

To: Internet - Licensing

Subject: Sanford Parks Lido. Att .Philip Cooper

Dear sir,

This is to submit my strong objections to the granting of a licence to the above public premises.

Surely our beautiful town has sufficient alcohol venues?

I live in Keynshambury Rd and can hear the added noise these events emanates in my garden as it is.

Please allow residents as myself to expect escape in our own homes from such irritation.

Also the level of unruliness would be increased , walking into town at night is already unpleasant and certainly something I wouldn't do alone.

Yours sincerely. Hilary Atwell

Sent: 30 March 2015 14:45

To: Internet - Licensing

Subject: Attn. Mr P Cooper. Prop. Licensing Application at Sandford Park Lido.

Hello

I write on behalf my wife and I in response to the application above (ref 15/00319/PRMA).

Our comments are below and attached. Earlier today I tried to submit our comments through the 'on-line' system but was unsuccessful.

In case there is any doubt we are 'Objecting' to the proposal.

Phil and Liz Cork
2 Murvagh Close
Cheltenham
Glos
GL53 7Q

Dear Mr Cooper,

Licence Application 15/00319/PRMA is of significant concern to us.

We're aware of responses to the Application from Emma Levings at 12 Murvagh Close and support everything she says.

We think we know what is right and what is wrong and this application (and associated events) appear more wrong than right. We are by no means expert on these matters and happily stand corrected on matters of detail/law.

Whilst we would be the last people to stifle enthusiasm and enterprise on behalf of the Sandford Parks Lido team we find it hard to believe that there is a solid business case for the proposed events. A Lido representative may like to comment on that.

We're very tolerant of events at the Lido and have not objected to any events there during our 30 years living next door (almost!) to it. These events have not been with anywhere near the frequency of these now being proposed. If this is given the go ahead we will have noise for many more weekends of the year – which includes Friday, Saturday and now Sunday ... and midweek!

It is hard to believe that if the events go ahead they will pass with no/minimal impact on the residents/businesses (Reach Fitness) in the immediate area. In addition we fail to see how the events can go ahead without impact on staff, visitors and patients of Cheltenham General Hospital and to a lesser extent access to/from Cheltenham Fire Station.

Aside from our 'general' concerns above, crime is not just about unsociable behaviour. We have no doubt that there will be issues of littering and parking that will impact on us.

Public safety will clearly be an issue, not perhaps in The Lido but certainly in the immediate area around the Lido. The proposed events aren't like mini triathlons etc where they are during the day, fully marshalled and traffic properly controlled.

In terms of a public nuisance anything that anybody can hear from within their garden/home has to be a public nuisance – as is the increased footfall in the area and associated noise. Even if a 'licensable event' has the bar closing at 9.30pm and finishes completely at 10pm the noise and disturbance will continue for far longer as people make their way home.

Protecting children from harm is of course most important. Where alcohol, loud music and audio/visual entertainment are involved particular care is needed. Careful and sensitive 'policing' will be needed to ensure no 'crimes' are committed in these respects. Will there be measuring of noise levels?

Finally, we know from our full and varied lives that once contentious issues are approved they have a habit of evolving into something even less acceptable to the public. This is possibly a 'thin edge of the wedge' situation. Once a Premises licence is granted it's not unreasonable to think an extension to the agreed hours could be made. It's imaginable to think this could lead to the Lido being hired out to third parties for events ie weddings, parties or music gigs.

Once any licence has been granted it becomes extremely difficult to get it rescinded. What was previously acceptable becomes the norm. We still have to live with the additional noise and disruption and redress will be a long and painstaking task for us.

Sincerely,

Mr and Mrs PA Cork.

From: Geoffrey Cox

Sent: 01 April 2015 09:55

To: Internet - Licensing

Subject: Planning application 15/00319/PRMA

Dear Sir,

Sandford Park Lido, Keynsham Road, Cheltenham. Planning application 15/00319/PRMA

I regret that for some reason I did not receive a copy of the original application and so have not hitherto contacted you.

1. I ask you to record my definite objection to the granting permission to sell alcohol on the Lido premises

I write both as Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator for the Murvagh Close-College Baths Road Scheme – where I know I am writing for a number of the residents with whom I have spoken, and as a retired Vicar who has served over forty-five years in this Diocese of Gloucester.

2. My objections concern the following, in view of the present situation, where we have an alcohol-free area on the one side, and an active hospital on the other:

i. Prevention of crime and disorder. The area is at present largely trouble-free. A licence to sell alcohol will open the way to various forms of disorder and impose greater demands on our already stretched police force.

ii. Public safety. The increased risk to public safety from the juxtaposition of an open swimming pool with availability of alcohol is obvious.

iii. Prevention of public nuisance. We have already had complaints about the amount of nuisance caused by excessive noise from musical performances

at the Lido, and experience shows that such nuisance will definitely be increased by the availability of alcohol and the presence of those who come primarily because it is available. It must be emphasised that the next-door neighbour of the Lido is the Cheltenham General Hospital, and the patients have no way of avoiding or limiting late-night noise so resulting.

iv. Protection of children from harm. At present many children use the Lido and will be at risk from some who will be attracted by the availability of alcohol.

The Revd. Geoffrey Cox

32, Murvagh Close

Cheltenham GL53 7QY

Mr & Mrs R.G.L. Dallas
64 Keynsham Road
Cheltenham
Gloucestershire
GL53 7PX

29th March 2015

Dear Sir/Madam,

We write in connection with the application by Cheltenham Lido for a Premises Licence covering:

1. Sale/supply of alcohol Friday to Saturday 19:30 – 22:00 / Sunday 19:30 – 20:00
2. Performance of a play Friday to Sunday 19:30 – 22:30
3. Exhibition of a film Friday to Sunday 19:30 – 22:30
4. Performance of live music Friday to Saturday 19:30 – 22:30 / Sunday 19:30 – 21:00
5. Performance of recorded music Friday to Saturday 19:30 – 22:30 / Sunday 19:30 – 21:00
6. Performance of a dance Friday to Saturday 19:30 – 22:30 / Sunday 19:30 – 21:00

We have lived at the above address opposite Sandford Park Lido for just over 20 years. Despite the close proximity of the Fire Station and Cheltenham General Hospital, all the houses in Keynsham Road between College Baths Road and Sandford Road have experienced an almost complete lack of noise in the evenings apart from the occasional disturbance from events organised by the Lido which have until now have been held at infrequent intervals.

Regular events at weekend evenings will completely destroy the ambience of the neighbourhood and cause considerable annoyance and discomfort to all residents. Apart from noise from the venue, there is bound to be disturbance, unpleasantness and deliberate damage to residents' parked cars from inebriated persons returning home from the Lido late at night.

The noise from any event will not only disturb residents in Keynsham Road but also residents' houses that back onto the river not to forget that part of the hospital which backs onto the Lido.

Apart from the effect of the noise on residents personally, there is the worrying factor of the effect on property prices in the area.

Yours faithfully,

From: Jackie Dormer

Subject: Licences Lido Sandford Park

Re: Application from Lido Sandford Park for Licenses.

My address is: 10 Sandford Park Place. GL52 6 HP

Reasons to refuse these Licenses:

Protection of Children from Harm:

Broken glass

Empty tins

Needles

Children's playground next door.

Who would be liable if sued by parents of any child hurt?

Prevention of Public Nuisance:

Drunks walk through the Park at 3 and 4 in the morning, swearing and shouting, waking residents with and without children. It would only get worse if further Licenses are granted.

Fireworks are already a problem certain times of the year, and if parties etc are allowed, loud music and fireworks will no doubt be the norm.

Prevention of Crime and Disorder:

We have already experienced two broken Patio glass doors on separate occasions at a cost to us of £1000. Police were notified and arrived but were unable to do anything.

As a preventative move and at great cost to ourselves we planted a hedge on advice received from the police, hoping it, when fully grown, will shelter us from further damage.

The river could also be a problem as already people climb the fence and if drunk could fall in and drown!!

The above appears to me to make my objections to further Licenses being granted valid.

Yours faithfully, Mr. & Mrs John Dormer.

Subject: Sandford Park Lido Licesning

I am writing to lodge my objection against the proposed change of temporary use of the Lido and the extension to licensing hours.

I have been a resident here for 12 years, I bought the property knowing the Lido was opposite and just open during specific periods during the summer. However these opening times seem to have been extended in the last few years without any consultation with the local residents. There has been parties which have gone on until midnight, loud music, tannoy noise which wakes one up, drinking, shouting and people trying to climb over the fence etc.. this was never the intention for the Lido to be used in this way. On several occasions complaints have been made. To extend the licence bringing more people into the area will of course create more noise, rowdy behaviour, an increase in rubbish in our park and possible problems with the flood system as people dispose of their rubbish in the river. The park is also an alcohol free zone, so further encouragement to drink in this local area should be considered very seriously before granting licences given that this area is a playground for children and families to picnic.

I find it hard to believe the hospital full of very ill people can allow this to happen. The noise already is unacceptable and to extend this to longer hours during the summer months and put a temporary inflatable marquee like object over the area will certainly not reduce noise and will certainly detract from the enjoyment of the area. This park is also used by the patients to experience some peace during their oncology treatment, some even their last days of life.

Parking is already currently a problem for the hospital, so where are all these people going to park, where are the people going to park going into the hospital? The priority has to be for those who live locally and those who have to visit the hospital. When the lido is open during the summer, cars are parked on yellow lines and the car park is full. People will be travelling by car to such an occasion, so the increase traffic will have a great impact on the area and the air pollution will increase.

This Lido is in a Conservation area and is listed, surely institutions cannot just come and change its use without any consultation with planning.

So to summarise I object on the following grounds

1. Public nuisance caused by noise of amplified and live music, flashing lights and announcements, film, theatre, dance and similar events. 60 events a year is totally unacceptable that amounts to more than one a week.
2. It may increase drug taking in the park which is already a problem and not addressed properly. The smell of drugs into my garden is already a nuisance value.
3. Possible increase in crime as new people come into the area, consuming alcohol. Currently there is a problem with some going through the park who throw missiles at out houses, conservatories and windows. With these events crime will surely increase giving us additional worry that our properties may be at risk from burglars.

4. Loss of privacy as more people come into the area, overlooking our properties, walking through the park creating a disturbance.

5. The change of use of a listed, building in a conservation area. This may need planning. Could this cause damage to this structure as it was never built to be an ice rink.

6. Increase in traffic and possible road accidents. Already the access onto London Road and Bath Road can be considered as high risk areas given the frequency of accidents which occur. Keynsham Road is also very much an attraction for boy racers, so this may increase.

7. The impact of additional traffic on the Fire Station and Hospital, people park anywhere and could block access routes.

8. The visual impact of a temporary bubble type building will detract from the local skyline and be rather a blot on the landscape. Also there would be an increased fire risk to such a structure given it is inflatable. How our local environment looks is very important. Such an object would certainly reduce ones enjoyment of the area.

9. The offensive smell of food cooking has spoilt my enjoyment of my garden as the smell permeates around my property. I certainly do not want an increase in this which will occur as the Lido increases its outdoor events.

9. Finally the negative effect this will have on our property prices as this is considered a lovely quiet area with a beautiful outlook. It will become like a fairground attraction which was never its purpose.

Helen Downes

Simon Flynn
11 Keynshambury Road
Cheltenham
GL52 6HB

Dear Sirs,

Sandford Lido licence extension proposal

We have read about the impending licence change re-application with alarm, and would like to register our protest in the strongest terms.

The Lido is already an inconsiderate and noisy neighbour, and I know I am not the only resident to ring and complain about their over-loud PA system amongst other noise nuisances.

Sandford Park is already plagued with drunken and anti-social behaviour, which the Lido's extended licensing will only exacerbate.

The River Chelt is poorly protected by a tiny fence along the park perimeter; as the Environment Agency had a duty of care to stop trespassers becoming trapped on the river-side of the fence. This already leads to nuisance being created on land belonging to riparian land owners along the river bank. More available alcohol over extended hours at an increased number of events will exacerbate the risk of trespass, intrusion and encroachment.

Hence we object to the proposed extended licensing on the grounds they are counter to:

- Prevention of crime and disorder
- Public safety
- Prevention of public nuisance

There are clubs, pubs, restaurants and cinema screens aplenty in Cheltenham. The Lido in summer is a unique and wonderful sporting and outdoor pursuits venue rightly cherished by many; it's management should concentrate on this core offer and leave social entertainment to the aforementioned businesses.

Sincerely,

Simon & Kay Flynn

Subject: Lido new Premises Licence.

From : Adam Gillespie & Jennifer Gillespie 25 Keynshambury Road, Cheltenham, Glos GL526HB

Dear Philip

I understand you are the Case Officer dealing with a request for a new licence to supply and sell alcohol. This new licence has been submitted by The Lido.

I live in Keynshambury Road adjacent to Sandford Park and will be affected by this application.

My concern is that there will be the prospect of a Public Nuisance from attendees of functions held in the Lido where alcohol is freely available until 10:30 in evenings throughout the year. Attendees may spill over onto Sandford Park causing noise and anti social behavior well into the night, leaving litter including glass on the Park which is used by the Public. The Park is actively also used by small children and the Public walking their animals.

I believe the Lido is an asset to Cheltenham and wish it to continue to exist and hold family functions. I don't believe these require alcohol to be consumed until late evening.

Best regards

Adam and Jennifer Gillespie

G. GOSLING.

8 SANDFORD PARK PLACE
CHELTENHAM
GL 52 6 HP

LICENSING SECTION
CHELTENHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL
MUNICIPAL OFFICES
CHELTENHAM

ATT. OF MR P. COOPER.

Dear Sir,

I refer to the application made by Sandford Park Rido Ltd regarding a licence to sell alcohol, and provide music, dance and film.

I wish to object to the granting of this licence on the following grounds:-

- 1/ Uncontrollable noise in a domestic area, as well as close to a hospital site adjacent.
- 2/ Increase in traffic before and after any event.
- 3/ Antisocial behavior in Sandford Park and adjoining area before and after the hours applied for.

I objected to disturbances made last year (summer) on this site, and was categorically told there would be no further events as the music and dance were caused by employees of the Rido, on a "one off" basis.

It appears that this application is now the "thin end of the wedge" and that further commercial activities will be made, for which the site was not originally contemplated when re-opened.

Whilst appreciating that limits ~~set~~ could be set, future activities may well be stretched, and ownership of the site and licence passed to other companies who would use it as a step to other uses.

Yours faithfully,

COPIES TO:-

PAUL BAKER
S. MOSS - SONS
K. SUDBURY
M. HORWOOD

From: Joyce Green

To: Internet - Licensing

Subject: Application from the chelt lido for license to sell alcohol

I write in complete opposition to the proposed licensing application from Cheltenham lido to sell alcohol

As an elderly resident who lives close by to the Lido (and has done for the last 30 years) I believe if this application succeeded it could have a negative effect in many ways namely :

- Noise and disturbance for possibly 20 weekends of the year and every day for six weeks in the winter. There would be increased noise from amplified music and from the fallout from people under the influence of alcohol leaving the venue after a night out!
- Increased problems with car and pedestrian traffic around The lido - an issue that we are already dealing with especially at high season
- I feel a move towards licensing of alcohol in this area would completely eliminate the peaceful nature of Sandford Park (which is by law an alcohol free zone) I feel that should this application succeed there would be no turning back and we would be then left with a long-term problem in what is a high density private residential area.
- Many of the hospital wards and hospital specialist areas overlook the lido and this would impact on them to a great degree especially as the ward are purposely a peaceful, quiet place for people to recover from major surgery/illness etc

Yours faithfully

Joyce Green

24 Murvagh Close Cheltenham

From: Doreen Hardy

Sent: 01 April 2015 15:40

To: Internet - Licensing

Subject: Opposition to licence for Sandford Park Lido.

Chief Executive Julie Sargent states that the activity "winter experience" does not require a licence.

If the lido is granted this Premises licence the pedestrian and car traffic around the park area will be greatly intensified and the possibility of someone being hurt/injured cannot be underestimated since the consumption of alcohol and driving are not to be recommended especially if there are children present who have been to see the entertainment. There is also the possibility of anti-social behaviour overspilling into Sandford Park.

The noise and disturbance already experienced by residents living in the vicinity of the lido from private parties held there is a public nuisance and no doubt this will continue to be the case if a premises licence is given, which hopefully it will not.

19 Keynshambury Road
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Licensing Section – Public Protection
Cheltenham Borough Council
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Cheltenham
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1 April 2015

FAO Mr Philip Cooper

Dear Sir/Madam

Premises Licence – NEW
Sandford Park Lido, Keynsham Road, Cheltenham
Notice of objection

I am writing to register my objection to the application for a premises licence which has recently been submitted to the Council by Sandford Park Lido Ltd.

My residential address shown above backs on to the other side of Sandford Park, nearly opposite the Lido. I can always hear people using the Lido during the day when it is open during the summer months.

The public path through the park runs alongside the River Chelt which my rear garden backs on to.

However, I am worried about the licenceable activities which are proposed in the application on the grounds that these will become a public nuisance to those living in the residential area. In particular, these activities are:

1. The increase in the frequency of public events being held at the Lido, including – as I understand it – the performance of live and recorded music dance on up to seven occasions during the year between February and November;
2. The sale of alcohol at these events on Friday and Saturday until 21.30hrs;
3. The increase in “people traffic” through the park before, and particularly after, these events.

The noise which these events will cause is particularly difficult during the summer months when one would hope to be able to enjoy being outside – for example – in the garden – in the evening. Inevitably the noise caused by the performance of live music is intrusive and disruptive.

The noise and disorder made by late night revellers in the park on Friday and Saturday evening has long been a problem in Sandford Park, but my fear is that the licence activities will make the situation worse.

I am also concerned that the granting of the application might be the "thin end of the wedge" which would mean that the Lido will become an all year round entertainment venue. This will cause yet more noise and disruption, and it seems to me to be inconsistent with the purpose of the Lido's existence, which is to provide public swimming facilities. I am also concerned that this would amount to a change of use from the planning point of view.

I would be grateful if this letter could be placed before members of the committee before they made their decision on whether or not to grant this licence.

Yours faithfully

H J O Harries

From: hayes steve

To: Internet - Licensing

Subject: Lido submits a new Premises Licence

Dear Mr Cooper,

We wish to object to the Lido's application for a licence to supply and sell alcohol;to perform and play live and recorded music as well as the exhibition of films.We accept during the summer months the 'swimming and play' noise levels which come from the Lido;however for music to be played on a summers evening when we are hoping for peace is totally unacceptable.The Lido is close to both the Hospital and a residential area which makes both the playing of music and the sale of alcohol inappropriate and unacceptable.Last year --- a similar licence for a few parties was granted and the noise levels 'ruined' our evenings .We prayed for the music to stop so we could have peace and quiet;even closing our windows only helped marginally.If this licence was granted it would not only adversely affect the quality of our lives but also possibly the value of our properties.We ask for the application to be rejected.

Kind regards

Steve and Lesley Hayes 6 Sandford Park Place GL52 6HP

Members of Sandford Park Resident's Association

From: Tom Hindley

To: Internet - Licensing

Subject: Licensing Objection - Sandford Parks Lido - FAO Phillip Cooper

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to you with regard to the application made by Sandford Park Lido for a licence to supply and sell alcohol.

As a new resident of Keynsham Road, I wish to object to this application on the following grounds.

(1) I believe that this will cause noise and disturbance in a quiet residential area and lead to increased levels of crime and disorder as people leave the Lido at 10.30pm.

(2) Events are scheduled for Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays which are times when, as a resident, I should be entitled to a degree of peace and quiet to spend with my young family.

As mentioned I have a young family and we chose to live in this area because of the peaceful surroundings. I believe that this will be impacted by the granting of an alcohol licence in the immediate vicinity and this is the grounds for my opposition.

I would also request further details as to the precise terms of the licence application to fully understand the likely impact.

Regards

Tom Hindley

From: Tessa Holloway

Sent: 23 March 2015 14:46

To: Internet - Licensing

Subject: Multiple Application from the Lido for licences to sell alcohol

Dear Sirs

We are writing to oppose Cheltenham Borough Council granting multiple licences for the Lido to sell alcohol during the performance of plays, live music, recorded music and dance and for the exhibition of films for all Fridays, Saturdays and Sunday evenings throughout the year and also for six weeks in the winter every day of the week.

We are opposing the application on the grounds that there would be a likelihood of an increase in the level of public disorder and crime, an increase in public nuisance regarding noise and loutish behaviour. Public safety of citizens walking through the park could well be put at risk as a result of alcohol being readily available to people who drink to excess and become abusive and a danger to others as well as themselves, particularly as the River Chelt runs through the park.

We already hear some noise from the Lido which is acceptable but the level of peace and tranquility of Sandford Park in our opinion, would deteriorate significantly if the application for these licences was granted.

Yours faithfully

Tessa and Mike Holloway

28 Murvagh Close

Cheltenham

GL53 7QY

From: Henry James

Sent: 26 March 2015 14:33

To: Internet - Licensing

Subject: Application for New Lido Premises Licence

Dear Sirs,

With regard to the application to supply and sell alcohol, perform plays, exhibit films and perform live music, recorded music and dance, we wish to object to this application. This will greatly increase the noise and nuisance in Sandford Park, as people will stray into the park and surrounding areas after events.

We have been beset with incidents like this on numerous occasions in the past with people sometimes playing amplified music, on occasions up to 4:00 am. We have complained of this several occasions times without success and it has blighted our lives. So we do not want any future increase of noise fuelled by alcohol which is bound to happen if sold in the adjacent Lido.

The park is intended as a peaceful haven for general relaxation and children's safe leisure and not for rowdy events. The current level of noise from the Lido is itself unacceptable with tannoy announcements, so we oppose any measures which will exacerbate this.

Yours sincerely,

Henry James PhD

The White House, Priory Place,

Cheltenham, Glos GL52 6HG

Dear Mr Cooper,

We are writing to you as case officer for the above.

We believe there are reasonable grounds on which to oppose this application in all four categories in which objection is admissible. Our own principal ground for objection is the Prevention of Public Nuisance.

We retired to our present home in a quiet cul-de-sac, directly overlooking Sandford Park and the Lido, nearly five years ago and felt it was ideal. Whilst we do not mind the considerable amount of noise coming from the Lido during its normal use as a swimming pool, we object absolutely to the level of noise created by evening events there. During such events in the summer we cannot use our garden. We are forced to stay indoors with the windows shut (which still does not resolve the noise problem) or seek refuge elsewhere.

Our own family, especially our grandchildren, thoroughly enjoy using both the Lido and Sandford Park. Both are a great and valuable asset to life in this area. We fear that the changing use of the Lido is already having a negative effect on behaviour in Sandford Park - more litter, more noise, more drinking and rowdiness after dark. The extent of the Licence applied for by the Lido appears to constitute a change of use from swimming pools to entertainment centre. This is not acceptable.

Concerning the proposed 'Winter Wonderland' event, we expect this would cause considerable disruption through noise, bright lighting and traffic and parking congestion around the Park and Hospital area. If this event is permitted, we believe it should run for no more than the two weeks leading up to Christmas Eve and that all activities should cease by 9.00 pm each day.

Yours sincerely,

Paul & Barbara Knight

Mr Paul and the Rev Barbara Knight
16 Keynshambury Road,
Cheltenham
GL52 6HB

28th March 2015

Sent: 25 March 2015 23:12

To: Internet - Licensing

Subject: New Premises Licence application by Sandford Park Lido, Cheltenham

For attention of Phillip Cooper.

Dear Mr Cooper,

I am writing to support this Application.

Although I understand that some local residents were concerned by aspects of the original wording, I feel that the modified proposals are a good compromise. The Lido celebrates it's 80th Anniversary this year, so has existed long before our house in Sandford Park Place and other nearby developments were built.

That is not to say that they should be allowed carte blanche, but it does mean that people knew of the facility when they bought their houses, so cannot be surprised by some noise. Indeed, some of the functions are open to non members and therefore can be widely enjoyed.

The Lido is an important part of Cheltenham life, attracting people from all over the town, not just those living nearby. Although a charity, it must be run in a businesslike way so that it can thrive. So I fully support the wish to arrange fund raising events, provided they do not cause unreasonable noise or nuisance to local residents at times which are "anti social hours". I believe the revised Application meets such concerns.

The proposed "winter wonderland" could be something which the whole of Cheltenham area will enjoy.

No doubt there may be technical aspects which you and the Applicant will need to discuss, but hopefully a satisfactory way forward can be agreed.

Yours faithfully,

Mr RVA Knight. 24 Sandford Park Place.

Sent: 30 March 2015 09:51

To: Internet - Licensing

Subject: We Support the Lido application for alcohol licence etc

To whom it may concern,

Following my receiving of a very negative anti Lido application letter circulated widely in our area by one Mr John Moss-Jones of 15 Keynshambury Road -

I wish to state my and my families SUPPORT of the lido application.

I vehemently disagree with practically all of his negative nimby assertions including fear mongering about "a negative effect on house prices" and his suggestion of eliminating the "peaceful nature of Sandford Park" and more vehicle traffic (he lives in a cul-de-sac a good way from the lido entrance)

I feel I must speak up for what I think is more likely a silent majority of local residents who WOULD SUPPORT the application but don't feel the need to send letters out to everyone to gain support for their position or to give their support to the licensing committee.

I also think that it should publicly stated at any licensing decision that he has sent out this very one sided letter to a lot of residents - there has not been a similar campaign by people who are in favour of supporting the Lido and understand its need to increase revenue and in fact to provide more amenity to the area.

Therefore if you just base your decision on number of negative letters I fear this would not be remotely reflective of all the residence actual opinions on the issue.

From asking a couple of my neighbours they also support the application and like me think this gentleman is pushing his agenda and opposition and is not reflective of the areas real support for the lido -

We are very fortunate to have it and it would be terrible were it to close due to lack of funding or civic and commercial opportunities.

After all our Keynsham Road houses have been here from 1849 and the lido has been there since 1938 far before his house in Keynshambury Road was even built - He knew he was buying a house next to a popular (therefore not silent) park and the Lido.

The park is not supposed to be silent vacuum it is not a quiet and peaceful place all the time and nor should be - It's an amenity for the public, the local community and not a extension of some NIMBYS back garden.

The outdoor cinema and other local community entertainment opportunities should IMHO be embraced by the local residents - I would welcome more as the couple a year we had last year were not enough to make it a "regular thing" which would gain more support.

As a resident of Keynsham Road right by the lido, yes we do have to endure a long summer of parking issues due to the poor signage and explaining to people to only park on the other side to avoid a ticket (even after paying for their parking).

But the reality is we live in a town, we live next to a civic amenity and we have the privilege of living near to a beautiful and most importantly popular park which is for everyone.

I honestly don't think that with sensible and considerate management the widening and increasingly of events at the Lido should be a problem to the local residents who could in fact benefit from something nice to go to themselves.

As a resident of Keynsham Road I have randomly asked a couple of neighbours who also support the application and also took exception to Mr Moss-Jones rabble rousing and scare mongering letter - I do not think he or any of his stirred up support will be fairly reflective of the residents at large.

Some of Keynsham Road residents are already looking forward to making the open air cinema and it could become something of a social which we could go to as a group.

Many thanks for your consideration and I hope the Lido will be able to go forward with their ideas with the support of those residents who understand the Lido was here first and it needs out support and not our objections to nonsense problems.

Yours Sincerely Rob Lacey
(Keynsham Road)

To: The Licensing Committee, Cheltenham Borough Council

From: Hilary Larsen, 25 Sandford Park Place, Cheltenham, GL52 6HP

Dear Sirs,

Re: Lido Alcohol Licence

I am writing in response to the Lido's application to sell alcohol at various evening and daytime events. I oppose the granting of such a licence on the following grounds:

(1) *Prevention of Public Nuisance*

At present, Sandford Park is a pleasant, peaceful oasis for the residents of Cheltenham. Alcohol is banned in the park and so people and families feel safe to walk through, have picnics, play, walk their dogs and go jogging. Having alcohol being consumed on the boundary of the park would alter this. There would be a spill-over effect in that noise would deter people from using the park, there would be fewer people around and then people would feel more comfortable about drinking in Sandford Park itself. You may not be aware that on warm summer evenings/nights there is already a lot of drinking in the park, as I find numerous bottles and cans in the morning when I walk my dogs. I often clear these up before the park keeper comes to unlock the children's toilets. This practice would become more commonplace if people were drinking in the Lido as well. Drinking in or next to the park would be accepted as "normal".

(2) *Prevention of Crime and Disorder*

People use the park as a short cut to the town centre because they feel safe, even in the evening. Similarly, my daughter jogs home through the park after work several times a week. Going past the Lido when it resembles a loud, raucous outdoor pub would deter people from doing this. The park would become a 'No Go' area which would become a haven for criminal behaviour.

(3) *Public Safety*

People leaving the Lido after spending several hours drinking would be loud and aggressive. I would certainly feel intimidated if I met such people making their way home. There is already a loud procession of people making their way home from the town centre bars along the London Road on Friday and Saturday evenings. Bottles are regularly smashed and there are numerous piles of vomit on the pavement. This would multiply if the Lido were to be granted an alcohol licence. People would not feel safe walking about.

I have no objection to the Lido arranging events to raise money, but I feel strongly that these events don't need to be accompanied by the sale of alcohol. ***The Lido would become a giant, outdoor pub adjacent to the park - there is no building to contain the noise and people.*** There are already many bars and pubs in the town centre, people can drink there and keep the associated problems there. The Lido seems to promote itself as a family venue and granting it an alcohol licence would fly in the face of that.

Yours faithfully,

Hilary Larsen (Ms)

Dear Licensing Committee,

I am writing to you with regard to the recent application from Sandford Park Lido to sell alcohol, for the performance of live acts and films. I understand that this is for all Weekend evenings throughout the year plus six weeks in the winter every day of the week.

I find this application very worrying. I believe that this will have a detrimental effect on the immediate area but also on surrounding areas.

I draw your attention to the follow points in particular:

Noise Pollution: The Lido did allow a band to play last summer with amplified instruments and microphones and the sound carried incredibly well! I live at 12 Murvagh Close and it sounded like the party was in my back garden.

Parking: Currently in the summer the car park at the Lido is usually full and with restricted parking on the streets surrounding it I would wonder where guests etc would park?

Alcohol: My understanding is that Sandford Park and Coxes Meadow are both alcohol free zones which I find comforting as a resident that enjoys walking in the parks in the evenings. I would be concerned that alcohol was now available at the Lido and that sufficient measures could be put in place to prevent this leaving the premises.

The hospital: surely patients at the next door hospital would not appreciate such noise pollution on such a regular basis?

Crime / damage to property: with guests of the Lido leaving an event late at night and having consumed alcohol in a party environment there will undoubtedly be a noise created. Also I am concerned about the increase in the crime rate as a result of this. We are a family with a young daughter and would not appreciate loud revellers passing by late at night.

I am disappointed that we have had to learn about this application from neighbours and as a resident of Murvagh Close which is incredibly close to the Lido would have expected a formal notification from the council...is this usual to not be informed of such a grand scale change of use to a public venue?

I trust that the points raised will be taken into consideration and would appreciate being kept informed on the progress of this application from now please.

Yours,

Emma Levings
12 Murvagh Close,
Cheltenham
GL53 7QY

Sent: 19 March 2015 14:39

To: Internet - Licensing

Subject: Re: Lido licenses to sell alcohol

To whom it may concern.

It has been brought to my attention that the Lido has applied for a license to sell alcohol for various purposes throughout the year.

I cannot imagine that this would be of any benefit to the local community but in fact would be very detrimental!

The idea of alcohol and water has always been known as something one does not mix for very obvious reasons.

The park is in fact, an alcohol free area!!! For the safety and well being of the families and children that frequent it.

My mother is an elderly lady with Alzheimer's that lives at the back of the park and as it is finds the levels high, particularly through the summer. I can only imagine this would/ could make her life very uncomfortable.

The park and pool is for every ones enjoyment, but it would fast become one for the few, and children would quickly be excluded or put at risk....a very sad state of affairs.

Suzanne Lonterman

From: Roger McNair

Sent: 29 March 2015 10:00

To: Internet - Licensing

Subject: Sandford Park Lido Licence Application - Support

Dear Licensing Committee,

I wish to support the recent licence application by Sandford Parks Lido. Although I have some concerns about the live music component of the licence running to 2230 (alcohol stops at 2200) as this may cause disruption in Sandford Park up to 2300; I believe the licence will benefit the Lido Trust and the wider community.

You may wish to consider a reduction in the live music component of the licence to 2200, which will ensure the venue is clear by 2230.

Yours sincerely,

Roger McNair

15 Sandford Park Place

Cheltenham, GL52 6HP

To: Licensing Committee

Re: Application for Premises Licence from Sandford Parks Lido

As residents of Keynshambury Road we are very concerned about the potential problems the granting of a premises licence to Sandford Parks Lido are likely to pose, and wish to object in the strongest possible terms.

As you are well aware the Lido, a listed building, is situated in Sandford Park which is surrounded by quiet residential streets (Keynshambury Road backs directly onto the park) and Cheltenham General Hospital. Sandford Park itself is a peaceful, alcohol free haven (supposedly), and in the summer months benefits from the delightful open air lido, there to provide outdoor water based recreational activities and encourage healthier lifestyles.

Over recent years the activities held at the Lido have gone well beyond those traditionally associated with a lido. There have been an increasing number of evening events some of which have already caused nuisance to local residents. The new licence application being made by the Lido must be seen in the context of its developing programme of outdoor entertainment events. This year the list of proposed licensed events has increased and now includes a six week winter wonderland, plus evening events to include cinema, live music, theatre, dance, recorded music etc. The intention is clear; the owners of the Lido wish to develop the site as an outdoor entertainment venue, hosting evening events, particularly at weekends - obtaining a premises licence to sell alcohol is part of this process.

Increased use of the Lido as an entertainment venue with the associated sale and consumption of alcohol, raises many deep concerns for ourselves and other local residents who have chosen to live in this peaceful and pleasant residential neighbourhood.

These objections can be summarised as below:

Public nuisance:

- The noise from amplified announcements, live music, film, dance and other outdoor events will become ever more intrusive as more events are held.
- The noise generated by large groups of people consuming alcohol at the lido, and in surrounding streets and Sandford Park as they eventually make their way home.

Crime and disorder:

- Drinking alcohol is so often the cause of an increase in crime and disorder. Acts of anti-social behaviour, vandalism, damage to property by people who have been drawn to the area to attend and drink at events, is likely to increase.

Public safety and the protection of children from harm:

- The potential abuse of the park, which is much used by families with children and people walking dogs, by more litter, broken bottles and other debris increases the likelihood of accidents and injuries.
- Is a public Lido, which promotes a healthy lifestyle, really the correct place to encourage the consumption of alcohol? What messages does it send to children (and adults) with regard to responsible drinking?

Yours faithfully,

Ian Melican & Marianne Crossman
5 Keynshambury Road
Cheltenham
GL52 6HB

Sent: 23 March 2015 09:38

To: Internet - Licensing

Subject: Lido's new premises licence

To whom it may concern

I'd like to register an objection to the above please. As homeowners around the corner from the lido we have serious concerns about the application which has the potential to increase noise levels substantially. The adjacent streets could also foster anti social behaviour due to the sale of alcohol until 20:00.

We are joint owners of a family-home and feel this is not the sort of environment we wanted or expected when we purchased the property.

Yours sincerely

Rowena Michaels

35 London Road, Cheltenham GL52 6EY

LICENSING ACT 2003 -REPRESENTATION FORM (INTERESTED PARTY)

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Contact details (of person completing form)

Name:	GORDON JAMES MILDEN	
Name of the organisation/body/person you represent. (if appropriate)		
Your full Postal Address or that of the organisation or body you represent	29 KEYNSHAM ROAD CHELTENHAM, GL GLOS	
Post Code	GL53 7PU	
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Part 2 Continued

Premises/Club Details

Name of premises/club you are making representation about:	SANDFORD PARK LIDO
Name of Applicant for Licence (if known)	
Postal Address:	KEYNSHAM ROAD CHERTENHAM
Post Code:	GL53 7PU

What are you making a representation about?

Please indicate which part of the licence/certificate application you are making a representation about (eg crime, disorder, noise, disturbance etc)
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Which of the Licensing Objectives does your representation refer to?

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What are your concerns?

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Please use the box below to suggest any suitable conditions that if agreed in advance of a hearing by the applicant would allow you to withdraw your representation or that the committee could add to the licence (if granted) that would remedy your concern. You may also use this box to enter details of any other matters not commented on elsewhere relating to your representation that you would like the committee to take into account.

(Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

Signature:

Capacity:

RESIDENT

Date:

25-03-15

Subject: Application to Sell Alcohol at the Lido

As a resident whose property is close to the Lido, I would like to register my strong objections to the granting of approval for the sale of alcohol at this venue.

My objections are based on the following:

- a) the noise and potential disturbance generated by the crowd exiting the Lido at 11 pm after a function
- b) concern for residents safety in the area adjacent to the Lido at 11 pm and the potential for public disorder
- c) potential for the Lido to hire out the venue for pop concerts/live amplified music creating an excessive noise nuisance
- d) Sanford park which is adjacent to the Lido is a designated alcohol free area. This is incompatible with the proposed sale of alcohol.

Yours sincerely

Richard Miller

90A Keynsham Road
Cheltenham.
GL53 7PX
United Kingdom

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Name of Applicant for Licence (if known)	
Postal Address:	
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1. Outside events noise from recorded music until 2230. there is no way of limiting this nuisance and the Lido is in a quiet residential area with the main hospital to one side. The evening noise will spoil the tranquility of the area and ruin the ambience and enjoyment of our own property. I hope that a view will be sought from Cheltenham General Hospital as I understand that there are wards close to the Lido.
This refers to the Licensing policy in sections 5.22 and 5.24.
2. Sandford Park is an alcohol-free environment and providing a licensed premises at the Lido is not coherent with the intent of safe alcohol-free areas.
3. The subsequent impact on noise, street crime and littering in the surrounding areas in a town and area where there are already ample licensed facilities nearby.

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(Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

Signature:



Inga Moss-Jones
15 Keynshambury Rd
Cheltenham
GL52 6HB

17 March 2015

To the
Licensing Committee
Cheltenham Borough Council

Re - Lido application

The Lido is a great asset to our town - as a Lido which is used in summer months and in daylight hours. Even so, there have been much too much amplified music and announcements spoiling the peace of our area. We can often hear them **INSIDE** our house, and sitting quietly in our garden is often impossible.

I oppose the granting of further licences on several grounds:

By their own numbers there were 10 events with alcohol and music at the Lido in the last year. They are now applying - again their numbers - for 20 events, plus six weeks every day in the winter - $6 \times 7 = 42$ events with alcohol and noise. A total of 62 events. This is completely unacceptable and **must be regarded as public nuisance.**

People and children use the Lido for playing in the pools and sitting quietly in the sun. Why does the Lido need to sell alcohol anyway? It seems to me that deep water and alcohol must constitute danger. I therefore object on grounds of possible harm to children and public safety.

Inevitably some people who have been drinking will walk home through Sandford Park which is I understand an alcohol-free area. The Chelt runs through the park and it is possible that some young people will get into the river - **again raising issues of crime and disorder, public safety, public nuisance and danger to children.**

Sandford Park is beautiful and peaceful - perfect for the community to enjoy. If these licences are granted that peace and enjoyment will be destroyed. There are bound to be much **more noise and disturbance from vehicle and pedestrian traffic throughout the area - and close to the hospital.**

I ask the committee to think very, very carefully about these applications. Perhaps a few people will gain slightly but many in our peaceful community will lose a great deal.

To Licensing Committee 20 March 2015

Re Licence applications from Cheltenham Lido

The Lido is an asset to Cheltenham. It was originally constructed to encourage citizens to have a healthy lifestyle. That theme continues currently: the Lido publicity predominantly emphasises health and children.

But a Lido essentially is about enjoying the pools when the weather is warm - the summer months - and in day light.

To extend the events to films, live and recorded music, plays, dance, plus a sixweek winter wonderland is to completely change the nature of the Lido; from a Lido to an entertainment centre.

However the Lido is not in the centre of town where there is, naturally, every-day day noise and bustle of people and traffic. No, the Lido is situated in a quiet residential area next to a major hospital, and adjacent to the beautiful and peaceful Sandford Park.

Local residents frequently are already beset by over-loud amplified music and announcements from the Lido. For the Lido to extend such noise into week-end evenings is completely unacceptable.

Last year the Lido had 10 events with alcohol and music. The new - modified list from the lido manager shows 20 alcohol events, 14 of which include cinema, theatre, live or recorded music, or performance of dance - all of which could produce unacceptable noise and disturbance to the neighbourhood, PLUS six weeks in the winter EVERY DAY - that 42 events. Thus total events with alcohol, and usually with noise would be in excess of 60 in a year

This is totally unacceptable in a quiet residential area and adjacent to peaceful Sandford Park.

I therefore object to the granting of the licences applied for by the lido on these grounds:

1. Public nuisance caused by noise of amplified and live music and announcements, film, theatre, dance and similar events
2. Inevitably such events with alcohol consumption increase the probability of crime and disorder, especially in and around Sandford Park, which has many houses nearby, and the river Chelt.
3. The Lido obviously has pools, and attracts large numbers of children. There is bound to be increased likelihood of water danger to children when alcohol is also available.
4. Sandford park has been modified to be an overflow reservoir in case of the river flooding. Again, the sale of alcohol in the Lido increases the danger to people including children during flood conditions.

I presume the Police and the General Hospital have been informed of the Lido's applications.

Sincerely

John Moss-Jones

From: Beryl Newman

Sent: 16 March 2015 09:24

Subject: Sandford Park Lido

Attention Mr Phillip Cooper

Dear Mr Cooper

I wish to place on record my objection to the new Premises Licence submitted by the Lido.

Sandford Park is a difficult and problematic area at the weekends in the summer. Drunken behaviour and noise does occur. Selling alcohol is something I would not wish to happen. There are more than enough premises in the centre of Cheltenham to meet the demand. Litter is an unpleasant problem in the park and the streets around and granting this new licence would, I am sure increase these problems.

We then come to the noise and parking problem. The Lido was originally constructed for swimming, we bought our properties knowing it was there, NOT expecting it to be a party venue, it is situated between buildings and the noise from the area causes it to carry. Additional noise would not be acceptable to local residents NOR the hospital.

Your consideration of the above would be appreciated.

Sincerely

Beryl Newman

2 Priory Place

Cheltenham GL52 6HG

Sent: 19 March 2015 19:32

To: Internet - Licensing

Subject: Sandford Park Lido - Application for license to supply and sell alcohol plus related events

For the attention of Phillip Cooper - 19th March 2015

Sir

As a resident of the area adjoining Sandford Park and The Lido I have serious concerns with regard to the above application. This area is predominantly residential and is not suitable for evening open air functions with the resultant noise and disruption. No matter how early in the evening a function closes, if alcohol has been consumed there will always be a risk of nuisance behaviour as people depart for home or other entertainment locations.

On the noise issue I am sure staff and patients in the adjacent General Hospital would not be too pleased to have their sleep and treatment disrupted.

During the Summer months most people sleep with window open. On the odd occasion that there is a function held at the Fire Station this can cause aggravation when trying to get to sleep. I do not wish to think about how much stress having open air functions on a regular basis would cause.

There is an ongoing parking issue in the area during the Summer when people wish to use the lido for its principle use; swimming. This will not get any better on a summers evening resulting in local streets being used for parking, yellow lines or not. The knock on effect of this would be residents in these streets being disturbed by banging car doors and general noise as people depart.

No matter how well intentioned the organisers of functions at the Lido are they will not be able to police the area immediately after closure. Any ensuing anti social behaviour will then have to be dealt with by our overstretched police force who normally have to deal with similar problems within the town centre.

As a local resident I strongly oppose this licensing application and any plans to hold evening functions within the lido area.

Thank you.

John Phair

38 Murvagh Close

GL53 7QY

To: Internet - Licensing

Subject: Application for multiple licences from The Lido

I am opposed to the application for multiple licences from The Lido to sell alcohol, for the performance of plays, live music, recorded music and dance, and for the exhibition of films, for all Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays evenings throughout the year, plus for six weeks in the winter every day of the week.

I am opposed to the licences being granted for the following grounds:-

Prevention of crime and disorder

Public Safety

Prevention of public nuisance

Protection of children from harm

There were some events held last year which created a lot of loud noise late into the nights. Beer cans and bottles were found thrown onto our property as well as a lot of litter in Keynsham Road area after the events.

Mr John Potter

Mrs Carol Potter

Mr Ashley Parsons

14 Keynsham Road,

Cheltenham,

Gloucestershire.

GL53 7PX

From Andrea Ramsey
Owner
8 Orrisdale Terrace
Cheltenham
Gloucestershire
GL53 7HZ

FOA licencing Dept

Dear Sirs

I recently received a letter from the Sandford Parks Lido about their application for multiple licences for this coming year over weekends in the summer and for a lengthy 6 week period over Xmas - presumably at that time to accommodate Xmas office parties. I would like to oppose this application on the grounds of prevention of crime and disorder and public safety. I also would like to oppose it on the grounds of protection of children from harm.

I have recently moved to Orrisdale Road and I can see the lido from my home. I enjoy the quiet peacefulness of the St Lukes area and Sandford park which I use to walk my dog and have coffee. I am looking forward to using the lido to swim once the season commences and I use its coffee shop also.

By increasing the number and type of events at the lido that will happen in the evening if this application is successful, will mean that there will be more noise late in the evening from the Lido, when people leave and when cars/coaches (office parties) pick up guests from the lido as well as from those who walk home from the lido. As these will be events where alcohol is served there is bound to be both loud merriment and some inebriated high jinks.

This will be a public nuisance as there will be inebriated people wandering around late at night and possibly during the daylight hours causing unnecessary hassle to local home owners and their families, as well as incurring possible crime and disorder.

From my own perspective and as a mother of a teenager - this is very worrying and not a good role model for the lido to set. As a residential area it is at the moment very reassuring to walk from the cut from Orrisdale to the Lido at all times of day and night without fear, however if there are more events, more noise late in the evenings, and more people, some inebriated, then its is not going to be so reassuring and a great worry to me and my family.

I, like everyone like an good outdoor event and I think the lido is a great asset to the community if used in the manner of a lido - however I feel that this application is an ambitious marketing ploy which if permitted may be very detrimental to the area and residents who live here and value their homes and lifestyle and their sleep!

Accordingly I submit my opposition for you consideration.

Kind regards

Andrea Ramsey

From: Judith Rhodes

Sent: 15 March 2015 15:40

To: Internet - Licensing

Subject: Re: Lido's application for new licence for live performance, etc.

I wish to complain about the Lido's proposal . My reasons are that there are plenty of pubs in Cheltenham and I don't believe that yet more venues for the sale of alcohol are needed or desirable. Surely it will be much more difficult for police to control the venue than in town. There are also the added problems of litter in the park and disruption and noise to all the people who live in the vicinity of the Lido and Sandford Park, of which I am one, as I live in Corpus Street.

Judith Rhodes

Mr & Mrs A RICHARDS
22 MURVAGH CLOSE, CHELTEHAM, GL53 7QY

Licensing Dept.
Cheltenham Borough Council
Municipal Offices
Promenade
Cheltenham GL 50 9SA

30th March 2015

Dear Mr Phil Cooper

REF 15/00319/PRMA – SANDFORD LIDO, KEYNSHAM ROAD

With reference to the above application we have the following comments to make:-

Alcohol & Water don't Mix

There is a "major safety Issue" where large numbers of people meet around or near to water and drink alcohol. This is certainly the case with the Lido and the River Chelt through Sandford Park. May I point out the sad loss of life in past years due to alcohol related drownings in the City of Bath?

Noise and Hospitals don't mix

The General Hospital is adjacent to the Lido and has many sick, and dying patients together with their visitors who will be disturbed by the "public nuisance" caused by the sounds from the film and live/recorded music events.

Children's Paradise

The Lido advertises itself as a "Children's Paradise". It is possibly one of the only places in Cheltenham where children and young teenagers can meet and relax without peer pressure from young adults. The public going to evening events will overlap with those leaving the pool – this could become a time when youngsters could be targeted by unsavoury members of the community. This changes the whole concept of the Lido.

Evening Events Disturbing the Local Residential Community

The Lido is in a quiet residential area and is not a suitable venue for evening events, or a 6 week Christmas event. Residents of Murvagh Close can clearly hear the music and tannoy announcements from current occasional evening events, and these are can be very intrusive. The six week event from 10am to 10pm is unexplained and unspecified, but has a bar and café. It would be interesting to know what form this event would take, and why it needs to take up 12 hours of the day.

Creating a venue that is open more frequently will draw large numbers of people on a regular basis to this peaceful area. "Crime and disorder" may occur and it is unlikely that the police have adequate resources to control departing crowds.

Yours Sincerely

Sent: 31 March 2015 17:35

To: Internet - Licensing

Subject: Re: Licence Number 15/00319/PRMA

Dear Mr Cooper,

The above application has been met with disbelief and dismay b all who live in the area near the Cheltenham Lido.

In addition to the many reasons given by my neighbours who oppose this application, I might add the irresponsible danger of mixing children, young people, water and alcohol with alcohol. This is a recipe for disaster. These three just do not mix.

The extra policing and supervision needed would be very expensive and would probable add to an already overstretched police force and an increased tax bill.,

There are already many suitable venues in and around the town which cater for the kind of entertainment this application refers to.

I hope, in view of all the concerns expressed by local inhabitants that this application will be turned down and I strongly oppose it.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs. Carol Rose. Number 6, Murvagh Close.

We wish to register our objection to this application by Sandford Parks Lido (where we are seasonal members and regular users of the swimming pool).

As you are aware, the Lido is bordered by residential properties and the General Hospital. With our young family, we have lived immediately adjacent to the Sandford Park Lido, in Sandford Park Place, since 2003. The park and the Lido has provided us with a delightful safe space, perfect for young children, shared and enjoyed by families from across the town.

However, there has been a noticeable increase in music from evening events in recent years; where once this was an occasional public nuisance, private hire of the facility appears to have led to an increase in the noise disturbance particularly at weekends up to 10.30 in the evening throughout it's opening season. This situation can only be aggravated by this proposal as Lido guests leave after 10.30 in the evening. We are aware that Public Houses in central residential areas are restricted in their use of outside areas even in Summer, so this proposal seems inconsistent. To add provision to the Winter closed season indicates that we might expect this level of disturbance for 9 months of the year.

Apart from the Lido, we already experience significant noisy disturbance in the late evening and early hours of the morning from people using the footpaths returning from the town centre bars, groups of teenagers drinking in the park and children's playground, and not infrequently letting off fireworks. This noise often wakes up the household including our young children. We have rarely seen these groups discouraged or disbanded by the Police despite alcohol being prohibited in the park, and have been forced to call them on a couple of occasions in recent years when the disturbance has been unrelenting.

After a dry weekend, the park is often covered in litter, with bottles strewn along the banks of the river, when the environment agency are fighting hard to maintain the river banks and park to reduce the flood risk. A licence encouraging these events would simply exacerbate these problems still further.

Finally, we have been the unfortunate victims of opportunistic burglary, with the perpetrators apparently exiting via Upper Sandford Park. We are concerned that this license will only serve to increase the crime rate in our area.

There is no doubt that granting of this license would further reduce the quality of life for residents around this family oriented, generally peaceful area. We would be grateful, therefore, if the crime and public nuisance and disorder risk, in particular, would be considered with this license application by the charity for an outdoor swimming pool facility in the heart of a residential area.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Adam and Emma Rye

9 Sandford Park Place
Cheltenham
GL52 6HP

From: Geraldine Sheridan

Subject: Lido Application for the attn of Phillip Cooper

Dear Phillip,

I am extremely concerned about the new licence to supply and sell alcohol submitted by the Lido.

I live at 21 Keynshambury Road, directly across the park, and a stone's throw from the Lido.

My 17 year-old daughter is taking AS levels this summer and A levels next year. I am extremely concerned that her studies will be affected by the noise and that we will both be kept awake at night.

Last summer I was awoken on a Sunday morning by a loudspeaker from the Lido so loud it felt as if it was in my bedroom. It continued all morning. I sent an email of complaint to the Lido but had no reply.

The noise from the lido is sometimes intolerable.

I am also concerned that the concern of alcohol until late in the evening could potentially give rise to incidents of anti-social behaviour in Sandford Park which is directly behind where we live.

It is bad enough that during the summer months we endure the noise from the Lido. We hope for some peace during the winter. It seems that peace is now potentially going to be shattered by a 'winterland experience' at the Lido. This is at a time when hopefully we will be celebrating a peaceful Christmas and my daughter will be studying for her mock 'A' levels.

This application could make it impossible to live happily and peacefully at 21 Keynshambury Road.

Kind regards,

Geraldine

Geraldine Sheridan

Sent: 15 March 2015 18:44

To: Internet - Licensing

Subject: Sandford Park Lido Application

Dear Phillip Cooper

My local councillor, Paul Baker, has made me aware of yet further applications by Sandford Park Lido to extend their activities into the evenings.

I am afraid I must object most strongly: while it is perfectly acceptable to hear the delighted shouts and screams of children and families enjoying the Lido into the early evening, it is quite another to suffer amplified music outdoors on a summer's evening. Having had experience of their proposed activities in previous years (unlicensed), I can tell you it was most upsetting and we would have no hesitation in complaining to the police and your very own Noise Abatement service should it go ahead. An outdoor event will be audible for miles around and could potentially render our lovely garden unusable...not to mention the disturbance inside if we want to keep the windows open in summer.

Outdoor cinema or theatre MIGHT be acceptable...but it depends on sound levels and on what is licensed to be shown; films of concerts/action movies/musicals could be very intrusive....

Please keep me informed as to the progress of this application as I feel very strongly that it would be extremely deleterious to the area's ambience.

Best wishes

Vic Stannard

From: Alan Taylor

To: Internet - Licensing

Subject: Sandford Lido

I can't help feeling that the Lido is not the ideal venue for films, plays etc. If an outdoor venue is required then there must be a more suitable site i.e. Pittville Park or Montpelier Gardens.

As regard to the coming and going for the events, I feel that if it is anything like the time that we had events on Cox,s Meadow like the Fun Fair, which lasted for Two/three weeks, we had to put up with litter, noise pollution and obnoxious odours and this without alcohol being sold.

As for the six weeks around Christmas goodness only knows what will happen.

Yours Faithfully

Alan & Gwen Taylor

From: Maxine Taylor
Sent: 08 March 2015 14:54
To: Internet - Licensing
Cc: paul baker
Subject: objection to Sandford parks lido application

As a resident of Keynshambury Rd, my house overlooks Sandford Park. I would like to register my strongly felt objection to the multiple application by Sandford parks lido for various activities that will extend their business beyond that of a swimming facility. First of all I would like to say that the details available in the application are weak and uninformative as well as being quite unspecific with regard to events and dates And I therefore have to assume that the impact of these plans will be cause for concern.

1. Selling of alcohol up to 22.00 hours Friday and Saturday and between 19.30 and 20.00 on a Sunday has potential for public nuisance due to noise and antisocial behaviour at the venue and as people vacate through the park and past my house late at night. Local police records will verify that my family and I have made numerous complaints to the police about noise and antisocial behaviour in the park and on one occasion at the venue concerned.

2. Winter land experience. It is disappointing that the council have chosen to make The details for this aspect of the application extremely scanty but I can assume that this 6 week long event will have loud music and bright lighting as well as alcohol until 22.00 most days of the week, therefore my objection is in regard to 'public nuisance' as this will be a disturbance to me and any resident overlooking the park area for similar reasons to those mentioned above.

Please acknowledge receipt of this email.

Mrs Maxine Taylor
20, Keynshambury Rd
Cheltenham
GL52 6HB

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2. Noise and disturbance: ('public nuisance') it appears the Lido will hold in total 23 Events that will produce noise that will be clearly audible in our gardens and inside even with the windows close, this number is a significant increase on past years. Schedule of events below as provided by the Lido.

Type of activity	During feb - nov	During winter experience	Total in year
Cinema & Theatre	7	6	13
Live Music	5	1	6
Performance of recorded music	1	1	2
Performance of dance	1	1	2
Sale of Alcohol	20	Daily during 6 weeks	

These events can continue upto 22:30 in the evening with people vacating the premises well past 23:00

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Other public nuisance will also be experienced: Parking will be restricted for the staff, patients and visitors to the hospital as there will be increased demand for the parking on the car parks to the front of the Lido. There will be an over spill from this area to the adjoining roads all day and upto 11pm in the evening, this will be of considerable 'public nuisance' to the people who live near by. The duration of the event of 6 weeks is excessive when compared to other events that are held in Cheltenham, most not extending for over a week in duration. The event planned for 6 weeks will be an ongoing 'public nuisance'

I feel that the number of events should be restricted to 10 as in previous years finishing at 9pm with the sale of Alcohol also restricted to 9pm.

The "winter wonderland" should be restricted to 2 weeks before Christmas with no activity after the 24th December finishing at 9pm with the sale of Alcohol also restricted to 9pm.

Richard W G Taylor
20 Keynshambury Road
Cheltenham
GL50 4JF

LICENSING ACT 2003 -REPRESENTATION FORM (INTERESTED PARTY)

**On completion this form and any additional sheets or other accompanying documentation should be returned to; The Licensing Team, Public Protection Division, Cheltenham Borough Council, PO Box 12, Municipal Offices, Promenade, Cheltenham, Glos. GL50 1PP.
e mail: licensing@cheltenham.gov.uk**

Please indicate in which capacity you are making this representation by ticking a box below;

- A person living in the vicinity of the premises
- A body representing a person in the vicinity of the premises
- A person involved in a business in the vicinity of the premises
- A body representing a business in the vicinity of the premises

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Contact details (of person completing form)

Name:	Mr Thomas Turnbull
Name of the organisation/body/person you represent. (If appropriate)	
Your full Postal Address or that of the organisation or body you represent	18 Murvagh Close Cheltenham
Post Code	GL53 7QY
Daytime contact telephone number	
Email address - If you would prefer to correspond via email, please enter your email address. (optional)	

Details of person/body making representation (if different from above)

Name of the person/organisation/body. (as appropriate)	
Full Postal Address of the person/organisation or body making representation	
Post Code	
Daytime contact telephone number	
Email address - If they would prefer to correspond via email, please enter their email address. (optional).	

Part 2 Continued

Premises/Club Details

Name of premises/club you are making representation about:	Sandford Lido
Name of Applicant for Licence (if known)	Sandford Lido Limited
Postal Address:	Keynsham Road Cheltenham
Post Code:	GL53 7PU

What are you making a representation about?

<p>Please indicate which part of the licence/certificate application you are making a representation about (eg crime, disorder, noise, disturbance etc)</p> <p>Noise, Light Break out, Crime, Disturbance, Child protection, Exponential increase in use of lido as a licensed premises,</p>
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Which of the Licensing Objectives does your representation refer to?

(Note: Your representation must relate to one or more of the four Licensing objectives. Please indicate the objective(s) your representation relates to.)

Licensing Objective	Please tick ✓ for Yes	Licensing Objective	Please tick ✓ for Yes
The prevention of crime and disorder	✓	Public safety	
The prevention of Public nuisance	✓	The protection of children from harm	✓

Information on the Licensing Act 2003 and the Act's objectives is available from the Department of Media, Culture and Sport and on their website at www.culture.gov.uk.

Please indicate the distance (in metres) between your address and the premises subject of your representation:	150 m
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Part 2 continued

What are your concerns?

Please provide full details of your concerns regarding the application and include or enclose with the form any evidence you may have in support of it.

(Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

a) The operating schedule states that 'at least 15 minutes before the bar closes', there will be 'a significant reduction in the volume of music'. By inference the volume prior to this 15 minute period will be a disturbance relative to the ambient noise level of the area. b) Similarly the increase in traffic noise & movements will be a disturbance to the area. c) There is no mention on how light breakout will be controlled. This breakout will have a significant impact on the adjacent areas especially during the winter period. d) The few previous licence applications made by the lido were done by the use of Temporary Event Notices & as such were in line with what Cheltenham B C see as a 'more appropriate type of authorisation for small one-off events such ascharity fundraising events,' (Previous licensing sub committee minutes.) Intense use of the Lido as a Licensed Premises will not be in keeping with the aim of conserving the Lido & not in keeping with the adjacent areas such as Sandford Park itself. e) The operating schedule states that they 'in 2015 will introduce our site specific safeguarding children document'. Should this not be available for comment at this stage as water, alcohol & children just do not mix. f) The operating schedule states that 'the site is fully enclosed with CCTV.' In order to act as a deterrent as I would expect to have CCTV cover the ...continued

Please use the box below to suggest any suitable conditions that if agreed in advance of a hearing by the applicant would allow you to withdraw your representation or that the committee could add to the licence (if granted) that would remedy your concern. You may also use this box to enter details of any other matters not commented on elsewhere relating to your representation that you would like the committee to take into account.

(Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

a) I would suggest that the Premises Licence if granted should as a condition limit how often events at the Lido can be held & the maximum number of people able to attend. Previous TENs were in my opinion suitable for the Lido, i.e. 12 per annum with a maximum capacity of 499 persons. b) As a condition at any time there should be no amplified music above the ambient background level of the area. c) Light breakout during the hours of darkness should be controlled & not impact on the area.

Whilst I accept that the Lido is a worthwhile attribute to the town & its community, it is in a conservation area & indeed as a entity is to be preserved as was intended and as laid out in its own Conservation Plan, certainly not the venue for a winter wonderland & as an entertainment venue.

Signature:

Capacity:

Date:

31st March 2015

Thomas Turnbull, 18 Murvagh Close, Cheltenham.

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Continuation Page – What are your concerns?

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entire lido area & car park area. The CCTV system should also be capable of recording to a satisfactory standard in reduced lighting levels & at night. g) The operating schedule states that 'during the proposed winter event SIA licensed door supervisors shall be on duty at the premises at all times whilst open to the public'. I would suggest that these measures should be available at all times during licensing hours. g) The operating schedule states that 'the music and sound effects for the winter event will be designed by professional sound engineers'. Would it not have been appropriate to have these details available at this time in order for comments to be made? h) Car parking in adjacent streets will be a nuisance if the current car park at the Lido is insufficient to cater for visitors to the Lido along with other users such as visitors to Cheltenham General Hospital. On busy spells & especially on a Sunday indiscriminate parking in regulated streets is a problem.

From: Nicholas Turner

To: Internet - Licensing

Subject: application for music and alcohol license for the Lido at Sanford Park.

Dear Sirs,

We note the continued applications for a license to hold outdoor concerts and the sell of alcohol to the Lido and the outer areas of the Sanford Park area.

There are currently plenty of spaces for this especially at the Race course, which would not inconvenience residents to the same extent.

Sanford park is an ideal area for children and parents to relax, have a picnic etc, plus the fact that there is a large area of private housing surrounding the park, these properties bought by people who enjoy the current unmolested amenity and the tranquil setting, I know that if this application were successful then the value of these houses would be negatively affected and we did not buy this property at Corpus Street to have this noise so often.

I trust that the application will be declined.

Thank you. N H Turner.

Dear Mr Cooper,

I am writing to you in reference to the planning application submitted by Sandford Park Lidos (SPL) for a premises license.

I understand that the application is to provide the means for SPL to hold events without application for a TENS license and that if granted they will have the right to hold events and sell alcohol on any Fridays, Saturdays or Sundays that they choose, as well as for an unspecified six weeks in winter.

While the local residents have for sometime had to accept the holding of events both at the Lido and in the Park itself, the granting of the license to SPL will clearly have the potential to cause an increase in occurrences of aggravated nuisance, crime, disorder and general anti-social behaviour just by an increase in the number of events held. With the current TENS system the council does at least have some control over the frequency of the events held at SPL and also their nature. With the granting of the proposed license much of this control will be lost.

I am also concerned about the effect on the adjacent Sandford Park, provided as an alcohol-free area of leisure for local people. Events held by SPL, especially those that continue until the later hours in the summer months will have a strong negative effect on people's enjoyment of the Park. It is almost guaranteed that children playing in the Park during the summer evenings would be affected by the events held at SPL; the very presence of security personnel, as proposed by SPL, means that this must be a possibility - it also begs questions related to safety issues.

Cheltenham is a delightful town, as we all know; however the presence of drunkenness and anti-social behaviour, particularly around special events, is a real blight on the town. The licensing application by SPL, should it be granted, is likely to exacerbate the already existing problem.

As a final note I would like to question the whole concept as proposed by SPL and their Trustees.

SPL is a registered charity and clearly states their objective as :-

"Our objectives are to provide Sandford Parks Lido in the interest of social welfare with the object of improving the conditions of life for the residents and visitors of Gloucestershire and the surrounding areas"

In their draft conservation plan they outline the Instrumental Values of their site as :-

"B1 Community and Recreational Value

The lido is a safe and wonderful environment in which children and adults can play, socialise, keep fit, relax, learn new skills, have fun and gain a sense of physical and emotional well-being. It is a perfect venue for community recreation, and its development as a concept in parallel with the enhanced role of communities in national government and the planning system.

B2 Educational Value

The site itself, and its broader historical meaning and significance, can be interpreted to the public through the lido website and through images. The lido can serve as a focus for life-long learning and the exchange of experiences between generations. It can also serve as an arena for the arts, and for children to learn about and contribute to our understanding of 'place' through its landscape and buildings.

B3 Economic Value

The lido is one of a series of key venues that contribute to tourism and the prosperity of Cheltenham. The lido is one of a series of key venues that contribute to tourism and the prosperity of Cheltenham. It is the only outdoor facility 50-metre pool in Britain which has been inspected and meets the international standards for competition swimming set by the Amateur Swimming Association."

It would appear to me that the current application is in direct conflict with many of their stated objectives and values and the Trustees are in danger of losing sight of these objectives - resulting in this fairly unimaginative attempt at raising funds for the charity.

I would request that their licensing application is turned down and that the current system of TENS continues.

Yours faithfully,

Christopher Stuart Neil Walls

Priory Lawn
Priory Place
Cheltenham
GL52 6HG

Name: Mrs Michelle Way
Email:
Address: 28 Keynsham Road, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire GL53
7PX

Comments Details

Commenter
Type: Neighbour

Stance: Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for
comment:**

Comments: 4:54 PM on 12 Mar 2015 I strongly object to this application. Keynsham Road residents already have a problem with litter, noise, loud talking , shouting and swearing from people walking down our road late on a weekend evening. It is unacceptable to expect us to put up with loud music until 10.30 pm. During previous events at the Lido whether during the day or at night, the noise has carried terribly, woken my children and created too much disturbance of the peace. The Lido cannot control what happens after their events have finished and we will have people walking down our road until at least 11.00pm. If they have been drinking then this will no doubt be accomlanied by loud talking, litter or worse.

As a resident near the Lido I strongly object to the application for supply of alcohol and performance of live music or any other entertainment in the evening. We have enough trouble with noise, litter and drunk people shouting and swearing on our road during the weekend evenings. When the Lido has had events in the past the noise has carried, waking my children up and keeping me awake too. It is unacceptable to expect us to put up with loud music until 10.30 pm and once the alcohol has stopped being served there is the matter of people leaving and walking down our road until later than that. If they have been drinking then I expect we will experience loud talking at the very least until 11.00pm.

From: karen woodley

Sent: 23 March 2015 18:31

To: Internet - Licensing

Subject: Lido Licensing Objection, 78 Keynsham Road, GL53 7PX - 23rd March, 2015

To whom it may concern

I am writing to object wholeheartedly against the Cheltenham Lido's recent application for licensing and events.

I object on the basis of both public safety and prevention of crime and disorder. Drinking is a major issue in this county and the augmented risk of individuals over indulging in a quiet area close to water not only in the lido itself but also in the park, is indeed, a recipe for disaster.

In addition, It is notable that when the lido currently holds out of hours events that noise increases and parking becomes somewhat of an issue for residents in the area.

When the lido is full in the summer the parking and noise is a public nuisance however, it is bearable as you know it is time constrained and only in the summer months. If one were to add alcohol into the mix and more events then this will surely deteriorate an already irritating situation.

I therefore object to the lido's multiple application for selling alcohol and events.

Regards

Karen Woodley

78 Keynsham Road

GL53 7PX

I refer to the application from the Lido swimming pool complex for a licence to sell alcohol to accompany the performance of live and recorded music and dance, and for the exhibition of films and plays. I write as a long term resident of College Road in which my property backs directly on to the children's play area within Sandford Park, an advertised (but never enforced) Alcohol Free Zone.

The Lido Pool is closely surrounded by residential areas: Priory Road, Keynshambury Road, Keynsham Road, College Road, College Gate and Murvagh Close. It is immediately adjacent to Cheltenham General Hospital and is bounded by Sandford Park and the river Chelt. Examination of a Google map reveals just how tightly composed this area is, with the Lido pool at its centre.

Sandford Park itself is an area much used for the pleasure of families and, in particular, the children's play area therein has been progressively developed of late and is highly popular. Nonetheless, I have personally witnessed its misuse by adults emerging from the various public houses and clubs late at night and in the early hours, misuse that has led me to remove syringes and condoms from the children's area itself. This in a supposed Alcohol Free Zone. Such abuse may be rare, but it does arise, especially during the summer months.

It therefore takes little imagination to envisage what the result will be if partygoers at the Lido, fuelled with alcohol and aroused by loud music, emerging from arranged celebrations of various types, continue their activities in the Park itself, as they surely would and notwithstanding the claimed closure of the Lido before midnight.

The noise from the Lido that residents in the area currently experience is that of families and swimmers enjoying the pool and it is indeed a delight to hear the shouts of excitement and laughter of such pleasure. But add alcohol, loud music, late hours, and this innocence will swiftly descend into a severe and indeed potentially dangerous public nuisance. Such parties immediately adjacent to water, be it the pool itself or the river Chelt, must constitute a direct threat to public safety. If celebrations further encroach into the children's play area, and this does occur even now during the summer months, a direct threat to children will result from the items already described, left in the wake of celebrants.

I urge most strongly that this application is declined. The authorities must surely see the absurdity of an application for the sale of alcohol within an alcohol free zone. Indeed, it is only a couple of years ago that an application to sell alcohol in Sandford Park was declined on the grounds that it comprised a potential danger and nuisance to the public. The same objections that resulted in that refusal apply now but in far greater measure, as this application not only seeks to provide alcohol adjacent to the same park but actually within the swimming pool itself!

To copy addressees: please feel free to circulate or forward this objection as you see fit.

Sir William Wratten
14 College Road
Cheltenham

28th March 2015