Extra Page at the end of the form to provide further details if necessary
- When it is complete you can submit the form directly to us click on the Submit Form button. You may wish to print and keep a copy of the completed form for your records. For help information about filling in this type of electronic form, click on the help information button
- Please read the available information on the Licensing Act 2003
- Before completing this form please read the guidance notes

What dist	rict/local area are you applying to?	?		
I / We	King Edward's School Bath	(premises licence holder name)		
describe	d in Part 1 below (the premises) a	17 of the Licensing Act 2003 for the premises and I/we are making this application to you as the with section 12 of the Licensing Act 2003.		
Part 1 –	Premises Details			
Postal address of premises or, if none, ordinance survey map reference or description		King Edward's School Bath Pavilion & Playing Fields		
Postcode	e ne number of premises	BA2 6TR		
Non-don	nestic rateable value of premises re unsure, you can use this nent link for more information)			
Trading name of the business		King Edward's School, Bath Pavilion and playing fields		
		1 , 3		
Part 2 –	Applicant Details			
Please st	tate whether you are applying for a	a premises licence as:		
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	onfirm: m carrying on or proposing to carry olves the use of the premises for li			
l ar	n making the application pursuant	to a:		
	Statutory function or			
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INDIVIDUAL APPLICANTS (TIII In as applicable)	
Note, names provided in this section must match	the premises licence holder names given earlier.
Title	Ь
First names	
Surname:	
Are you 18 years or older?	Yes No
Date of Birth	
Current postal address if different from	
premises address	
Postcode	
Daytime contact telephone number	
Email address	
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Input Share code if applicable	
SECOND INDIVIDUAL APPLICANT (IF APPLICABLE)	
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First names	
Surname	
Date of Birth (you must be 18 years old or	
over)	
Current postal address if different from premises address	
Postcode	
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OTHER APPLICANTS

Please provide name and registered address of applicant in full. Where appropriate please give any registered number. In case of a partnership or other joint nature (other than a body corporate), please give the name and address of each party concerned.

Name	King Edward's School Bath
Address	Kind Edward's School Bath North Road BA2 6HU
Registered number (where applicable)	Registered Charity No. 1115875
Description of applicant (for example, partnership, company, unincorporated association etc.)	School
Telephone number (if any)	
Email address (optional)	

Operating Schedule	
When do you want the premises licence to start?	01/10/2024
Please note, your application for a premises licen	ce may take up to two months to determine.
If you wish the licence to be valid only for a limited period, when do you want it to end? If 5,000 or more people attend the premises at any one time, please state the number expected to attend	
General description of premises	2/ 2 El A . I Q . (. I la) / a man ala
School Sports Pavilion Consisting C Licensable Activities Will Only Take Veranda. Also To Include The Sports Playing Fields In Front C Marquee/gazebos To House Tempo The Outside Area For Specific Ever	e Place On The Upper Floor And Of The Sports Pavilion. orary Bars Will Be Located Within

Operating Schedule Continued

What licensable activities do you intend to carry on from the premises? (Please see sections 1 of the Licensing Act 2003 and Schedule 1 and 2 to the Licensing Act)

Provision of regulated entertainment	
a) plays (if yes, fill in box A)	X
b) films (if yes, fill in box B)	X
c) indoor sporting events (if yes, fill in box C)	
d) boxing or wrestling entertainment (if yes, fill in box D)	
e) live music (if yes, fill in box E)	X
f) recorded music (if yes, fill in box F)	X
g) performance of dance (if yes, fill in box G)	X
h) anything of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g) (if yes, fill in box H)	
i) Provision of late night refreshment (if yes, fill in box I)	
j) Supply of alcohol (if yes, fill in box J)	X
Is the premises exclusively or primarily selling alcohol for consumption on the premises?	

In all cases complete boxes K, L and M (on the following pages)

Plays Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)		-	Will the performance of a play take place indoors or outdoors or both? (please read guidance note 2)	Indoors Outdoors Both	X
Day	Start time	Finish time	Please give further details here (please	ase read guidar	nce note 3)
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Tues	14:00	22:00			
Wed	14:00	22:00	State any seasonal variations for peread guidance note 4)	erforming plays	s (please
Thur	14:00	22:00			
Fri	14:00	22:00	Non standard timings. Where you in premises for the performance of a path than those listed, please list (please	lay at differen	t times
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Wed			State any seasonal variations for indoor sporting events (please read guidance note 4)
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Fri			Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for indoor sporting events at different times than those listed, please list (please read guidance note 5)
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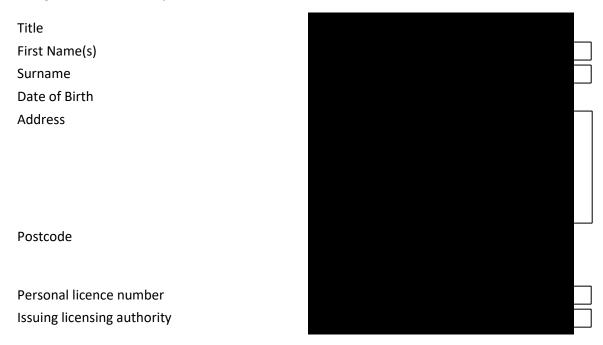
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State the name and details of the individual whom you wish to specify on the licence as Designated Premises Supervisor (DPS).



Please print the 'Consent of individual to being specified as premises supervisor' form and have the person specified above sign and confirm the details given.

Please highlight any adult entertainment or services, activities, other entertainment or matters

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a) General – all four licensing objectives (b,c,d,e) (please read guidance note 9)
All persons involved in the sale of alcohol must receive training on commencement of employment, with regards to preventing the sale of alcohol to persons who are under the required age and proxy sales. This training must be documented and signed for by employees to acknowledge that they have received this training.
All employees involved in the sale of alcohol must receive refresher training every calendar year. Records must be made available for inspection by the Police & Licensing Authority upon request
b) The prevention of crime and disorder
The Premises Licence Holder shall require the Designated Premises Supervisor or in his/her absence other responsible person to keep an incident/refusal logbook in a bound book in which full details of incidents are recorded. The logbook is to be kept on the premises at all times and shall be produced to an authorised officer of the police or licensing authority when requested A Challenge 25 proof of age scheme shall be adopted, implemented and advertised at any premises. An accepted form of photographic identification shall be requested before any alcohol is sold to any person who appears to be under 25 years of age. Acceptable proof of age shall include identification bearing the customers photograph, date of birth and integral holographic mark or security measure. Suitable means of identification would include PASS approved proof of age card, photo card driving licence and passport
c) Public safety
d) The prevention of public nuisance
Noise levels emanating from events taking place in the outside sports field areas will be monitored by staff to minimise disruption to nearby properties
Live or recorded music will only take place in the pavilion or areas marked on the site plan
The showing of films outdoors will only take place in the pavilion or areas marked on the site plan
The number of events held on the premises (which includes the sports field area) where more than 500 people will be present, will be limited to a maximum of 10 per year.
e) The protection of children from harm
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 ${f M}$ — Describe the steps you intend to take to promote the four licensing objectives:

Custom Process Configuration

XML Specific		Payments request	
Application type		CallingAppID	
Licence Case Type		CallingAppRef	
Licence Status		PaymentSourceCode	
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IncomeManagementReceiptN	umber	DueDate	
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CardScheme		Pay Description	
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End Date in XML Format		App 2 Email	
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I will provide the plan of the premises (See section 2.9 of this guidance)	X
I will provide the consent form	X
I understand that once my application has been formally accepted, I must advertise my application	X
I understand that if I do not comply with the above requirements my application will be rejected	X
I am applying as an individual rather than a business / limited company and have provided proof of my entitlement to work in the UK (for information on what you can provide as evidence, please reference our evidence guidance notes)	
Please attach evidence using the 'Upload & Attach Files' button.	

Types of files accepted as attachments: gif, jpg, jpeg, tif, tiff, bmp, png and pdf.

Please ensure that the documents you attach are complete and easy to read. If documents are incomplete or are difficult to read this may result in a delay in your application.

Declaration (please read guidance note 10)

[Applicable to individual applicants only, including those in a partnership which is not a limited liability partnership] I understand I am not entitled to be issued with a licence if I do not have the entitlement to live and work in the UK (or if I am subject to a condition preventing me from doing work relating to the carrying on of a licensable activity) and that my licence will become invalid if I cease to be entitled to live and work in the UK.

The DPS named in this application form is entitled to work in the UK (and is not subject to conditions preventing him or her from doing work relating to a licensable activity) and I have seen a copy of his or her proof of entitlement to work, if appropriate.

It is an offence, under section 158 of the licensing act 2003, to make a false statement in or in conviction to a fine of any amount.

It is an offence under section 24b of the immigration act 1971 for a person to work when they know, or have reasonable cause to believe, that they are disqualified from doing so by reason of their immigration status. Those who employ an adult without leave or who is subject to conditions as to employment will be liable to a civil penalty under section 15 of the immigration, asylum and nationality act 2006 and pursuant to section 21 of the same act, will be committing an offence where they do so in the knowledge, or with reasonable cause to believe, that the employee is disqualified.

Confirmation of applicant or applicant's solicitor or other duly authorised agent. (See guidance

note 11) If confirming on behalf of the applicant please state in what capacity.

Confirmation

Name

Peter Brockwell

11/09/2024

Capacity (owner, director etc.)

Estates And Facilities Manager

For joint applications confirmation of 2nd applicant or 2nd applicant's solicitor or other authorised agent (please read guidance note 12) If confirming on behalf of the applicant please state in what capacity.

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Name

Date

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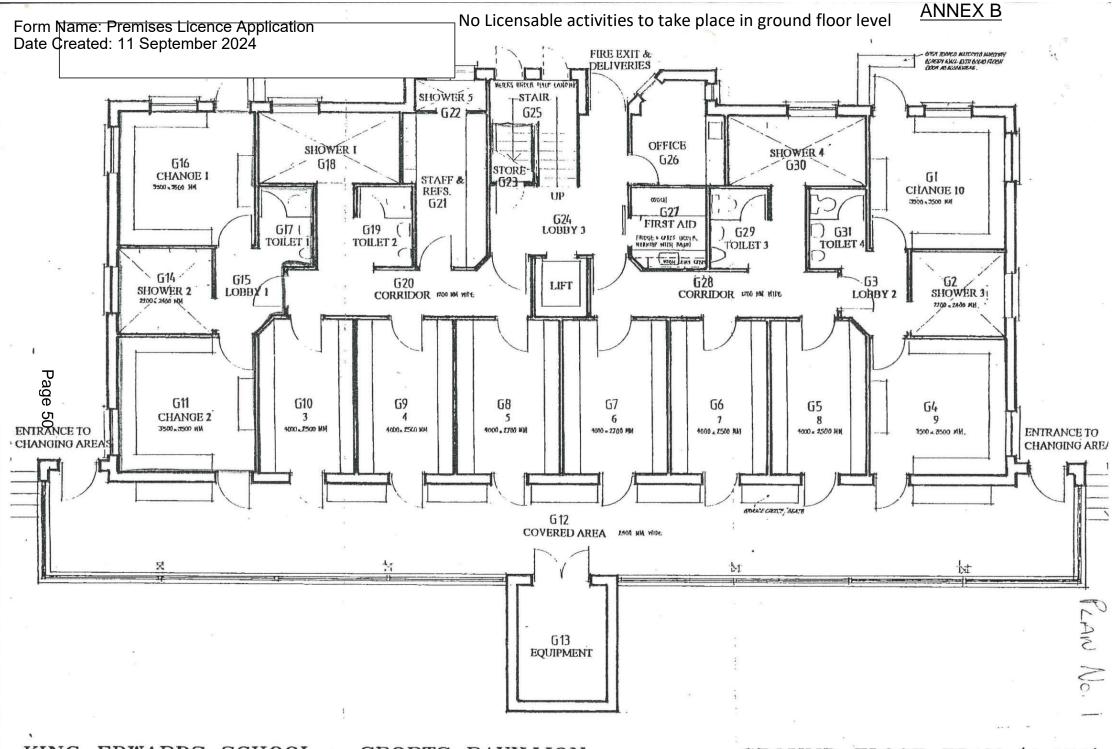
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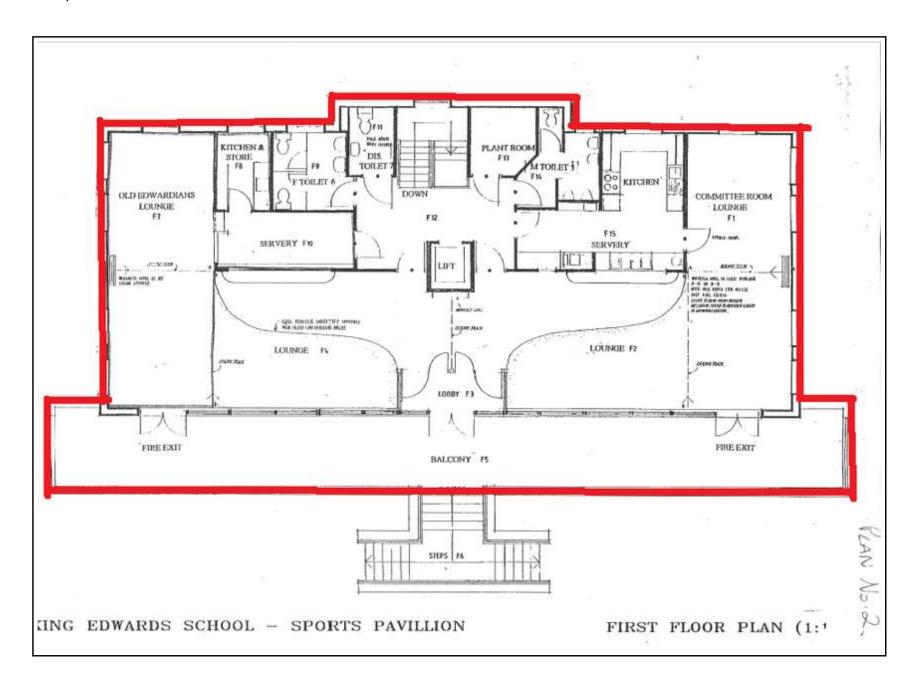
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KING EDWARDS SCHOOL - SPORTS PAVILLION

GROUND FLOOR PLAN (1:100)





ANNEX C

----Original Message----

From: Alex Robertson

Sent: Monday, October 7, 2024 10:35 AM To: Licensing clicensing@bathnes.gov.uk Subject: Application by King Edward School

I should like to lodge an objection to the licensing application to allow outdoor music events on the KE S playing fields in Bathampton.

A village the size of Bathampton , population 1600, cannot be expected to absorb up to 3000 people for an event. Traffic and parking would be impossible and would create a public nuisance.

The noise generated by outdoor music for this size of event would create a public nuisance for everyone in the village. The application is for up to 10events. As these will all take place in the summer, then this means effectively every or most weekends throughout the summer months.

Those residents who live on boats on the canal will suffer most. They are not allowed to run their generators after 8pm in case they disturb the neighbours. But they are now expected to put up with loud music until 11pm in the evening.

I request that this application be rejected.

Alex Robertson

91 Hantone Hill

Bathampton

BA2 6XE

Sent from my iPad

Sent: Sunday, October 6, 2024 11:17 AM **To:** Licensing licensing@bathnes.gov.uk

Subject: Licensing Application Reference: 24/01660/LAPRE

Dear Sir/Madam

I wish to object to Licensing application reference 24/01660/LAPRE. The reasons for my objection are:

- 1. The application seeks overly broad permission to hold events with large numbers of people attending. In the extreme, 499 people could be on-site playing music and consuming alcohol outside until 11pm, 365 days a year. With those people not being required to leave until an hour later, the small roads and footpaths exiting from the site could have hundreds of vehicles and intoxicated people departing at midnight every night.
- 2. The location has inappropriate access and parking. The site is accessed by vehicles through the village High Street/Chappel Row which has tight sections and is already very congested at times. Having around a thousand vehicles exiting the site at once (e.g. at the end of an event) has the potential to gridlock the village. Given that the site has only about 50 parking spaces currently, the application seeks to either:
- a) Increase the potential traffic on and off the site 20-fold by having cars park on large parts of the playing fields themselves or,
- b) Impose a significant burden of additional parking on nearby residential streets.

Public transport links to the site are very limited and there is only space for roughly two private hire coaches. Current access to the site by coaches already produces significant problems for local residents.

3. The application makes vague and unachievable statements regarding disruption. The application states: "Noise levels emanating from events taking place in the outside sports field areas will be monitored by staff to minimise disruption to nearby properties". There is no statement about the absolute levels below which the noise will be kept. A commitment to "minimise disruption" can only be kept by not holding any events. Disruption caused by light polution is entirely ignored by the application

Overall, the application seeks permission to hold events that are both too large and too often for this location, and does not provide any clarity on the level of disruption to the local community that it considers to be acceptable. Bathampton is a small, quiet village and this application seeks to impose significant disruption on the community whilst offering no benefit to it. I ask that the application be rejected for these reasons.

Yours faithfully

C. T. Clarke

Redcliffe, Bathampton Lane

Bathampton

Bath

BA2 6SU

From: david ford

Sent: Saturday, October 5, 2024 4:47 PM **To:** Licensing licensing@bathnes.gov.uk **Subject:** APPLICATION 24/01/660/LAPRE

May I register an objection to the application from King Edward's School to hold Festivals on Bathampton Meadows.

The proposed location is in a natural bowl and sound would be transmitted to all the adjacent areas of Bathampton, Batheaston, Bathford and Larkhall. Late-night traffic would be problem in the adjacent areas.

Dr I D Ford

From: Dave Holtum

Sent: Monday, October 7, 2024 11:02 AM **To:** Licensing licensing@bathnes.gov.uk

Subject: Objection to a Licence

with regard to:

App.No. 24/01/1660 LAPRE

King Edwards School

Sports Pitch and Pavilion

High Street

Bathampton

The application is to allow large events, involving music, to take place and allow sale of alcohol at those events. I object to this because:

The playing fields are close to residential areas where there is a large population of children loud music and the associated audience noise will be disruptive to their lives.

Access to the playing fields is poor being down the High Street which is a single carriageway for most of its length. The buses that bring pupils to the playing field often have difficulty arriving there and cause significant disruption to traffic. This will only be increased by the vehicles associated with a music event.

The playing fields are close to the older peoples residences in The Harbutts and St. Nicholas Court. These are designated quiet zones and disruption of the resident's lives is likely.

The playing fields are close to the church, primary school and a nursery school. Increased traffic associated with any events could increase what is already a dangerous environment for pedestrians.

Music events with alcohol often lead to rowdy behaviour and the consumption of illegal drugs which may well lead to littering and vandalism. This would happen in a picturesque part of the village often visited by tourists.

Bathampton is a totally unsuitable area for the type of events proposed for the playing fields and he licence requires very careful scrutiny.

Dr. David Holtum

26 Hantone Hill

Bathampton

From: Emmanuelle G

Sent: Friday, October 4, 2024 6:41 PM **To:** Licensing licensing@bathnes.gov.uk

Subject: Application reference 24/01660/LAPRE

This is an email to object to this licensing application due to the potential noise disturbance. Noise carries a long way away and music should be limited.

Mrs E GINN

14 Meadow Park, Bathford, Bath BA1 7PX.

From:

Sent: Sunday, October 6, 2024 4:10 PM **To:** Licensing licensing@bathnes.gov.uk

Subject: Application reference: 24/01660/LAPRE

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am a resident in Bathampton and I write to lodge my objection to this application as submitted.

In my opinion this application is ill thought out and inappropriate for this location.

Why is the application for recorded music and the alcohol licence until 23:00 when all other categories are until 22:00? Any licence for the serving of alcohol should cease before the end time for the events.

This site is not served by public transport and is about 2 miles from the nearest station, Bath Spa. An audience of 3,000 people would mean 600 - 1,500 cars or 60×50 seat coaches or a mixture of both. There is no parking nearby and no turning facility for this many vehicles unless the applicant is proposing that all associated vehicles are required to park on the site itself. This has not been made clear in the application. The approach roads are very narrow with residents parking restricting the flow of traffic.

Thank you for considering this objection.

Edward Lang

Carisbrooke

Bathampton Lane

BA2 6SW

From: jenny lambert

Sent: Saturday, October 5, 2024 9:45 AM **To:** Licensing licensing@bathnes.gov.uk

Subject: REF 24/01660/LAPRE objection to some details

Dear Sir/Madam,

Please could the following points be considered in this application:

- Who this benefits; KES (presumably they need more money and are diversifying), KES pupils (presumably some events will be for them and their families), the people who choose to hire the grounds (presumably for things like private weddings and parties)
- 2. Who this affects negatively; Bathampton has a large community of young children whose sleep would be affected by the live music, this is particularly important on school nights. KES does not have much parking, so Bathampton is likely to become overwhelmed with large numbers of cars trying to park, this will affect locals and also traffic flow through the village which would have a knock on effect on traffic flow throughout Bath (as people are likely to divert through the town centre).
- 3. Please could you consider placing limits on granting this application to:
- -no more that 2 events per month (currently they are asking to be allowed 7 days a week with live music until 10pm and recorded music until 11pm)
- to restrict evening events to a Fri day or Saturday night
- that KES has to provide enough parking for the number of people attending the event
- -that at least one event per year has to benefit the local community (ie be accessible to all locals)

Thank you for considering these points

Best wishes

Jenny

----Original Message-----

From: Julia Peddar

Sent: Monday, October 7, 2024 7:41 AM To: Licensing Licensing Licensing Clicensing@bathnes.gov.uk Subject: Planning application 24/01660/LAPRE

Dear team,

I am writing to object to the planning application made by King Edward's School to run festivals in their grounds in Bathampton. Bathampton is a beautiful quiet village which already puts up with large coaches and traffic in relation to the sports fixtures held in the playing fields.

We live behind the playing field and the noise from the sports training and events in the field carries across the fields and is easily audible in our house and garden. Having festival bands, huge numbers of people together with alcohol would combine to make for unbearable levels of noise.

It is completely unacceptable that these festivals should be allowed in this area and I trust the plans will not go ahead.

Kind regards

Julia Peddar

From: Maureen Holtum

Sent: Saturday, October 5, 2024 11:24 AM **To:** Licensing licensing@bathnes.gov.uk

Subject: Fwd: KES Venue

Sir/Madam,

re: 20/01/1660 LAPRE

I strongly object to KES being able to use its fields for festivals and other events which will accommodate up to 3 thousand people.

Because:

There is no parking in the area.

It is in the confines of a village.

There is little or no public transport at this time of night.

The Harbutts and St Nicholas Court both have elderly and or vulnerable residents, they will be directly affected by loud noise, anti social behaviour and the chaos which will be caused by cars coming and going. The events are supposed to be until 11 pm but it will take a lot longer than that for everyone to disperse, which won't happen quietly.

There are many families with young children and elderly residents in the area who are not likely to be pleased about being kept up until 11pm plus. Even if it is only about once a month.

The Government is partly to blame for this situation because it has decided to add VAT to school fees so that the schools have to resort to this kind of thing to make money.

Under no circumstances must these events be allowed to happen.

Maureen Holtum

26 Hantone Hill

Bathampton.

From: Michael Peddar <

Sent: Thursday, October 3, 2024 5:53 PM **To:** Licensing licensing@bathnes.gov.uk

Subject: Fwd: Re KES application for Festivals. Ref: 24/01660/LAPRE

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Dear Sir,

I live in The Tyning Meadows development in Tyning Rd which is a few hundred yards from the KES playing fields. We currently hear some noise drifting across from the Rugby and Cricket played in the fields and have no problem with this. However, I certainly strongly OBJECT to The KES playing fields being used for Festivals attracting up to 3000 people with open air sound systems, live and recorded music being played and the sale of alcohol till 11 pm. One of the reasons we moved to Bathampton 3.5 years ago was the peace and quiet of the area near the canal. Festivals would destroy the peace and quiet we moved house for!

Yours faithfully,

M. Peddar Sent from my iPhone ----Original Message-----

From: Mary Pudney

Sent: Sunday, October 6, 2024 12:56 PM To: Licensing licensing@bathnes.gov.uk

Subject: Licensing Application Reference: 24/01660/LAPRE

Dear Sir/Madam

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Yours faithfully
Mrs Mary Pudney
25 Harbutts
Bathampton

Bath

BA2 6TA

From: Mark Wilson

Sent: Friday, September 27, 2024 10:07 AM To: Licensing < licensing@bathnes.gov.uk > Subject: Application 24/01660/LAPRE

Good day.

I would like to register my objection to the proposal to grant a license to KES to hold events on the playing field.

I have a leisure mooring for my boat, where I spend a considerable amount of time directly adjacent to the proposed site.

Should this license be granted then I believe that my enjoyment of my leisure facility will be spoiled.

As boaters we are bound by contract to adhere to a strict 8pm to 8am noise curfew.

The granting of this license would make a mockery of these reasonable terms and conditions.

I feel that this type of event should be staged at a more appropriate location far away from other peaceful leisure facilities, like mine.

Regards,

Mark Wilson.

From: Nigel Cottell

Sent: Friday, October 4, 2024 12:15 PM **To:** Licensing licensing@bathnes.gov.uk

Subject: Re: Licensing Application 24/01660/LAPRE

Whilst I have no objection to the sale of alcohol to sporting participants over the age of 18 and parents within the confines of the existing clubhouse, I wish to lodge my objection to all the listed outdoor activities.

The Village simply does not have the infrastructure to support large outdoor events and there is also an issue around noise for local residents with music and film, should this be permitted.

Nigel Cottell

Chestnuts

The Normans

Bathampton

BA2 6TD

----Original Message-----

From: nick davison

Sent: Saturday, October 5, 2024 11:56 AM To: Licensing Licensing@bathnes.gov.uk Subject: Objection to proposal 24/01660/LAPRE

I would like to formally object to the recent application from King Edward's School for the entertainment licence application 24/01660/LAPRE.

The sports ground owned by King Edwards School sits in the middle of Bathampton village, and is in an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. The village has 1600 residents and residential housing is in close proximity to the site, with existing severe vehicle access restrictions due to the limited size of the road/bridge and the housing built alongside.

Many of the closest residents to the site are elderly living in sheltered or age related accommodation e.g. The Harbutts, St Nicholas Court, Holcombe Vale. The thought of so many "party goers" walking around the village late at night is already causing very real concern for many of these older residents especially as there is no public transport links to move people away after the events.

The proposal sets out a maximum of 3,000 attendees per event across a maximum of 10 events over 12 months of more than 500, but doesn't appear to restrict the number of events below 500 attendees. There is insufficient parking and public transport to support this level of activity especially when you also consider the staging, music and refreshment delivery vehicles.

In terms of noise, allowing outside events of this magnitude over multiple times would have a significant impact on residents, especially as the "festival" style events are likely to run across the summer months meaning that residents will not be able to enjoy their own gardens in peace and quiet through Spring and Summer.

Existing noise restrictions already apply to those resident or visiting canal boat users after 8pm and this application would make a mockery of those current regulations. Given the location of the site, in the valley, the noise would not just impact Bathampton but also Batheaston and Bathford residents.

In terms of social behaviours, it seems inevitable that allowing so many people onto this site will inevitably lead to a rise in anti social behaviour associated with alcohol and drug related use. There is already insufficient policing in central Bath without creating an additional potential "hot spot" outside of the city centre, which would stretch their resources still further. The events would also likely attract drug dealers to the area, given the potential size of the audiences, which is something this rural village does not need.

Finally, whilst I understand that King Edward's School will be looking to generate new revenue streams to offset the rise of school fees following the new Govt's

implementation of VAT on private school fees, I do not see why the residents of Bathampton, Batheaston and Bathford should suffer the huge impact on their living environment and ability to enjoy their homes/ gardens to mitigate the financial impact on those already privileged enough to afford to pay for a private education.

Please decline this ridiculous proposal.

With thanks

Nick Davison

10 Hantone Hill, Bathampton, Bath, BA2 6XD Sent from my iPad

From: Nigel Hamilton

Sent: Thursday, October 3, 2024 8:33 PM **To:** Licensing licensing@bathnes.gov.uk

Subject: Objection to Licensing Application Reference: 24/01660/LAPRE

Re: Licensing Application Reference: 24/01660/LAPRE

I object to the above licencing application on the following grounds

- 1. Live and recorded music and films would be shown on outdoor areas
 - a. The field in at the heart of a residential area, with about a dozen homes immediately adjacent to the field. The sound would need to be of a certain volume for the outdoor event guests to be able to hear. This sound will travel, not only disturbing those residents but also beyond those homes. On Holcombe Lane, sporting events can be heard from KES, but music will travel much further; this is an environmental health issue and there would be complaints that this is a noise nuisance
- 2. Capacity to be limited to 500 but, with the required notice could increase to 3000
 - a. The entrance to the KES field is across Dark Lane, where there is no pavement pedestrians and vehicles mixing is a dangerous combination. It is already a dangerous place when KES holds its regular sporting events. And there is a nursery opposite adding to the volume of traffic at certain times of the day. 500 people would mean about 100 additional cars. 3000 would be in the order of 700 cars. Additionally the infrastructure of the roads either side is not fit for such an increase in what would be a short space of time at the start and the end of an event; from the High Street, the road is so narrow cars cannot pass drivers regularly mount the pavement, compromising pedestrians; from the other direction over the canal, a similar pinch point exists again pedestrians are compromised on the humpback bridge over the canal as cars attempt to squeeze past each other

Nigel

Nigel Hamilton
181 Holcombe Lane
Bathampton
BA2 6UU

From: Nigel Whiskin

Sent: Tuesday, October 1, 2024 3:45 PM **To:** Licensing licensing@bathnes.gov.uk **Subject:** Application Ref: 24/01660/LAPRE

Dear Sirs

I am writing to express my concerns about the above application on the following grounds:

- 1. Events of this nature and size seem to me to be inappropriate for a village like Bathampton. It will create much noise disturbance for residents both in Holcombe Vale, Harbutts and other residential areas.
- 2. The prospect of 3000 people attending the events will cause chaos on the High Street and Down Lane, already very congested at times and with severe problems over parking.

I hope the Licensing Authority will take these concerns seriously. I cannot see any advantage in the events for local residents.

Yours faithfully

Nigel Whiskin MBE

7 Harbutts

Bathampton

Bath

From: Patrick Gallagher

Sent: Friday, October 4, 2024 2:26 PM
To: Licensing < licensing@bathnes.gov.uk>
Subject: Application by King Edwards School

Application number 24/01660/LAPRE

We write to state our strong objection to the application by King Edwards School to run events on their playing fields and club house in Bathampton.

The increase in traffic at this particular site would, we suggest, cause a potential danger to cars and pedestrians. The exit from the playing fields is directly onto the canal bridge. This bridge is steep and the road curves through 180 degreees. There is little protection for pedestrians and limited lighting.

Furthermore the noise and inevitable disruption, associated with the proposed events would be an unwelcome intrusion into a peaceful and historic village

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Liz and Patrick Gallagher

Blake House

Dark Lane

Bathampton

Bath BA2 6SZ

From: Pat Penney

Sent: Sunday, October 6, 2024 10:38 AM To: Licensing < licensing@bathnes.gov.uk > Subject: Objection of 24/01660/LAPRE

I've recently seen these averts around the village pushing this ridiculous suggestion. 3000 strangers coming into a village whose population is only (according to Wikipedia) 1,603. Making lots of noise with these outdoor music events, etc., drinking, et al!! I thought we'd heard the last of this sort of nonsense after the Bath Rugby and Park & Ride debacle.

Car parking? I expect the people living around Holcombe Vale will have come to realise what's going to be happening on "events" nights.

We're a pleasant, mid-sized sleepy village. Please help us to keep it that way by refusing this application.

Thank you very much.

Patrick Penney / Holcombe Lane

Sent from my iPhone

From: Robyn Laurie

Sent: Saturday, October 5, 2024 9:19 AM To: Licensing licensing@bathnes.gov.uk Subject: Objection to 24/01660/LAPRE

Dear Sir / Madam,

I would like to object to the application by King Edwards school to host events of up to 3000 people in the Bathampton playing fields.

Bathampton is a small village (less than 2000 people). Access to the playing fields is via narrow lanes which already suffer from congestion. The potential to play music until 11pm will disrupt the tranquility of the village (boaters on the canal are currently only allowed to run generators until 8pm for this reason).

Thank you for taking this objection into consideration.

Robyn Laurie

21 Hantone Hill

Bathampton

BA2 6XD

From: Dick Smith

Sent: Tuesday, October 1, 2024 12:05 PM **To:** Licensing < licensing@bathnes.gov.uk > **Subject:** Application Ref: 24/01660/LAPRE

I write to object to this licensing application on the following grounds:

1 events of this size and nature are wholly inappropriate for the village setting in Bathampton. The site is adjacent to the residential housing on Holcombe Vale and an event including loud music, alcohol sales and large crowds will undoubtedly cause severe disruption to residents.

2 events attended by up to 3000 people will undoubtedly cause severe traffic problems in Bathampton High Street - already very narrow and congested at times due to there not being sufficient width to allow two flows of vehicles, especially commercial and other large vehicles. The volume of traffic likely would also impact Mill Lane to and from the toll bridge.

3 the proximity to Bathampton Primary School is likely to cause disruption to classes and events taking place there.

4 residents of the boats on the canal will be severely impacted by noise and traffic.

I conclude by saying the licensing application is wholly inappropriate for this location.

Richard Smith

1 Harbutts

Bathampton



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REPRESENTATION FORM

Please read the notes at the back of this form prior to completing it.

I/We object to the following application:

Application number:	
Applicant's name:	
Premises name and address:	
Application for a:	
Objector Details:	
Objector's Name:	
Objector's Address:	
Organisation name if applicable:	
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My/our representation is relevant	to the following licensing objective(s):
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Public safety	

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Signed
Date
Contact telephone number(s) (This is essential as we may need to contact you at short notice)

There will be a hearing to determine this application. We will send you details of the time, date and location at least 10 working days before the hearing.

This section of the form must be returned to us a minimum of 5 working days before the hearing. If you wish, you may complete this now. Alternatively, you can keep this page and return it to us once you have received details of the hearing.

Name
I will be attending the hearing I will not be attending the hearing
I will be represented at the hearing by
I will be calling the following witness(es):
Name and signature of each witness Details of evidence to be produced by witness

Please delete as appropriate: I consider a hearing to be necessary/unnecessary

Form to be returned to licensing@bathnes.gov.uk or:

B&NES Licensing Services Public Protection Service Lewis House Manvers Street Bath BA1 1JG From:

Sent: Friday, October 4, 2024 2:25 PM

To: Licensing licensing@bathnes.gov.uk

Subject: Objection to Application Reference 24/01660/LAPRE

Dear Sir / Madam

Please accept this email as formal notice of my objection to the Application Reference 24/01660/LAPRE by King Edwards School for permission to run festivals in the Bathampton playing fields.

The objection is based primarily on:

- (i) this being a residential area and noise levels would be unacceptable as events would not terminate until after 11pm and possibly later;
- (ii) the serving of alcohol being likely to lead to anti social behaviour in a rural, residential area:
- (iii) the density of people in a quiet residential area would pose heightened risk of antis social and criminal activity;
- (iv) the lack of car park spacing in an area already troubled by over crowding and thoughtless parking by current visitor levels;
- (v) the site is designated as a playing filed and should be used as such and not for other purposes; and,
- (vi) King Edwards School has no experience or expertise in such matters and sub contracting such events will likely cause unrest to residents in the area.

Please can you acknowledge receipt of this email and advise further steps which may be taken to lodge formal objections.

Best regards

Sean

From: Susan Shaw

Sent: Monday, October 7, 2024 1:30 PM To: Licensing licensing@bathnes.gov.uk Subject: App. Ref no. 24/01660/LAPRE

I live at Tithe Cottage, Bathampton High Street. I object in the strongest possible terms to the above application. The KES Pavilion is situated within 200 yds of a children's nursery Mulberry House, a large primary school and St. Nicholas Church. The junction of Dark Lane with the already very dangerous and narrow humpy bridge, simply would not cope with the sheer volume of traffic which would result in the proposed application. On Health and Safety grounds trying to use/navigate/cross would be exceedingly dangerous - there have been numerous near fatal accidents there in the recent past. Not to mention the additional and detrimental air pollution that would have a negative impact on young and old people in the area. Also noise and light pollution would adversely affect the immediate area and the whole village, especially as the hours applied for are extreme and excessive. Bathampton is a VILLAGE and should not be turned into a Glastonbury! KES already have a large premises in North Road much more suited to these events. I object on the grounds of public nuisance, general public safety and the protection of very young children and the elderly should be paramount in this instance.

Susan Shaw

Sent from my iPhone



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B&NES Licensing Services Public Protection Service Lewis House Manvers Street Bath BA1 1JG

From: Angela Donald

Sent: Thursday, October 3, 2024 11:53 AM To: Licensing licensing@bathnes.gov.uk

Subject: 24/01660/LAPRE

We are very concerned at the idea of music festivals being held on the King Edwards playing grounds in Bathampton. It is a totally unsuitable place to hold such large events, from the noise and crowds aspect; but especially from the traffic situation. That road is narrow and crowded enough at the moment with cars, lorries and delivery vans (not to mention the Down Lane traffic from the Warminster Road to the Toll Bridge).

Bathampton is a small village and should not be subjected to a noisy and alcoholic bunch of festival people.

WE STRONGLY PROTEST!!!

Angela Donald

Sent from my iPhone

From: Alistair Mathers <

Sent: Wednesday, October 2, 2024 7:40 AM To: Licensing licensing@bathnes.gov.uk

Subject: Licence planning objection

Application Number. 24/01660/LAPRE

Applicant's Name. King Edward's School

Premises Name and Address. KES Bath Pavilion and Playing Fields

Application for. New Premises Licence

Objector's Name. Alistair Mathers

Objection details. Listed below.

The Prevention of Public Nuisance.

The application describes 10 events per year with a minimum of 500 attendees.

No upper figure is given, but one must assume this charity wishes to maximise these earning opportunities.

The application however is silent as to how these attendees will be ticketed and marshalled onto the site; what training would be given to marshals, patrolling during the performances to prevent public nuisance, both to or by attendees and to the public on public footpaths, nearby properties and the local canal users and dwellers; and finally what training any such marshals would receive to ensure safe and quiet exit from potentially thousands of departing attendees.

The Prevention of Crime and Disorder.

There is no confirmation under section j of the application that the supply of alcohol is exclusively or primarily for consumption on the designated site. This raises the possibility that non invitees or non ticket holders can wander to the bar for take aways. This would appear to be a most retrograde step under this heading.

Under section L, it states that the premises are open to the public every day from 7 am. The application is silent as to the reason, but allowing strangers onto a site designated primarily for KES students seems counter intuitive. At the moment there is a prominent notice on the main gate stating very much the opposite.

The application is silent as to how invitees to the performances are recognised and admitted. If there are to be tickets, no mention is made as to whether these will be freely available to purchase. This raises the possibility that these performances

attract the active interest of the purveyors of banned substances, a very serious threat to the maintenance of law and order.

The Protection of Children from Harm.

The application is signed off by the Estates and Facilities Manager, but no mention is made of this person's Health and Safety responsibilities.

The operating procedure section of the application is silent for the predesignated box headed "for the protection of children from harm". Thus children, as per above objections, could be at one of these performances could be on an unmarshalled site with all the attendant dangers. How can this be even considered.

Public Safety.

The application makes no mention of the considerable requirement for parking. This will include the staff, the entertainment infrastructure team, and all the attendees.

Current parking within the designated area is about 45 spaces, woefully inadequate for the number of cars likely to appear in the vicinity. Public Safety as all these cars fan out into local streets requires mentioning in the application.

The further public safety issue that should be in the application, is the prevention, on nearby spaces for fly camping by attendees. This would possibly include areas immediately outside the designated zone along the southern border, and the southern bank of the canal.

Lastly in the wake of potentially thousands at and exiting the designated site, the planning application is silent on the clean up operation of discarded and dangerous detritus to ensure public safety.

Signed by	this e	mail:	Alistair	Mathers.
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Date: 2nd October 2024.

Contact telephone:

From:

Sent: Tuesday, October 1, 2024 10:27 AM **To:** Licensing licensing@bathnes.gov.uk

Subject: Objection to 24/01660/LAPRE KES playing field licence extension

Good morning

I would like to lodge an objection to King Edward's School's application for an extended licence at their playing field grounds in Bathampton.

My concerns are around possible noise pollution up to ten times a year in a peaceful village setting and, as important, about the rise in traffic, its associated pollution and resultant parking difficulties along Bathampton High Street which, at the entrance into the playing fields, is narrow and made more difficult by the hump-back bridge over the canal.

I am not a direct neighbour of the playing fields, but I do live in a lane that is accessed from the high street.

I look forward to hearing the outcome of this application.

Yours sincerely

Ali Stewart

1 The Normans Bathampton

M: **E**:

From: Brian Nelson

Sent: Wednesday, October 2, 2024 4:43 PM To: Licensing licensing@bathnes.gov.uk

Subject: Subject: Application Ref: 24/01660/LAPRE

I wish to register my objection to the proposal contained within the above application.

My grounds are:-

- 1. The site is wholly inappropriate for events of this nature. It is a schools sports field and needs to be kept in order for the benefit of the schoolchildren. Building temporary structures would undoubtedly cause damage.
- 2. Access to the site is very restricted. Given the strict weight limit on the toll bridge all event building and dismantling traffics would have to travel down Bathampton Lane. This street is very width restricted and is not suitable for HGV traffic 3. Lack of available parking for the attendees, whether management, traders, or attendees 3. Noise. Proximity to residential property, including those owned by the elderly would prove somewhere between annoying and totally overpowering. Noise would be created not only during the courser of the event itself, but also during the erection and dismantling of the infrastructure and during the equipment testing and rehearsal process.
- 4. Allowing Alcohol sales would mostly probably result in anti social behaviour spilling out of the ground itself into Bathampton Lane and the Road to the Toll bridge. This could take the form of late night noise levels, random urination (and perhaps worse) along the Lane and into residential gardens.

I sincerely hope that these issues will be taken into consideration before making a decision.

Brian Nelson

18 Harbutts

Bathampton.

From: Candice Streeter-Jewitt

Sent: Wednesday, October 2, 2024 4:08 PM **To:** Licensing licensing@bathnes.gov.uk **Subject:** Application 24/01660/LAPRE

To whom it may concern

I was shocked to see the details of this application by King Edwards School.

I object to the license application on the grounds of noise, light pollution and congestion.

The playing fields concerned are surrounded by homes for elderly residents - it is inconceivable that anyone would consider this an appropriate venue for late night festivals for large numbers of people, loud music, lights, alcohol and associated traffic noise and congestion. Bathampton Lane and the surrounding streets could not possibly cope with the influx of traffic on this scale or the huge increase in street parking such events would inevitably cause.

Yours sincerely

Candice Streeter-Jewitt



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B&NES Licensing Services Public Protection Service Lewis House Manvers Street Bath BA1 1JG From: Gillie Mathers

Sent: Wednesday, October 2, 2024 7:41 AM **To:** Licensing licensing@bathnes.gov.uk

Subject: Application by King Edward School. Ref: 24/01660/LAPRE

As a householder on Dark Lane, Bathampton, I am writing to object to the application by King Edward School for a new premises licence to allow outdoor film shows as well as dance, live and recorded music, plays, plus requesting permission to sell alcohol, to take place on the KES sports field. I am dismayed by the possibility of this being passed, which will inevitably ruin the peaceful atmosphere of our lovely village.

Please consider the following:

- 1. Effect on the Area The site of the playing field is surrounded on all four sides by private homes and canal boat owners, which are populated by many young families and the elderly. There is also the local Bathampton primary school near to the canal and a children's nursery on Dark Lane. Further afield of course is the village of Batheaston which will be affected by noise as will the whole of Bathampton. Putting up movie screens with attached loudspeakers on both sides in of the fields will impact on people's lives through noise and light pollution. Besides the local inhabitants' lives being compromised, as Bathampton is in a valley, the noise will reverberate even further afield towards Solsbury Hill.
- 2. <u>Parking problems</u> Any of the proposed events will attract a large audience, and the current parking area at the fields will easily be filled. People will then try to find parking elsewhere around Bathampton, which already has problems with this, large vans or coaches always have great difficulty accessing the playing fields from the surrounding streets. It is extremely probable that people will then park on private property drives. There will be a nightmare scenario as cars come into the village off the A36, or from the toll bridge on London Road to meet at the foot of Dark Lane and form queues blocking the streets, unable to park. There is clearly no room for such a massive influx of cars to our village.
- 3. <u>Policing.</u> Music festivals inevitably attract drug taking with people selling this, and one would expect there would have to be a significant police presence to deal with the problem. It is also of concern that the sale of drugs would extend to any people using Dark Lane, particularly the youth of our village. All inhabitants surrounding the fields would also be concerned about the possibility of criminals accessing their homes and drunken behaviour by participants as well.

- 4. <u>Health Concerns</u> One assumes that if holding any large gathering on the fields, the existing toilet facilities provided by the Pavilion will be inadequate and therefore public portaloos will have to be brought in and installed. As the licence is permitted until 10.00pm, presumably the portaloos will not be removed until the following morning or even later, which would be of great concern for health reasons for the public if they are overflowing. Large lorries will be needed to transport them there and back, further exacerbating the traffic concerns around the High Street where house owners' parked cars serve to narrow the road.
- 5. <u>Wildlife around the field</u> The field does abutt the canal, where there is a wealth of wildlife, many swans, kingfishers, ducks, fish and others, which would all be adversely affected by loud music and lighting from the events being held at night.
- 6. <u>Playing Field Use</u> It is surprising that this sports field is being used for a completely different purpose. It has always been my understanding that this was not permitted in order to preserve the safety of future users. In this case there is likely to be a possible problem with discarded syringes and unsafe substances to school pupils. Clearly the playing field will have to be closely inspected by ground staff before it can be used for daily sports.

Mrs G C Mathers

Meadowgate

Dark Lane

Bathampton

From: James Wilson

Sent: Saturday, September 28, 2024 6:36 PM **To:** Licensing licensing@bathnes.gov.uk

Subject: Objection to 24/01660/LAPRE FAO India Pearce

Dear Ms Pearce,

I am writing to object to the above application for a new licence on the King Edwards School playing fields.

Specifically my objection relates to three areas of the licencing objectives which I belive would be adversely effected by the granting of the licence as requested:

Public Safety:

The village is already very congested with traffic, leading to the pending introduction of traffic safety schemes being developed on the high street next to the entrance to the playingfields. The proposed license therefore acts against the objective of public safety as the addition of many more motor vehicles accessing the new premises will increase traffic to this area, already acknowledged as unsafe.

The protection of children from harm:

The approach to the site is opposite to both a primary school and a nursery. Adding a large number of intoxicated people to an area so well used by children, including the pupils of KES itself, and in an area that is already well served with licenced premises and, as noted above, acknowledged as dangerous, is irresponsible.

The prevention of public nuisance:

The proposed plan indicates 2 sites for outdoor consumption of alcohol, performaces and live and recorded music. One of these sites is adjacent to exsiting residents on Dark Lane. Given the size of the KES playingfeild property it would be more appropriate to limit the impact on residents by only granting a licence to the second location next to the canal, with no permanent residential buildings adjacent.

Thank you for your consideration

James Wilson

From: Lesley Batten <

Sent: Friday, October 4, 2024 10:34 AM To: Licensing licensing@bathnes.gov.uk

Subject: Licensing application Ref No: 24/01660/LAPRE

Dear Sir,

I have become aware of the above application by King Edward's school. The blue coloured notifications are only along Dark, Lane, Bathampton. However, when the school holds an event the music, tannoy etc can be heard much further afield. I can hear it where I live in Holcombe Lane. Many people do not walk along Dark Lane on a regular basis and will, therefore, be unaware of the application. The closure date for representations is the 10th October.

Can I ask that notifications be put up further afield and an extension given on the closure date. I feel this is only fair.

Thank you

Lesley Batten

From: Louise Heading

Sent: Friday, October 4, 2024 1:53 PM **To:** Licensing licensing@bathnes.gov.uk

Subject: KES playing fields proposal

Hello,

I am writing regarding application reference 24/01660/LAPRE. I live in Bathampton, close to the playing fields, and am concerned about the level of noise or behavioural issues the proposed use could create. The village is predominantly made up of older people or young families and the calm and tranquility is one of its major assets. When sports events take place we can hear it in our garden so I can imagine that amplified or live music will be very audible. I note on the amended application that it says that "There will be no more than 10 events per calendar year that either finish after 6pm or have more than 500 people present." Could you confirm, please, that there will then definitely not be more than 10 occasions per calendar year where these type of events will happen? (The word either leads to some ambiguity.)

Aside from noise and the behaviour which may occur following events where alcohol is consumed, there is also the issue of traffic and parking which is already problematic. Many young children walk to the primary school or around the village and there is a nursery opposite the playing fields. It is already problematic to walk along the pavement opposite the entrance to the KES field as it is so narrow, and there have already been near misses with people turning quickly into the field while children are around. I am against the introduction of new permissions which will increase traffic or the danger to children, and I hope that as a school itself, KES will be taking measures to ensure children in the village are safe.

I look forward to hearing from you regarding these concerns which I know are shared with other parents.

Regards,

Louise Heading

From: K Packer

Sent: Wednesday, September 18, 2024 6:46 PM

To: Licensing < licensing@bathnes.gov.uk > **Subject:** License Application 24/01660/LAPRE

Subject: License Application 24/01660/LAPRE

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing to object, in the strongest possible terms, to the proposed licensing application submitted by King Edward's School for new uses of their playing fields at Bathampton, Bath, BA2 6SY.

Having carefully reviewed the details available at bathes.gov.uk, it is striking that the granting of this application has the potential to cause serious nuisance and increased danger to the local community, who currently enjoy a peaceful and safe village. In particular, the proposed nature of the activities (films, dance, live / recorded music, performances and the daily sale of alcohol up until 11pm) and the proposed location of these within the grounds, would cause unreasonable strain on the local community and violate the school and council's obligations under public safety legislation and the Environmental Protection Act 1990.

Statutory Nuisance

Occasional events currently hosted at this site already push the boundaries of acceptable noise disturbance. They are infrequent enough that people tolerate it. Music coming from the pavilion building into the evening can be heard across the village and does annoy people. These plans however would clearly cause a situation that meets the definition of 'nuisance' under the Environmental Protection Act 1990. The entire village would be affected by this, and there are residential homes all around the field, but in particular the placement of the "secondary location for marquee, gazebos, stage screen, etc." runs directly parallel to, and just a few meters away from, a stretch of boat moorings held by private and permanent mooring agreement holders. These people pay substantial amounts of money for these spots, and have the right to the use of their vessels in peace. As with the local houses, there are families with young children, key workers and older individuals on boats here, not to mention a very popular visitor mooring site directly next to the field (one of very few sites around Bath used by considerate holiday boaters, who are required themselves to follow strict 8am-6pm noise restrictions under the terms of license). The proposed plans make noise control or mitigation impossible, and the sale of alcohol up until 11pm, screens, speakers, live and recorded music until late into the night would clearly cause noise in an otherwise quiet residential and historic village that is "prejudicial to health and a nuisance", which makes it a "statutory nuisance" under the Environment Protection Act 1990. In particular my own children's sleep will

be disturbed and their health affected.

Child and Public Safety concerns.

An entirely separate concern requires some contextual understanding. The entrance to these playing fields where cars and events workmen would come in and park is just off a small stone bridge that gets very congested at the best of times. On the other side of the bridge there is Bathampton Primary School. There is an ongoing issue with traffic around here causing a danger to children and parents during drop off (7-9am) and pick up (3-6pm) times. There have been near misses with children and cars, which I myself have witnessed. There is an ongoing attempt to establish a footbridge between Tyning Road and the KES field, which seems to have stalled due to costs or planning. There was also a deemed need for traffic lights at the bridge because of the congestion, which was also scuppered by costs, and the local community has had to make its peace with a lollipop man during some of these hours. However the situation is very dangerous as it stands, with many parents feeling that it will unfortunately take a serious accident involving a child to get the changes needed. The extra strain caused by events like this being hosted at this site, especially with alcohol and a basically non-existent public transport service, would almost certainly endanger the lives of children further. What little parking there is outside of the KES designated carpark is also directly outside the primary school. There is basically no way that these plans can be implemented safely or with respect for the local community.

For the above reasons I do object in the strongest possible terms to the granting of the licence, and will be watching the situation carefully. Any failure on the Council's part to not meet their obligations toward the local community, will result in a referral to the local government ombudsman service.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kyle Packer

From: K Packer

Sent: Thursday, September 26, 2024 6:50 PM

To: Licensing clicensing@bathnes.gov.uk; Geoff Cannon

<geoff_cannon@bathnes.gov.uk>

Subject: Re: New Application - King Edwards School Bath Pavilion And Playing

Fields Ref. 24/01660/LAPRE

Hello Geoff and colleagues,

I have received your response below, in addition to the amendment document for License Application 24/01660/LAPRE. My original objection is at the bottom of this email for reference. Since more detail has been provided, myself and others are now even more concerned. Please add the information in this email and the attached diagram to my original complaint.

Firstly, I would like to address the point in your response about the parking concerns not being valid. Thank you for confirming that my very serious points about the Prevention of Public Nuisance are valid. Regarding the parking and increased traffic caused by events of up to 3000 attendees, what you need to understand is the local context. This is an issue of child and public safety, which is valid grounds for objection under your operating procedures and the law.

As I have already mentioned, Bathampton Primary School is just over the stone bridge from the entrance to the playing fields. Currently there is a very tenuous situation in which there have been near misses between cars and children during pickup and drop off hours. The situation is so bad, that efforts have been made to apply for a footbridge to be built between the school and the field, and implement traffic lights for the very busy, very narrow bridge that the entrance to the KES fields is basically on. The primary school has implemented a ban on all parents parking or stopping outside of the school during these hours, and has arranged for parents to use the car park at The George pub instead. When parents ignore this rule, near misses occur, I have seen them. As I have said, this is the only parking around the field in question. There is no public transport and all of the roads leading up to the site are narrow. Events of this sort at the frequency stated would DEFINITLY cause mayhem and endanger pedestrians, especially children (many of whom walk and cycle to school around here). King Edwards cannot provide parking or infrastructure to welcome thousands of people. It is unsafe and I intend to hold all parties to their legal obligations.

With regards to the revised document and my initial concerns of an obvious statutory nuisance under the Environment Protection Act (1990), the applicant has now specified that they would like to run up to 10 events annually of up to 3000 people / finishing past 10pm and including the sale of alcohol, live music, recorded music and a stage/screen. There would also be an unlimited amount of events of up to 500 people / finishing at 6pm. This is despite the applicant recently telling the Parish council (in person) that it would only be manageable school events. This appears not to be true at all, and if it is, why seek the right to host thousands of people late into the night with alcohol and open-air sound systems? Bathampton is a small, quiet and historic village and not an appropriate site for festivals. King Edwards cannot be

allowed to monetize their playing fields in such a shameless way at the obvious expense of the local community. There are clear laws in place to prevent such damaging and life-ruining behaviour. I am frankly shocked that they would do this, when I'm sure that the management of that school wouldn't tolerate such a thing near their own homes.

As my original complaint said, the suggested locations for the stage/marquees are about 20 meters away from a stretch of private and permanent boat moorings. Here there are families with babies, young children, older individuals and key workers. There is no way to control the noise with such a setup, it is impossible. Please see the attached images I have provided which illustrate just how close the disruption would be.

I would also like to reiterate that any failure on the Council's part to not meet their obligations toward the local community, will result in a referral to the local government ombudsman service.

Regards,

Kyle

(R Smith on behalf of Harbutts Residents Association)

From: Dick Smith

Sent: Tuesday, October 8, 2024 3:40 PM

To: Licensing licensing@bathnes.gov.uk

Cc: Kevin Guy (Cllr) ; Sarah Warren (Cllr)

Subject: Licensing application 24/01660/LAPRE

To the Licensing sub-Committee BANES.

I write on behalf of Harbutts Residents Association (HRA) to object to the Licensing Application above. HRA represents the residents of the 27 properties of the Harbutts estate off High Street, Bathampton and we object to the application on the following grounds.

- 1 The application refers to up to 3000 attendees at the planned events (plural) which we believe is wholly inappropriate for the village setting at Bathampton as it will inevitably create a nuisance to residents in terms of noise, traffic congestion and pollution. Bathampton High Street is part of an Historic Conservation Area.
- 2 The playing of live and recorded music to a large number of attendees will create a noise nuisance to the residents of homes in the village and of canal boats. This will be exacerbated by the selling and consumption of alcohol.
- 3 Bathampton High St is already congested because of parked vehicles restricting the traffic flow to a single lane. Vehicles for up to 3000 people accessing these events will cause a noise nuisance and traffic congestion, plus increased pollution, along the length of both Bathampton High Street and in Mill Lane.

Harbutts Residents Association therefore objects to this application.

Richard Smith

Secretary

Harbutts Residents Association

From: Bryony Cossins White

Sent: Tuesday, October 8, 2024 3:23 PM To: Licensing licensing@bathnes.gov.uk

Subject: Application reference 24/01/01660/LAPRE

Hello

I wish to register my objection to the proposal (reference 24/01/01660/LAPRE for festivals to be held on the Bathampton KES playing fields. My objections include the following concerns:

This is a small village which already struggles to cope with traffic flow at times due to the toll bridge and people using this as a short cut in and out of Bath. There are many children in the village as well as elderly people and in many places the road only allows a single car to pass, often causing congestion and long queues.

The area is surrounded by wildlife and natural beauty. The added pollution that these events will bring, from cars to rubbish, noise and light pollution will disrupt local wildlife such as otters, birds, bats and rare newts including greater crested found in the area

There is already a lack of parking available in the village. This will push visitors further into areas of Bathampton that already struggle to cope with parking availability

Noise pollution - I have a young family and do not wish for them to be disturbed

Sale of alcohol - there are already two licensed pubs and the Mill licensed restaurant in Bathampton. The village does not need more intoxicated people having a booze up, causing noise, potential of dangerous behaviour and damage in the village.

Yours faithful

B Cossins White

BSc (Hons) Wildlife Conservation

Sent from my iPhone

From: Sarah Rowlands

Sent: Wednesday, October 9, 2024 12:03 PM **To:** Licensing < licensing@bathnes.gov.uk>

Subject: King Edwards School application 24/01660/LAPRE

Dear Sirs

I would like to object to this application as in its current form it is too open to enable large scale numbers of large events including outdoor events selling alcohol until 11pm many times a year which will be detrimental to the residents of Bathampton village in terms of noise and disruption.

Kind regards

S Rowlands

Stonecroft

Bathampton

BA2 6ST

Sent from Mail for Windows

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What if I do not want my details to be disclosed?

Anonymous representations will not normally be accepted.

If you think there are exceptional circumstances that would justify you making an anonymous representation, such as the threat of intimidation or violence from the applicant, then please contact the Licensing Office on 01225 396719 to discuss the matter.

Alternatively, you can ask your Parish Council or local Residents' Association to make a representation instead. If you choose to do this, there is no need to complete this form; the Parish Council or Residents' Association will do it if they decide to make a representation.

What do I need to know when writing my representation?

The Licensing Act 2003 sets out four 'licensing objectives', which are listed on the front of this form. Your representation should state how you think the application will affect one or more of these licensing objectives.

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Licensing Application Representations

Comment Reference	LC-2093290
Submission Date	2024-10-09 14:11:59 PM
Status	New
Application Reference	24/01660/LAPRE
Representation Nature	["Prevention of public nuisance"]
Representation	The proposed use of the playing field will be an intrusive nuisance to the adjacent residents of Bathampton. Potentially the number of people arriving at events will generate confusion and chaos in the village and minimal parking is available. Being disturbed by lights, music and the voices of a large number of visiting people will will have a negative impact on local residents in a quiet village. The traffic congestion generated by the suggested events will be intrusive and increase pollution levels for local residents. This is a playing field and not a public events arena. Permission to grant any license should be refused by Banes.
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Submitter Email	
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Objection to KES licence application

By Mr & Mrs M & A Harman, Ye Grange, High Street Bathampton BA2 6SY

- 1. We are the owners and permanent residents of Ye Grange, High Street Bathampton BA2 6SY. Our home is a 2 minute walk from the King Edward's playing field. Most visitors to an event there must pass our property to do so, along our extremely narrow High Street. We can hear, from our home, events which take place on the field. We are directly impacted by this application.
- 2. We understand that we may object to this application being granted on any or all of the following grounds:
 - The protection of children from harm.
 - The prevention of public nuisance.
 - The prevention of crime and disorder.
 - Public safety.

We believe the application may have adverse consequences for the residents of Bathampton Village on all four of these grounds. The application, on its face, permits public events every day of the year, for up to 12 hours a day on these playing fields. An application of this breadth is more akin to one for Change of Use of these fields from a sports field to an entertainment venue.

- 3. In its application KES identify themselves as a Charity. Charities are governed by the Charities Commission and must act within their registered charitable objectives. The Government is reviewing the charitable status of private schools, and it looks likely that KES will lose its charitable status. It will then not be so constrained in the activities which it can undertake, and may feel entitled to allow commercial entertainment to be held on their Sports Field and there would be little in a Licence awarded on the terms of their current application to prevent this.
- 4. The Amended Guidance Issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 makes it clear that the parameters within which the premises can be used "must be precise and enforceable", and "must be unambiguous and clear in what they intend to achieve". Such is the generic and broad nature of KES's application (even as amended after their consultation with the Police) that these criteria are clearly not met.
- 5. We have reviewed the document on the licensing portal entitled "Application Amended KES Pavilion and Playing Fields conditions agreed with police" (the "Revised Application"). Anecdotally also, we have seen extracts from communications which we understand to have emanated from the School,

seeking to dispel disquiet from villagers. Specifically we understand that the school have said:

- they are looking to host a "small number of events for the School community";
- that "it is never our intention to host a festival as being suggested around the village. Please be assured that all events will align with the School's Purpose and Values":
- that they "do not anticipate allowing any third party to host a large event on our land, as we want to maintain full control over the running of these events."
- 6. These assurances, if they were enshrined as legal restrictions within the formal terms of the Licence would go a considerable way to dispelling our concerns over this application. To be clear, we *do not object* to KES hosting a small number of modest school related events on the Sports Field for the school community; as past members of that community we appreciate the asset which the playing fields are to the School. The current application (even as amended by the Revised Application) however does not contain these restrictions, and if awarded on the current basis would allow KES to:
 - Host a potentially unlimited number of events, 7 days a week up to a 3000 person cap (the introductory sentence of the Revised Application is ambiguously drafted and may not be effective to prevent this);
 - Allow third parties to host large events unconnected with the activities of the School.

In fact, the proposed restriction in KES's original application under the heading "prevention of public nuisance" is unequivocal in relation to the number of events involving more than 500 people, in contrast to the rather woolly wording of the first sentence of the Revised Application.

7. Bathampton High Street is narrow, and already severely congested through much of the day with toll bridge traffic. The pavement runs along one side only, and is also very narrow; for pedestrians to pass each other, one party frequently has to enter the carriage way to do so. At some stretches, it is not uncommon for vehicles to mount the pavement in order to facilitate a vehicle coming the other way. Drivers are frequently impatient, and accelerate in order to clear narrow pinch points before meeting oncoming traffic, increasing the hazard to pedestrians. In addition, many of the High Street village homes have no driveways; they must park their own vehicles on the street and parking is often at a premium. The village cannot support many additional cars wishing to park in the High Street.

- 8. There is a primary school within a few meters of the KES playing fields. In recent years the School has been praised for its pro-active approach to active travel, and the number of children who now walk or cycle to school has increased significantly. It is important that the Village environment remains safe and supportive of children and their parents who are committed to reducing vehicular traffic in the High Street and encouraging healthy active travel.
- 9. The village community is currently actively engaged with its councillors and B&NEs to facilitate initiatives designed to improve the safety of our village and to alleviate the pressures and risks to health and safety posed by the traffic volume in the High Street. Traffic lights and traffic calming measures are all being explored; the High Street is in crisis and we would ask B&NES' decision makers to view this application with a mindset of doing no further harm to the Village. It is concerning that there is nothing in the Licence Application which seeks to address the issue of the increased traffic which will inevitably be generated by frequent, large events on the Playing Fields. Additional, potentially enormous, traffic disruption is inevitable if large events are permitted to proceed unrestricted on the playing fields. Increased levels of traffic in the village will pose a risk to children, wider public safety and are a nuisance.
- 10. It is difficult to see how KES can offer a practical solution to the increased traffic its proposals will generate. The "solution" therefore, if this Licence is to be granted, must come in the form of very clearly delineated restrictions on the number of events, and the maximum number of people who may attend those events.
- 11. Bathampton Village sits in a valley. Noise travels. I doubt there is a resident here who objects to the sound of KES pupils enjoying sport on the fields. We welcome it! The potential noise from large musical and other entertainment events staged outside however is different, and can become stressful and unwelcome particularly if it extends until late into the evening. The potential for nuisance to villagers is clear.
- 12. We consider that a generic licence in the wide terms as proposed should not be granted. Whilst it might be administratively inconvenient for KES to apply for temporary event specific licences, this may be what the School should be required to do in order to ensure that the scale and frequency of these events are not more than the Village should reasonably be asked to bear, and do not propose a nuisance or threat to public safety or our children.
- 13. If a generic Licence is to be granted, its terms should be amended. Specifically:

- (a) the first sentence of the Revised Application should be deleted, and replaced with the following:
 - "There will be no more than 10 events per calendar year that finish after 6pm and irrespective of the time at which an event finishes, there will be no more than 10 events per calendar year that have more than 500 people present."
- (b) In addition there should be a restriction on the nature of events which are to be hosted so that under no circumstances may the School effectively sublet the field for commercial gain so that third parties may host events entirely unrelated to the School community.

From: Riley

Sent: 09 October 2024 19:59

To: Licensing clicensing@bathnes.gov.uk

Subject: Re: Licensing Application Reference: 24/01660/LAPRE - OBJECTION

To Whom It May Concern,

I strongly object with the licensing application by King Edward School in regards to reference: 24/01660/LAPRE for the reasons below:

- 1. Summary: This application has sadly been produced without any care or thought to the local neighbourhood and the well being of the residents and visitors to Bathampton, this type of venue is certainly not the right setting for the entertainment planned in this proposal.
- 2. Historic evidence: King Edward's School seem to be entirely out of step with their local community.

Small school sporting events that currently occur on the proposed site for this application prove that even the noise produced by the sports players in the course of their games travels easily across the playing fields and already affects the peace in the area, however the community has been generous by largely tolerating this.

There is no evidence of a formal application by King Edward's School listed on the council licensing website for the large Campervan / Motorhome rally event that took place over the summer at the proposed site for this application.

This event spoiled the views and serenity for the local community and its visitors, this should be proof enough that events on this scale should not take place again.

Now, the proposed application is on an even greater scale on anything we have seen before and it is quite obvious it would undoubtedly go much further to erode and negatively impact the quality of life to the local community and the visitors who come to the area to enjoy its peace and tranquility.

3. Local community: The people whose houses and boats that are in very close proximity to these proposed events should expect to be able to enjoy the area for its peace and tranquility, they include many families, young children and pensioners in close vicinity to the proposed entertainment who should not have to put up with the disruption caused by this proposed application.

The local boating communities have paid considerably for the private and permanent mooring fees in this area. The visitors mooring is also used by considerate holiday boaters who also expect to moor up in this tranquil and picturesque area. They all have to adhere to a strict 8am - 8pm noise restriction under the terms of their

licences. These moorings are literally located a few meters away from the proposed site.

4. Animals / Wildlife: There is an abundance of pets and local wildlife that live in close proximity to the event, this includes a large number of birds, bees and bats that will suffer from the planned proposals disturbances.

For instance, this article from the Bats Conservation Trust explains how excessive lights and noise and vibrations, such as loud music can cause a serious disturbances to creatures:

https://www.bats.org.uk/advice/im-concerned-about-bats/events-and-bats#:~:text=Excessive noise and vibration

- 5. Local businesses: The local hostelries and cafes will find it hard to cope with the competition caused from this proposal, especially when the summer should be their peak season for customers.
- 6. Noise Pollution: The noise levels in this proposal would be on an unprecedented scale due to the attendances and the music and films playing. This is not a music and / or film festival venue.

The proposal indicates "noise levels emanating from events taking place in the outside sports field areas will be monitored by staff to minimise disruption to nearby properties" - it makes no sense to state this, not when its impossible to minimise the noise from these types of events to any degree that would be acceptable to both the attendees and the people who live near by.

- 7. Roads: Bathampton already struggles badly with congestion and the flow of traffic on its small, narrow roads and will not be able to support the amount of traffic that will occur close by due to these proposed events.
- 8. Parking: Parking is already extremely limited in this area, the local area simply cannot support the parking requirements for the proposed events.
- 9. Public transport: The public transport is limited and infrequent, whilst none exists at all at the closing time of the event. Therefore this proposal does not have the public transport facilities to support its needs.
- 10. Alcohol sales: This will increase the likely hood of behaviour issues which will negatively affect the local community and visitors who come to this area primarily for its peace and tranquility.

11. Heath and Safety: There are already dangers for pedestrians in Bathampton who are required to walk along the narrow / limited pavements, the additional footfall caused by this proposal will only serve to increase the probability of an accident occurring.

Its already a challenge for pedestrians using the canal bridge in the village when there is a lot of traffic on Mill lane and the High street, this is only going to be impacted further by the increased footfall and traffic from these proposals.

The prospect of large crowds of people leaving the event at closing time in the dark, under the influence of alcohol and in close proximity to the canal is of notable concern, especially when the lack of transport facilities (as mentioned above) will encourage people to walk along the canal towpath home or to find viable transport connections to their homes in the city centre.

Thank you for considering the above points and I look forward to hearing from you with an update in due course.

Kind regards

Anthony

Anthony Riley

From: Tim Williams

Sent: 09 October 2024 21:22

To: Licensing < licensing@bathnes.gov.uk>

Subject: King Edwards School: Application for licencing Bathampton Playing Fields

Dear Sirs,

Reference: 24/01660/LAPRE Application for a Premises Licence under the Licensing Act 2003 - King Edwards Playing Fields - Bathampton

I wish to object very strongly against the proposed licencing of King Edwards Playing Fields in Bathampton for up to 10 events a year with 3,000 attendees and drinking and music/noise until 2300 at night.

I live close to King Edwards Playing Fields and have only recently just learned about the school's application for licencing.

I have very deep concerns about this application as it will enable the school to organise mass events of up to 3,000 people with drinking and loud music up to 11.00 pm at night in what is essentially a quiet residential area. Whilst the school has illustrated some of the events that it is contemplating, which in themselves seem innocuous enough, it would remain the fact that permission will have been granted for these bigger, mass events and there is no guarantee that they would not be organised.

The reasons I am objecting is that in such a quiet residential area it is incongruous to allow loud music late into the evening, disturbing the peace of local residents. Within a very short distance of the playing fields is a "retirement development", where properties are described as 'part of an exclusive retirement development (with a minimum age limit of 60) and stands peacefully in beautifully tended gardens within this lovely setting, adjacent to, and overlooking, the canal.' Organisation of such events as this application would allow is insensitive to these local residents and totally unacceptable.

Additionally it would put severe pressure on local roads, particularly Bathampton Lane, High Street, Mill Lane and Down Lane. These roads are already a rat run and pollution hazard, and to burden them with traffic for such events will cause further congestion, pollution and mayham.

It is also poor that the school has not, as far as I can determine, notified or consulted with neighbouring residents local to the playing fields about the application; it was only because I saw a notice that someone had posted on a lamppost nearby that I learned of this application. This is quite disingenuous of the school, that goes on to talk about its purpose and values. This is not the behaviour of a good neighbour!

This licence application should be turned down.

Tim Williams

1 Kennet Park

Bathampton

Bath

BA2 6SS



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Premises name and address:	King Edwards School Playing Fields Bathampton BA2 6SY	
Application for a:	Premises Licence	
Objector Details:		
Objector's Name:	Cllr Sarah Warren	
Objector's Address:	3-4 Fairhaven Cottages Northend Bath BA1 8ES	
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From:

Sent: 10 October 2024 15:42

To: Licensing licensing@bathnes.gov.uk

Subject: King Edwards playing field

Planning application no. 24/01660/LAPRE

Dear Sir

PLANNING APPLICATION 24/01660/LAPRE

I am shocked at King Edwards School applying for a licence to hold events on their playing field here in Bathampton. On a beautiful site like that to even think about holding events like multiple stages with music + serving alcoholic drinks up until 11pm and holding different festivals is truly shocking. Also the peace and tranquility along that beautiful stretch of the Kennet and Avon Canal and towpath will be ruined too.

The traffic levels along our already busy and narrow High Street will be intolerable and far more dangerous, not only for cars but more importantly for pedestrians young and old. Parents walking children to Bathampton Primary School will be at further risk too.

When it is King Edwards School sports days and other events, the loudspeakers can be heard very clearly at our house, 9 High Street, which is near the dogs head water trough, not exactly next door to the playing fields.

I do implore you to turn down this application.

Yours sincerely
Andy Lloyd Williams (Mrs)
9 High Street, Bathampton
Bath. BA2 6SY

From: Stephen Haigh

Sent: Saturday, September 14, 2024 12:00 PM **To:** Licensing licensing@bathnes.gov.uk

Subject: King Edward School - objection to the pavilion and playing fields premises

licence application

CAUTION: This email originated from outside of the organisation. Do not follow guidance, click links, or open attachments unless you recognise the sender and know the content is safe.

Hi. Please do not Grant a Licence to King Edward School to hold more entertainment and sell alcohol at the Pavilion in Bathampton. The objections are as follows:

- 1) King Edward School have already been holding occasional events at the pavilion which are unreasonably noisy and run too late into the night and the sound of loud music and shouting carries over the playing field to our adjacent properties and some nights it sounds like a nightclub in this quiet village. More such nights would increase the noise pollution from the Pavilion which would impact our quality of life here.
- 2) Selling liquor on the premises will only increase noise from rowdy behaviour; it will also increase the risk of drunk driving in the village as attendees will be tempted to drive here as there are infrequent public transport links and none at all at closing time; the risk of accident on the two narrow lanes into the village, to the Pavilion, will also increase and the narrow and sometimes non-existent or overgrown pavement adjacent the lanes means that pedestrians have to walk into the path of vehicles the lack of payment where the High Street crosses the bridge to join Mill Lane, right next to the pavilion, has long been regarded as dangerous by local residents and the BATHNES will have records of this.
- 3) The notice of application is worryingly vague and does not give any detail about planned frequency of any of the proposed events.
- 4) This is a field in a quiet local village and is not the right setting for an entertainments venue.
- 5) King Edward School is a private school that contribute very little to the vast majority of residents of Bathampton village they have stopped villagers walking there dogs on the field and now prevent local children from playing on the field too. The coaches that transport sporting parties there already regularly block the lanes to

other uses. The events they already hold there are disruptive and they are also nearly always private events with no wider access to locals in the village.

Thanks. I look forward to hearing from you. Steve

Dr. S. Haigh (Ph.D. CPsychol)

Chartered Psychologist



The following is correspondence between Stephen Haigh and Peter Brockwell (author of the application on behalf of King Edward's School)

From: Stephen Haigh

Sent: Thursday, September 19, 2024 6:50 AM

To:

Cc: Geoff Cannon < Geoff_Cannon@bathnes.gov.uk>

Subject: KES Pavilion entertainments and liquor licence application

Morning Peter. Thanks for your contact email regarding the submission for a liquor and entertainments licence for the KES Playing fields and Pavilion. I was going to call and be curious about your plans until I had sight of the full details of the plan yesterday. The full plans are here:

https://www.bathnes.gov.uk/webforms/licensing/details.html?refval=24%2F01660%2 FLAPRE

Now I have seen the plans I see there is no point in entering a dialogue with you as the plans are extreme and appalling and lack any ecological sensitivity to the area. Im sorry that might be disappointing for you to hear.

There is no way you could control the noise emissions from either location of the proposed marquee entertainments venue. The sound already carries to all the neighbouring properties and surrounding boat dweller's homes on the odd occasion events have been run in the past from the Pavilion building, and this was just tolerable. But to propose to have a licence to run entertainments daily in a tent right next to our homes is unbelievable and as I said, appalling.

You can hear a pin drop in the evening here and that's why we want to live here. I could not live next to such an entertainments facility and it would ruin my and my child's quality of life and the quiet enjoyment of our home.

There is an 8am to 8pm curfew on noise and running of generators enforced by the Canal and River Trust on the canal and you are asking for a licence to make noise all day every day right next to this peaceful beauty-spot. I can't really believe what I saw in those plans and am shocked. Obviously I will be contesting this licence in the strongest possible way as it would clearly lead to 'nuisance' under the Environmental Protection Act 1990. Moreover I am happy to pursue this to the local government ombudsman service and beyond if necessary.

I know this is not what you wanted to hear and apologies for not speaking to you but after I saw the plans there was no point in talking about them. Thanks. Steve

Dr. S. Haigh (Ph.D. CPsychol)

Chartered Psychologist



From: Stephen Haigh

Sent: Wednesday, September 25, 2024 1:02 PM

To: Geoff Cannon <Geoff_Cannon@BATHNES.GOV.UK>

Subject: Re: Amended - King Edwards School Pavilion and Playing Fields Premise

Licence Application

If I understand the application correctly there will most likely be 10 events per year with up to 3000 people attending running up to 11 at night (with all the noise that will come after that time as drunk people linger around the canal and the village), and there will be any number of events running throughout the year with up to 500 people attending that will finish before 6. Is that correct? If so, it will ruin the peace of a quiet village and canal scene for profit for a private school.

I think if it is decided in the licence application that the Marquee is moved to the secondary location because of land-based resident's objections to the primary location that decision to move the noise nuisance away from people who live in houses towards people who live in boats could actually be prejudice and may even be a criminal offence under the Equalities Act as many boat dwellers identity as Bargee-Travellers and as such have protected characteristics under the umbrella of 'race' in the Equalities Act. Could you include this in your submission to the LSC please?

Many Thanks Geoff. Steve

Dr. S. Haigh (Ph.D. CPsychol)

Chartered Psychologist



From: Mr P Brockwell

Sent: Thursday, September 26, 2024 1:31 PM

To: Stephen Haigh

Cc: Geoff Cannon < Geoff_Cannon@bathnes.gov.uk>

Subject: RE: KES Pavilion entertainments and liquor licence application

Dear Dr Stephen Haigh,

Thank you very much for your email and the explanation you provide for your objection.

While I appreciate and respect that you state there is no point in talking through our plans, which is why I haven't responded until now, I thought it was worth making you aware that as a result of engaging with the Bathampton Parish Council we have amended one of our conditions as there was a concern that, whist the application clearly limited the number of events where more than 500 people would be present, it made no mention of how many smaller events may go on in to the evening. As a direct result of this feedback we have now adjusted the application so that it reads:

There will be no more than 10 events per calendar year that either a) finish after 6pm or b) have more than 500 people present.

It is our intention to run only a small number of School events in any year and, where possible we would like to open these up to Bathampton residents.

You may also be interested to learn that the Police have also stipulated certain conditions as part of their review and we have accepted all of these. My understanding is that these will now be uploaded to the licensing application portal on the B&NES website.

I am keen to open some dialogue with yourself so that we can look at resolving any concerns which you have and so please do let me know if you would like to discuss this further.

Best wishes.

Pete

Peter Brockwell

Estates and Facilities Manager

King Edward's School, Bath, BA2 6HU

Telephone:

Mobile:

From: Stephen Haigh < Sent: Thursday, September 26, 2024 2:31 PM

To: Mr P Brockwell < > Cc: Geoff Cannon@bathnes.gov.uk>; Jan

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Subject: Re: KES Pavilion entertainments and liquor licence application

Hi Peter and Geoff. Thanks for the mail. I'm guessing one of the primary functions of your job is to monetise the estate of KES and that in conjunction with the somewhat vague and very board nature of the plans is worrying lots of people here. I am friends with a member of the parish council (Ccd in) and I have also seen the annex for the police.

Can you please clarify what you mean when you say, "There will be no more than 10 events per calendar year that either a) finish after 6pm or b) have more than 500 people present."?

As I understand the above statement in conjunction with the police annex and your role as estates manager, that means there will most likely be 10 events per year with up to 3000 people attending that go on to 11pm (with many drunk people remaining around afterwards that you can't control) and any number of events with up to 500 people that run up to 6 in the evening). I have attached a short video taken just now from the canal looking to the proposed secondary location of the marquee just a few meters from the canal bank and people's homes and as you can see and hear it is silent (except for the sound of the KES lawns being mowed). To want to host events there, as I said before, lacks ecological sensitivity and the people that live here, live here because it is so guiet and peaceful. I guite simply do not want to be sat outside my home listening to music and shouting from 500 people (or more) having a boozy party next door. As I have said before, when events are hosted in the Pavilion building the noise carries all around the village and I can't go to sleep until it stops and that is just tolerable on the times that events have been run in the past - you are proposing to run many more events and they will quite simply produce noise that will cause a public nuisance especially when run from a tent.

You might start out with the best intentions in the world for these events but there is nothing stopping KES increasing them if they get a license and I believe there will be a financial incentive to hold as many events as can be arranged of any type and so far the events you have run have been events that do no benefit anyone in the village in the least. The annex for the police will actually do very little or nothing in practice to prevent nuisance from happening each time an event is held.

There was a VW camper van rally the other month on the KES field with no noise control put in place to safegauard Bathampton residents from nuisance.

Sorry, but as you can hear I'm not open to the plans at all. I'm happy for you to supply clarifying information however. Thanks. Steve

Estates and Facilities Manager King Edward's School, Bath, BA2 6HU

Telephone:

Mobile:

Sent: Thursday, September 26, 2024 5:27 PM

To: Mr P Brockwell

Cc: Geoff Cannon <Geoff_Cannon@bathnes.gov.uk>; Jan

Subject: Re: KES Pavilion entertainments and liquor licence application

Hi. Thanks. A couple of reasonable conditions might be: no more than 1 event per month with up to 500 people attending that finish before 6 and a maximum of 5 of the larger proposed events per year that run no later than 10pm. That would remove uncertainty and KES would be legally obliged to abide by such a quota rather than it being open ended as at present. I could tolerate that I suppose. The application needs much more clarity and precision in the wording. Thanks. Steve.

Ps I'm out of contact now until Monday.

Sent from my iPhone

On 26 Sep 2024, at 16:58, Mr P Brockwell wrote:

Dear Stephen,

Thank you for your email and for sharing your concerns. I appreciate the opportunity to clarify our intentions and address your worries.

Regarding the change of wording we wanted to remove any uncertainty or concern amongst the Bathampton community that the School would be able to host as many events as we liked late into the evening at 499 people. We are hopeful that this gives some reassurance that we are not looking to host evening events on a frequent basis. I understand your concern that the School could run as many events as possible up to 6pm with less than 500 people, is there a condition you would like to propose that could give you peace of mind that we are not looking to host large licensable events on a regular basis before 6pm?

I want to assure you that the School does not envisage ever hosting an event where the primary purpose is for attendees to get drunk. As an educational institution, our

primary focus is on events that align with our purpose and values, which are educational and community-oriented.

We do, however, wish to have the flexibility to sell alcoholic refreshments at some of our larger events, such as our rugby festivals. These events might occasionally exceed 500 attendees, mainly parents of participating children, necessitating a premises licence. Additionally, we plan to host a laser show around bonfire night and are keen to explore an open-air cinema in the summer, both of which are family-friendly events aimed at our school community and local residents, where again we would like the ability to serve alcoholic refreshments. With over 1000 pupils at the School being able to open these events up to our whole community is important to us.

Regarding the licensing restrictions, we understand the importance of maintaining peace and quiet in the area. The enforced curfew on our premises ensures that events will not run late into the evening, we hope providing peace of mind to our neighbours.

We are committed to being good neighbours and ensuring that our events do not cause a public nuisance. We are open to any further suggestions you might have to address your concerns.

Thank you for your understanding and for allowing us to clarify our position.
Best wishes,

Peter Brockwell

Pete

Estates and Facilities Manager King Edward's School, Bath, BA2 6HU

Telephone:

Mobile:

From: Stephen Haigh

Sent: Friday, September 27, 2024 6:47 AM

To: Mr P Brockwell

Cc: Geoff Cannon <Geoff_Cannon@bathnes.gov.uk>;

Subject: Re: KES Pavilion entertainments and liquor licence application

Good Morning. On further reflection on our exchange Peter I'd like to add a few final comments for submission to the LSC.

- 1) There is a continued lack of clarity in the vague wording of the application in phrases such as "There will be no more than 10 events per calendar year that either a) finish after 6pm or b) have more than 500 people present.". If KES get a licence based on vague and slightly obscure statements like this there is nothing to stop them increasing the number of events as they see fit and therefore no licence should be given.
- 2) My experience of Rugby matches is that lots of people like to get drunk at them and the thought of up to 3000 people shouting and screaming next door to my home is, on reflection, not in the least appealing and this will constitute a public nuisance in terms of noise that would be massively out of sink with the quiet country, small village location (see earlier video) and as such no license should be given.
- 3) Why introduce alcohol at all if you want to sell refreshments that are oriented around community and education? Alcohol is not required to enhance these objectives and as such a licence should not be given.
- 4) Any curfew will not stop people (possibly drunk) lingering around on the warm summer nights in various parts of the village you quite simply cannot control this and as such no license should be given.
- 5) Hoisting an outside cinema next to the peaceful canal in this peaceful country setting is inappropriate and will cause noise nuisance and as such no licence should be given you cannot control the noise from tents at all and the proposed tent locations are only meters away from people's homes.
- 6) Im not sure what the minimum distance is from homes for running fireworks events but certainly the homes of people who live on the canal must be taken into

consideration and I believe there is inadequate room to run such events therefor on KES playing field and as such no licence should be given.

- 7) The prospect of up to 3000 people coming into this hard-to-access area with poor footpaths and a dangerous bridge-crossing is introducing a massive risk to public safety and as such no license should be given.
- 8) Personally I could tolerate, as I say in my last email, 1 event per month with up to 500 people attending that finish before 6 and a maximum of 5 of the larger proposed events per year that run no later than 10pm if they were open to the whole village too. But I think on the whole the application lacks any ecological sensitivity and as such a licence should not be given. When I think of the proposals it is a matter of how much disturbance am I willing to put up with so a private school can make profit and run events for its own people (in the past this is the way KES have run the events and there is on reason to expect a change in that as far as I can see).

Sorry this is not what you want to hear. I feel like I have had as much input now as I am willing to put the energy into and so I do not need to hear back from you Peter, and I trust that these objections will be included in the LSC by yourself Geoff. I'm sorry again Peter but I think it's a bad idea and you will make life unpleasant for those of us who value the peace and quiet of the canal and this sleepy village.

All the best. Steve

Dr. S. Haigh (Ph.D. CPsychol)

Chartered Psychologist



ANNEX D

-----Original Message-----

From: Tom .

Sent: Friday, October 4, 2024 7:16 PM

To: Licensing licensing@bathnes.gov.uk

Subject: Bathampton

Just to say: the idea of having festivals and film nights etc. at the Bathampton playing fields is a FANTASTIC idea!! Genius!

A Bath resident

Sent from my iPhone

From: Slim <

Sent: Friday, October 4, 2024 9:54 PM **To:** Licensing licensing@bathnes.gov.uk

Subject: Support letter to application

THE APPLICATION REFERENCE IS 24/01660/LAPRE

I am writing to support the premises licence application for events on Bathhampton meadows

It would bring much needed culture and entertainment to the Bath area. As the application is for closing at 11pm it should cause be disturbance to local residents and give a lot of people a great day out.

As a Bath resident we need more events and entertainment generally so really good to see people trying to arrange events like this.

Regards

Simon Clarke

4 Frankley Terrace. Bath



Licensing Application Representations

Comment Reference	LC-2092387
Submission Date	2024-10-08 18:26:47 PM
Status	New
Application Reference	24/01660/LAPRE
Representation Nature	
Representation	I support this proposal, it sounds as though it will provide lots of much needed local events for residents, particularly young families. The light show in particular would be lovely to see. This is a positive move for Bathampton.
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