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## LICENSING SUB COMMITTEE

2 JULY 2019

A meeting of the Licensing Sub Committee will be held at **10.00 am on Tuesday, 2 July 2019** in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, Cecil Street, Margate, Kent.

Membership:

Councillors: Hopkinson, Wing and Wright

## A G E N D A

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Subject

1. **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**
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3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** (Pages 3 - 4)  
To receive any declarations of interest. Members are advised to consider the advice contained within the Declaration of Interest advice attached to this Agenda. If a Member declares an interest, they should complete the [Declaration of Interest Form](#)
4. **APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE - THE BOATING POOL, WESTCLIFF LEISURE PARK, ROYAL ESPLANADE, RAMSGATE** (Pages 5 - 62)

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### **Do I have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest and if so what action should I take?**

Your Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) are those interests that are, or should be, listed on your Register of Interest Form.

If you are at a meeting and the subject relating to one of your DPIs is to be discussed, in so far as you are aware of the DPI, you **must** declare the existence **and** explain the nature of the DPI during the declarations of interest agenda item, at the commencement of the item under discussion, or when the interest has become apparent

Once you have declared that you have a DPI (unless you have been granted a dispensation by the Standards Committee or the Monitoring Officer, for which you will have applied to the Monitoring Officer prior to the meeting) you **must**:-

1. Not speak or vote on the matter;
2. Withdraw from the meeting room during the consideration of the matter;
3. Not seek to improperly influence the decision on the matter.

### **Do I have a significant interest and if so what action should I take?**

A significant interest is an interest (other than a DPI or an interest in an Authority Function) which:

1. Affects the financial position of yourself and/or an associated person; or  
Relates to the determination of your application for any approval, consent, licence, permission or registration made by, or on your behalf of, you and/or an associated person;
2. And which, in either case, a member of the public with knowledge of the relevant facts would reasonably regard as being so significant that it is likely to prejudice your judgment of the public interest.

An associated person is defined as:

- A family member or any other person with whom you have a close association, including your spouse, civil partner, or somebody with whom you are living as a husband or wife, or as if you are civil partners; or
- Any person or body who employs or has appointed such persons, any firm in which they are a partner, or any company of which they are directors; or
- Any person or body in whom such persons have a beneficial interest in a class of securities exceeding the nominal value of £25,000;
- Any body of which you are in a position of general control or management and to which you are appointed or nominated by the Authority; or
- any body in respect of which you are in a position of general control or management and which:
  - exercises functions of a public nature; or
  - is directed to charitable purposes; or
  - has as its principal purpose or one of its principal purposes the influence of public opinion or policy (including any political party or trade union)

An Authority Function is defined as: -

- Housing - where you are a tenant of the Council provided that those functions do not relate particularly to your tenancy or lease; or
- Any allowance, payment or indemnity given to members of the Council;
- Any ceremonial honour given to members of the Council
- Setting the Council Tax or a precept under the Local Government Finance Act 1992



If you are at a meeting and you think that you have a significant interest then you **must** declare the existence **and** nature of the significant interest at the commencement of the matter, or when the interest has become apparent, or the declarations of interest agenda item.

Once you have declared that you have a significant interest (unless you have been granted a dispensation by the Standards Committee or the Monitoring Officer, for which you will have applied to the Monitoring Officer prior to the meeting) you **must:-**

1. Not speak or vote (unless the public have speaking rights, or you are present to make representations, answer questions or to give evidence relating to the business being discussed in which case you can speak only)
2. Withdraw from the meeting during consideration of the matter or immediately after speaking.
3. Not seek to improperly influence the decision.

### **Gifts, Benefits and Hospitality**

Councillors must declare at meetings any gift, benefit or hospitality with an estimated value (or cumulative value if a series of gifts etc.) of £25 or more. You **must**, at the commencement of the meeting or when the interest becomes apparent, disclose the existence and nature of the gift, benefit or hospitality, the identity of the donor and how the business under consideration relates to that person or body. However you can stay in the meeting unless it constitutes a significant interest, in which case it should be declared as outlined above.

### **What if I am unsure?**

If you are in any doubt, Members are strongly advised to seek advice from the Monitoring Officer or the Committee Services Manager well in advance of the meeting.

If you need to declare an interest then please complete the declaration of [interest form](#).

**APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE -  
THE BOATING POOL, WESTCLIFF LEISURE PARK, ROYAL  
ESPLANADE, RAMSGATE, CT11 0AG**

**Licensing Sub-Committee 02 July 2019**

Report Author **Penny Button, Head of Safer Neighbourhoods**

Portfolio Holder **Cllr Lesley Game**

Status **For Decision**

Classification: **Unrestricted**

Ward: **Nethercourt**

**Executive Summary:**

To consider this application for a premises licence in respect of the Boating Pool, Royal Esplanade, Ramsgate in light of representations received.

**Recommendation(s):**

The instructions of the Sub-Committee are requested.

**CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS**

<b>Financial and Value for Money</b>	<p>Costs associated with processing the application are taken from licensing fee income.</p> <p>The applicant or any other person (objector) may appeal the Committee's decision to Magistrates' Court within 21 days. Should this decision be appealed the the Council will incur costs defending the appeal. Should the appeal be successful it could result in costs being awarded against the Council. Therefore all decisions should ensure that they are in line with the objectives of the Licensing Act 2003.</p>
<b>Legal</b>	<p>Under the Licensing Act 2003 the Licensing Authority has a duty to exercise licensing control of relevant premises.</p> <p>The Licensing Sub-Committee is obliged to determine applications with a view to promoting the four licensing objectives.</p> <p>Any decision the Licensing Sub-Committee make should be made with regard to the Secretary of State's guidance made under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 (revised in April 2017) as well as Thanet District Councils adopted Licensing Policy.</p> <p>Where any decision parts from either the Guidance or the Policy clear and cogent reasons must be given. Members should be aware that if such a departure is made the risk of appeal/challenge is increased. Similarly the</p>

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	<p>risk of appeal/challenge is increased if any decision made is not evidence based and proportionate.</p> <p>The Licensing Sub-Committee must pay proper attention to the applicant's rights under the provisions of the Human Rights Act 1998, which gives further effect in the United Kingdom to the fundamental rights and freedoms contained in the European Conventions on Human Rights. The Licensing Sub-Committee must have proper regard to the rights of the individual applicant when making decisions that affect them. However, it also has to have regard to the safety and protection of the public and therefore to ensure that the right balance is found and think hard about how it can cause the least possible harm to individuals, bearing in mind its duty to ensure the protection of the public.</p> <p>The effective regulation of licensable activities and of premises at which licensable activities take place can assist in safeguarding children and vulnerable adults.</p> <p>Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 states: "Without prejudice to any other obligation imposed on it, it shall be the duty of each authority to which this section applies to exercise its various functions with due regard to the likely effect of the exercise of those function on, and the need to do all that is reasonably can to prevent crime and disorder in its area"</p> <p>In considering this application the Licensing Sub-Committee will balance the competing Human Rights of the various parties including the right to respect for private and family life, the protection of property and the right to a fair hearing.</p> <p>There is a right of appeal to a Magistrates' Court within 21 days of the date of the decision of the Licensing Sub-Committee with regard to the grant/refusal of a licence or any of the conditions attached to it.</p>
<b>Corporate</b>	<p>Corporate Priorities 1,2 &amp; 3 and Values 1, 2 &amp; 3 should be taken into account when determining the outcome of any application.</p> <p>Priority 1: A clean and welcoming environment</p> <p>Priority2: Supporting Neighbourhoods</p> <p>Priority 3: Promoting inward investment and job creation</p> <p>Value 1: Delivering value for money</p> <p>Value 2: Supporting the workforce</p> <p>Value 3: Promoting open communications.</p>
<b>Equality Act 2010 &amp; Public Sector Equality Duty</b>	<p>Members are reminded of the requirement, under the Public Sector Equality Duty (section 149 of the Equality Act 2010) to have due regard to the aims of the Duty at the time the decision is taken. The aims of the Duty are: (i) eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment, victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Act, (ii) advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it, and (iii) foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it.</p> <p>Protected characteristics: age, sex, disability, race, sexual orientation, gender reassignment, religion or belief and pregnancy &amp; maternity. Only aim (i) of the Duty applies to Marriage &amp; civil partnership.</p> <p>In considering this application it is appropriate to consider the rights of both the applicant and other parties, such as "responsible authorities" and/or "other persons" (objectors). The procedure for determining licences has a prescribed format to ensure fair representation of the relevant facts by all parties.</p>

<b>CORPORATE PRIORITIES (tick those relevant) ✓</b>	
A clean and welcoming Environment	✓
Promoting inward investment and job creation	✓
Supporting neighbourhoods	✓

<b>CORPORATE VALUES (tick those relevant) ✓</b>	
Delivering value for money	✓
Supporting the Workforce	
Promoting open communications	✓

## 1.0 Introduction and Background

- 1.1 An application has been made by Mr Potts for a premises licence which includes the provision of live music and recorded music from midday until 10:00pm.
- 1.2 The operating schedule, showing the proposed licensable activities and hours are appended in Annex 1. A site plan of these premises is at Annex 2.
- 1.3 The applicant wishes to run this licence in parallel with the existing licence, Annex 3, which has late night refreshment (indoors/outdoors) until midnight and supply of alcohol (on and off the premises) from 10am to 11:30pm.
- 1.4 The application is for one music concert event per annum. For the first year it is proposed to be 14/15th September and subsequent years, it will be on the Saturday, Sunday and Monday of the August Bank Holiday (whatever date it falls upon)
- 1.5 The applicant proposes that the pool will be drained and suitable arrangements made to accommodate up to but no more than 3000 people.
- 1.6 The applicant has submitted a noise report as part of the application in Annex 4

## 2.0 The Current Situation

- 2.1 Applicants for a premises licence are required, as part of the licensing procedure, to display a public notice which provides information to the public regarding the manner in which representations may be made. Similarly, public notice of the application should be published in a local newspaper circulating in the vicinity of the premises. These requirements appear to have been complied with. Twenty representations have been received from the public which are appended in Annex 5. A further four were received but deemed not valid due to arriving outside of the consultation period or not being relevant to the application.
- 2.2 A representation has also been received from the owner of the site, Annex 6, this is a copy of a recent letter to the leaseholder regarding this event.
- 2.3 The applicant is further required to give notice of the application to the responsible authorities. Following this Environmental Health have agreed conditions, appended in Annex 7, with the applicant to be attached to any permission granted, these are:
  - 1. No more than one annual event on no more than 3 consecutive days per calendar year shall be permitted.
  - 2. Music Noise Level (MNL) shall not at the facade of any noise sensitive premises, exceed 65dB(A) over a 15 minute period.

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3. All music to cease at 9:30pm
4. The Licensee shall provide the telephone number to all residential properties within 250m radius (map attached) at least two weeks prior to the event. The telephone number shall be available to answer throughout the event to report any noise issues and must include the following text 'If we have not satisfied your concerns you can make a formal noise complaint to Thanet District Council on 577000 or by emailing events@thanet.gov.uk

2.3 The Licensing Sub-Committee will be aware that it must carry out its functions under the 2003 Licensing Act to take steps which are appropriate for the promotion of the licensing objectives. The Licensing objectives are:- the prevention of crime and disorder, public safety, the prevention of public nuisance, and the protection of children from harm. In carrying out its licensing functions, the Licensing SubCommittee must also have regard to its statement of licensing policy and the Guidance issued under the Act.

2.4 The four licensing objectives are the matters the Licensing Sub-Committee must address when considering whether to grant or refuse the application. Each application should be considered on its merits. Reasons must be given for any decision made by the Sub-Committee.

2.5 Where a premises licence is granted mandatory conditions will apply under Sections 19- 21 of the Act. These refer to irresponsible drinks promotions, provision of free tap water, an age verification policy, availability of small measures, the sale of alcohol below cost, and designated premises supervisor.

### 3.0 Options

3.1 Grant the application with conditions consistent with the Operating Schedule accompanying the application, agreed and mandatory conditions.

3.2 Exclude from the scope of the licence any of the licensable activities to which the application relates.

3.3 Refuse the application.

3.4 Refuse to specify a person in the licence as the designated premises supervisor. The proposed designated premises supervisor is.

3.5 Grant the application subject to different conditions in respect of different parts of the premises or different licensable activities.

Contact Officer:	Penny Button, Head of Safer Neighbourhoods
Reporting to:	Gavin Waite, Director of Operational Services

### Annex List

Annex 1	Operating Schedule
Annex 2	Site Plan
Annex 3	Existing Licence
Annex 4	Noise Report

Annex 5	Public Representations
Annex 6	Premises Owner Representations
Annex 7	Environmental Health Agreed Conditions

## Background Papers

<b>Title</b>	<b>Details of where to access copy</b>
Licensing Act 2003	<a href="https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2003/17/contents">https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2003/17/contents</a>
DCMS Guidance documents issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 (as amended)	<a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/explanatory-memorandum-revised-guidance-issued-under-s-182-of-licensing-act-2003">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/explanatory-memorandum-revised-guidance-issued-under-s-182-of-licensing-act-2003</a>
Thanet District Council Statement of Licensing Policy	<a href="https://www.thanet.gov.uk/media/3168621/licensing-document-2016.pdf">https://www.thanet.gov.uk/media/3168621/licensing-document-2016.pdf</a>

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over			
Nationality			
Current postal address if different from premises address			
Post town		Postcode	
Daytime contact telephone number			
E-mail address (optional)			

**(B) OTHER APPLICANTS**

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

Name
Address
Registered number (where applicable)
Description of applicant (for example, partnership, company, unincorporated association etc.)
Telephone number (if any)
E-mail address (optional)

**Part 3 Operating Schedule**

When do you want the premises licence to start?

DD	MM	YYYY
1	4	09 2019

If you wish the licence to be valid only for a limited period, when do you want it to end?

DD	MM	YYYY

Please give a general description of the premises (please read guidance note 1)

The purpose of the Premises Licence application is to run parallel with the existing licence no LN/201500331. The licence is to be limited to one music concert event per annum. For the first year it will be on 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> September and subsequent years, it will be on the Saturday, Sunday and Monday of the August Bank Holiday (whatever date it falls upon).

The music concert to be held at the site of the Boating Pool, Royal Esplanade, Ramsgate. For this purpose the pool will be drained and suitable arrangements made to accommodate up to, but no more than, 3000 people. An events plan will be in place together with a sound engineers report.

If 5,000 or more people are expected to attend the premises at any one time, please state the number expected to attend.

What licensable activities do you intend to carry on from the premises?

(please see sections 1 and 14 and Schedules 1 and 2 to the Licensing Act 2003)

Provision of regulated entertainment (please read guidance note 2)

Please tick all that apply

- a) plays (if ticking yes, fill in box A)
- b) films (if ticking yes, fill in box B)
- c) indoor sporting events (if ticking yes, fill in box C)
- d) boxing or wrestling entertainment (if ticking yes, fill in box D)
- e) live music (if ticking yes, fill in box E)
- f) recorded music (if ticking yes, fill in box F)
- g) performances of dance (if ticking yes, fill in box G)
- h) anything of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g) (if ticking yes, fill in box H)

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X  
X  
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Provision of late night refreshment (if ticking yes, fill in box I)

Supply of alcohol (if ticking yes, fill in box J)

In all cases complete boxes K, L and M

E

Live music Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			<u>Will the performance of live music take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 3)	Indoors	
Day	Start	Finish		Outdoors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mon	12:00	22:00	Please give further details here (please read guidance note 4) NOTE: The Monday will not be in use on 14 <sup>th</sup> & 15 <sup>th</sup> September event in 2019 but in subsequent years for the August Bank Holiday event.	Both	
Tue					
Wed			State any seasonal variations for the performance of live music (please read guidance note 5)		
Thur					
Fri			Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the performance of live music at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 6)		
Sat	12:00	22:00			
Sun	12:00	22:00			

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Recorded music Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			Will the playing of recorded music take place <u>indoors or outdoors or both</u> – please tick (please read guidance note 3)	Indoors	-
Day	Start	Finish		Outdoors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mon	12:00	22:00	Please give further details here (please read guidance note 4) NOTE: The Monday will not be in use on 14 <sup>th</sup> & 15 <sup>th</sup> September event in 2019 but in subsequent years for the August Bank Holiday event.	Both	
Tue					
Wed			State any seasonal variations for the playing of recorded music (please read guidance note 5)		
Thur					
Fri			Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the playing of recorded music at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 6)		
Sat	12:00	22:00			
Sun	12:00	22:00			

J

Supply of alcohol Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			Will the supply of alcohol be for <u>consumption – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 8)	On the premises	
				Off the premises	
				Both	
Day	Start	Finish	<u>State any seasonal variations for the supply of alcohol</u> (please read guidance note 5)		
Mon					
Tue					
Wed					
Thu					
Fri					
Sat					
Sun					
			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the supply of alcohol at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 6)		

State the name and details of the individual whom you wish to specify on the licence as designated premises supervisor (Please see declaration about the entitlement to work in the checklist at the end of the form):

Name NONE	
Date of birth	
Address	
Postcode	
Personal licence number (if known)	
Issuing licensing authority (if known)	

K

Please highlight any adult entertainment or services, activities, other entertainment or matters ancillary to the use of the premises that may give rise to concern in respect of children (please read guidance note 9).

None

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Hours premises are open to the public Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			State any seasonal variations (please read guidance note 5)
Day	Start	Finish	<p>NOTE: The Monday will not be in use on 14<sup>th</sup> &amp; 15<sup>th</sup> September event in 2019 but in subsequent years for the August Bank Holiday event.</p>
Mon	11:00	22:30	
Tue			
Wed			
Thur			
Fri			
Sat	11:00	22:30	
Sun	11:00	22:30	
			<p><u>Non standard timings. Where you intend the premises to be open to the public at different times from those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 6)</p>

**M** Describe the steps you intend to take to promote the four licensing objectives:

**a) General -- all four licensing objectives (b, c, d and e) (please read guidance note 10)**

The proposal is to have a music festival in 2019 on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September. If the licence is granted on the basis that it will endure for subsequent years, the music festival will take place on the Saturday, Sunday and Monday of the August Bank Holiday of each year.

The festival would start at noon and the music stop at 22:00. The opening hours would be from 11:00 for patrons to assemble and until 22:30 to enable patrons to disburse.

The event will be on a once a year basis (as set out above) and properly supervised with the appropriate security including parking arrangements and, of course, an events and safety plan etc.

**b) The prevention of crime and disorder**

The events plan will successfully address any potential issues of crime and disorder. The event will be properly policed in accordance with the events plan, procedure.

**c) Public safety**

The usual risk assessments will be carried out and covered in the events plan.

**d) The prevention of public nuisance**

A combination of the sound report and the events plan should prevent any nuisance to nearby occupiers. The events plan and noise report should address all the issues that would normally be addressed in this box in a premises licence application. The events plan is to be regarded as an integral part of the application. The applicant will be amenable to a condition which says, the events plan in each year should be submitted to Thanet District Council in advance and approved by the events team.

**e) The protection of children from harm**

The existing licence enables alcohol to be sold from both buildings. There is a Challenge 25 system in place and these issue will be addressed by the holder and DPS of the existing licence number - J.N/201500331

**Checklist:**

**Please tick to indicate agreement**

- I have made or enclosed payment of the fee. X
- I have enclosed the plan of the premises. X
- I have sent copies of this application and the plan to responsible authorities and X

- others where applicable.
- I have enclosed the consent form completed by the individual I wish to be designated premises supervisor, if applicable. X
- I understand that I must now advertise my application. X
- I understand that if I do not comply with the above requirements my application will be rejected. X
- [Applicable to all individual applicants, including those in a partnership which is not a limited liability partnership, but not companies or limited liability partnerships] I have included documents demonstrating my entitlement to work in the United Kingdom (please read note 15). X

**NOTE: Copy of UK passport to follow**

**IT IS AN OFFENCE, UNDER SECTION 158 OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003, TO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT IN OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS APPLICATION. THOSE WHO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT MAY BE LIABLE ON SUMMARY CONVICTION TO A FINE OF ANY AMOUNT.**

**IT IS AN OFFENCE UNDER SECTION 24E OF THE IMMIGRATION ACT 1971 FOR A PERSON TO WORK WHEN THEY KNOW, OR HAVE REASONABLE CAUSE TO BELIEVE, THAT THEY ARE DISQUALIFIED FROM DOING SO BY REASON OF THEIR IMMIGRATION STATUS. THOSE WHO EMPLOY AN ADULT WITHOUT LEAVE OR WHO IS SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS AS TO EMPLOYMENT WILL BE LIABLE TO A CIVIL PENALTY UNDER SECTION 15 OF THE IMMIGRATION, ASYLUM AND NATIONALITY ACT 2006 AND PURSUANT TO SECTION 21 OF THE SAME ACT. WILL BE COMMITTING AN OFFENCE WHERE THEY DO SO IN THE KNOWLEDGE, OR WITH REASONABLE CAUSE TO BELIEVE, THAT THE EMPLOYEE IS DISQUALIFIED.**

**Part 4 – Signatures** (please read guidance note 11)

Signature of applicant or applicant's solicitor or other duly authorised agent (see guidance note 12). If signing on behalf of the applicant, please state in what capacity.

<b>Declaration</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• [Applicable to individual applicants only, including those in a partnership which is not a limited liability partnership] I understand I am not entitled to be issued with a licence if I do not have the entitlement to live and work in the UK (or if I am subject to a condition preventing me from doing work relating to the carrying on of a licensable activity) and that my licence will become invalid if I cease to be entitled to live and work in the UK (please read guidance note 15).</li> <li>• The DPS named in this application form is entitled to work in the UK (and is not subject to conditions preventing him or her from doing work relating to a licensable activity) and I have seen a copy of his or her proof of entitlement to work, if appropriate (please see note 15)</li> </ul>
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**Thanet District Council  
Part B  
Premises licence summary**

**Premises licence number**

LN/201500331

**Premises details**

Postal address of premises, or if none, ordnance survey map reference or description

Westcliff Boating Pool  
Westcliff Leisure Park, Royal Esplanade

Post town  
Ramsgate, Kent

Post code  
CT11 0HE

Telephone number  
01843 581999

Where the licence is time limited the dates

None

Licensable activities authorised by the licence

- 1) Late night refreshment (indoors/outdoors)
- 2) Supply of alcohol (on and off the premises)

The times the licence authorises the carrying out of licensable activities

- 1) 11pm to midnight daily
- 2) 10am to 11.30pm daily

The opening hours of the premises

7am to midnight daily

Where the licence authorises supplies of alcohol whether these are on and/or off supplies

On and off the premises

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Name, (registered) address of holder of premises licence

Mrs Katy Nicolaou  
302 Margate Road, Ramsgate, Kent CT12 6AN

Registered number of holder, for example company number, charity number (where applicable)

None

Name of designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises for the supply of alcohol

Not Applicable

State whether access to the premises by children is restricted or prohibited

By Statute Only

**Issued on the 05 May 2015**

**To commence on the 05 May 2015**

**Regulatory Services Manager** \_\_\_\_\_



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**REPORT TITLE:** NOISE MANAGEMENT PLAN IN RESPECT OF  
RAMSGATE BOATING POOL FESTIVAL 2019  
RAMSGATE BOATING POOL  
ROYAL ESPLANADE  
RAMSGATE CT11 0HE

**ISSUED TO:** [REDACTED]  
Ramsgate Boating Pool  
Royal Esplanade  
Ramsgate CT11 0HE

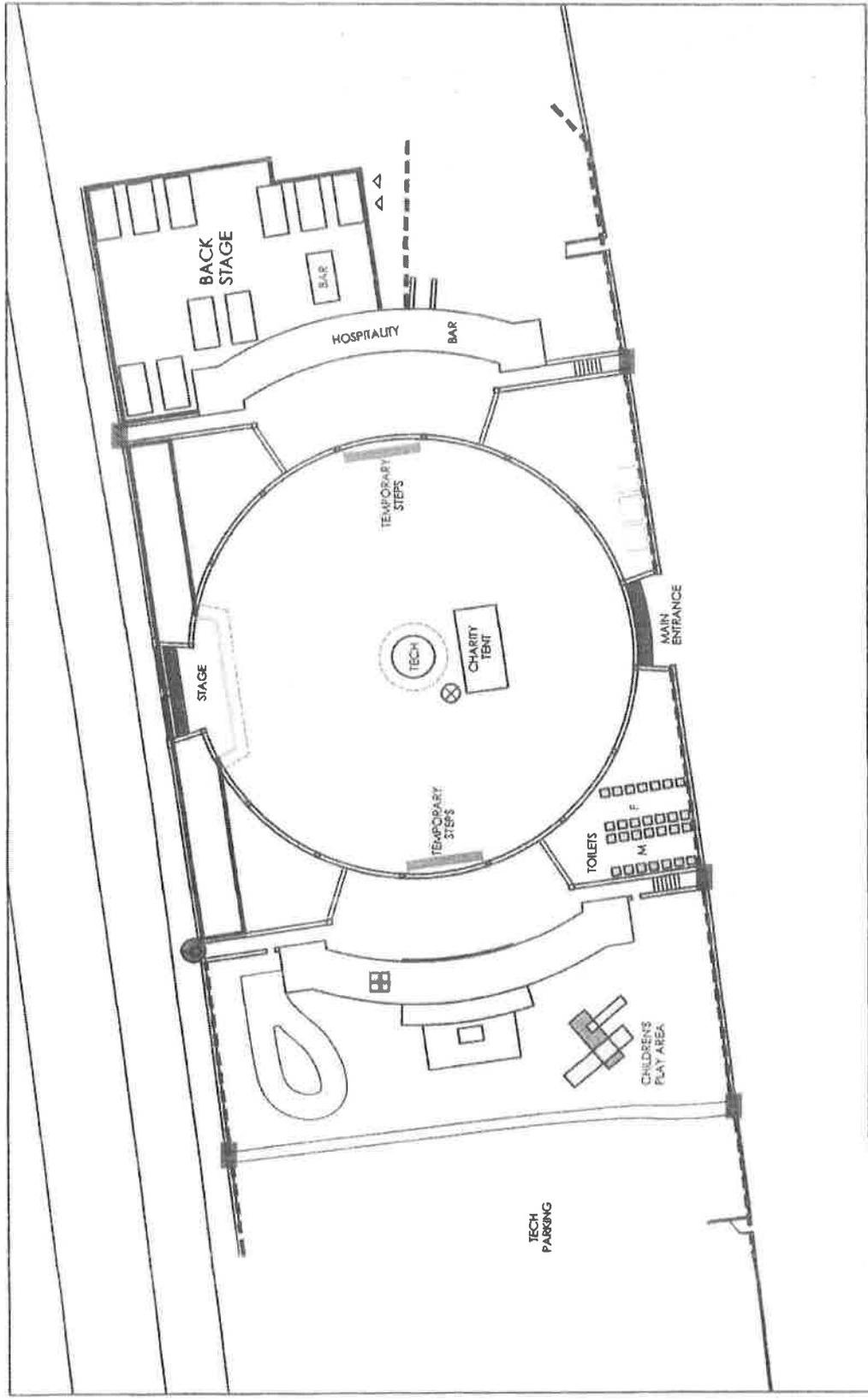
**ISSUED BY:** [REDACTED]

**CHECKED BY:** [REDACTED]

**DATE:** May 2019

Urban  
RICS MBV #

Urban		RICS MBV #	
Client Name: Danny Holt		Project Name: The Boatyard Pool Royal Exchange, Manchester	
Drawing Title: Event Management Plan		Drawing No.: 19.1469.PLJ.EM01	
Event	Date: April 2019	Drawn By: PLJ	Checked By: /





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## SUMMARY

- Ramsgate Boating Pool 2019 is proposed as a two day music festival to be held within the grounds of the Ramsgate Boating Pool.
- A Noise Management Plan has been designed for this year's Ramsgate Boating Pool 2019.
- The plan assesses music noise levels at the festival in order that agreeable entertainment is provided for festival goers whilst minimising disturbance to local residents.
- Calculations have been undertaken to predict noise levels at potential noise sensitive locations based on music levels at audience position within the festival site and assessed against guideline noise criteria.
- The assessment illustrates that where guideline noise criteria are adhered to, satisfactory and enjoyable music levels may be achieved for festival goers without adversely affecting the amenity of local residents.
- A methodology is provided for monitoring and controlling music noise levels during the festival together with a scheme for responding to complaints should they arise.



## 1. INTRODUCTION

Roscco Ltd. has been commissioned to provide and undertake a Noise Management Plan (NMP) for Ramsgate Boating Pool Festival 2019 to take place on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September at Ramsgate Boating Pool, Royal Esplanade, Ramsgate CT11 0HE.

Roscco Ltd. have been designing and commissioning sound systems for temporary and permanent installation nationally and internationally for twenty years and have produced and applied approximately thirty Noise Management Plans for public events similar to Ramsgate Boating Pool Festival 2019 on behalf of licencees and in conjunction with local authorities including North, Mid and East Hertfordshire District Councils, Central Bedfordshire Council, Huntingdonshire District Council, Oxfordshire County Council, Tower Hamlets, City Of Westminster, Camden Council et al.

Roscco Team Members (RTMs) possess a wealth of event noise monitoring and/or sound production/music experience and hold relevant Institute Of Acoustics and BSc Acoustics qualifications.

This NMP seeks to ensure guideline noise limits and criteria are established by agreement with Thanet District Council Environmental Health Office and are managed during the course of the festival.

This NMP includes:

- Description of the festival, site location and surrounding area;
- Review of guideline noise level criteria;
- Assessment of predicted noise levels at Noise Sensitive Locations (NSLs) against guideline noise levels;
- Noise monitoring survey methodology including complaints procedure.

## 2. EVENT DESCRIPTION

Ramsgate Boating Pool Festival 2019 is a two day music festival held to be on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2019. The festival represents the beginning of events proposed for the site of the current Ramsgate Boating Pond.

The site was originally built as a bandstand and tea pavilion in the 1920s as part of the St Lawrence Estate Scheme then demolished in the 1960s and flooded to create the current boating pool. The pool is to be drained and restored to its original purpose as a music venue.

The site is located between Westcliff Promenade and Royal Esplanade looking south over cliffs forming the coastline of the English Channel. The nearest NSLs are NSL 1 at a distance of 60m due north, NSL 2 at 75m due northwest and NSL 3, 90m due northeast. In order to protect the amenity of local residents, a barrier 3m in height is to be established at the north of the site with the addition of a tuned cardioid subwoofer sound system employed to reduce sound reaching the NSLs to the north.

The event comprises one music stage projecting south to be in operation from 12:00 to 23:00 on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September and between 12:00 and 22:00 on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September.

A site location plan indicating the proposed barrier, NSLs and stage cross section are given in Appendix A.



### 3. GUIDELINE MUSIC NOISE LEVEL CRITERIA

The Code of Practice on Environmental Noise Control at Concerts 1995 (The Code) is a document produced by a working party of professionals in the field known at the time as the Noise Council that is broadly adopted as a reference guide in controlling noise for events such as Ramsgate Boating Pool Festival 2019.

Table 1 of The Code below sets out guideline Music Noise Levels (MNL) for different event scenarios:

Concert days per calendar year, per venue	Venue Category	Guideline MNL; $L_{Aeq,15 min}$
1 to 3	Urban Stadium or Arena	$\leq 75dB$
1 to 3	Other Urban and Rural Venues	$\leq 65dB$
4 to 12	All Venues	$\leq$ Background noise ( $L_{Aeq,7}$ ) +15dB

**Table 1:** Table 1 of The Code; Guideline Music Noise Levels (MNLs)

The following descriptions are also provided by The Code:

- MNLs are defined as free-field broadband  $L_{Aeq,15 min}$  levels not to be exceeded between the hours of 09:00 and 23:00 (day period) measured at pre-identified NSLs and additionally at any other unanticipated NSLs identified during the course of the festival;
- NSLs include residential properties, hospitals or similar institutions, education establishments, places of worship or any premises used for other purposes likely to be adversely affected by the music noise;
- MNLs should not include contributions from noise sources other than music from the event;
- For events occurring between the hours of 23.00 and 09.00 (night period) the music noise shall not be audible from within any noise sensitive premises with windows open for ventilation;
- At distances greater than 2km from the event, the free-field broadband  $L_{Aeq,15 min}$  at any NSL shall not exceed 70dBZ in either the 63Hz or 125Hz octave band.

The day period MNL guideline value of  $L_{Aeq,15 min} \leq 65dBA$  relating to "Other Urban and Rural Venues" taken from Table 1 of The Code is considered appropriate for this event.

A summary of the guideline maximum MNL proposed by this NMP and to be used at this Ramsgate Boating Pool Festival 2019 subject to the agreement of the licensing authority is given below in Table 2:

Description	Guideline Maximum MNL; $L_{Aeq,15 min}$
Day Period 09:00-23:00	$\leq 65dB$

**Table 2:** Proposed Maximum Guideline MNL for Ramsgate Boating Pool 2019.



**4. NOISE CALCULATIONS & PREDICTIONS**

Table 3 below calculates projected day period free-field receiver music noise levels at NSLs during Ramsgate Boating Pool Festival 2019:

Location	FOH Mix	NSL 1	NSL 2	NSL 3
Distance from source (m)	20	60	75	90
Theoretical $L_p$ @ 1m (dBA)	124	124	124	124
Distance Attenuation (dB)	-26	-36	-38	-39
PA Directivity Correction (dB)	0	-10	-9	-9
Cardioid Sub Directivity Correction (dB)	0	-8	-8	-8
Ground Attenuation (dB)	0	0	0	0
Barrier Attenuation (dB) <sup>†</sup>	0	-8	-8	-8
Free-field Receiver Music Noise Level (dBA)	98	62	61	60

**Table 3: Projected day period free-field music noise levels**

<sup>†</sup> Barrier attenuation based on least effective (63Hz octave band frequency) and therefore worst case scenario attenuation calculated in accordance with ISO 9613 (1996) pt.2 - Attenuation of sound during propagation outdoors:

octave band frequency (Hz)	63	125	250	500	1k	2k	4k	8k	16k
barrier attenuation (dB)	-8	-10	-13	-15	-18	-20*	-20*	-20*	-20*

\* capped at -20dB

It can be seen from Table 3 that projected total day period music noise levels are within the proposed guideline 65 dBA  $L_{Aeq,15 min}$  day period value at all NSLs as outlined in Section 3, Table 2.

A Post Event Report for Ramsgate Boating Pool 2019 including full details of all findings relating to music noise levels will be available within one calendar month of the event.



## 5. NOISE MONITORING METHODOLOGY

### 5.1 Before The Event

It is advisable that a letter be distributed to local residents warning them of the event and describing how it may affect their day. This may include higher levels of traffic and congestion in the locality and noise disturbance from either people passing by or amplified music.

The letter will outline a scheme designed for controlling noise and include the nature, dates and timings of the event, number of personnel commissioned to respond and a telephone complaints number that can be called in the event of a noise complaint relating to the event.

There is no rule as to the necessary distribution of such a letter and every local authority has a slightly different view on this. Roscco's view is to look at the final site plan and identify the streets or individual residences that are obviously going to be affected, and extend the cover to those that look likely.

All Front of House (FOH) audio personnel will be briefed to ensure that they are entirely comfortable with having to work inside strict guideline music noise levels. The PA company must agree to adhere to noise limits as a condition of their engagement / contract. They will understand that they are to act on instructions from RTMs, any Thanet District Council representative or the Licensee without question in respect of noise attenuation, and under no circumstances should limits be breached.

### 5.2 Music Noise Level Monitoring During The Event

An RTM qualified to BSc Acoustics level is assigned to undertake noise monitoring at the festival and will be present in or around the site throughout the duration of the festival. The RTM will be equipped with a Class 1 sound level meter and an additional Class 1 sound level meter will reside by the FOH sound engineer. The sound level meters are to be calibration-verified before and after the noise monitoring day's measurements using Class 1 calibrators.

The RTM will monitor music noise levels at the NSLs and be in transit between local residences responding and acting to any complaints should they arise.

Noise measurements are to be recorded principally as 15 minute samples of broadband  $L_{Aeq}$  values, with shorter measurement periods used for spot checks. Samples of octave band values will also be obtained at times at the NSLs and other measurement locations to provide frequency content information of noise levels.

For communication, both the RTM and the FOH sound engineer will possess a two-way radio and mobile 'phone (as backup) to enable communication. In addition, the RTM will carry an additional two-way radio linking in to festival security staff enabling any complaints received by the telephone hotline to be quickly relayed and responded.

When action has been requested for the FOH sound engineer to attenuate levels, it shall be determined that this has been undertaken by the observation of an immediate reduction in the FOH  $L_{Aeq, 1 min}$  and secondarily by seeking verbal confirmation from the RTM that levels are within limits at the NSL.



### 5.3 Complaints Procedure

- Phone call from noise complaint received at permanently manned Event Control Centre;
- Control informs licensee and RMT;
- RTM attends the address/location of the complaint within a realistically prompt target time;
- RTM records MNL at the complaint location and takes remedial action as appropriate;
- RTM catalogues the complaint and reports back to the licensee;
- Control communicates with the complainant to report including any action undertaken;
- Control communicates with RTM again to close the case



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**APPENDIX A**

Site Location Plan, Proposed Barrier & Noise Sensitive Locations



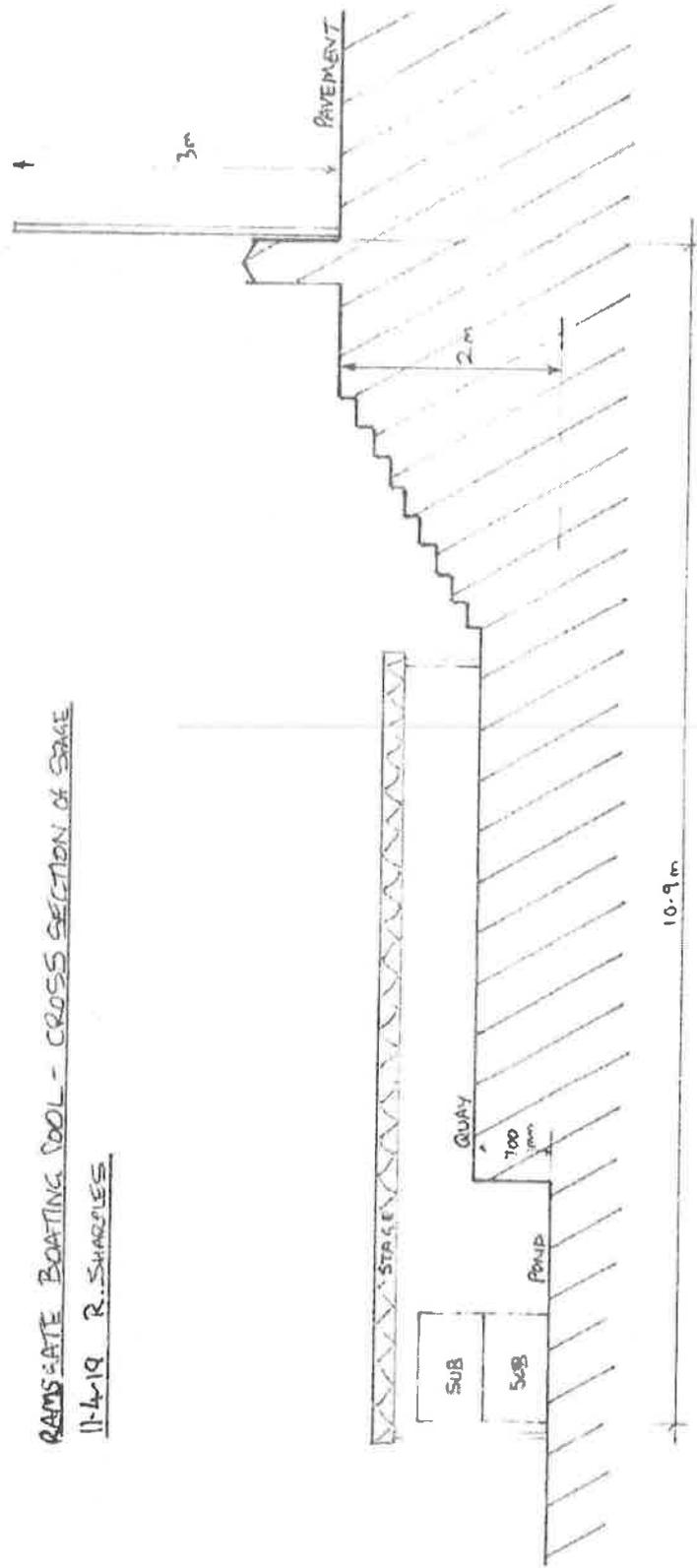


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### APPENDIX A

#### Proposed Site Cross Section

RAMSGATE BOATING POOL - CROSS SECTION OF STAGE  
11-4-19 R. SHARPLES

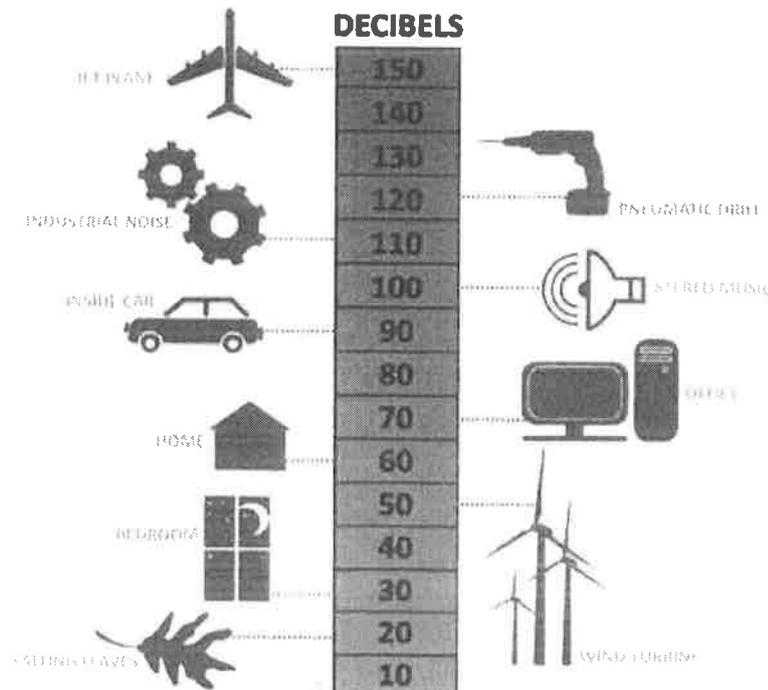




**APPENDIX B**

Acoustic Terms

- B.1. The human ear detects sound (or "noise" if it is unwanted!) as pressure waves exert a force on the eardrum. The range of detectable forces is huge, from 0.00002 Pascals ( $P_0$ ) (the threshold of hearing) to 200 Pascals (the threshold of pain). It is thus condensed down to a manageable scale by expressing the logarithm of the ratio of the sound pressure to a reference sound pressure.  $SPL=20\log_{10}(P_1/P_0)dB$ . This is the decibel: **dB**.
- B.2. The human ear does not perceive all frequencies of sound with the same degree of sensitivity. It is less sensitive to very low and very high frequencies. To accommodate this perception in environmental monitoring an "A" weighting filter or "curve" is applied. This is expressed as **dB(A)**.
- B.3. Instantaneous noise level readings are of little use in determining the subjective response of the listener. A far more useful reading is an 'average'. The parameter widely used in environmental monitoring is expressed as **dB( $L_{Aeq, T}$ )**.  $L$  is the level,  $A$  is the weighting, "eq" is the "equivalent continuous sound pressure level that represents the same energy as the time varying noise under investigation" over the given period, " $T$ ".
- B.4. Background Noise is defined as the A weighted sound pressure level of the residual noise ( $L_{Aeq, T}$  excluding specific noises under investigation) at an assessment location that is exceeded for 90% of the stated time, " $T$ ". ( $L_{A90, T}$ ). It is thus a statistical parameter.
- B.5. Level differences: We as humans can just detect a difference in loudness between two sources when there is a **3dB** difference. A **10dB** difference is perceived as a doubling (or halving) of level.
- B.6. Examples of typical noise levels:







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TDC Licensing &lt;licensing@thanet.gov.uk&gt;

**Opposition to [REDACTED] request for a Premise Licence for Westcliff Boating Pool**

1 message

7 June 2019 at 16:15

To: licensing@thanet.gov.uk

To whom it may concern,

I am writing on behalf of myself [REDACTED] and my partner [REDACTED] who have recently moved into the [REDACTED] [REDACTED] which is directly opposite where this late night venue is proposed to be located.

A large part of the reason we moved to Westcliff was because of the beauty and tranquility of the area. [REDACTED]

To start, by introducing a 7-days-a-week music venue, any hope of spotting the rarer wildlife that live in and around the grounds and along the Westcliff Esplanade are gone.

Another reason we moved to Westcliff was the lack of crowds, noise and litter. There is a very communal feel around Westcliff, as evidenced by the voluntary rose garden maintenance/clean up occurring in June. A 7-night-a-week music venue would be an end to this, as drunk people tend to have a considerable lack of regard for others and we can easily see rubbish (at least) being left all along the Esplanade every night.

We have previously lived close to Westwood Cross, and also near Canterbury City center, and the noise and crowds were a constant source of anxiety [REDACTED] and have spent a majority of my time in the last year trying to find somewhere to live in the local area that is peaceful enough for us to feel comfortable going out in the evening if we want to. Introducing a live music venue 7-days-a-week would most likely result in us not going out in the evenings any more, and avoiding the Esplanade entirely for anxiety about being confronted by drunk venue-goers (a regular occurrence from my time in Canterbury).

Quite frankly I'm sick and tired of every peaceful location in Thanet being converted into something loud or ugly that we don't need. I used to go to a number myself, but invariably there was always at least one fight a night which I would love NOT to have outside my front door. These fights were the main reason I stopped attending music venues. There are MANY live music venues (pubs/clubs) in Thanet, we don't need another set up in the last stronghold of peace and tranquility for no reason.

In addition, my partner also enjoys running along the Esplanade in the evenings to keep fit, and loves the view. Currently she doesn't give a second thought to *who* might be on the Esplanade, but should the potential for crowds of drunk people come up, she will most likely look elsewhere. She has had issues in the past with drunk people shouting comments etc when she lived in Canterbury. and we moved to avoid these groups.

Finally this area is HIGHLY residential, including a number of retiree houses/apartments, and should in no way consider accepting applications for potentially loud and disruptive ventures. I myself am a fairly light sleeper and very susceptible to low Bass sounds, which would be the most prominent noise coming from the venue. We don't want to have to find a way of sound-proofing our flat in order to make sure we have enough rest for work the following morning. I return home around the time the venue would be opening, which also essentially ends my evening walk around the Esplanade because I'd rather not deal with drunk individuals after a stressful day at work.

We therefore plead that you reject Danny Potts request for a New Premise Licence for the supply of alcohol and events for up to 3,000 people. Even imagining 3,000 drunk people along the Westcliff Esplanade makes me anxious, and also afraid for the number of accidents/injuries/damages that could result from overcrowding on the cliff-side footpath.

Kind Regards,



**Proposed use of the Westcliff Boating Pool, Ramgate.**

1 message

[Redacted]

4 June 2019 at 19:04

To: "licensing@thanet.gov.uk" <licensing@thanet.gov.uk>

Dear Sir/Madam

I, [Redacted] and [Redacted] of [Redacted] Royal Esplanade, Ramsgate wish to register our objections to both of the licensing applications for the proposed use of the Westcliff Boating Pool complex. It is our view that if either of these applications were to be granted, the peace and tranquility of the area, presently enjoyed by all, would be hugely affected.

Yours sincerely

[Redacted]



**Re: Boating pool licencing application**

1 message

7 June 2019 at 14:12

To: TDC Licensing <licensing@thanet.gov.uk>, [redacted]

[redacted]

Thankyou for your prompt reply. I am relieved to hear that this is largely misinformation that we received, however we are still concerned that such a small venue could be considering such an event for up to 3,000 people when it clearly does not have the facilities for it.

On the previous events, which were on a much smaller scale, the booming noise created, plus the amount of litter scattered about and not cleared up, made it an unpleasant experience for us neighbours. There would also be a parking problem. All in all we would definitely prefer that it didn't happen...

Yours sincerely,

Residents of Westcliff Park

Sent from Samsung tablet

----- Original message -----

From: TDC Licensing <licensing@thanet.gov.uk>  
Date: 06/06/2019 09:09 (GMT+00:00)

Cc: [redacted]

Subject: Re: Boating pool licencing application

Good Morning

Thank you for your email but it seems you have been totally misinformed about the application, as it seems many people have. The application is for:-

Live and recorded music from 12 midday until 10pm and it is only for the 14th & 15th September this year and then for the August bank holiday Sat/Sun and Monday of subsequent years. This is a ticketed event and will be for upto 3000 people.

The licence is to cover these events that are also going through our event process so they are also being looked at by the Safety Advisory Group just as any other organised event would be.

If you still wish to continue with your objection please reply to this email.

Kind Regards  
Licensing

On Wed, 5 Jun 2019 at 23:28, [redacted] wrote:  
To whom it may concern:

As residents of Westcliff Park we wish to register our extreme concern that the new owner of the boating pool has applied for an alcohol licence and to use the venue for up to 3,000 people, seven days a week. This noise pollution would be quite intolerable for our residents, encourage more vandalism to the area, and thereby significantly devalue our properties.

On the few occasions that the current owner has used it as a wedding venue the booming music has made it impossible to sleep, but at least it has not continued beyond midnight. It has also been contained to less than a

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hundred guests.

People who have bought into this neighbourhood have done so because it is a quiet residential area, and the boating pool just an attraction where families and young children can play safely without the fear of drunken louts. This area is totally unsuitable for the proposed purpose.

Please respect the health and wellbeing of those who live here and say no to this application!

Yours sincerely,



Sent from Samsung tablet



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TDC Licensing <licensing@thanet.gov.uk>

**Re: Representation and Objection to Licensing Application by [REDACTED] re The Boating Pool, Royal Esplanade, Ramsgate**

1 message

7 June 2019 at 12:38

To: TDC Licensing <licensing@thanet.gov.uk>

Cc: [REDACTED]

Thank you for your reply which states that the event "is only for 14th and 15th September". I think you have missed the point - the application is for up to 3,000 people drinking at a live and recorded music event - this is completely out of context with the building and the area. 300 people would barely fit in the venue and surrounding gardens, let alone 3,000! The council cannot possibly be contemplating this?

I'm not sure if anyone reading this email is familiar with the venue but it is a boating pool in a residential area with a cafe attached. The idea that it could be used for any kind of event other than the cafe and model boats club which currently uses it twice a week is ridiculous!

I understand that the terms have been agreed for the sale of the lease of the premises subject to this licence being granted, and it is that (rather than the ownership status which you have provided in your email) which I require further details of.

I understand that [REDACTED] is the controlling director of [REDACTED]. This company is has an active proposal to be struck off as its first confirmation statement has not been filed. I assume you are aware of the current status of this and any other of [REDACTED] business ventures?

I am happy to meet with representatives of the Licensing and Safety Advisory Group at the venue to discuss further.

Kind regards

On 7 Jun 2019, at 09:32, TDC Licensing <licensing@thanet.gov.uk> wrote:

Good Morning

Thank you for your email. The application is for:-

Live and recorded music from 12 midday until 10pm and it is only for the 14th & 15th September this year and then for the August bank holiday Sat/Sun and Monday of subsequent years. This is a ticketed event and will be for upto 3000 people.

The licence is to cover these events that are also going through our event process so they are also being looked at by the Safety Advisory Group just as any other organised event would be.

The premise is owned by the Council so is not for sale. It is leased and should the current holder wish to give up that lease it will be available for someone else and this will be dealt with by our Estates department.

Kind Regards  
Licensing

On Thu, 6 Jun 2019 at 15:38, [REDACTED] wrote:

I am the owner of the private dwelling at [REDACTED]

I am writing to strongly object to the premises license applied for to Thanet Council as detailed above. My house is directly opposite the Boating Pool. The site is a residential area with a lot of

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elderly residents. There is not adequate parking provisions for a large venue, the area is not serviced by public transport.

Any proposed license will direct affect all of the residents. Any loud music will carry and result in sleepless nights for the residents. I understand that the appication is for live music until late at night which is beyond what is acceptable and legal for a residential area, and will result in anti social behaviour taking place. I also understand that the application is for a capacity of 3,000 which beggars belief. There is no suitable car parking or public transport.

The site is within the Westcliff Conservation Area and I also understand that the Boating Pool complex is a Grade II listed building.

Given all of the above I am objecting strongly that no such licensing application should be granted. I understand that the sale of the property is dependant on this license being granted and I request that further details of this are provided to me.

Yours

[redacted signature]



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TDC Licensing &lt;licensing@thanet.gov.uk&gt;

**New Premise Licence application made by [REDACTED] re The Boating Pool, Royal Esplanade, Ramsgate**

1 message

7 June 2019 at 09:11

To: "licensing@thanet.gov.uk" &lt;licensing@thanet.gov.uk&gt;

Dear Sirs,

This is representation on behalf of [REDACTED] against the new premise licence application made by [REDACTED] re The Boating Pool, Royal Esplanade, Ramsgate.

We are residents at [REDACTED] which area we consider to be a quiet residential area and certainly not one suitable for a ticketed live and recorded music event for upto 3,000 people going on from 12pm to 10pm on the dates this year and for future years mentioned.

We believe:-

there is insufficient space to safely accommodate upto 3,000 people;

there is insufficient parking capacity to safely accommodate upto 3,000 people;

there will be unacceptable noise pollution;

there will be disruption to residents outside of the hours of 12pm to 10pm as people attending/working at each event make their way to and from the residential area;

there will be insufficient sanitation facilities available;

there will be disruption to the residents caused by The Boating Pool having to be modified to accommodate upto 3,000 people for live and recorded music events (which may require planning permission in any event);

there will be insufficient facilities to keep the venue and surrounding residential areas clean, tidy, healthy and safe;

a successful application would encourage future applications on an increasing regularity and number of days in future years and residents will have their lives spoilt further by noise and congestion pollution.

Personally, I get up each workday morning at 5am and I do not look forward to or want my future August Bank Holiday weekends disturbed by noise and potential anti-social behaviour that tends to arise generally at these events. Nor do either [REDACTED] welcome or want to tolerate the severe parking disruption that will occur due to too many vehicles trying to enter/leave this quiet residential area.

We believe it serves no purpose, other than profit to the current seller/new purchaser of the boating pool, to the residents of this quiet residential area to have to tolerate the disruption that will be caused by the deluge of upto 3,000 people, particularly with express concerns as to safety, pollution and enjoyment of the area in which we live.

Yours faithfully

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TDC Licensing <licensing@thanet.gov.uk>



**License Application for The Boating Pool, Royal Esplanade, Ramsgate.**

1 message

[Redacted]  
 To: licensing@thanet.gov.uk  
 Cc: [Redacted]  
 [Redacted]  
 [Redacted]

5 June 2019 at 19:49

Dear Sirs,

We manage [Redacted] a residential community of [Redacted] immediately opposite the application site.

We have been made aware of this frankly ridiculous application for a music license until 3am and for events catering for up to 3000 people.

This is a quaint and quiet residential area wholly unsuited to this kind of activity. It forms part of the Conservation Area too.

Many of our residents have retired to [Redacted] for its' enviable peace and quiet. We have no doubt you will receive many individual protests from our residents and other nearby properties.

The entire concept of this application is fatally flawed. Policing Ramsgate's night-time economy is already difficult w ithout creating a new potentially problematic venue at the opposite end of town.

This case must come to a formal meeting or committee for full and proper consideration.

Yours faithfully

*Sent from my Mobile Phone*



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TDC Licensing <licensing@thanet.gov.uk>

**NEW PREMISE LICENCE APPLICATION - THE BOATING POOL RAMSGATE**

1 message

5 June 2019 at 22:37

Reply-To: [redacted]  
To: licensing@thanet.gov.uk  
Cc: [redacted]

Dear Sir/Madam

I understand that you have received an application to grant a licence for [redacted] the venue being The Boating Pool, Royal Esplanade, Ramsgate.

Although I am not entirely opposed to the venue being used for functions/events and a licence being granted, I feel that you need to take into account the following points:

- \* This road IS a residential area with residents working during the week and at the weekend - thus requiring adequate sleep.
- \* The venue would not be large enough to hold 3000 people - health and safety wise.
- \* The events need to be Policed if alcohol is being served to several 000 people, as could be subject to fights breaking out. Also increase in drug-pushers in the area - bad enough now along the road when no events taking place.
- \* I am worried about 3000 people vacating the events, with substantially increased traffic - maximum number of people needs to be substantially lowered.
- \* Insufficient Car parking facilities for say up to 1000 cars????
- \* The noise associated during the events (which will travel along the road when music being played) needs to be kept to a suitable level.
- \* The noise with people vacating the events, car doors, revving engines, shouting, swearing etc.
- \* The rubbish that would be littered along the street from these events - it is bad enough with day trippers and shelter hang-outers!

If this licence was to be granted, I would like to insist that it is kept to the original stated days criteria and was for weekends only, although not every evening during the weekend (i.e. Friday/Saturday/Sunday/BH Mondays), up to 10 p.m. maximum and NOT GRANTED for every consecutive weekend.

I look forward to you kindly confirming safe receipt of my email.

Yours faithfully

[redacted signature]



**Re: The Boating Pool**

1 message

6 June 2019 at 09:33

To: TDC Licensing <licensing@thanet.gov.uk>

Good morning

Thank you for clarifying the position.

We are still of the opinion that these proposed events would encourage noise and all the issues usually associated with late night drinking. It is inconceivable that 3000 people could be safely accommodated at the proposed location and would surely necessitate the numbers to spill out onto the Esplanade and around the boating pool.

We strongly object to the proposal when other more suited and better equipped locations are available . For example [redacted] could hire the Pavilion for his events in which case there would be more room and a better appropriate location.

The permission for the dates you have stated gives way to a dangerous precedent that puts our lovely quiet neighbourhood in jeopardy. The idea is a wholly unsuitable one that is entirely inappropriate for an area of high townscape value and or conservation area such as this part of the Esplanade.

Yours sincerely

> On 6 Jun 2019, at 09:13, TDC Licensing <licensing@thanet.gov.uk> wrote:

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> Good Morning

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> Thank you for your email. There seems to be some misunderstanding as to what the applicant has actually asked for so just to clarify the application is for:-

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> Live and recorded music from 12 midday until 10pm and it is only for the 14th & 15th September this year and then for the August bank holiday Sat/Sun and Monday of subsequent years. This is a ticketed event and will be for upto 3000 people.

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> The licence is to cover these events that are also going through our event process so they are also being looked at by the Safety Advisory Group just as any other organised event would be.

>

> If you still wish to continue with your objection please reply to this email.

>

> Kind Regards

> Licensing

**Fwd: Ramsgate Boating pool**

1 message

5 June 2019 at 20:31

To: TDC Licensing &lt;licensing@thanet.gov.uk&gt;

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Date:** 5 June 2019 15:16:49 BST  
**To:** licensing@thanet.gov.uk  
**Subject:** Ramsgate Boating pool

Dear Thanet council

As instructed , we wish to lodge our strong objection to the licensing application made by [REDACTED]. It is absolutely unacceptable for there to be such an establishment in a tranquil location such as the Royal Esplanade. Certainly , this type of licence would create noise and unwanted disturbance along with all the other problems associated with late night drinking. The application is , in reality, to enable a night club type venue which is wholly unsuitable and one that would cause a significant amount of noise and upset to all local residence.

Aside from my objections above, I cannot see how the current building could facilitate 3000 people .

Yours faithfully

[REDACTED]  
Sent from my iPad



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## New Drinkig Venue in Pegwell

1 message

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[Redacted]

6 June 2019 at 08:43

To: licensing@thanet.gov.uk

I think this would be a calamity for all inhabitants living in Pegwell  
The noise and disruption to this peaceful community would be terrible and we strongly object to this scheme being passed

[Redacted]

Sent from my iPhone



**Re: Alcohol & Entertainment License application.**

1 message

**TDC Planning Services** <planning.services@thanet.gov.uk>  
To: TDC Licensing <licensing@thanet.gov.uk>

6 June 2019 at 08:00

I think they want to make a licensing objection.

[Redacted]

On Wed, 5 Jun 2019 at 11:35, [Redacted] wrote:

Dear sir,

Ref: The Boating Pool Royal Esplanade Ramsgate - applicant [Redacted]

We wish to make a comment regarding the above application. When searching for applications on the Thanet website we get a server error message. We are therefore unable to quote a reference number.

We understand that the applicant is requesting an alcohol and entertainment licence that would allow activities and music up until 0200. We wish to oppose the application on the basis of noise pollution and disturbance. The location of the venue is unsuitable for the type of entertainment for which the applicant has applied.

The premises currently provide family entertainment, food, drink and alcoholic beverages. Depending on the time of year the business closes between 1800 and 2200. The business as it stands is a local amenity. The granting of the proposed license would result in the venue becoming a local nuisance.

We would be grateful if you would be kind enough to acknowledge this email and advise the relevant application reference number.

Regards [Redacted]

TEL : [Redacted]  
MOB : [Redacted]

Sent from my iPad

Kind regards  
Planning Applications Team



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TDC Licensing <licensing@thanet.gov.uk>

**Objection - The Boating Pool Royal Esplanade , Ramsgate**

1 message

[Redacted]

5 June 2019 at 11:58

To: "licensing@thanet.gov.uk" <licensing@thanet.gov.uk>

To Whom it may concern,

I would like to object to the following application for planning - The Boating Pool Royal Esplanade , Ramsgate – [Redacted] – Supply if Alcohol and Event for up to 3000 people

Royal Esplanade, Ramsgate is a quiet residential area with no place for a nightclub type dwelling causing noise pollution, rubbish and making the area unsafe for residents to go out at night due to anti-social behavior.

Best,

[Redacted signature block]

*P Please consider the environment before printing this e-mail. Thank You.*



Mr [REDACTED] - Boating Pool, Ramsgate

1 message

[REDACTED]  
To: licensing@thanet.gov.uk

5 June 2019 at 10:33

I am writing to you in relation to the above licensing application currently before you.

As a resident of Westcliff Park I strongly object to this license being granted. The area that I choose to live in is a conservation area which enjoys peace and tranquillity not to mention as a result, lots of wildlife and birds. The introduction of a licence for a venue of up to 3,000 will massively affect my quality of life and shatter the peace and tranquillity that I currently enjoy. I also have a number of elderly neighbours who are now fearful that if this venue goes ahead that they will be faced with drunken and aggressive behaviour late at night outside their homes.

I urge you to please deny this application for the sake of all residents living on the Westcliff.

Yours sincerely

[REDACTED]



**Applicant [redacted] Boating Pool Monkey House Royal Esplanade**

1 message

5 June 2019 at 09:47

To: "licensing@thanet.gov.uk" <licensing@thanet.gov.uk>

Dear Sir/Madam

I am lodging an objection to the above application. The area is known for its peace quiet and harmony with an average resident of older years. This will be loud and invasive and will also cause problems with parking as the area is not suitable for such a large amount of people. I urge you to maintain the peace and charm of the area.

[redacted]  
Resident

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Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2019

The Licensing Department  
Thanet District Council  
PO Box 9  
Cecil Street  
Margate  
Kent

Re:  – The Boating Pool – Supply of Alcohol for up to 3000 people.

Dear Sir / Madam

In respect of the above licencing application I find it disappointing and disingenuous that the public notice made no mention of the numbers involved ie: 3000 which is surely a key consideration in determining whether to oppose the application.

I would certainly raise an objection to the application for the following reasons.

- a) It is difficult to see how 3000 people could safely be contained within the area of the boating lake and buildings
- b) Given the numbers envisaged and alcohol being served for 10 hours that it is a recipe for behavioural problems likely to affect and spill over into both public amenities and residential areas.
- c) The event over two days will encourage overnight stays on public spaces and along the Esplanade.
- d) Parking problems have been underestimated given that over the bank holiday with good weather the Esplanade was full without an event of 3000 people.

Your



04/06/2019

EKS Partnership Mail - Object to the licensing on the boating pool

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TDC Licensing <licensing@thanet.gov.uk>

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## Object to the licensing on the boating pool

1 message

4 June 2019 at 07:42

To: licensing@thanet.gov.uk

Hello tdc

I want to strongly object to the licensing plans for the boating pool Made by [REDACTED],  
I live on the esplanade as it's a residential area!  
It's not a night life area there is no example of this anywhere in Thanet ,  
This is a conservation area and not a place to hold night life for 3000 people ,  
This was rejected before and should be again it's not a commercial site for a night club and never has been ,

[REDACTED]

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone



TDC Licensing <licensing@thanet.gov.uk>

**Objection to [REDACTED] - Boating pool application.**

1 message

4 June 2019 at 07:08

To: licensing@thanet.gov.uk

Good Morning.

My name is [REDACTED] and I live at [REDACTED]

This is right across from the boating pool. [REDACTED] and I work long hours as it is, my quality of life will severely be impacted by this licence being granted, as I would never sleep for the noise and the absolute fear of the inebriated people congregating in front and around my house. How do I protect my daughter from that?

Also, there is already an issue with parking on the Esplanade, and to give green light for a further 3000 people to park would be absolutely disastrous for the people who live here. We all have paid a premium to live in this quiet and beautiful part of Ramsgate.

This would destroy lives. Utterly disgraceful.

[REDACTED]

04/06/2019

EKS Partnership Mail - Boating pool monkey house, Royal Esplanade, Ramsgate

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**Boating pool monkey house, Royal Esplanade, Ramsgate**

1 message

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3 June 2019 at 20:29

To: licensing@thanet.gov.uk

Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing to object in the strongest possible terms to the application to use the boating pool monkey house as a music venue. I understand that the application asks for up to seven days a week usage for up to 3000 people to 2am, and includes the sale of alcohol.

If true this is an entirely inappropriate use of this venue in what is a residential area. We already have considerable usage of Government acre for events in the summer

Not to mention large numbers of commercial vehicles exploiting the free parking.

I chose to live on the Royal Esplanade for the views and the quiet residential atmosphere. If granted this application will destroy that atmosphere. I fail to see how the venue and the area could absorb up to 3000 people. It would certainly cause huge disruption and distress, particularly to the many elderly people who live in the area.

I sincerely hope that common sense will prevail in this matter.

Yours faithfully





TDC Licensing <licensing@thanet.gov.uk>

**Boating pool**

1 message

3 June 2019 at 20:21

To: licensing@thanet.gov.uk

Dear sir/madam

I am emailing you with my objection to a request application from [redacted] regarding the license for the boating pool. It will be an utter nuisance for this peaceful and mainly retirement area. I live along the royal esplanade and already have to put up with anti social behaviour within the shelters that is frequently reported to the police. It seems outrageous at the thought of having potentially 3000 people and music playing until the small hours 7 nights a week. There is already high demand for parking with daytime events let alone evening ones too. Residents cars getting damaged and cars illegally parked left right and centre. I myself am not retired but I do work shifts and I find my sleep already disrupted by afore said anti social behaviour. I strongly object to this application and will do all I can to fight it.  
Kind regards

[redacted signature]

Sent with my iPhone



**Boating pool Ramsgate license application.**

1 message

5 June 2019 at 20:24

To: [Redacted]  
Cc: [Redacted]

Sirs

It has just come to our notice that an application has been made for an event to be held at the Boating pool in Ramsgate.

We vigorously oppose this application.

This is a tranquil, residential part of Ramsgate and we feel that 3000 people descending on the area would have a detrimental effect.

This is our home and feel very threatened by having a large amount of people that we feel cannot be controlled securely.

Has security and policing being taken into consideration for such a large event?

The centre of Ramsgate ( Harbour Street ) is continually in the news concerning violence and ant social behaviour, we do not want that spreading to Westcliff.

The majority of people living in the direct vicinity are of a "mature" age group and if this application goes ahead it would have a severe effect on our wellbeing and welfare.

There is no parking, for the boating pool also we would be very worried about the large amount of people "overspilling" onto the bowls and croquet lawns, as well as the rose garden that local volunteers work so hard on.

We have recently moved to the area and have experience of living in close proximity to licensed events and know that one licence event leads to another.

[Redacted signature block]

Sent from my iPad

CORPORATE RESOURCES



[REDACTED]

Date : 29th May 2019

Dear [REDACTED]

**Re: Westcliff Lido Leisure Park, Royal Esplanade,  
Ramsgate, Kent. CT11 0HE**

With reference to your lease dated 1st October 2014 it has been brought to my attention that a pre application for planning has been submitted.

As Thanet District Council is the landlord of the premises any alterations to the external or structure of the property must be notified to the landlord.

With regards to the Premises Licence Application (Music festival) that has been submitted to the licensing department as landlord we do not permit this event to happen as it is in breach of your lease and we reserve the right to oppose this and take further action.

If you look at Clause 30.5 in your lease it states that "the tenant shall not use the boating pool for any purpose other than as a boating pool and shall not use the remaining open areas of the Property for any purpose other than those which are approved by the Landlord".

I would like to do an inspection on the property on the 4th June 2019 at 9.30 am. Please confirm that this is acceptable.

Yours sincerely

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
Estates Surveyor  
Estates Department

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TDC Licensing &lt;licensing@thanet.gov.uk&gt;

## The Boating Pool Premises Licence

1 message

21 May 2019 at 10:25

To: TDC Licensing &lt;licensing@thanet.gov.uk&gt;

Cc: [REDACTED]

Thank you for consulting Environmental Health on this premise licence application which proposes an annual music festival for up to 3000 people on 14th & 15th September this year and there after every August Bank Holiday weekend Sat/Sun & Mon between midday and 22:00hrs.

The Boating Pool also has an existing licence held by [REDACTED] since 2015. No noise complaints have been received during this time however, prior to this regular noise complaints were made by neighbouring properties in relation to loud music coming from live events within the venue.

The applicant, [REDACTED] is also the premise licence holder at [REDACTED] Broadstairs. Since taking over the licence in 2018 Environmental Protection has received numerous complaints from 7 different residential properties about the volume of noise emanating from the venue. These complaints are yet unresolved and investigations ongoing.

The Boating Pool is less than 50m to the nearest residential receptor. Environmental Protection are extremely concerned that an external music festival over 3 days has the potential to cause unreasonable disturbance to neighbours.

Where events are held on TDC land and less than 100m to residential dwellings we require that music does not to exceed 65dB LAeq 15min and all music ceases at 9pm, this is even more crucial given that the event is over more than one day.

However, the Noise Management Plan submitted in support of the application is helpful and gives some assurance that noise will be controlled and monitored.

The following conditions are therefore recommended:

- No more than one annual event on no more than 3 consecutive days per calendar year shall be permitted.
- Music Noise Level (MNL) shall not at the façade of any noise sensitive premises, exceed 65dB(A) over a 15 minute period.
- All music to cease at 9pm
- The Licensee shall provide the telephone number to all residential properties with 250m radius (map attached) at least two weeks prior to the event. The telephone number shall be available to answer throughout the event to report any noise issues and must include the following text 'If we have not satisfied your concerns you can make a formal noise complaint to Thanet District Council on 577000 or by emailing events@thanet.gov.uk

Please note that if after the first event we receive 5 or more noise complaints (from separate households) we will consider taking the licence for review on public nuisance grounds.

Providing the applicant agrees to the above conditions; I have no objection to the application.

Regards

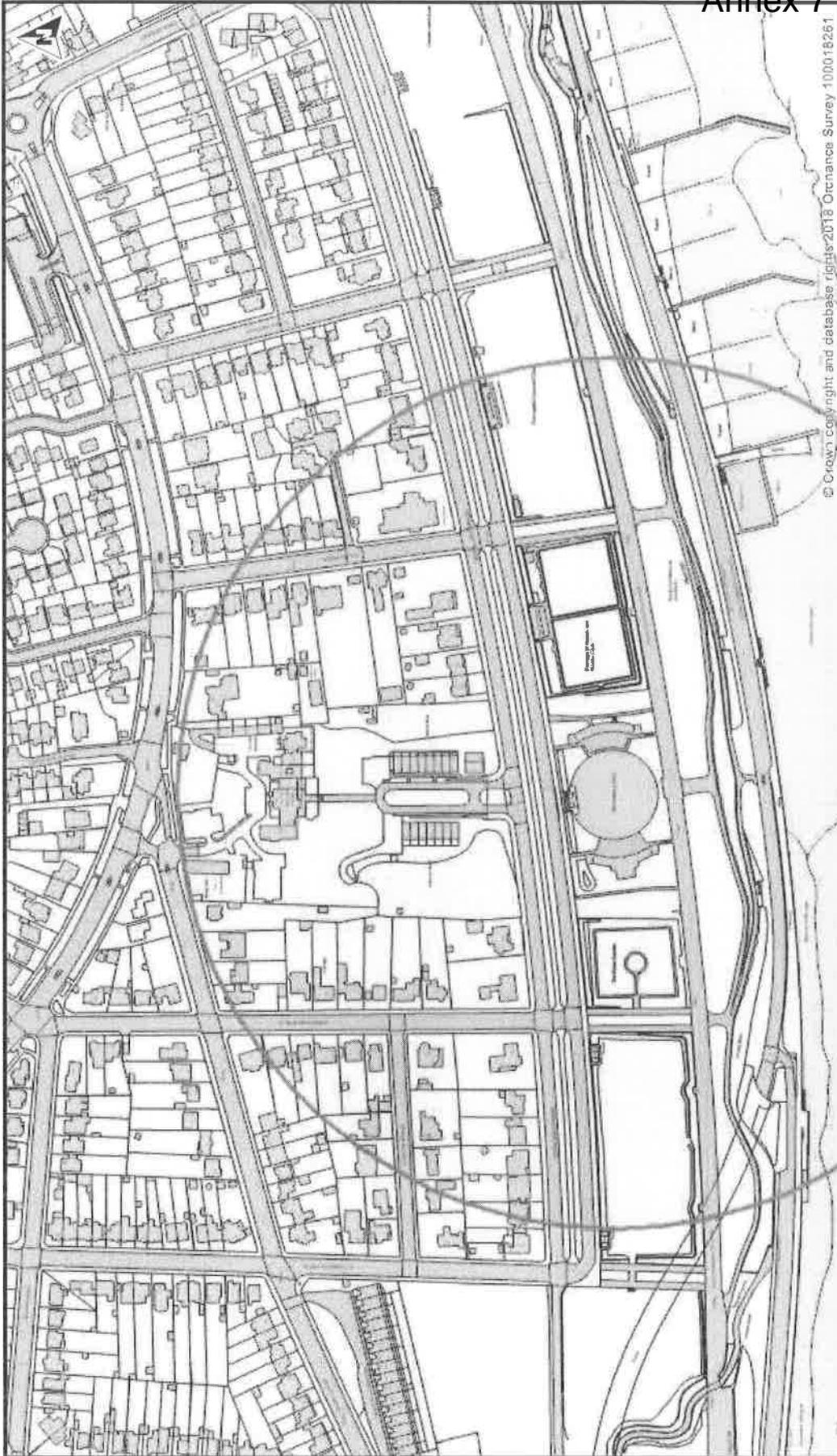
[REDACTED]  
Environmental Health Officer

☎ 01843 577 [REDACTED]



Environmental Health | Thanet District Council Offices | Cecil Street | Margate | Kent | CT9 1XZ

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Margate  
Kent  
CT19 1XZ



TDC Licensing <licensing@thanet.gov.uk>

**Fwd: The Boating Pool**

1 message

30 May 2019 at 09:02

To: TDC Licensing <licensing@thanet.gov.uk>

Applicant and I have agreed 9:30pm finish for all music.

Regards

[Redacted]  
Environmental Health Officer

+01843 577 [Redacted]

[Redacted]

Environmental Health | Thanet District Council Offices | Cecil Street | Margate | Kent | CT9 1XZ

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----- Forwarded message -----

From: [Redacted]  
Date: Wed, 29 May 2019 at 13:15  
Subject: The Boating Pool  
To: Amanda Berry <amanda.berry@thanet.gov.uk>

Dear Amanda

Proposed arrangement re 9.30pm etc, agreed by client.

Kind regards

[Redacted]

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