

Premises Licence Review

Premises: Aylesford Village Club, 57 Rochester Road, Aylesford.

Environmental Protection Comments:

An application has been made by a member of the public for a review of the Premises Licence for the abovementioned premises. The Application has cited the following Licensing Objectives as reason for the Review being sought:

- Prevention of Crime and Disorder
- Public Safety
- Prevention of Public Nuisance
- Protection of Children from Harm

I would wish to speak to the Prevention of Public Nuisance arm.

Over the past 10 years the following complaints have been received in the Environmental Protection team that are pertinent to the Licensing Objectives:

- 16/00729/NOIENT, complaint about music and patron noise, registered 15-Sep-16. Only informal action was taken and the case was closed on 05-Dec-16.
- 19/00503/NOICOM, complaint about noisy patrons, car stereos and amplified music, registered 29-Jul-19. This case is currently under investigation and, to date, only informal action has been taken.

In addition to these, there have been 6 other Environmental Protection complaints. These related to bonfires (2019, 2018 & 2016); chiller noise, dartboard noise and smoking (2013); dartboard noise (2012); and smoking (2009). As these are not pertinent to the Licensing Objectives, I have not provided further information on them.

An Abatement Notice in respect of amplified music has been served to the premises in the past, but as this was in 1997 it would no longer be enforceable.

At the present time, I do not have sufficient information and/or evidence to support the requested Review. However, I would clarify that my current case into alleged Statutory Nuisance is still at a very early stage.

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