## Memo



Date:

9<sup>th</sup> April 2018

To:

Mrs Jane Bennett, Licensing Team Leader, Thanet District Council

Ref:

WK/201811144

Re:

Premises Licence Application - Marine Sands, Margate - On the Beach Festival

Environmental Health has been asked to comment on the above premises licence application. Following consultation with the applicant we have agreed the following conditions:

- 1. The Licensee shall appoint a suitable qualified and experience noise control consultant (noise consultant), to the approval of the license authority no later than 14 days before the event. The Noise Control consultant shall make contact with the local Environmental Health Department to discuss the event at least 10 days prior to the event. The noise control consultant shall liaise with all parties including the licensee, promoter, sound system supplier, sound engineer and Licensing authority on all matter relating to noise control up to and during the event.
- 2. A noise propagation test shall be conducted at least 2 hours prior to the start of the event in order to set appropriate noise control levels at the sound mixer position. The sound system shall be configured and operated in a similar manner throughout the event. The sound source used for the test shall be similar in character to the type of music produced during the event.
- 3. From midday until 21:00pm on each operational day the control limits set at the mixer position shall be adequate to ensure that the Music Noise Level (MNL) shall not, at the façade of any noise sensitive premises, exceed an average of 65dB (A) over a 15 minute period throughout the event.
- 4. From midday until 21:00pm on each operational day the control limits set at the mixer position shall be adequate to ensure that the Music Noise Level (MNL) shall not, at the façade of any noise sensitive premises, exceed an average of 70dB (A) over a 15 minute period at the 63Hz or 125 Hz frequency bands throughout the event.
- 5. During rehearsals and sound checks the control limits set at the mixer position shall be adequate to ensure that the MNL shall not, at the façade of any noise sensitive premises, exceed an average of 65dB (A) over a 15 minute period throughout the concert.
- 6. Rehearsal and sound checks are only permitted for up to 1 hour before the commencement of an event.
- 7. The licensee shall ensure that the promoter, sound system supplier and all individual sound engineers are informed of the sound control limits and that any instruction from the noise control consultant regarding noise levels shall be implemented.
- 8. The appointed noise control consultant shall continually monitor noise levels at the sound mixer position and advise sound engineers accordingly to ensure that the noise limits are not exceeded. The Licensing Authority shall have access to the

- results of the noise monitoring at any time during the event and the results shall be available on demand up to 28 days after the event.
- 9. Amplified music (Other than rehearsals and sound checks) from the event shall only be permitted between midday and 21:00pm on the day of the event.
- 10. The licensee shall make available a telephone number for noise complaints (ideally for local residents). The Licensee shall provide the telephone number to the licensing authority at least 3 days prior to the event. The telephone number shall be available to answer (and answered where reasonably practical) throughout the event. The licensee shall keep a log of complaints with names (where given), addresses (where given), times, dates and actions taken. The log shall be made available to the local licensing authority at any time up to 7 days after the event.
- 11. The applicant shall conduct a letter-drop to all residences within 150 meters of the event boundaries or to key properties where there is a reasonable expectation of a noise effect by the applicant. The Letter drop shall take place no later than 7 days prior to the event. The Letter shall include (but not limited to):
  - a. The event title and the organisers name
  - b. The dates and running times of the event
  - c. The telephone number referred to in condition 9

Regards

Environmental Protection Officer Environmental Health Thanet District Council