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3rd January 2010

Mrs Emma White
Licensing Officer
Entertainment Licensing Section
Civic Hall
Leeds LS1 1UR

Re Application No: CPREM/00166/VO1
Oulton and Woodlesford Sports and Social Club

Dear Mrs White,

Enclosed are letters and documents, which we submit in support of our Licence Variation Application. I have enclosed a copy of the newspaper section showing the Public Planning Notice, granted the date Thursday 26th November is not evident, but I will bring the original copy to the scheduled hearing on the 11th January 2010. if that is ok.

Kind Regards
(Happy New Year to you)

Brian Bache



OWSSC

Mr Clifford Furness
105 Leeds Road
Allerton Bywater
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Environmental Protection Team
Leeds City Council
Kent Road
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Contact: Mrs Rachael Teale
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Your reference:
Our reference: CPREM/00166/V01
3 December 2009

Dear Sir

APPLICATION FOR A VARIATION IN LICENSED ACTIVITY

Thank you for submitting your application for a variation in licensed activity at:

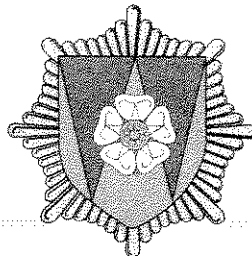
NAME OF VENUE: OULTON & WOODLESFORD SPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB
ADDRESS: THE PAVILION, ABERFORD ROAD, OULTON, LEEDS, LS26 8EL

The Operating Schedule outlined in your application has been assessed by this Department in terms of the prevention of public nuisance. As a result we are not going to raise any objection to the granting of the variation to the licence.

Yours faithfully



Mrs Rachael Teale
Senior Environmental Health Officer



Mr B Bache
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File No. 91:379
Form No: FSLET041
Date: 18 November 2009

Mr I Clegg is dealing with this matter

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Fire & Rescue Service**
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Dear Sir

**Fire Safety – Licensing Act 2003
Oulton & Woodlesford Sports & Social Club
The Pavilion, Aberford Road, Oulton, Leeds, LS26 8EL**

This is to inform you that the Fire & Rescue Authority does not propose to make any representations to the Licensing Authority in respect of your application for, or variation of, a premises licence or club premises certificate under the Licensing Act 2003 and it has informed the Licensing Authority accordingly.

This letter should not be construed as being a certificate from the Fire & Rescue Authority that your premises are fully compliant with fire safety requirements. You are reminded that in accordance with relevant statutory regulations and guidance it is a matter for the responsible person to ensure compliance with the requirements of the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005.

Please see the enclosed "Advice for Applicants", which refers you to national guidance on how to comply with your legal duties.

The Fire & Rescue Authority carry out a risk-based programme of fire safety audits and inspections and may visit your premises in the future to ensure that satisfactory standards of fire safety are being maintained.

Yours faithfully

PP
I Clegg
Leeds District Fire Safety Manager

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LICENSING ACT 2003 (PREMISES LICENCES AND CLUB PREMISES REGULATIONS) 2005
 Notice is hereby given that I, Clifford Furness, have made an application under Section 34 of the Licensing Act 2003 to vary the Premises Licence held in respect of the premises known as: Oulton with Woodrofford Sports and Social Club at: Road, Oulton, Leeds, LS26 8EL. We intend to conduct on or from the premises the following licensable activities: the provision of regulated entertainment, namely: Live music and anything of a similar description to the new varied times of: Monday to Saturday 18:00 to 23:00, Sunday 18:00 to 22:50. Interested parties or responsible authorities of the ACQ may make written representations to Leeds City Council about this application until 14th December 2009 which should be sent to the following address:
 Entertainment Licensing Section, Leeds City Council, Town Hall, Leeds LS1 1UR. For full details and to view a copy of the application please contact the Entertainment Licensing Section on telephone number 0113 247 4095 or e-mail entertainmentlicensing@leeds.gov.uk. It is an offence to knowingly or recklessly make a false statement in connection with an application and the maximum fine for a person is £1,000 on conviction for an offence is a fine not exceeding £5,000.

17 NATVINGU 21 VARS CLAUGHTON of Merchants Quay, Ashley Lane, Shipley, West Yorkshire BD17 7DB give notice that on 17th November 2009 I was appointed Liquidator of R.M.H. Developments Ltd by resolutions of a meeting of the Company's Members. Dated this 17th day of November 2009 R.S. Claughton F.I.P.A., F.A.B.R.P. Liquidator

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 By: The Diocese Of Leeds Trustees/Charford Homes 08/04481/FU MAJ For: Margaret's RC Church, Naburn Approach, Whitnour, Leeds
 By: Leeds City Council 09/04859/LA SIB For: Access ramp to museum building At: Thwistle Mills, Thwistle Lane, Hunstall, Leeds
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 By: R Pior 09/04804/FU ACC For: Single storey rear extension At: 16 Haddon Place, Meanwood, Leeds, LS6 4EL
 By: P Hennigan 08/04746/FU ACC For: 3 storey block of 9 two bedroom flats, with detached carport and car parking At: Heat Of 8 Calverley Court, Oulton, Leeds, LS26 8JE
 By: Linn Property Ventures Ltd 09/04844/FU ACC For: Change of use of ground and first floor offices to retail and part new frontage with part single storey part two storey rear extension and part new frontage with ATM At: Russell House, 15 St. Pauls Street, Leeds, LS1 2LG
 By: Remokil Initial (UK) Ltd 09/04981/FU MAJ For: Change of use of part of industrial site to waste transfer station, with vehicle wash area and trenching At: Southern Cross, South Leeds Industrial Estate, Pottery Road, Hunstall
 By: Leeds City Council 09/04250/LA LB AC For: Listed Building application for signage At: Leeds City Art Gallery, Calverley Street, Leeds, LS1 3NA
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 By: Leeds Citizens Advice Bureau 09/04246/LI LB For: Listed Building Application for internal alterations At: Westminster Buildings, 31 New York Street, Leeds, LS2 7DT

Oulton & Woodlesford Sports & Social Club.

The Pavilion
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Leeds LS26 8EL

Entertainment Licensing.
Leeds City Council.
Civic Hall,
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28th December 2009

Re; Application for the variation of the Club Premises Certificate.

Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for your recent correspondence regarding the above application. I write in response to an objection you forwarded from Mr Butler. I was very disappointed, but I have to say not at all surprised to read his letter as unfortunately the club has a long history of complaints and objections from this individual. One could argue that it is getting to the point where this individual has personal issues with the club.

A bit of history: The club consists of Junior, Youth & Senior Rugby, Junior & Senior Cricket, Junior & Youth Football and Sub-aqua sections. We have approximately 500+ children and youths from the ages of 8 – 18 playing sport all year round at Oulton. The majority of whom come from the local community and many from the neighbouring estate. We have recently undertaken a £650,000 development program at Oulton with funds provided by Leeds City Council, Sport England, the FA, the RFL and money raised from within the club. This has enabled us to update our facilities and provide new changing rooms for all, better parking facilities and a pleasant clubhouse. At the beginning of this program we held an open meeting for local residents to discuss what was happening and answer any questions raised. It did however become clear at this meeting that Mr Butler had appointed himself as local spokesperson and was using his knowledge of planning procedures, to which we had no objection and our architect and committee members answered all questions fully. The club even agreed to plant additional trees and shrubs at an additional cost to the scheme of almost £5000. to act as a screen between ourselves and our neighbours, even though we believe these houses were allowed to buy an additional five meters of land from Leeds City Council, so that they could plant their own trees and shrubs and create their own sight and sound screen! Unfortunately this has not happened, as all have just extended their gardens.

Throughout this development program we received numerous complaints and objections from Mr Butler, we even had a complaint about 'Destroying the habitation of Bats'. With each complaint the club followed the correct procedures, had the issues fully investigated by employing the relevant experts – all claims were proven to be false. As you can imagine this incurred considerable expense to the club, not to mention the inconvenience and constant time wasting, to a point where we almost had some funding withdrawn due to delayed timescales. This constant complaining I find

very difficult to comprehend, especially from a person who's own son is a member of the Junior Rugby section and often attends functions held at the club?

The reason for applying for this licence is so that we can hold functions that will help us raise the vital funds we need to keep supporting the children's teams. Which when you consider the cost of playing kits, training equipment etc is quite considerable. The majority of functions held at Oulton are infact based around the children, whether it is an end of season presentation or a Christmas party.

I can't deny that there have probably been noise issues in the past. But over the last 12 – 18 months we have built up a new governing committee from all sporting sections who are dedicated to taking the club forward. We have also appointed a club steward who reports back to the committee at monthly meetings and any function has to be approved by this committee. I would like to think that we do get on with our neighbours and are always approachable. In fact a number who live much closer than Mr Butler and who frequent the club and have often commentated on the huge improvements that have recently taken place.

I really do find many of Mr Butler's comments difficult to understand and feel a little frustrated that once again we are having to spend considerable time on this matter and no doubt cost to all. His house is located some distance from the clubhouse and having talked to other neighbours they don't seem to share his opinion. All I can do is ask you to consider my comments and hopefully look favourably on our application.

Thank you,

Regards,

Keith Bell.
President.

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31st December 2009

Leeds City Council
Legal, Licensing and Registration
Entertainment Licensing Section
Civic Hall
Leeds LS1 1UR

Oulton and Woodlesford Sports and Social Club
The Pavilion, Aberford Road, Oulton Leeds, LS26 8EL
Application for the Variation of a Club Premises Certificate

Dear Sir / madam,

We are in receipt of your correspondence dated 15th December 2009 and the accompanying letters of objection to our application. The copy letter from the resident at 2, Coleridge close is of poor quality and difficult to read, so I will make my best guess and refer to her as Mrs Boyde. I have had no difficulty at all reading Mr Butler's correspondence.

We make the assumptions that these are the only two objections from residents that you have received, or from any of the institutions (nine in all), that we were obliged to notify in writing (along with accompanying documents), in accordance with the application schedule sent out from the Leeds Licensing Authority.

Mrs Boyde concerns me the most; I interpret her letter as fair and reasonable. If she is being disturbed to an unacceptable degree by our activities then we are at fault and that is the end of it. Her concern it seems is with noise at closing time as a result of the recent car park extension. She does not object to our application for live entertainment.

To be accurate there has been no car park extension, cars have parked on the piece of ground at the side of the clubhouse to which Mrs Boyde refers for the whole of the twenty-one years that I have been associated with the club. The car park has been resurfaced recently however with a hollow block system, which allows drainage, this could be a contributing factor.

It is possible that tyre noise has increased slightly and voices may be carrying further off the hard surface.

Since receiving a copy of Mrs Boyde's letter and her concerns, we have placed notices at the exit doors of the club to remind members to leave quietly and show consideration for those living on the estate. Those measures are already in place and have been for some weeks.

We are sorry that Mrs Boyde has been inconvenienced this way, had she contacted us directly or through any of her neighbours on the estate who are also members of the club themselves, we could have attempted to resolve the problem much earlier.

Those of us who run the club are approachable, we have an 'everyone is welcome' policy,

Mrs Boyde would have been met with courtesy and sympathy, had she made her concerns known to us, and the same still applies if our current measures do not satisfy her.

Mr Butler's comments on the other hand are of no concern to us at all, they would be if we didn't know him better.

No one would have been more surprised than me if he had not raised an objection to our application, he seizes upon every opportunity to discredit us.

As usual his correspondence is long and scathing, drawing on years of experience to paint a degrading image of the clubs 'history'. He fails however to inform the panel that he has a 'history' of his own.

This latest objection is typical of Mr Butler they are made with some regularity, it's a familiar format, he is always full of dread and sufferance and an uncanny awareness of the nuisance that we cause to others.

He has an exceptional knowledge of local planning regulations and procedures, which he is delighted to share with anyone inclined to listen to him. He could easily be mistaken for a planning officer himself.

Whilst stating that it was only by chance that he came across our application for this licence variation, it's amazing how often he is in the right place at the right time to 'chance' across any application relating to anything that we have an ambition to do. Instinctively he quotes the right 'trigger' words, somehow knowing that those persons such as yourselves, whose duty it is to consider our applications can't ignore them. This tried and tested tactic invariably slows down the application process, and leads to much greater expense.

Had we suffered this kind of continued behaviour from a professional person harbouring a personal grudge against the club, I imagine that we would have good cause to lodge a complaint to his employer.

My comments may seem shallow and irrelevant to this application, I am aware of that, but this is who he is, we have had to deal with him for years. He doesn't need a good reason to lodge an objection to anything that we do around the premises, and in my opinion he doesn't have a good reason this time either.

He draws your attention to the fact that we already play amplified music at the club, yes we do, and we are licensed by yourselves to do so, but those residents living a fraction of the distance away from the building in comparison to Mr Butler have never complained about it, or made any allegations of bad languages either as far as we know. Furthermore his comment that the fire doors are 'habitually' opened when loud music is been played is nothing but exaggeration.

His allegation however that the club has a long history of ignoring imposed controls and causing a public nuisance is a concern to us. We would like very much to have the opportunity to read the file to which these accusations relate.

We don't doubt for a minute that one exists, we are curious however with regards to the number of individual names in the file!

It is a simply enough task to lodge a complaint of noise and nuisance, but where is the evidence. The club that Mr Butler describes in his letter to you is not the one that I am chairman of.

Ours is a very successful club, it has been in existence for over a hundred years, established first as a village Cricket Club on the village green, before expanding to embrace Rugby, and Football of all ages and sexes, plus a Sub-Aqua diving club. We are a club for the community no one in the Rothwell area can say that there is nothing for their children to do here.

We have an army of volunteers with 'sports training' qualifications, giving their time on a daily/weekly basis to provide facilities for children and adults alike.

It is not for me to say, but I am going to say it anyway, our club is a credit and an asset to Oulton.

On any given Wednesday evening or Saturday morning we have as many as 500 children either training or playing in a match. It gets 'busy' it gets 'congested' we don't deny that, it is called success.

Our success has not gone unnoticed by the Leeds City Council either. They along with the RFL, the FA, Sport England and numerous others have seen the potential in our club, as well as showing confidence in the people running it. Between them they have provided funding totalling £650,000 which has allowed us to improve the facilities inside and out to an enviable standard.

Inevitably our overheads have risen, it costs a lot of money to run an amateur club, but our policy hasn't changed, we try to make our facilities 'affordable' to all.

Our club membership fees are modest, so we rely heavily on revenue taken over the bar. Therefore we must be allowed to use our facilities as efficiently and as profitably as possibly to meet our needs. We have no intention of playing live music every night of the week, or anything of a similar nature. We have no plans to play live music every weekend either at this stage, its just another avenue available to us to draw in custom and raise extra funds.

We were advised at the time of making the application to tick all the boxes and apply for a licence covering seven nights a week, which would satisfy the periods when Christmas and New Years Eve fall mid-week. We were led to believe that it would remove the necessity to apply for an addition occasional licence at those times.

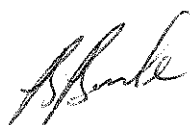
It is of no advantage at all to us to be unpopular with the residents on the estate or anyone else who feel they might be affected by our application.

We are quite prepared indeed we are obligated, to be advised by those whose duty it is to monitor public behaviour, and put into place any affordable measures or restrictions which they regard as a requirement to fulfil our duty of care.

Please award us the permission that we are requesting and give us the opportunity to prove to you that we are responsible and capable of running our club in a satisfactory manner.

Yours sincerely

Brian Bache



Chairman OWSSC.

With your permission I would like to contact the resident at 2, Coleridge Close Oulton, and set up a direct link between her and the club secretary or myself, so that if she has any noise issues in the future they can be resolved speedily.

Please provide me with a legible copy of her name and address.

B.B

I am well aware that it has no bearing on our application, but it might be of interest to the panel to know that during the evening between the dates of 29th-30th December 2009 at 12-18am, close to mid-night, the clubhouse suffered an attempted burglary.

We have a police crime number relating to the incident.

The culprits were caught on our CCTV system breaking through the reinforced steel roller shutter door, which protects the main entrance with a large hammer and crowbar, before breaking 3ft x 6ft toughened glass door panel. That would have made a noise like a shotgun being fired.

Sadly no one reported hearing the disturbance and were unable to be of any assistance to the police.

B.B.