

# APPENDIX 3

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Jason Kirkwood

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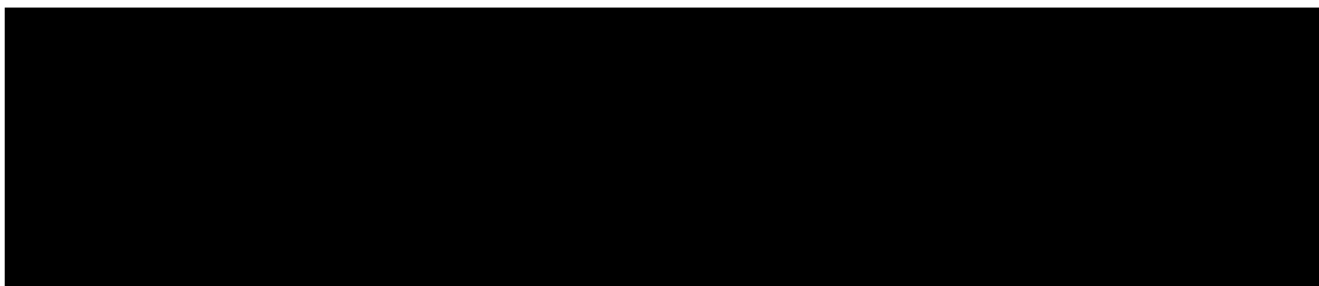
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4 Greenfinch Road  
Bishops Cleeve  
Cheltenham  
GL52 8HD

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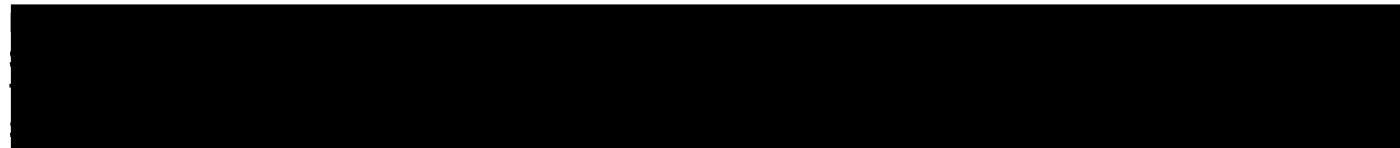
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Jason Kirkwood

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To the Licensing Team,

Reference: 20/00454/PRMA. New Premises License: St James Club Ltd t/a Chemistry

As a Parishioner of St Gregory's Church, Cheltenham I was very concerned to hear about the application for a New Premises License by the nightclub Chemistry at Gibson House, St James Square.

My representation includes the following concerns:

1. The church and school of St Gregory will be at risk of drunk and disorderly members of the public with an increased risk of crime and vandalism.
2. The extension of hours on special occasions will put Parishioners at risk when attending Mass, for example Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve. This will result in some Parishioners, particularly children and the elderly, not feeling or being safe when arriving at or leaving church.
3. When this premises was a nightclub previously there was a lot of harmful rubbish and drug paraphernalia left in the area which effected the church, the school and the local residents. As a teacher myself I am increasingly concerned about the safety of the children attending the school or coming to mass and feel that if Chemistry opened as a nightclub children would not be protected from harm and would be at risk.

I hope that you will take my representation into account as well as the risks to the prevention of crime and disorder, public safety and the protection of children when considering the application for a New Premises Licence.

Kind regards,



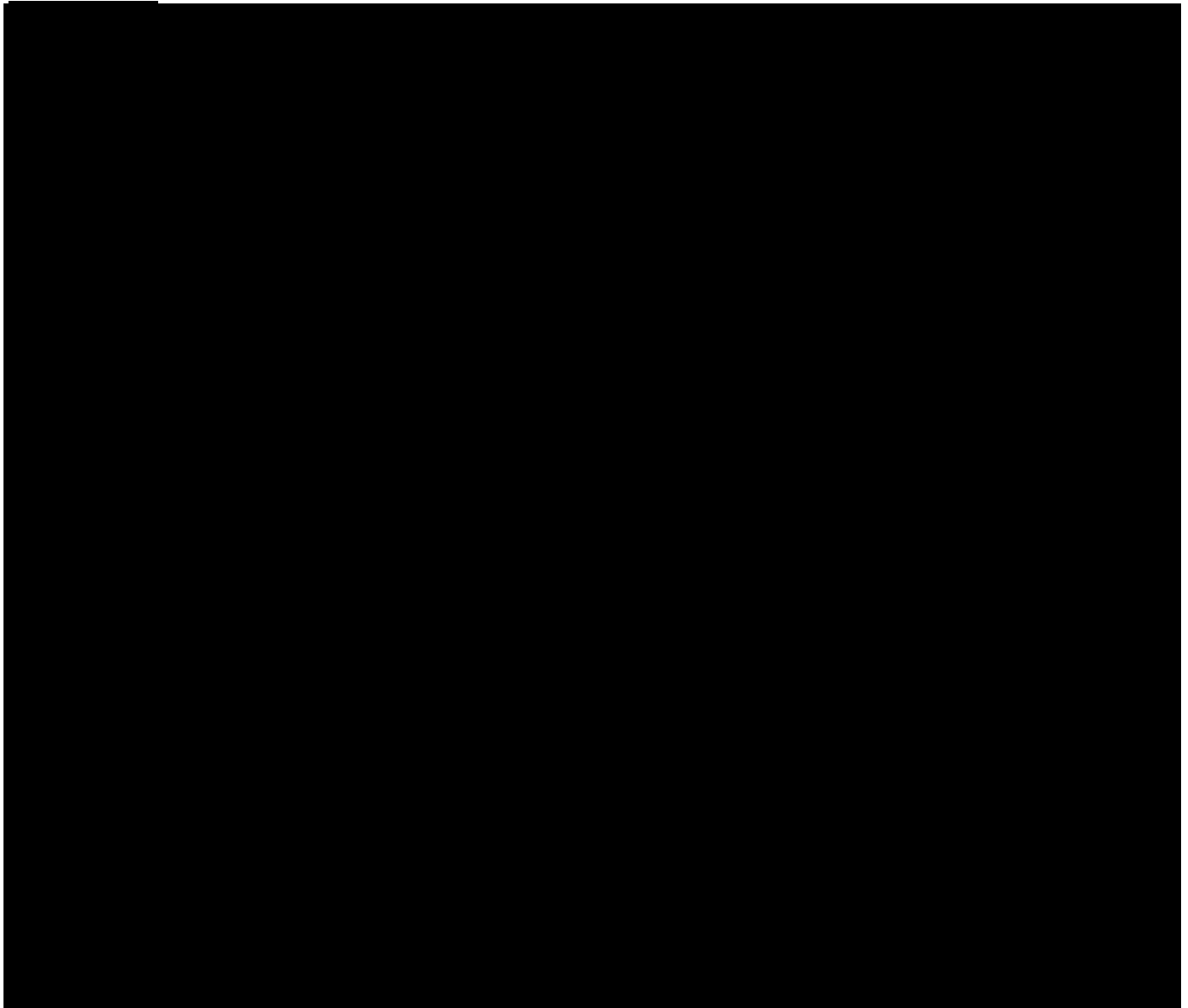
Jason Kirkwood

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13 St Pauls Walk  
Cheltenham  
GL50 4GG

Kind regards,



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Dear Sirs,

As a devout Catholic and one who regularly attends the Church of St Gregory the Great for for services, worship and prayers, I wish to put my views forth regarding the licensing of a night club right across the entrance of the Church.

- On an average, 800 followers regularly attend Sunday services at the church, with well-over a thousand attending services on Easter, Christmas and during lent season. In fact, on the Sunday of 13.03.2020, despite the hue and cry about the Corona Virus, there were no less than 200 attendees for the 09:30 service. I was very surprised myself to see such a large number of people come to church. Such is the faith of the people.

- Being a place of worship and meditation, my view of having a night club right opposite the Church seems like a very offensive idea - especially with today's youth having absolutely no regard and respect for people's privacy and property. I shudder to imagine the din and commotion that would take place around the club as we have Easter, Christmas and normal services going on in our Church.

- It has not been unusual for me to see people lie fallen and asleep in front of pubs and on the roadside from being highly sozzled. If this should happen in front of this club, I fear to imagine what impression young children attending the School just a few metres away might have. I don't think that it would be very pleasant for young children to see such situations just before...or even after they finish their day at school.

- As of now, the environs around the Church is pretty well maintained, with hardly any untoward incidents. It is very unlikely it will remain the same should a night club open up where it plans to open up.

- I do see a few children walk unaccompanied to school - either from their homes, the bus stop or from the Waitrose parking. This being the case there is always a probability of a child being abused or outraged.

- As of now, there is very limited parking for Church attendees when they come for services. Having a nightclub bang opposite the Church could only invite illegal parking, causing chaos, conflicts and accidents.

Considering all the above, I think that having a night Club at the premises opposite the Church and in the very vicinity of a primary school is a very bad idea, and by no means should be allowed.

I hope you will consider my views and take a decision accordingly.

Dear Sirs

with respect to Reference 20/00454/PRMA New Premises License, St James Club Its t/a Chemistry

**We wish to make representation that this licence should NOT be granted for the following reasons:**

1) Proximity to local primary schools - in a previous iteration of a club at these premises, **considerable risk of harm** was posed to children attending local schools, primarily from the club members discarding drug paraphernalia, also vomit, broken glass and other detritus some of which was distressing for young people to have to see on their way to school. Our own children are now much older and no longer attending that school: it did concern us greatly at the time on their behalf and does so now in relation to the many young parents we know have Children in St Gregory the Great Primary school now.

2) General Public Safety: we have personally had to deal with **drunk and disorderly** people leaving the previous club and entering St Gregory the Great Church while services were taking place. Some of these people were very aggressive and **caused distress to members of the congregation**. We anticipate similar issues arising should the club open again. The church grounds (St James Square) and School Doorways (Knapp Road) were frequently used as dumping grounds for drug equipment (needles) discarded contraceptives and the like - which all pose a very real hazard to public health, besides being most unpleasant to have to be dealt with.

3) There is no particular reason to imagine that this Club would in future be any less prone to the criminal and **public nuisance** activity that takes place in and around 'night clubs' and although we do not have access to data, we hope that the licensing decision will take into account crime statistics for this area back when the club was previously open. Our experiences indicate that crime and nuisance in and around St James Square has greatly diminished since the club closed down. And since then, a considerable increase in residential development has taken place and we worry that local residents will be adversely affected by late evening noise, and difficulty accessing their parking areas / doorways.

Thank you for considering our objections. We make them as members of the congregation at St Gregory the Great Catholic Church. We are also responsible there for several aspects of youth work, and we support work with elderly parishioners - these groups of people will in our opinion all be greatly and adversely affected by the granting of this licence.

Your Sincerely

[Redacted]  
17 Oakbrook Drive  
The Reddings  
Cheltenham  
Gloucestershire  
GL51 6SB  
[Redacted]

Jason Kirkwood

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Reference: 20/00454/PRIMA. New Premises Licence: St James Club Ltd t/a Chemistry

With reference to the above Licence Application , I am a parishioner of St Gregorys Catholic Church which is very close to the proposed Night Club. A few years ago there was a club in the same premises which caused considerable public nuisance especially on Christmas Eve during solemn midnight ceremonies interrupted by excessive noise and drunken interruptions to services.

Please consider my objections to the granting of the above licence.

Yours sincerely,

[Redacted Signature]

61, Brooklyn Gardens,  
Cheltenham.  
GL51 8LP

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Apartment 4,  
Victoria house,  
St James Square,  
Cheltenham  
GL544AN



Ref 20/99454/PRMA  
Application for New Premises Licence  
St James Club

28/02/2020

Dear Sirs

Having recently bought No 4 Victoria House as a home to spend the rest of my days, I am extremely disappointed to find that opposite my front door and front windows there is going to be a house of entertainment and noise. Smoking and gatherings on the street outside sounds horrific. I am nervous enough as it is returning to my apartment after dinner in town let alone having to pass merry revelers who I am sure will be quite intimidating.

I do hope that this planning consent is refused as I was looking forward to a peaceful retirement in a beautiful Regency building in this fine square. I do hope that this application is turned down as reports of GAS NIGHTCLUB were not very complementary.

I thank you





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1 Aldershaw Close

Up Hatherley,

Cheltenham

GL51 3TP

13 March 2020

Dear Sir or Madam,

**Reference: 20/00454/PRMA. New Premises St James Club Ltd t/a Chemistry.**

I am a parishioner of St. Gregory's Church, Cheltenham and have been for the past thirty years. I am objecting to the planning application for the re-opening of the Chemistry nightclub across the road from the Church.

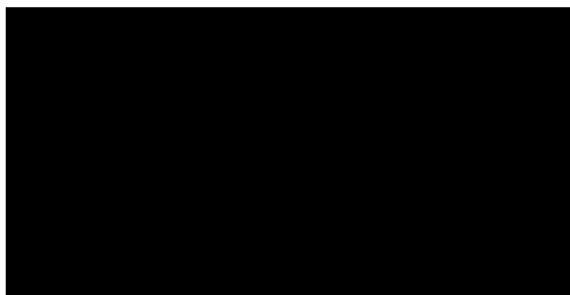
My objections to this planning application are on the grounds of the prevention of public nuisance, and the protection of children from harm.

The likely effect from the granting of the licence for music, alcohol, dancing and late night refreshments will be disruption to Sunday evening services in the Church. The Sunday evening service and Christmas Eve services will be particularly affected by late night noise.

When the nightclub was open previously, The Church and St Gregory's School were affected not only by late noise and disruptions to evening services, but also by anti-social nuisance committed around the Church and St Gregory's School, from needles and other unsuitable detritus which had been thrown over the walls of the Church and the School.

I urge that the planning application to re-open the Chemistry nightclub be turned down, especially since when the nightclub was open before, it had a very serious negative impact on the Church and the School.

Yours sincerely,



**Jason Kirkwood**

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Sorry. My address is 53 Painswick Road Cheltenham GL50 2EP

Dear Sir,

I am a parishioner of St Gregory's Church in Cheltenham and I write with reference to the above application. I wish to register my opposition to the granting of this licence on the basis that it would cause a public nuisance.

I sincerely hope this licence will not be granted.

Yours faithfully



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Jason Kirkwood

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Please record my objection and representation to granting a licence to the above on the grounds of :

The prevention of public nuisance and the protection of our children at St Gregory's School and children at Elephant and Moon Nursery



4 Leckhampton Rise  
GL53 0AP

Sent from my iPhone

I object and make representation on the above application in 2 specific areas.

1. The prevention of Public Nuisance - we attend St. Gregory's Church weekly and having a proposed establishment of this nature is contrary to the appropriate area and established activities of a place of worship at any time - day or night or early morning, inclusive of the aftermath - simply unacceptable.
2. The protection of children from harm - our granddaughter attends Elephant moon nursery which is in very close proximity to the above proposed establishment . As above the proposed establishment is wholly contrary to the nursery and developing young children environment. I am concerned that young children and their parents will have to walk by this establishment multiple times a day ( to the library around the corner, daily pick up and drop off ) and will be subject to the consequences and aftermath and paraphernalia associated with a completely unsuitable proposition as outlined on the licensing request.

Ultimately I am completely objected to this licensing request and will be prepared to follow any further legal and lawful due process to ensure it's prevention.

4 Leckhampton Rise  
Cheltenham  
GL53 0AP



Hello,

I am writing to voice my concern regarding the above application.

My name is [REDACTED] and I live in 17 St James North, Cheltenham (approximately 50m from Gibson House) where I own a 1 bedroom flat in a quiet block. I have lived for approximately five and a half years and really love this location. One of the reasons that I chose this area was specifically its proximity to town with almost no through foot or car traffic.

I believe that approval of this application will be a net negative for the St James area community.

Primarily, the proposed site for the premises (shown in black) is exceedingly close to both *Elephant Moon Day Nursery* and *The Catholic Primary and Nursery School of Saint Gregory the Great* (shown in red). The proposed opening hours (10am until Midnight) significantly overlap the schools opening hours and collection times. The school is often still releasing students well after the allocated closing time (approx. 15:00) as parents become available to collect. Thus, it seems to me irresponsible open an alcohol serving music venue because:

- 1) Music and sounds from the venue will interfere with children's education during the day and
- 2) The possibility of intoxicated individuals interacting negatively with the children or parents of these schools

Secondly, the area surrounding the proposed venue is mostly either:

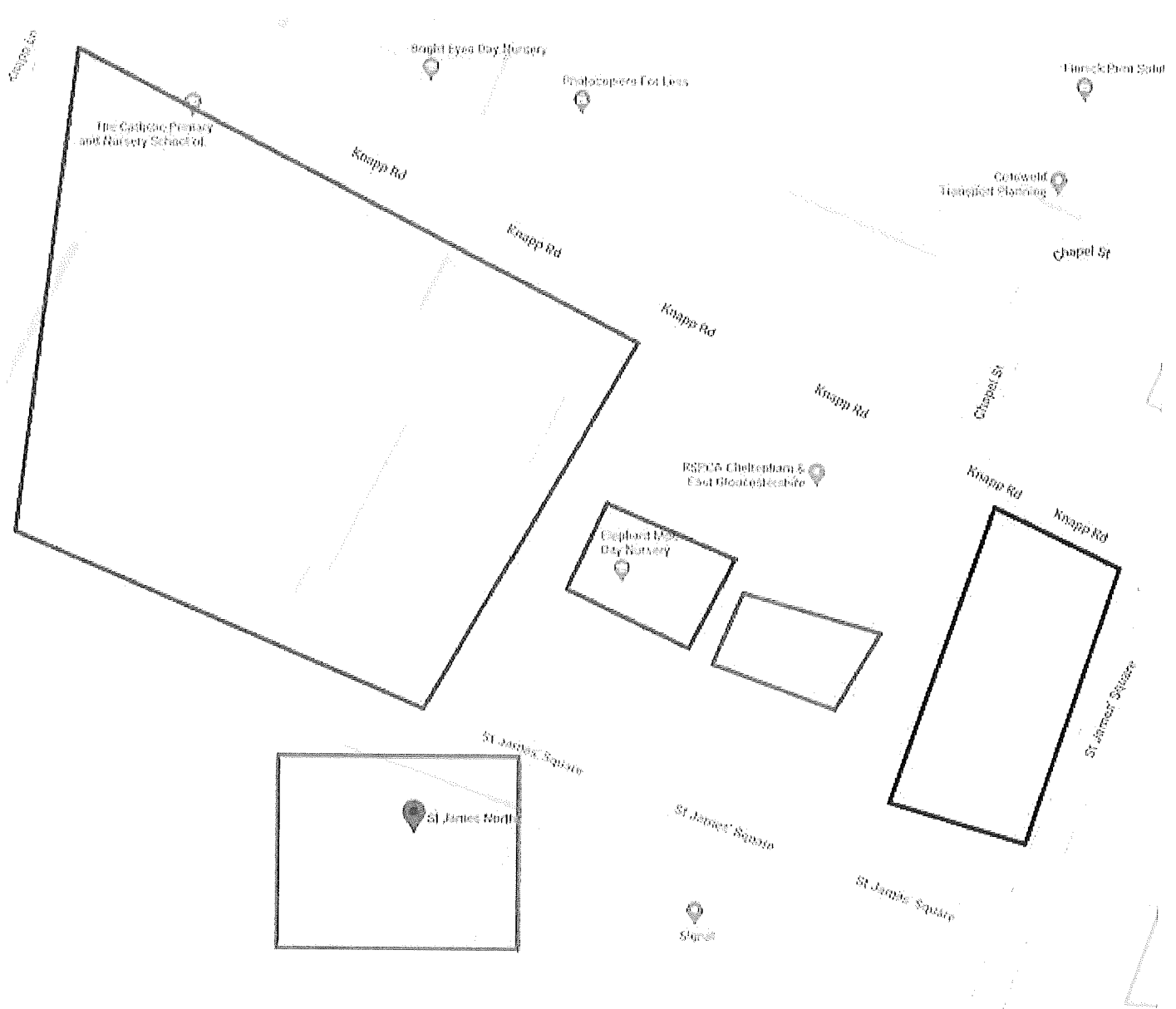
- Residential
  - Adjacent property (purple)
  - St James North (blue)
  - Other residential flats (e.g. Victoria House, not shown and the houses on Knapp road)
- Professional
  - Signal Marketing Agency
  - Chapel Arts (yellow)
  - St Gregory the Great RC Church (yellow)

Again, the possible conduct of patrons and overlapping/late operating hours of the premises would likely negatively impact the businesses and occupants of residential buildings. This impact could include, but is not limited to:

- Noise loud enough to keep residents awake late in the evening (especially given the age of the venue with regard to sound proofing)
- Increased debris and waste from the venue, for example
  - Broken bottles
  - Cigarette butts
  - Promotional flyers
- The results of excess, for example
  - Vomiting
  - Urination
  - Defecation
- Damage to the perception (and value) of the St James Square area which many have sought to improve in the last 10 years
- Overuse of the streets (already limited) parking capacity, which would force residents to have to park elsewhere

Finally, on a personal note, the application does not add any value to the surrounding area since potential patrons can already enjoy:

- The Bottle of Sauce
- The Firestation
- The Railway
- The Bayshill
- Chapel Arts
- The Sober Parrot
- Boston Tea Party
- The Scandinavian Coffee Pod
- O'Haras Coffee House

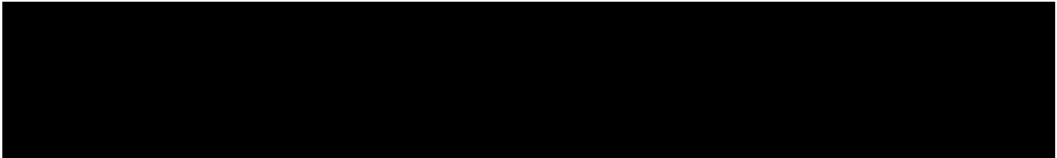


Please consider the direct impact approving this application would mean for those who have settled in the area.

N.B. An acknowledgement of receipt for this e-mail would be appreciated.

Many thanks for your time.

[Redacted signature]



30 Tommy Taylors Lane

GL50 4NJ

09/03/20

Dear Sirs,

Licensing application, Reference No. 20/00454/PRMA. St..James Club.

I am shocked and horrified to learn that this application has been made and not for the first time and it is most inconceivable

that this situation can be even contemplated and be allowed to become a reality in this area of our town.

The area in question is very close to a/ the day nursery, b/ the infants school and c/ the primary school. All three of them will

be affected by the type of carrying on that is associated with these places. It is not for anyone to judge what other people find as

entertainment but where these places are located is everyone's concern. The protection of children has to come first and

therefore this objection is made.

There is a second overwhelming reason why this application is bad in its location; namely, that it is adjacent to both residences

and churches both of which will be greatly disrupted and disturbed in many ways, this will be unacceptable to many people.

It will be a great act of irresponsibility to even consider granting this application because the damage that will done to both children

and residents, it is not painless to think about.



[REDACTED]

I am writing to raise an objection to the proposed new Premises License at the above address. The site is immediately opposite the Catholic Church of St. Gregory the Great and close to St. Gregory's Primary School.

The noise emanating from these premises would cause a public nuisance and disrupt the worship of St. Gregory's parishioners on every day of the week but most particularly on Sundays and causing upset and noise nuisance to worshippers, many of whom are elderly and some very frail as well as young families and to nearby residents.

I have recently moved from Oxford to Cheltenham and know only too well the noise, rowdy and drunk behaviour such premises can cause and make unnecessary work for our overworked police force.

There is also the strong possibility of drug use resulting in needles being discarded on public ground, no doubt used condoms too, which is not only unpleasant but extremely dangerous for young children who may well be tempted to touch and even play with said items.

[REDACTED]  
Apartment 44,  
One Bayshill Road,  
Cheltenham,  
GL50 3FH  
Sent from my iPad

Jason Kirkwood

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Reference: 20/00454/PRMA. New Premises Licence: St James Club Ltd t/a Chemisrty

Dear Licencing team,

I have recently been notified about the perspective opening of a new club at Gobson House, St James Square. As a resident of Apartment 6 St James North 1, St James Squire, GL50 3PY Approximately 100 metres from the aforementioned address, i am writting in concern about how this will affect the highly residential area where i and many others reside.

In our building alone, there are 24 flats within close proximity to Gibson House. We have all chosen to live/purchase property here in account of the peaceful and safe surroundings. In the event of the New Premises Licence at Gibson House being provided, i feel it will cause a large amount of noise at late hours of the evening and early hours of the morning and in the event of the premisis opening during day time hours a distrupction to The Catholic School and Pre School of St Gregory the Great, Elephant Day Nursery, St Gregory The Great RC Church and othe local business such as Chaple Art Arts Gallery. Besides the public nuisance of intoxicated people in the area, i have concern for public safety, there are many elderly, disabled and young new parents that live in my building, and to have drunk/disorderly people in an otherwise quiet and unpopulated road in chetneham the fear of the elderly or children or anyone getting harmed on their own with these new circumstance is very concerning and dangerous. I also worry about the area becoming victim of littering, vandalism and public indecency.

I wish to make an Objection to the new premises licence "Reference: 20/00454/PRMA. New Premises Licence: St James Club Ltd t/a Chemisrty" for the above reasons and feel that opening another club in cheltenham when so many have recently closed its an unecersarry addition to the town and will only cause a public nuisance, an increase in crime and dissorder to the area and a fear for public saftey.

In anticipation for a response

Apartment 6, St James North 1, St James Square, GL50 3PY

Jason Kirkwood

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Dear Jason

2 St Edwards Walk  
Charlton Kings  
Cheltenham  
GL53 7RS

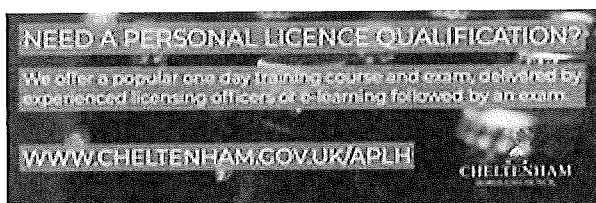
Kind regards

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**Sent:** 26 March 2020 11:50  
**Subject:** Premises Licence Application - Chemistry - Reference : 20/00454/PRMA

I am sorry we can only accept your email as an objection to this application if you provide your full postal address. I need to receive your address by 5pm tomorrow, at the latest, to effectively manage the next steps of the process.

Best regards

**Jason Kirkwood**  
**Senior Licensing Officer**  
Public Protection  
Cheltenham Borough Council  
Municipal Offices, Promenade, Cheltenham  
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Dear Sirs,

I wish to make an objection to the above application.

The premises are far too close to St Gregory's School and the local church. I make this objection with the protection of children in mind, particularly seeing anti social behaviour right outside their school. The potential for crime, disorder and public nuisance by the school and the church is not the thing children should be seeing during their impressionable years when it can be avoided.

Yours faithfully

## **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](mailto: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

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### **Contact details (of person completing form)**

<b>Name:</b>	[REDACTED]
<b>Name of the organisation/body/person you represent. (If appropriate)</b>	[REDACTED]
<b>Your full Postal Address or that of the organisation or body you represent</b>	20 SOMERSET HOUSE KNAPP ROAD CHELTENHAM GL50 3QQ
<b>Post Code</b>	GL50 3QQ
<b>Daytime contact telephone number</b>	[REDACTED]
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)**

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

## Part 2 Continued

**Premises/Club Details**

Name of premises/club you are making representation about:	ST. JAMES CLUB LTD JAMES ELIAS
Name of Applicant for Licence (if known)	MR. JASON KIRKWOOD
Postal Address:	GIBSON HOUSE ST. JAMES SQUARE CHELTENHAM
Post Code:	GL50 3QG

**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)
NOISE, DISTURBANCE, MESS ON THE STREETS, LATE NIGHT ACTIVITY IN RESIDENTIAL AREA

**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](http://www.culture.gov.uk).

Please indicate the distance (in metres) between your address and the premises subject of your representation:	25 METRES
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**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)

I am very concerned that late night drinking will bring noise, mess and disruption to an area that is currently a quiet semi-residential area on the edge of the town centre.

There are plenty of late-night venues in the town centre that can be easily accessed and there is no good reason for spreading further out of the town centre.

We have a church across the road from the venue and primary school around the corner that could become places for mess and drug debris.

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:

[Redacted Signature]

Capacity:

LOCAL RESIDENT

Date:

28.2.20

Jason Kirkwood

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Flat 14 Charlotte Rose House  
Christchurch road  
Cheltenham  
GL502PB

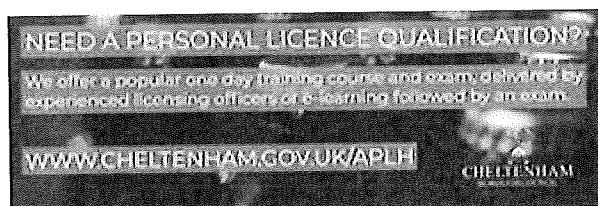
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**Sent:** Thursday, March 26, 2020 11:50 am  
**Subject:** Premises Licence Application - Chemistry - Reference : 20/00454/PRMA

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Jason Kirkwood

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Dear licensing department.

I would like to strongly oppose the new premises license request references above.

As a parent of children at St Gregory's school I feel the safety of all children will be affected if this application is approved

The issues of concern relate to:

1. The prevention of crime and disorder;
2. Public safety;
3. The prevention of public nuisance; and
4. The protection of children from harm.

- Given the property's its proximity to the school, two nurseries/pre-schools, the church and local residents, all of the above would be under constant threat.
- Music and alcohol all hours of the day is disturbing.
- It will lead to drunk and disorderly patrons, who will be a danger and nuisance in their actions, noise and debris left.
- Patrons will be close to the school, and in a position to "hang about" and observe children's (and vulnerable adults) routines. Characters in pubs are unregulated, can stay as long as they are paying. Nothing will be done/ noticed until something serious has already occurred.

Our children's safety is paramount and opening this club is nothing but a risk.

Please consider these points seriously and refuse the application

Kind regards

- 1/ Events in connection with the schools in this area often take place in the evenings. Apart from the obvious dangers concerning children, the prospect of drug needles perhaps lying around is a daunting thought. I have been the unfortunate neighbour of drug users in this apartment building.
- 2/ It's surely undesirable to have a late-night drinking venue yards from the beautiful Church of St Gregory the Great.
- 3/ It cannot be necessary to have yet another such venue in Cheltenham. I know of people who have

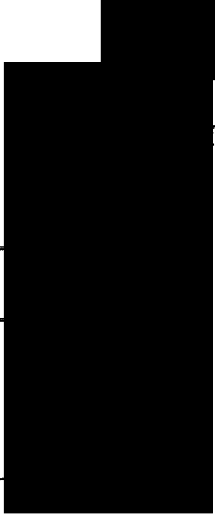
Apt. 12, St James North 1  
 St. James Square  
 Cheltenham. GL50 3PR  
 16th March, 2020

Dear Mr Kirkwood,

Thank you for your letter, regarding Gibson House, St. James Square.

I should like to voice my extreme concern in respect of the planning application re this property. I implore the Council to take into account:-

- 3/
- sadly decided they would not now choose to live in Cheltenham, as they feel the quality of life here is declining.
- 4/ Noise pollution, the general lowering of standards in this country is a threat to our society. Please don't allow our quiet neighbourhood to fall victim of such a prospect.





Ref 20/00454/PRMA I would like to object to the licensing application made for GIBSON House, who have the intention of re opening the nightclub which closed in 1984. I live in the apartments opposite the the said building and strongly feel a) it is now a residential area, opposite is the Catholic Church. There is no parking (public) outside Gibson House. There is St Gregorys School behind the property and Elephant Moon nursery and St Gregory's nursery. There are no taxi area. The police do not patrol this area. There is also Manchester Court Residential home in the near by street. I strongly feel it is in the wrong area, which is very quiet.

Thanking you



Flat 7 Victoria House  
St James Square  
GL50 3PZ

Sent from my iPhone

Jason Kirkwood

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[REDACTED]

Hi Alex,

Thanks for your reply.

Please, find below my full address:

166 Gloucester Road  
Cheltenham, Gloucestershire  
GL51 8NR

With my best regards

[REDACTED]

> On 19 Mar 2020, at 11:28, EnvHealth@cheltenham.gov.uk wrote:

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> Good morning,

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> I am sorry we can only accept your email as an objection if you provide your full postal address.

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> I look forward to hearing from you so I can add your objection to the license application.

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> Kind regards,

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> Alex Hamblin

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> Business Support Officer

> Cheltenham Borough Council

> Public Protection

> Place and Growth

> 01242 264300

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> Thank you for your email. As the organisation continues to support the on-going situation with COVID-19, replies to emails may take longer than usual. We continue to prioritise the delivery of critical services.

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> Thank you for your understanding

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> Sent: 16 March 2020 23:37  
> To: Internet - Licensing  
> Subject: Reference: 20/00454/PRMA. New Premises License: St James Club Ltd t/a Chemistry  
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> Dear Sir or Madam,  
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> Please, I would like to request your attention in order to do NOT authorise the activities of Gibson House, St James Square because:  
>  
> 1. The antisocial behaviour can generate crimes and disorder around the area of the Church and Primary School.  
>  
> 2. The antisocial behaviour can affect the safety and well being of families that attend the parish daily and affect people that live around.  
>  
> 3. The noise can disturb highly the environment around and especially the Parish Services.  
>  
> 4. We have a lot of children visiting the Church that could be scared about topics above and about the possibility of any kind of violence on that area.  
>  
> Thank you for your support.  
>  
> Kind Regards  
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> Cheltenham - GL51 8NR  
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Jason Kirkwood

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Dear Alex

My home address is 7, Haylea Rd, Bishops Cleeve, Cheltenham GL52 7YH

Kind regards



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Alex Hamblin

Business Support Officer

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Dear Sirs

As a parishioner of St Gregorys Cheltenham I wish to make the following points reference the above application.

**Prevention of crime and disorder:**

The last time there was a nightclub opposite the church I witnessed the clear up operation of needles, bottles and other rubbish inside the curtilage of the church and the Old Priory. Also, there were times when the thumping bass sound from the nightclub would be audible inside the church when there were late services or events.

**Public Safety:**

Late night revelry led to groups of people shouting and intimidating the public following too much consumption of alcohol or drugs and the general lack of respect for parishioners leaving the church or The Old Priory following late services or events.

**The prevention of public nuisance:**

The clients of the nightclub last time could be rowdy and frightening to vulnerable adults, particularly when church services were held late in the evening for example at Easter and Christmas.

**The protection of children from harm:**

The proximity to St Gregorys School is also problematic insofar as the residue of revelry was also impacting the children going to and from St Gregorys school. Needles, empty bottles, broken glass and other such items found in the vicinity of the school.

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For all of the above reasons I would not like to see a repetition of this nuisance and would ask that this application be refused.

Thank you for taking account of my views.

Yours sincerely



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15, Eldorado Road

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Cheltenham

GL50 2PU

11 March 2020

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Dear Team,

Reference: 20/00454/PRMA. New Premises

licence: St James Club Ltd t/a Chemisting

As a parishioner of St Gregory's Church  
I do object to the granting of this licence.

The 4 licensing Objectives speak to  
anti.

Yours sincerely



Licensing Team

Public Protection Team

Cheltenham Borough Council

Municipal Offices

Cheltenham

GL50 1PP

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27 Suffolk Parade,  
Cheltenham.  
Glos. GL50. 2AE.  
11<sup>th</sup> March 2020.

Licensing Team,  
Public Protection Team,  
Cheltenham Borough Council,  
Municipal Offices,  
Promenade,  
Cheltenham GL50 1PP.

Dear Sir / Madam,

Ref: 20/00454/PRMA.  
New Premises Licence. St. James Club Ltd  
T/A. Chemistry.

As a Parishioner of St. Gregory's Catholic  
Church, St. James Square.

I wish to object to the application  
on the following grounds:

Crime and disorder, Public safety of  
children and noise and nuisance.

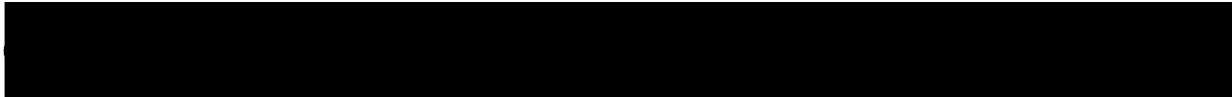
Yours faithfully,  


**Jason Kirkwood**

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**From:** pa@cheltenham.gov.uk  
**Sent:** 27 February 2020 22:55  
**To:** Jason Kirkwood  
**Subject:** Comments for Licensing Application 20/00454/PRMA

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

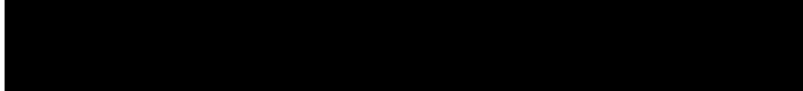
**Application Summary**

**Address:** Gibson House St James Square Cheltenham  
Gloucestershire GL50 3QG

**Proposal:** Application for New Premises Licence

**Case Officer:** Mr Jason Kirkwood

[Click for further information](#)

**Customer Details**

**Address:** St Gregorys Roman Catholic School, St James Square,  
Cheltenham, Gloucestershire GL50 3QG

**Comments Details**

**Commenter Type:** Neighbour

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

**Comments:** 10:54 PM on 27 Feb 2020 I have grave concerns about the safety of our 500 children should the club re-open on St James' Square. This is because of the debris, drug-taking paraphernalia, bottles, glasses and other dangerous items that would need to be cleared up from the grounds of the school on a daily basis prior to the children being able to play in the playground.

Unfortunately, this was the case when the premises was licensed prior to this, this was when the square was not as residential as it is now.

As a school community, we also do not feel it appropriate to have revellers spilling out onto what has become a very busy road and is also opposite a Church. This seems dangerous and wholly inappropriate.

**Jason Kirkwood**

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Hi Alex

Thanks for your email

Address as follows:

90 Langdale Road  
Warden Hill  
Cheltenham  
GL51 3LY

Good morning,

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I look forward to hearing from you so I can add your objection to the license application.

Kind regards,

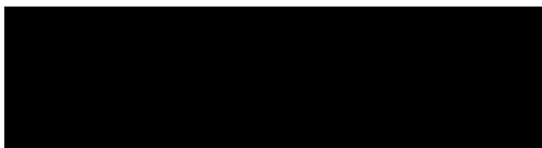
Alex Hamblin

Business Support Officer

This would not be met and children would be at major risk particularly going to the church

Please reject the application


Kind regards



Sent from my Samsung Galaxy smartphone.

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"Reference: 20/00454/PRMA. New Premises Licence: St.James Club Ltd t/a Chemistry"

Dear Sir,

As a parishioner of St. Gregory's Church, St. James' Square, Cheltenham, I am very concerned about the proposal to grant a New Premises Licence to the St. James Club Ltd.

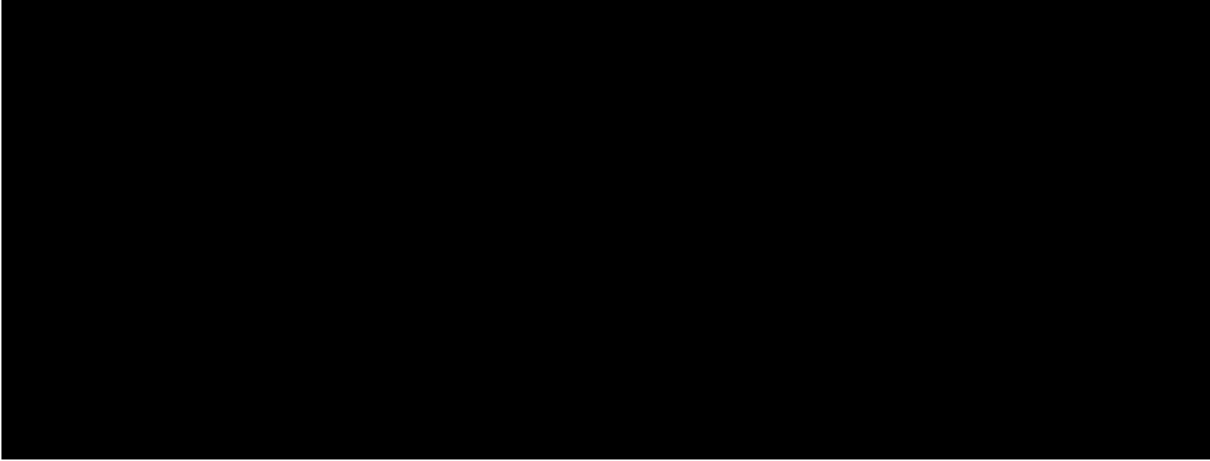
Previous experience has shown that when this site has a licence to sell alcohol & provide entertainment to its patrons, the whole area is affected by noise & anti-social behaviour to a considerable degree. Added to which, the area becomes littered with very undesirable, and dangerous, debris which should not be found by children, or indeed, any person of any age.

Yours faithfully,



19a Queens Road,  
Cheltenham, Glos. GL50 2LR

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Dear Sirs

My husband and I live in Victoria House on St James Square and we are horrified at the prospect of Gibson House opening as a night club.

As a Council you have encouraged residential growth in this area and now you are proposing to put a night club on our doorstep with all the anti social disturbance that will bring. The stories from residents who remember this venue as a nightclub from years ago have horror stories to tell of drunken behaviour, drug abuse, fornication in peoples gardens and disturbances well into the early hours of the morning.

We are a quiet and civilised neighbour with a nice mix of residential property and offices. An area that has been improving steadily in the last 5 years. The evenings and weekends here are quiet and peaceful. This will all change with a constant stream of rowdy nightclubbers moving to and from the public car park and Gibson House past our building of 10 flats.


It's bad enough coping with the fallout of race week here when we have race goers urinating in our gardens and doorways, throwing their beer bottles into our gardens along with their discarded pizza's and curries with their rowdy, drunken behaviour keeping us up for hours at night when most of us have to get up early to go to work.

**Opening a nightclub here will be like race week every night of the year.**

Suggesting that patrons are asked to be quiet and respectful of the neighbour as they leave the premises is naive, and would be laughable if we were not so upset and worried about this application.

Surely there are plenty of venues in the centre of Cheltenham away from residential communities that would be far more suitable than this one.

Yours faithfully





**Part 2**

**LICENSING ACT 2003 -REPRESENTATION FORM (INTERESTED PARTY)**

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

- A person living in the vicinity of the premises
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**Contact details (of person completing form)**

<b>Name:</b>	[REDACTED]
<b>Name of the organisation/body/person you represent. (If appropriate)</b>	BASEMENT FLAT
<b>Your full Postal Address or that of the organisation or body you represent</b>	MAYVILLE HOUSE ST JAMES SQ CHELTENHAM
<b>Post Code</b>	GL50 3QG
<b>Daytime contact telephone number</b>	[REDACTED]
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)**

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**Premises/Club Details**

Name of premises/club you are making representation about:	ST JAMES CLUB LTD / JAMES ELIAS,
Name of Applicant for Licence (if known)	ST JAMES CLUB GIBSON HOUSE
Postal Address:	ST JAMES SQ CHELTENHAM
Post Code:	GL50 3QG

**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)	
① CRIME ② DISORDER ③ NOISE ④ DISTURBANCE ⑤ SECURITY.	⑥ PUBLIC NUISANCE ⑦ Protecting children.

**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
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Part 2 continued

### What are your concerns?


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(Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

See attached

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Withdrawal of New Premises Licence.

Signature: 

Capacity: 

Date: 

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Licencing Team  
Public Protection Team  
Cheltenham Borough Council  
Municipal Offices  
Promenade  
Cheltenham  
GL50 1PP

By email only: [licencing@cheltenham.gov.uk](mailto:licencing@cheltenham.gov.uk)



Address Basement Flat, Mayville House, St James Sq,  
Chelt, GL50 3QG

Dear Sirs

**Reference: 20/00454/PRMA.**

**Re: New Premises Licence by St James Club Ltd t/a Chemistry (the Application)**

**Premises: Gibson House, St James Square, Cheltenham, GL50 3QG**

I write further to the above new premises application by St James Club Ltd.

**My details**

I am an interested person in this Application by reason of being a local resident living in the vicinity of the Premises. My home, Basement Flat, Mayville House, is two doors down and approximately 10 to 15 metres from the Premises.

The purpose of this letter is to make representations in respect of the Application. I can be contacted on the above-details, should any further contact be necessary.

I have lived at Mayville House on and off since 1999, at the age of 9. I know first-hand what it was like living two doors down from the Premises when it was operational as a nightclub, and these representations are made with reference to that experience.

**Premises/Club details**

For the avoidance of doubt, these representations are with regards to the following application:

<i>Reference:</i>	<i>20/00454/PRMA</i>
<i>Category:</i>	<i>Application for new premises licence</i>
<i>Applicant:</i>	<i>St James Club Limited / James Elias</i>
<i>Premises:</i>	<i>Gibson House, St James Square, Cheltenham, GL50 3QG</i>
<i>Date of Application:</i>	<i>19 February 2020</i>

**Licencing Objectives and relevant concerns**

I object to the Application for the following reasons, having regard to the licencing objectives.

Prevention of public nuisance

1. Drunken behaviour and impact/damage.

- a. The drunken behaviour the nightclub is likely to bring is completely undesirable, and is likely to include:
  - i. Urination and defecation on private property (such as front parking areas, inside gated and fenced areas, the wall encircling St Gregorys Church, etc).
  - ii. Broken bottles, glass and litter being frequently present on the pavement and road.
  - iii. Recycling and rubbish bins belonging to nearby residents being tipped over and scattered across the floor.
  - iv. Vomit, urine and blood being frequently present on doorways and the pavement.
  - v. Trespassing on damage to vehicles on private property.
- b. All of the items listed in 1(a) above occurred with frequency when Chemistry nightclub was open previously.
- c. Due to the residential nature of the area, police patrols are far less common than in other areas such as the high street or the promenade. There is therefore not as much of a deterrent to prevent people from causing a public nuisance in the manner described above.
- d. The amount of drunken behaviour and damage to personal property noticeably decreased following the closing of Chemistry nightclub and I would not wish to see it re-opened.

2. Noise unsuitable for the local environment:

- a. The level of noise from the music will be significant. I recall when Chemistry nightclub was open previously you could feel the vibrations in the wall and hear the music at night. Party-goers would make loud disruptions and I do not believe warning signs requesting 'respect for local residents' will have any impact to reduce their noise.
- b. The amount of noise generated from a nightclub is not suitable having regard to the character of the neighbourhood. The character of the neighbourhood being one which encompasses private and elderly residences, schools and playgrounds, child nurseries and a church.
- c. Live music is proposed at the Premises which will enhance the level of noise.
- d. Disposal of glass recycling will create a sharp and abrupt noise of crashing/breaking glass upon the nightly disposal and morning refuse collection (as it did previously).

3. Disruption to access for local residents:

- a. When Chemistry nightclub was open previously, the security would often close off access to the cul de sac with traffic cones. This caused additional disruption to residents who live in that cul de sac when simply trying to enter their homes by vehicle.

4. Litter on the pavement and road:

- a. The Application includes provision for an outside smoking area. If this is adjoining the public pavement, cigarette butts would litter the pavement, and would likely accrue from smokers in the queue waiting to enter in any event.

The protection of children from harm

1. Risk of broken glass on school route

- a. The main entrances to St Gregory's Primary School and Elephant Moon Children's Nursery is by way of a cul de sac on St James Square. The route from St Gregory's School to St Gregory's Church (which the kids take every week) is also along the same road.
- b. The Premises is at the entrance to that cul de sac. It is unavoidable that small children and parents with children in strollers will pass the Premises frequently.
- c. Any broken glass originating from the Premises (whether emanating from the smoking area or people taking drinks outside of Premises) will find its way onto the pavement and can cause a danger to children.
- d. Although it falls short of a danger, the children going to school and nursery should also not be unnecessarily subjected to passing vomit, urine, blood, and cigarette butts on their way to school. It is simply inappropriate.

2. Drunk people in the area of children's facilities.

- a. I have worked as a bartender for a number of years and am fully aware how easy it is for drunk customers to steal or cause damage to the local area, for no apparent reason (having responded to a broken window from this year's race week only in the last few days). I simply cannot fathom why anyone would think it would be sensible to place a nightclub around 30 to 60 metres away from a primary school or children's nursery with that ever present risk.

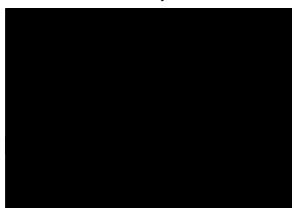
**Next Steps**

For the above-reasons I object to the Application and the granting of a licence for a nightclub on St James Square.

I do not believe that the imposition of conditions will satisfactorily address my concerns.

Please let me know if and when the Application is listed for a hearing, as I would wish to attend.

Yours sincerely





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**Contact details (of person completing form)**

Name:	[REDACTED]
Name of the organisation/body/person you represent. (If appropriate)	Mayville House
Your full Postal Address or that of the organisation or body you represent	St James Square, Cheltenham
Post Code	GL50 3QG
Daytime contact telephone number	[REDACTED]
Email address - If you would prefer to correspond via email, please enter your email address. (optional).	

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Name of Applicant for Licence (if known)	ST James Club Gibson House
Postal Address:	St. James Sq Cheltenham
Post Code:	GL50 3QG

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If applicant withdraws application for  
New premises licence.

Signature:

Capacity:

Date:

17/3/20.



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Mayville House  
St James Square,  
Cheltenham.  
GL50 3QG

17<sup>th</sup> March 2020

Licencing Team  
Public Protection Team  
Cheltenham Borough Council  
Municipal Offices  
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Cheltenham  
GL50 1PP

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Premises/Club details

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Reference:

20/00454/PRMA

Category:

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Applicant:

St James Club Limited / James Elias

Premises:

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Date of Application:

19 February 2020

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  - v. Trapsing on damage to vehicles on private property.
- b. All of the items listed in 1(a) above occurred with frequency when Chemistry nightclub was open previously.
- c. Due to the residential nature of the area, police patrols are far less common than in other areas such as the high street or the Promenade. There is therefore not as much of a deterrent to prevent people from causing a public nuisance in the manner described above.
- d. The amount of drunken behaviour and damage to personal property noticeably decreased following the closing of Chemistry nightclub and we would not wish to see it re-opened.

##### 2. Noise unsuitable for the local environment:

- a. The level of noise from the music will be significant. We recall when Chemistry nightclub was open previously, you could feel the vibrations in the wall and hear the music at night. A member of the council noise control came and sat in our bedroom to measure the level of noise. Going from memory, the Chemistry nightclub then possibly had controls put on the music levels. Party-goers would make loud disruptions and I do not believe warning signs requesting 'respect for local residents' will have any impact to reduce their noise.
- b. The amount of noise generated from a nightclub is not suitable having regard to the character of the neighbourhood. The character of the neighbourhood being one which encompasses private and elderly residences, schools and playgrounds, child nurseries and a church.
- c. Live music is proposed at the Premises which will enhance the level of noise. Also controls cannot be put on level of sound, as it can on electronic equipment.
- d. Disposal of glass recycling will create a sharp and abrupt noise of crashing/breaking glass upon the nightly disposal and morning refuse collection (as it did previously).

##### 3. Disruption to access for local residents:

- a. When Chemistry nightclub was open previously, the security would often close off access to the cul de sac with traffic cones. This caused additional disruption to residents who live in that cul de sac when simply trying to enter their homes by vehicle.
- b. When there was a line of people were waiting for entry into the club, quite a number need to urinate, and the nearest place they would run into would be our gated garden, and relieve themselves, note even covering themselves as we would return home and find a person in our garden!

The so called security personnel made no attempt to stop them from going into our gardens.

4. Litter on the pavement and road:

- a. The Application includes provision for an outside smoking area: If this is adjoining the public pavement, cigarette butts would litter the pavement, and would likely accrue from smokers in the queue waiting to enter in any event.

Where would the smoking area be?

If it is at the front, it would be coming in through our windows, if it is at the back, there are 4 properties at the rear as well as our own, whereby the smoke would blow in through the windows. It is bad enough if there is one smoker, how bad would it be if there were potentially more than 30 people smoking at any one time?

The protection of children from harm

1. Risk of broken glass on school route

- a. The main entrances to St Gregory's Primary School and Elephant Moon Children's Nursery is by way of a cul de sac on St James Square. The route from St Gregory's School to St Gregory's Church (which the kids take every week) is also along the same road.
- b. The Premises is at the entrance to that cul de sac. It is unavoidable that small children and parents with children in strollers will pass the Premises frequently.
- c. Any broken glass originating from the Premises (whether emanating from the smoking area or people taking drinks outside of Premises) will find its way onto the pavement and can cause a danger to children.
- d. Although it falls short of a danger, the children going to school and nursery should also not be unnecessarily subjected to passing vomit, urine, blood, and cigarette butts on their way to school. It is simply inappropriate.

2. Drunk people in the area of children's facilities.

We simply cannot fathom why anyone would think it would be sensible to place a nightclub around 30 to 60 metres away from a primary school or children's nursery with all of the ever present risks.

Next Steps

For the above-reasons I object to the Application and the granting of a licence for a nightclub on St James Square.

I do not believe that the imposition of conditions will satisfactorily address our concerns. Please let us know if and when the Application is listed for a hearing, as we would wish to attend and speak.

Yours sincerely



Reference:

20/00454/PRMA. New premises Licence: St James Club Ltd t/a Chemistry

To whom it may concern,,

With regard to the above application, I wish to object to the potential granting of the licence under the grounds of

- Public Nuisance
- Public safety
- Danger to the protection of Children

I am a parishioner of St. Gregory's Parish and our Church is directly opposite the premises in question. We have daily services and masses in the church itself and meetings in the adjacent rooms "The Old Priory" We already have one licenced premises near the church and there is no need for another. The noise from such an establishment would cause a public nuisance as we attend our services throughout the year. We have daily masses, Holydays of Obligation, Vigil Masses, Penitential Services, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and many more.

We are currently in Lent and Holy Week will soon be upon us when there will be events all week, at different times, but mostly in the evening and culminating with the Easter Vigil from late on Holy Saturday Evening through to Midnight Mass ending on Easter Sunday morning.

This is the highlight of the Liturgical Year as we celebrate the Lord rising from the dead on Easter Sunday morning. We do not wish this and other services to be interrupted by traffic, noise and loud music and then to meet some of the participants, often the worse for alcoholic drink, on our way out of church.

There is a low wall around St. Gregory's property and although the gates are closed it is easy to climb over and use the area to relive yourself, if you have not had time to go to the "Gents" before leaving the club.

Public safety is also an issue as some of the revellers do not appreciate how drunk they are and can be abusive, cause litter with beer cans and particularly

glass bottles which can easily break. As stated above it is also a matter of Public safety if many older parishioners meet these people on their way home.

There is also the potential nuisance and danger from other rubbish to be disposed off e.g. needles and condoms.

St Gregory's Catholic Primary School is around the corner from the club at the end of a cul- de -sac and this would be an ideal place for drug taking and disposing of old beer bottles or needles. If such items were picked up by 4-11 year old children then surely this is not Protecting Children from harm.

As a former Headteacher in Gloucester I am only too aware of what can be thrown into the school playground. You can get the caretaker to do their rounds but not every needle or condom can be spotted until it is too late or a parent comes in to inform you. This puts not only the pupils but the parents and staff at risk.

For these reasons, I strongly request that you refuse this application.



6 Delphinium Drive

Bishops Cleeve

Cheltenham

GL528HQ

"Reference: 20/00454/PRMA. New Premises Licence: St James Club Ltd t/a Chemistry"

Dear Committee

I wholeheartedly do not condone the New Premises Licence being granted for the following reasons.

Firstly the noise and antisocial behaviour would lead to crime and disorder within the community. Bearing in mind that St Gregory the Great has been providing services for the catholic population since 1858, it would be totally disrespectful.

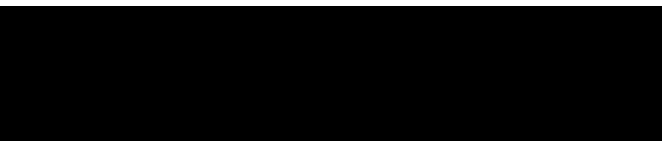
Public safety is another issue which must be considered. The amount of litter, most of which will be dangerous, is of deep concern to me. It is inevitable that bottles, cans, litter and unfortunately clinical waste will no doubt be abandoned on or nearby church property. This is much more than undesirable. It is indeed highly dangerous and harmful.

Whilst St Gregory's offers parishioners services all year round, there are many evening and late evening Masses which would coincide with licensing hours. This is not in tune with prayer and meditation in church. Also there are meetings throughout the year in the Old Priory. Again the licensing hours would create a nuisance to the public

Finally St Gregory's Catholic Primary School is close by. The children come over to church frequently through the academic year. The children are aged between 4 and 11 years. If the licence was granted, I could not see how these pupils could possibly remain protected from harm.

I therefore do not support the application for a New Premises Licence and my wish is that it should be revoked.

Yours Sincerely

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Cheltenham GL528HQ

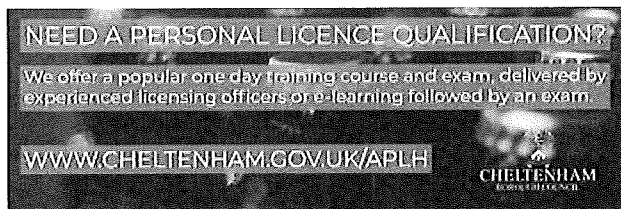
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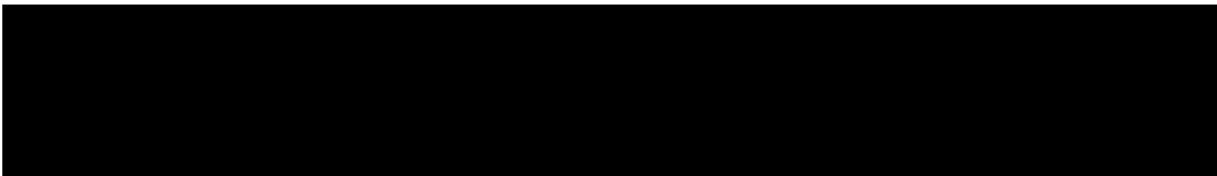
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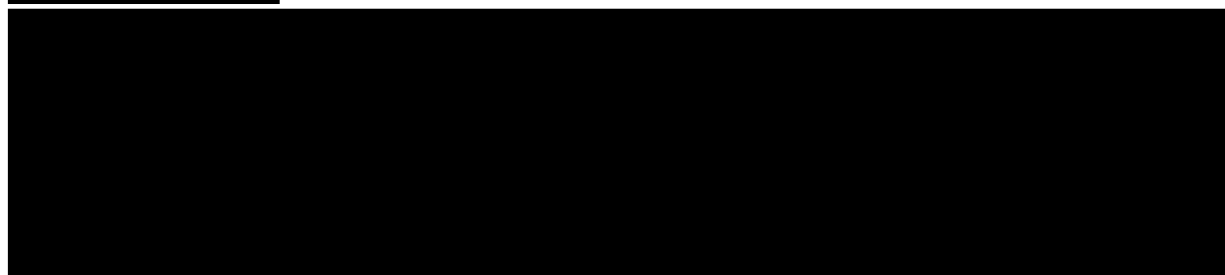


H Jason - thanks for your reply, our postal address is:



187 Prestbury Road  
 Cheltenham  
 GL52 3ES

Yours Sincerely,



Thank you for your email. I am the case officer for this application.

I just wanted to give you some feedback on your objection.

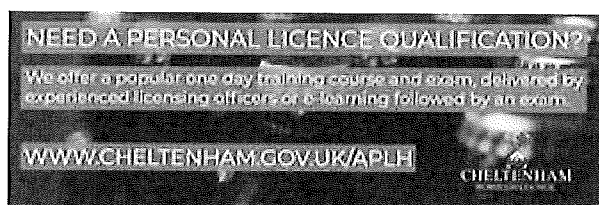
Unfortunately, your email will not be accepted as a relevant representation until you have provided your postal address.

If you can confirm your postal address, the objection will be duly made to us.

Best regards

Jason

**Jason Kirkwood**  
**Senior Licensing Officer**  
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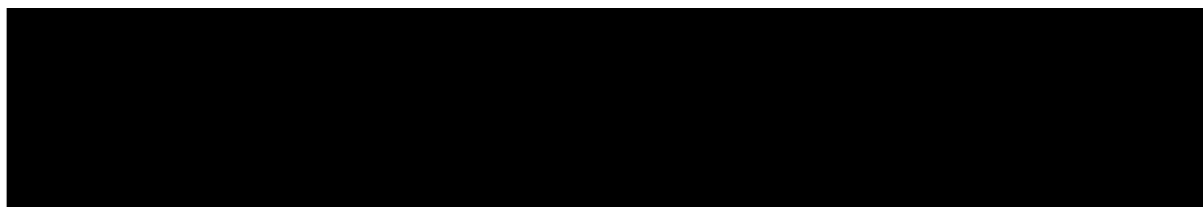


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I am writing to you to strongly object to the proposed licence for the above Chemistry premises.

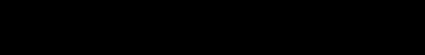
I have lived in Cheltenham since 1996 and well remember the previous nightclubs in this location. Public nuisance was a regular event at weekends, with my friends who lived in flats nearby routinely disturbed at 2am. (The impact on people in the surrounding residential area is now exacerbated by the many new flats built close by) My wife has also had the dubious pleasure of having to reprimand a pair of men who had just left the nightclub one evening who were urinating on the doors of the neighbouring church.



I would also like to object on the grounds of protecting children from harm. During the days of the previous nightclub, I lost count of the number of glasses and glass bottles scattered around the streets by people arriving at or leaving the club. In many cases, these glasses and glass bottles were broken and no effort had been made to clear them up by club-goers or the club. With a school and two nurseries yards from the club, the risk to the safety of children on mornings after a club is obvious.

I hope that you take notice of this objection on the above grounds. Cheltenham has many other, far better locations for clubs that do not raise the same issues. (Given the failures of the previous clubs in the proposed location, I suspect that alternative locations will also be better options in terms of commercial risk to the owners)

Regards

  
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Jason Kirkwood

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Dear Sir,

I am writing to lodge my protest against the above application. I have lived peacefully in St. James North 1, St James Square for 10 years now and am now a Director of the Right to Manage of the property representing all the owners of the building. I have been in this position for over 6 months and work with two other Directors and the managing agent.

We peacefully coexist with St. Gregory's Church and St. Gregory's Primary School which are in the immediate area. Resources such as parking get stretched when there are events there and I think to add another commercial enterprise such as Chemistry bringing traffic and footfall to the immediate area would undoubtedly be a frustrating impediment. Also as a resident I pay an annual parking fee for Z12 of which there are 3 to 4 spaces directly outside Chemistry which I occasionally use. I would not feel comfortable leaving my car there in the knowledge that people who had been drinking would pass directly past my car. Where I normally park is just a stone's throw away outside my building and I would not have full confidence that my car and building entrance would be safe from vandalism while there are drunk people leaving at closing or waiting for taxis.

As I said above there is a primary school in the direct area and according to the information I have received Chemistry would be open every day from 10 am. Therefore I think it to be totally inappropriate to have alcohol consumption in the extremely close proximity of primary school children. The same goes to the parishioners of the Church who may suffer harassment and abuse when they enter or leave their place of worship.

From a personal point of view I go to bed at a decent time in preparation for work every day and I find it very hard to believe that I will not be disturbed by the music playing on a daily basis. This is really a public nuisance and will affect all the residents here. Also there will be shouting and noise from drunk people leaving and entering the club on a daily basis.

Thus to conclude this is a tight knit community here with the school, church, residents, not to mention St. James House, an office place of work who will not want drunk people directly outside their place of work. There is no place for a nightclub and I really believe it will cause a public nuisance.

Thank you for your time,

Yours sincerely,



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Licensing Team  
Public Protection Team,  
Cheltenham Borough Council, Municipal Offices, Promenade  
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March 12, 2020

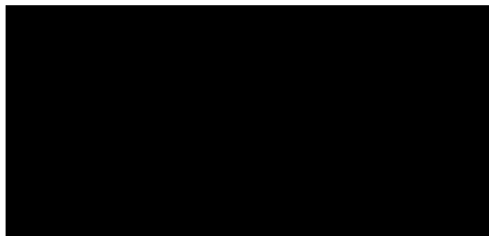
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We strongly object to this application on the following grounds:

1. Heavy drinking and rowdiness (including fist fights) sometimes accompanies night club activities.
2. This can result in passers by becoming involved or even attacked,
3. In the past (when a night club was licensed at these premises) there were regular incidents of people urinating in the churchyard and leaving litter such as fast food wrappers, bottles and cans that had to be cleared up by Church staff. Abandoned needles would sometimes be found.
4. Under-age drinking all too often takes place in night clubs, with fake IDs being used to gain entry. Some use of drugs is also probable.

It seems to us that the granting of a licence to Chemistry would inevitably result in the same problems arising again and therefore a licence should definitely be refused.

Yours sincerely



1 Lansdown Parade  
Cheltenham GL50 2LH

**Jason Kirkwood**

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Forgive my being late - lost in spam

Just in case you can fit me in:

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[REDACTED]

Address:

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Yours sincerely

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[REDACTED]  
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**Sent:** 26 March 2020 14:59

[REDACTED]  
I am sorry we can only accept your email as an objection to this application if you provide your name and full postal address. I need to receive this information by 5pm tomorrow, at the latest, to effectively manage the next steps of the process.

Best regards

**Jason Kirkwood**  
**Senior Licensing Officer**  
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**Subject:**

Reference: 20/00454/PRIMA. New Premises License: St James Club Ltd t/a Chemistry

Rather than furthering the "4 Licensing Objectives" surely selling alcohol every day from 10am till midnight (10pm on Sundays) (with the possibility of extended hours) in a location over the road from St Gregory's Church, its infants school and the Old Priory Parish Centre would introduce a 'hotspot' tending to 1) increase crime and disorder 2) reduce public safety 3) increase public nuisance 4) expose children to harm (eg AIDS infected needles discarded by inebriated patrons at an entrance to where, next day, 5 year olds attend school)?

**Jason Kirkwood**

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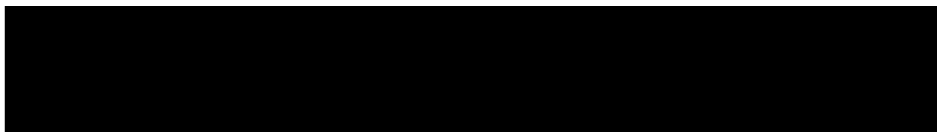
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To: Internet - Licensing <Licensing@cheltenham.gov.uk>  
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My representation for 20/00454/PRMA. New Premises Licence: St James Club Ltd t/a

As a parishioner of St. Gregories which stands opposite the putative club of St James I wish to oppose the granting of a licence in order to prevent crime and disorder, to ensure continued public safety, to prevent the public nuisance from drunken patrons and the protection of children particularly from used needles dropped through the railings etc. Noise from the Club might also affect some of our services. Please do not grant this licence.

My name and address: [REDACTED], 7 New Court, Lansdown Road, Cheltenham GL502JG  
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Jason Kirkwood

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**To:** Internet - Licensing  
**Subject:** New Premises Licence

" Reference:20/00454/PRMA.New Premises Licence: St James Club Ltd t/a Chemistry"

I object to the granting of the new licence on the following grounds:

1. The prevention of crime and disorder because the late night consumption of alcohol together with the probable sale and consumption of illegal drugs would be a hazard.
2. Crowds exiting the premises late at night and in the early morning would create a public nuisance and impinge on the safety of local residents.
3. We need to protect our children from harm. The proposed licensed premises is very close to a kindergarten and to St. Gregory's school. The proposal is for a license from 10am.

yours,

[REDACTED]  
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