

Notification to Licensing Authority of Representation under Licensing Act 2003

1. Name of Responsible Authority making representation:

- a. Your name: **C Ansty**
[Senior Licensing Officer, County Licensing for and on behalf of the Chief Constable]
- b. Your address: **HQ (CJ) Liquor Licensing
Mansfield Police Station
Great Central Road
Mansfield
Nottinghamshire
NG18 2HQ**
- c. Your phone number: **101 extn 3104862**
- d. Your e-mail address: **kate.ansty4862@nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk**

2. Please identify the application you wish to make a representation about.

a. Name and address of application premises:

**Corn Exchange
18 Castle Gate
Newark
Nottinghamshire
NG24 1BG**

b. Nature of application: **Grant of Premises Licence**

3. Which of the licensing objectives does your representation relate to? Please delete as appropriate ².

- a. **The Prevention of Crime and Disorder.**
- b. **Prevention of Public Nuisance**
- c. **Protection of Children from Harm**

Details of the representation(s)

4. Please give details of your representation(s) including details as to why you feel the application would be unlikely to promote the objective(s) you have ticked above and including as much evidence as possible in support of your representation. Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary.

The application is for a grant of a premise licence at a historic building known as the Corn Exchange. The application requests licensable activities to be granted which include plays, films, live music, recorded music, performances of dance, late night refreshment, and the supply of alcohol for sales both on and off the premises.

The Corn Exchange is located on the outskirts of Newark Town Centre, with the rear of the premises leading directly onto the canal path. Newark has a moderately busy night time economy, this accommodates a number of other licensed premises within a small concentrated area. Premises within the area cater for the consumption of alcohol, dancing and late night refreshment.

Having had regard to the nature, style and location of the premises, the Police have concerns over the increase in alcohol related anti-social behaviour, crime, disorder and nuisance that the grant of this premises licence as submitted, will inevitably cause.

The very style and nature of a late night bars and nightclubs creates problems of crime and disorder. These types of venues attract patrons later in the evening, many of whom have been drinking alcohol in the pubs and bars within the town centre. People have a tendency to become more disorderly and anti-social as the night progresses on account that they become increasingly intoxicated and therefore prone to engage in disruptive behaviour.

Although the premise benefits from being situated close to a taxi rank on Castle Gate which operates 2000 hours until 0600 hours, Nottinghamshire Police do not feel that this alone is sufficient to disperse customers when the venue closes at the proposed time of 0430 hours on a Friday and Saturday when the venue will have been at its busiest. Newark Town centre does not have any night time guardians working until 0300 hours often seen in larger cities where nightclubs are prominent, these would include Police Officers working a dedicated night time economy shift, street pastors, community protection officers, or Street Marshals. With no night time guardians to support those that are vulnerable, intoxicated and need help getting home, Nottinghamshire Police are of the opinion that Newark Town centre has no infrastructure to support licensed premises opening past 3am and therefore to grant this application as it is submitted would lead to vulnerabilities, nuisance, and crime and disorder.

Newark and Sherwood District Council's statement of licensing policy states at 2.1 in exercising their functions under the licensing act 2003, licensing authorities must have regard to the licensing objectives as set out in section 4 of the Act.

Newark and Sherwood District Council's policy also states at 2.6 the promotion of the licensing objectives is paramount consideration for the authority.

A site visit took place on Friday 24th July 2020 at the request of Nottinghamshire Police in order to better understand the proposals requested by the applicant, Matthew Clark. It was soon realised at this

meeting that the application did not clearly express the business intentions and how the site would operate with a granted premise licence. We were informed that the ground floor would operate as a bar with facilities such as table tennis, air hockey, and also nostalgic arcade and fairground games. Whilst Nottinghamshire Police are not objecting to these activities as they do not fall under the licensing Act as regulated entertainment, they will encourage customers who are under the ages of 18 to attend the premise. Therefore Nottinghamshire Police is of the opinion that there needs to be safeguards in place to manage persons underage from accessing alcohol and being within an adult environment into the night and early hours. In response to this Nottinghamshire Police has suggested conditions below that we feel will uphold the licensing objective to protect children from harm.

Also at the meeting on 24th July 2020, Police were informed the applicant wishes to have the facility to deliver food and alcohol to persons within their home and for takeaway. This is a separate side of the business that needs to be carefully considered and managed. To alleviate concerns of underage persons, and intoxicated persons accessing alcohol the Police feel that appropriate safeguards need to be put in place and have suggested conditions below.

Although the applicant has agreed to some conditions proposed by Nottinghamshire Police, we are of the opinion that this application in its entirety does not promote the licensing objectives, in particular the prevention of public nuisance and the prevention of crime and disorder, and will add to the cumulative and negative impact already experienced in the Town Centre in respect of the later times requested for licensable activity to take place, mainly the sale of alcohol.

On considering all of the above, the Police are of the opinion that this particular application does not promote the licensing objectives. In view of this, it is the opinion of the Police that the only way that this premises will not have a negative effect and will not undermine the licensing objectives, is if the conditions listed below and the times for licensable activity to commence and cease, are placed on the premise licence.

The Police reserve the right to:

- bring further evidence of the Licensing Objectives being undermined to any subsequent panel hearing and to provide live oral evidence to this effect.
5. If you are suggesting that conditions should be attached to any licence granted please give the wording of the proposed condition(s) and state why you feel they are necessary and proportionate. Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary.

Prevention of Crime and Disorder & Prevention of Public Nuisance

A minimum of three suitably trained and licensed SIA door supervisors shall be on duty on Friday and Saturday evening from 2100hours, with a further two door supervisors from midnight when the basement area is open for

licensable activities. The number of SIA Door supervisors will increase at a ratio of 1:100 customers until the premises close the following day.

A minimum of three suitably trained and licensed SIA door supervisors shall be on duty on Bank Holiday Sunday's, Christmas Eve, Boxing Day and New Year Eve from 2100 hours, with a further two door supervisors from midnight when the basement area is open for licensable activities. The number of SIA Door supervisors will then increase at a ratio of 1:100 customers until the premises close the following day.

A record containing names, addresses and full SIA licence number(s) and contact telephone number of door supervisors shall be maintained and kept for a period of twelve months and be available for inspection by the police or any other authorised person upon request.

A record of the Door supervisors who have worked each day will be maintained and kept for a period of twelve months and be available for inspection by the police or any other authorised person upon request. This record shall contain the time they started and ended their shift, along side their name and SIA licence number.

30 minutes before the premise close to the public, managers shall ensure that a minimum of one SIA licensed door supervisor shall monitor the main exit and the area directly outside the premises to assist in the safe dispersal of patrons.

All members of staff shall be fully trained in the retail sale of alcohol. The training shall be on going and each member of staff shall be reviewed every six months. All details of the level of training shall be recorded in a bound and sequentially paginated book or electronic record. This information shall be made available for inspection and copying by the Police or any other authorised person on request and all such books shall be retained at the premises for at least 12 months.

A CCTV system shall be installed and operative in the premises when licensable activities are taking place.

All recordings used in conjunction with CCTV shall:

- Be provided in the form of a recordable system capable of providing picture of evidential quality and in all lighting conditions**
- indicate the correct time and date**
- be retained for a period of 31 days**
- Suitable number of staff trained and able to use the system and able to provide recordings when requested**
- Cameras shall encompass all ingress and egress to the premises and all areas where the sale/supply of alcohol occurs, and dance floor areas as a minimum.**
- Recordings to be made available for inspection to the Police or any other authorised person when requested.**

A bound and sequentially paginated incident book or electronic record shall be kept to record all instances of violence, disorder, damage to property and personal injury at the premises. This book shall be made available for inspection and copying by the Police or any other authorised person upon

request and all such books shall be retained at the premises for at least 12 months.

A list of forthcoming events shall be supplied to the police at least 4 weeks prior to the event and shall contain the following information:

- The timings of the events.
- The name, address and telephone contact details of the organiser of the event, or hirer of the premises/ part of the premises.
- The anticipated number of persons attending the event.
- Any other information requested by the police sufficient to determine whether there is a risk of public disorder.

Where either the management at the premises or the police consider that a forthcoming event has a risk of disorder, the management at the premises shall, in consultation with the police, undertake a risk assessment. If the police are not satisfied with the management proposals contained in the risk assessment, the event shall not proceed so long as the police have given written notice seven days prior to the date of the event.

No persons carrying open, or sealed, vessels shall be admitted to the premises at any time.

No persons shall be permitted to remove open vessels from the premises.

Delivery of alcohol

Off sales and the delivery of alcohol shall only take place when a food order to a minimum of £10 has been ordered.

No open vessels of alcohol shall be carried in the delivery vehicle.

Alcohol shall only be sold or supplied to persons by the way of delivery to a residential or business address, and not to an open public place such as a street or park.

Protection of children from harm

A Challenge 25 scheme shall operate at the premises. Any person who appears to be under 25 years of age shall not be allowed entry unless they produce an acceptable form of photo identification (e.g. a passport or driving licence, Military ID or PASS accredited card.)

Challenge 25 notices shall be displayed in prominent positions throughout the premises.

There shall not be 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.

No person under the age of 18 years shall be allowed to remain on the premises past 11pm. There shall be no access to the basement area at any time to persons under the age of 18 years.

Nottinghamshire Police would also like to propose the following times for the requested licensable activity:

Films

Monday – Sunday 0800 – 0300

Boxing and Wrestling

Monday – Sunday 0800 – 0300

Live Music

Monday – Sunday 0800 – 0300

Recorded Music

Monday – Sunday 0800 – 0330

Performances of Dance

Monday – Sunday 0800 – 0300

Late Night Refreshment

Monday – Sunday 2300 – 0330

Supply of Alcohol

Monday – Sunday 0800 – 0300

Hours open to the Public

Monday – Sunday 0800 – 0330

6. Please indicate any parts of the Licensing Authority’s Statement of Policy that you feel may be relevant to your representation ³.

Indication of those relevant parts will be given in addition to those above, in a Panel Hearing.

7. Please indicate any parts of the Guidance issued under S 182 of the licensing Act 2003, which you feel may be relevant to your representation ⁴.

Indication of those relevant parts will be given within a Panel Hearing.

8. As you have made a representation the Application may need to be determined at a hearing of the Licensing Committee or one of its Panels. At this stage would you intend to attend such a hearing⁵? Please circle as appropriate.

Yes

No

9. If you intend to attend any hearing that may be held it would be helpful at this stage if you could give an indication as to how long you think you would need to make your representation(s).

Not Known

Signed: C Ansty [Senior Licensing Officer, County Licensing, for and on behalf of the Chief Constable]

Date: 30/07/2020



LICENSING ACT 2003

NAME OF APPLICANT: Corn Exchange Newark Ltd

PREMISE ADDRESS: 18 Castlegate, Newark, NG24 1BG

EMAIL ADDRESS

REPRESENTATION BY: Brian Beddows, Environmental Health Officer
 Newark & Sherwood District Council
 Castle House
 Great North Road
 Newark
 NG24 1BY

DETAILS OF REPRESENTATIONS

LICENSING OBJECTIVES	REPRESENTATION (Details and any supporting evidence)
<p>1. The prevention of public nuisance</p>	<p>I am concerned that there will be noise nuisance to surrounding residents from amplified sound at the premises. The reasoning behind this concern is based on the application submitted that the applicant wishes to have a licence to undertake the following activities <u>outdoors until the early hours of the morning</u>:</p> <p>Daily Films, Live Music, Recorded Music, Performances of Dance, Anything of similar description Monday to Wednesday 08:00 to 02:00 the following day Thursday and Sunday 08:00 to 03:00 the following day Friday and Saturday 08:00 to 04:00 the following day</p> <p>The applicant has not provided any noise survey or stipulated how noise will be prevented from leaving the boundary of the premises.</p> <p>I also have concerns that providing of alcohol and late night refreshments outdoor into the early hours will lead to disturbance from patrons by shouting, laughing and verbal sounds.</p>

	<p>In relation to indoor activities I have no issue on the understanding that the inside of the premises is acoustically soundproofed to prevent the escape of sound to nearby residents. A noise survey should be undertaken to demonstrate that the fabric of the property is soundproofed satisfactorily.</p> <p>In Section M d, The prevention of public Nuisance it states:</p> <p>Duration of live and recorded music The performance of live music with amplified instruments outside of the property will be limited to no more than 4hrs on any one day, and to no more than 4 days in any one week</p> <p>Comment: this potentially could mean the live music could start at 12 midnight and finish at 4am which is not satisfactory for outdoor sound.</p> <p>Due to the location of the premises and the close proximity of nearby residential properties I do not think it is appropriate to have outdoor operations after 11pm, unless noise mitigation can be implemented.</p>
2. Public safety	
3. The prevention of crime and disorder	
4. The protection of children from harm	

If a hearing is held do you intend/do not intend attend the panel hearing relating to the above application.
(please indicate)

Signed

Please print nameBRIAN BEDDOWS

Please complete and return to:

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Room 1

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21/7/20

Proposed application for new premises /club premises certificate
At The Corn Exchange Castlegate Newark Notts

I wish to object to the proposed certificate above being granted for the following reasons

- My home is opposite the proposed venue and previously experienced problems this type of venue creates to the people already living close proximity
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- People coming out of the venue and visiting other food outlets with associated noise and behaviour in the early hours of the morning -extending the time of disruption further

- Coming out of the venue in the early hours of the morning the proposed closing time is 3/ 4am Having been allowed to drink up until that time
- Give no thoughts to people living in the area who are trying to sleep /have to go to work /shift work
- The alley way leading to my home is used for urinating in, vomiting in ,take drugs ,have sex
- Intimidating behaviour in the area of persons under the influence when returning to my home Especially females

I consider this to infringe my human rights

Adam Taylor

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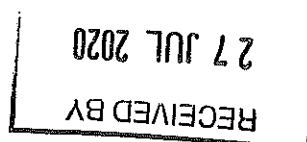
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Alan Scrimshaw



Dear Ms Kellas,

I wish to object to the licencing application for 18 Castlegate, Newark on the following grounds:

- **Unsuitable premises:** The premises does not have suitable space out the front for queuing given the size of venue. The venue is also very close to the river which has no barrier between the river and the pathway; it not a big stretch of the imagination for an intoxicated patron to be put in danger.
- **Unsuitable location:** Given the close proximity to the residential areas of Castlegate and Millgate, this will undoubtably cause unnecessary disturbance to the residence. Further, this would be the only venue in the area with a license like this and Newark does not have the necessary infrastructure of cities that grant licences like this. For example there is no night bus service, there is no night train service and limited taxi service.
- **Unsuitable proposal:** The hours proposed are out of character for licenses granted to towns like Newark. Newark has no need for a venue with such long opening hours and for a town like Newark, these hours would put a strain on the limited resources of the emergency services when they are inevitably required.

Although this grand building has been a club before, this should not set a president for it to continue being one. The council should be forward thinking and encourage the venue to be repurposed into something that adds to the community, such as a restaurant, art gallery, museum or spa, given its central location and proximity to the castle.

I remember when the venue operated as a nightclub previously, it was an unsuitable location then, and the community suffered. We must learn from those mistakes, protect our community and acknowledge that, even with new management, the issues of safety due to the unfit location and public disorder will unfortunately be brought back if a license is granted.

I hope the licensing committee take the communities concerns about this proposed licence seriously and come to the right conclusion.

Kind regards,

Alex Grace
9 Lenton Terrace

Anna Meachem

From: ANTONY ASPBURY
Sent: 30 July 2020 18:40
To: request; customerservices; David Lloyd
Subject: Application for a Premises Licence at 18 Castle Gate, Newark: OBJECTION

I write to OBJECT to the above-cited Premises Licence Application.

I live at 1-5 Millgate, a short distance from the premises in question and have done so for 38 years.

Since the Corn Exchange closed some years ago and since the Atrium Bar closed subsequently, residents in and around the Town Centre have been spared the depredations of the typical customers which both premises attracted. There is a section of the population of the Town and its surroundings who resort to these premises and who, fuelled with too much alcohol, are at best careless and insensitive to the amenities of those living nearby and at worst habitually engage in criminal and anti-social behaviour. In the past I have had drunken patrons of these establishments shouting, using obscene language, arguing loudly, engaging in altercations and fighting on the street outside my property, urinating, defecating and vomiting on my doorstep and smashing my windows. Dealing in hard and soft/recreational drugs has been widespread. Any attempt to challenge such behaviour results in physical and verbal threats and abuse. This is a peculiarly British 'disease' which manifests itself wherever people combine congregation in large numbers with free-flowing alcohol. It must surely be clear now that hoping that this cohort will behave differently is misguided and they should not be afforded the opportunity and the means to inflict their bad behaviour on others.

An additional detriment impact on the local environment and to residential amenity is the long queues of taxis standing on Castlegate and reaching round onto Lombard Street, with their engines running, for much of the evening and into the early hours, resulting in additional noise and poor air quality.

The doormen at these establishments are only concerned with those who are in, or trying to enter the premises, whilst the police force in Newark is too small, insufficiently resourced and too spread out to adequately control the behaviour cited above. Despite their protestations the Applicants do not care about the impact of their business on the wider community, including the local environs and do little or nothing to preempt or prevent misbehaviour by their patrons. Rather they effectively encourage it with the reckless sale of excessive quantities of alcohol, including to people who have clearly already consumed too much. Practical regulation of consumption is rendered harder by the size and layout of the premises and the number of people within them. I submit that the Applicants have demonstrated previously, here and elsewhere, that they are not fit and proper persons to hold the Licence and to operate the premises properly within its terms.

To suggest that The Exchange and its 'partner in crime', the equally badly-run Atrium, contributed in the past, or would contribute positively in future to the so-called 'Evening Economy' of the Town, is absurd and delusional and wholly at odds with the evidence. Thus when the true cost to the community, including: the additional cleaning and repair costs to the public domain and to private property; the additional strain imposed on the emergency services and the local hospitals, including the harm to the health and safety of their staff through physical assaults; etc; is taken into account, there is a clear net economic disbenefit, as well as severe damage to the image and reputation of the Town

The uses and activities the subject of this license application are clearly incompatible with the safety, security, health and welfare of the community and with the aspirations of the Council for the Town Centre as reflected in the current Towns Funds bid, including making the Centre a safe and attractive place for more people to live. They will attract precisely the people and behaviour that we don't want in the Town, day or night, and certainly in the early hours of the morning. If this market is to be met at all, then better to develop purpose-built premises outside the Town Centre and in non-residential areas, such as Northern Road Industrial Estate, where patrons can be contained within a sound-proof building shell and/or corralled behind security fencing, well away from residential and other sensitive property.

The Corn Exchange is a fine historic building in the heart of the Town Centre Conservation Area and adjacent to the Riverside. There are better and more appropriate alternative uses for it, which would be genuinely beneficial to the community.

I therefore urge the Council to refuse to grant the premises license sought in this case. If however, it misguidedly DOES grant it, then it should only do so subject to requiring the Applicant to give a bond of not less than £50,000 to be drawn on to pay for repairs for damage to property in the local area and cleaning the public realm, and, in addition, to pay a sum to meet the full cost of an additional police officer on duty in the Town Centre between 6 pm and 6 am 7 days-a-week.

APPENDIX 5

Please acknowledge receipt of this communication and advise how the Application is to be dealt with henceforth.

Antony P Aspbury

Tel Newark

The Licensing and Enforcement Section
Newark & Sherwood District Council
Castle House
Great North Road
Newark on Trent NG24 1BY

26th July 2020

Dear Sirs

Subject: Premises Licence Application for 18 Castlegate, Newark, NG24 1 BG

I write as a local resident to express my concern about the very wide-ranging application concerning the Corn Exchange.

Over the years the owners have demonstrated their inability to keep within the boundaries of their licence viz. the unsafe atmosphere on the pavement outside, the vomit, urine and rubbish (also, blood, from time to time) on the pavements of Millgate to be found on Saturday and Sunday mornings together with the noise, not so much from the building, but from their customers going home afterwards. They now seek a very broad-ranging licence for a multitude of activities until a very late hour.

I would like to propose that this application be rejected in full but fairness suggests that perhaps it should be granted for activities upto 11 pm.

We have enjoyed relative peace and quiet (also reduced vandalism and greater street cleanliness) during the past few years while the Corn Exchange has been closed. It is far too close to residential areas for any activities after 11 pm, especially the sale of alcohol. It is a shame that the building has been out of use but the owners should find a use which enhances the area, not destroys the quality of life of the local residents, encourages petty crime and affects their safety.

Operation beyond 11 pm creates an environment which engenders crime and disorder; it is a public nuisance and it affects public safety. I urge you that, if there is no mechanism to reject the application completely, you restrict the operating hours to 11 pm.

Yours faithfully

C J Lester

APPENDIX 5
Denis Power-Neads

10 Millgate Apartments,
11 Millgate,
Newark on Trent,
Nottinghamshire,
NG24 4TR.

20th July 2020

The Licensing and Enforcement Section,
Newark & Sherwood District. Council,
Castle House,
Great North Road,
Newark on Trent,
NG24 1BY

LICENSING ACT 2003 18 CASTLEGATE NEWARK NG24 1BG

Dear Sir,

I have relooked at the application for a licence for the above-mentioned premises and I would like to make a further objection to the proposal for the following reasons.

1. The premises do not provide satisfactory means of escape from fire.
2. There is not a need for this type of occupancy in Newark.

I make the following reasons to support these comments.

- a) The means of escape from the basement to the staircases is in one direction only. The staircases provided are within 45 degrees of each other.
- b) The means of escape from the first floor is via 3 staircases all of which discharge back into the ground floor.
- c) The exit from the ground floor to the public way is via an external stair which do not have the required hand rails and are not suitable for an emergency evacuation.
- d) We had a similar type of occupancy with the Atrium which was also on Castlegate. This proves that there is not a need for this occupancy and this application should be rejected.

These comments arise from the plan submitted in the application.

Yours sincerely

Denis Power-Neads



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10 Millgate Apartments,
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15th July 2020

The Licensing and Enforcement Section,
Newark & Sherwood District Council,
Castle House,
Great North Road,
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LICENSING ACT 2003 18 Castlegate Newark NG24 1BG

Dear Sirs,

I wish to object to the approval of a licence as outlined in the application for the proposed use of 18 Castle Gate Newark.

When the Atrium was open we had a stream of people walking/staggering past our premises singing, shouting, laughing and urinating in our driveway during the early hours of the morning. The Atrium closed at 0200 hours and it often took an hour for the noise to die down. When it was open we also had to contend with police responding to incidents at the junction of our road and Castle Gate with sirens in the early hours.

Premises such as this also encourage undesirables with an increase in drugs etc.

We also had to contend with bottles and cans of drinks some empty others with some of the liquid left in them uneaten food and packaging of the food. These were dumped in our entrance and spread along the road making the place look scruffy and unkept.

As the application includes music outside the building the noise level in our apartment would be intolerable especially in the summer when we have our windows open. We hear the sound of music played in the Castle grounds which is further away than 18 Castlegate.

The application if granted would mean that we will be disturbed for 18.5 hours Monday to Wednesday, 19.5 hours Thursday and Sunday and a massive 20.5 hours Friday and Saturday-that leaves us with 3.5 hours (between 0430 and 0800 hours). Totally unacceptable and unnecessary.

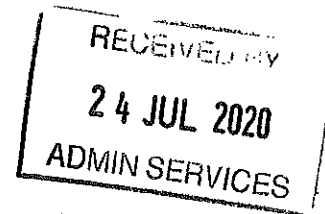
I am concerned that there is no indication of the maximum numbers allowed on the premises (Will not exceed 5000 is all I could find on the application) On looking at the plans submitted with the application the exit doors do not appear to be of sufficient size and numbers for the numbers that could be allowed to occupy the building especially when there is/will be uncontrolled drinking. (We know this from the experience we had from the Atrium)

There is no indication in the application of a fire risk assessment having been produced. This is vital for the safety of the occupants when there are large gatherings of people with the possibility of a panic situation occurring.

Yours sincerely,

Denis Power-Neads MifireE MIFSM Valerie Power-Neads

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Helen Kempson

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14th July 2020

FAO Ms Nicola Kellas
Licensing and Enforcement
Environmental Health
Newark & Sherwood District Council
Castle House
Newark
NG24 1BY

Dear Ms Kellas

18 Castlegate, Newark NG24 1BG

I write in the strongest possible terms to **object** to this application which I saw affixed to the railings at the back of the Corn Exchange and now on its front door.

Millgate has become increasingly residential since the conversion of the old Tax Office to Millgate Apartments. Although life has been more peaceful since lockdown, the proposed opening hours at the Corn Exchange are extremely alarming once lockdown has ended.

1. Prevention of Crime and Disorder

In the past, my neighbours and I have often had cause to ring the Police to ask for their intervention with anti-social behaviour and late night/early morning noise. The incidence of speeding cars down Millgate has increased.

2. Public Safety

We already have a big litter problem on Millgate, despite our litter picking. Bottles, cans, half eaten food in discarded polystyrene boxes, broken glass, faeces and vomit. I have witnessed people urinating by the side of my car in the early hours. Bins are often knocked over and they and their contents left in the middle of the road.

.../...

3. Prevention of Public Nuisance

We have experienced shouting, screaming, abusive and obscene language and people walking in the street ignoring oncoming traffic. Thorpe's Warehouse archway is also a meeting point for more drinking and drug taking.

4. The Protection of Children from Harm

Consumption of alcohol by adults over long hours sets a very bad example to young people who now drink heavily themselves. This often leads to anti-social behaviour with damage to people's property, abuse to passers by and drug taking, all of which already happen in this area.

It appears to me from the application that every possible type of entertainment is proposed, both indoors and outdoors. The flowering tubs by the river are repeatedly vandalised, but I am most concerned by:

Late Night Refreshment and Selling Alcohol from 08:00 to 02:30 and 08:00 to 04:00 and 04:30 is simply unacceptable, especially in a residential area.

We who live on or near Millgate have put up with these problems and the disturbance of our peaceful living for many years and this application is not in our best interest.

I hope that the Council will look very carefully at this application and will **not** grant it.

Yours sincerely

Jane Williams (Mrs)

COPY WITH COMPLIMENTS TO:

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I consider this to infringe my human rights

Johnathan Randells

From:

Sent: 29/07/2020 23:27:36

Subject: Objection to Premises Licence Application for 18 Castlegate, Newark - URGENT

Dear Sirs,

I wish to register my objection to the above licensing application.

I live at 3 Navigation Yard, Millgate, Newark and have been there for many years

Our lives were made unbearable when a previous enterprise with similar opening hours operated out of the old Corn Exchange.

We suffered noise, shouting, fighting, urinating in doorways, people having sex under archways, windows smashed, bottles smashed throughout the evening and well into the early hours of the morning. It wasn't safe to go out in the evenings for fear of meeting a gang of drunken revellers and arriving home late was very hazardous for fear of being accosted by loitering and foul mouthed drunks.

If these premises are given a licence covering the hours are requesting there is no doubt that the level of antisocial behaviour along Castle Gate and down Millgate will increase to the previous horrendous proportions we experienced previously. Not only will it make our lives a misery, it will take up precious police and ambulance resources and cause great damage to the reputation of the town and deter visitors who would wish to come in to other venues during normal licensing hours.

I hope you will take account of the many objections to this application and refuse it.

Yours faithfully,

JPA Meanley

Dear Ms Kellas

New Premises Licence - 18 Castlegate, Newark

I **strongly object** to this application.

The opening hours are far too long. **There is no justification for this venue, being so close to the residential area of Millgate, being open to 2.30am in the week and 4.00am at weekends.** These long hours lead to excessive alcohol consumption. This in turn leads to crime and disorder, disruptive noise late at night and in the early hours of the morning, accidents and public health issues with litter and vomit attracting vermin. Public services such as the police, ambulance and pest control are then needed at cost to the public purse. This is not a sustainable way of carrying on because the social costs outweigh the economic benefits to the local community.

There is no reason why the residents of Millgate, who are rate payers, should have crime and disorder, disruptive noise, litter and vomit inflicted on them by allowing this operation to be open until 2.30 am in the week and 4.00am at weekends.

It is an application in the wrong location, that does not take into account the impact on local residents living in close proximity to the venue, and has nothing to commend it.

I request that the application be rejected.

Yours sincerely,

Julia Grace

Lenton Terrace, Millgate, Newark

For attention of:

Ms Nicola Kellas, Senior Licensing Officer
Licensing and Enforcement, Environmental Health
Newark & Sherwood District Council
Castle House, Great North Road
Newark, Notts, NG24 1BY

Dear Ms Kellas

Re: 18 CASTLEGATE, NEWARK, NOTTS, NG24 1BG

Please note and record my OBJECTIONS to the current licensing application in respect of 18 Castlegate, on the following grounds:

CRIME AND DISORDER: In the past Castlegate and Millgate have endured considerable episodes of both crime and disorder from unruly members of the public emanating from previous activities at this venue. Smashed windows, damage to cars, intimidation of persons, damage to private properties and gardens are just some of the problems experienced by the law-abiding residents.

PUBLIC SAFETY: The excessive use of this venue as planned, together with extensive opening hours with the sale of food and alcohol will inevitably lead to revellers in both Castlegate and Millgate discarding half-eaten food and wrappings, drinks cans, broken glasses etc, on the pavements, in doorways, passageways and gardens. The discarded half-eaten food, vomit and faeces encourages RATS and vermin to be seen on the street and pavements. Millgate has many little passageways and these are frequently used as general urinals. Waste bins get kicked into the road with contents strewn about thus becoming a hazard to traffic.

PUBLIC NUISANCE: This applies both to Castlegate and along the entire length of Millgate – because of limited parking facilities in the immediate area of 18 Castlegate, many people use the on-street parking at the far end (The Spring House end) of Millgate and walk down to Castlegate. Consequently when leaving the venue late at night/early morning the intoxicated revellers disturb the peace and sleep of residents the length of Millgate with shouting, swearing, brawling, culminating in fights requiring Police intervention.

PROTECTION OF CHILDREN: The biggest risk to children is their disturbed sleep caused by many people streaming out of the venue and the consequent noise from car doors slamming, shouting, foul language, fights etc in a heavily residential area.

COMMENTS: During the lockdown, residents of Millgate have enjoyed a peaceful period, but all this will be shattered if the excessive late night hours applied for are passed. I sincerely hope the Licensing Committee will see the

damage that such a license will cause to the residents of Castlegate and the residential area of .Millgate.

I have lived in Millgate for many years and this application is extremely worrying and is causing much anxiety.

Please acknowledge receipt of my objections.

Yours sincerely

Mrs L M Reeves,

Lenton Terrace, Millgate.

Newark

NG24 7US

10/7/2020

Objections to Licence application 18 Castlegate

Sir, I am a local resident and object to the hours this premises intends to be open especially as it includes outdoor space for films, live music etc.

This is a residential area and a conservation area and it has been noted that we will hear taxi doors slamming and the noise of people who have been drinking walking along the canal footpath and returning to their cars which can not be parked at the premises.

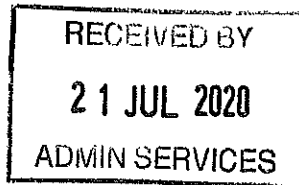
Antisocial behaviour, excessive noise, a mixed venue site with little or no parking will make it difficult for residents to enjoy the privacy and enjoyment of their own properties.

Castlegate is a main thoroughfare in Newark and the lack of parking will make it difficult for emergency vehicles if a considerable number of people are queuing for access while security checks are being carried out.

The canal/riverside is also used by boat users who face noise and disturbance as they have moorings directly next to the garden area.

I can not see any number of likely attendees to this venue and contradictory comments about keeping noise within the premises are totally at odds with slamming taxi doors, loud chatter when leaving and its outdoor garden use.

27 Millgate
Newark
Notts
NG24 4TR



15th July 2020

Ms Nicola Kellas
Licensing & Enforcement
Newark & Sherwood District Council
Castle House
Newark NG24 1BY

Dear Ms Kellas

The Corn Exchange, 18 Castlegate, Newark NG24 1BG

I object strongly to this application by Corn Exchange Ltd.

Millgate is a residential area, as is much of the area around the Corn Exchange and the proposed hours are totally unreasonable and would be detrimental to residents' lives.

Prevention of Crime and Disorder

There is already a great deal of anti-social behaviour especially at weekends and public holidays. People swear and shout at each other and hurl abuse at anyone they pass as well as at each other.

Public Safety

Litter on Millgate is a big problem, with bottles, cans and abandoned takeaway food. My bins are often knocked over with the contents spilling onto the road until I, or a neighbour, deal with them.

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Prevention of Public Nuisance

Residents often suffer from rowdiness and drunken behaviour on people's way home from the pubs and takeaways and have experienced broken windows and damage to cars.

The Protection of Children from Harm

I am concerned that alcohol could be served to vulnerable, underage children during the proposed too long opening hours. We experience anti-social behaviour from many young people who increasingly ride their bikes the wrong way down Millgate swearing and shouting as they go.

I hope you will give my comments serious consideration and **refuse** this application for longer licensing hours.

Yours sincerely

Mark Larter

Mr Martin Hall & Mrs Pauline Hall
11 Manners Road
Balderton
Newark
Notts

July 27th 2020

Dear Sirs

We are writing with regard to the Licensing application for 18 Castlegate.

Whilst being pleased that these premises will be used for activities throughout the day and evening which should be of benefit to the general public of Newark and surrounding areas, we are very unhappy about the licensing hours .

People in general attend venues such as this after pub closing times, in order to drink alcohol. Drinking until 4am on Fridays and Saturdays will only encourage drunkenness and leave the door open to drug abuse. Local people living or working nearby will suffer disturbance from noise and antisocial behaviour in the local streets.

2am would be an acceptable time for the venue to close on a Friday and a Saturday. This will allow for people who enjoy socialising until a late hour, whilst not encroaching excessively on the well-being of local people.

The venue should close by 11.30pm at the latest on all other nights of the week. This will still allow for the proposed music, films and dance to take place, yet not hopefully unduly upset local people.

It should be considered that the venue should be completely closed on one day of the week so that local people who live in the area and those who wish to enjoy the beautiful outdoor areas of the castle and the river can do so in tranquillity.

We hope that our views will be taken into consideration when you are reviewing this application.

Thank you

Mr and Mrs J P D WHEELDON
Trent Edge
15 Tannery Wharf
NEWARK ON TRENT
NG 24 4US

The Licencing & Enforcement Section
Newark & Sherwood District Council
Castle House
Great North Road
Newark on Trent
NG24 1BY

27 July 2020

Dear Sir or Madam,

We wish to make a representation to the Licencing Section in regard to the application by Corn Exchange Newark Ltd for the premises 18 Castlegate, Newark.

We reside in Tannery Wharf, off Millgate, which is a continuation of Castlegate, and therefore are living in close proximity to the application. Hence, we extremely concerned at the extent and the volume of noisy unwelcome footfall that could occur on our quiet residential streets. It is a large building and will accommodate huge numbers of customers, potentially many hundreds of alcohol infused persons descending onto Castlegate and the Riverside at any time. The proposed usage from 8.00am to 4.30am the following days will be a complete detriment to our environment and quality of life.

We are also concerned about policing;
There is no custody suite in Newark now, and we feel this will increase any difficulties encountered with disruptive behaviour and enforcement of law.

We do hope the hours of opening allowed will be considerably reduced to the automatic and acceptable entitlement between 8.00 and 23.00, from those proposed and that you will consider our concerns and comments.

Yours faithfully

ACCESS MODELS

43-45 Castlegate

Newark

NG24 1BE

21/7/20

Proposed application for new premises /club premises certificate

At The Corn Exchange Castlegate Newark Notts

As the owner of Access Models ,I wish to object to the proposed certificate above being granted for the following reasons

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- We have suffered in the past of rat infestations relating to food being dropped on the paths and alley ways in the early hours of the morning

- The business premises have been vandalised regularly by revellers coming out of the previous venue used in the proposed premises. This has included broken windows, damaged paint work

- The front of my premises has been daubed with food i.e. curry sauce, chips

- Excrement left of the front step of the premises

- Broken glasses left on the path and down the alley way

- The revellers had set off the alarm system in the early hours of the morning and the police calling me out

Mr Clark

Managing Director

Room 5
45a Castlegate
Newark
NG24 1BE
21/7/20

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Miss N.Meadows

Newark Civic Trust

caring about the town's environment



www.newarkcivictrust.org.uk

Formed to encourage the conservation of buildings of architectural and historic interest; to promote good architecture and town planning; to increase & develop public amenities; and to create a greater awareness of the environment in Newark.

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22/07/2020

The Licencing and Enforcement Section
Newark & Sherwood District Council
Castle House
Great North Road
NG24 1BY

Ref: Corn Exchange Newark Ltd

Corn Exchange Newark Ltd wish to develop the three storey listed property with extensive garden, located in a town centre, with direct access from the main thoroughfare of Castle Gate. Seeking to be utilised as a multifaceted venue, covering multi-vendor food provision, games area, gin and herb garden, public entertainment garden providing entertainment and refreshment throughout the day, and weekends.

It is a tragedy that this Grade 11 listed building has not been used for a number of years, but this proposal can only result in a deterioration of the town's reputation at a time when it is making every attempt to raise its profile and prestige.

Newark Civic Trust objects to the proposal on the following grounds:

Day and late night licensed opening will encourage crime, drugs, disorder and anti-social behaviour.

Night club visitors are not noted for their good behaviour after leaving in the early hours of the morning. They are known for loud noise, arguing and urinating in public. There is bound to be violence and vandalism from revellers spilling out from the premises.

The venue will draw customers from a wide area, increasing the potential for nuisance and noise.

Any disturbance is likely to require a police presence, and disturbances are likely to spread to the surrounding area – the castle grounds and the riverside for instance. The venue is likely to put further stress on the police and ambulance services.

There will be additional traffic at all times of the day and night delivering and collecting customers on an already busy road which will have serious public safety implications.

For and on behalf of Newark Civic Trust
M J Hawes, Chairman Planning Committee

Anna Meachem

From: ..
Sent: 30 July 2020 22:53
To: request; customerservices;
Cc:
Subject: Application for a Premises Licence at 18 Castle Gate, Newark: OBJECTION

OBJECTION

I agree with Anthony Aspbury's objection and base my objection on the contents of his very accurate letter of objection.

Very briefly, I and my family - including grand parents and parents (who lived there all their lives) have lived on Lombard Street a very long time, going back to 1937!

The history of planning in the area is abysmal; primarily, with no reasonable consideration given to existing residents!

For my part, I most strongly object to the use of the former Corn Exchange building going forward as any form of Pub/nightclub/hospitality venue and I would urge Newark and Sherwood to consider the same.

Given the uncertainty of the future in general and in particular Market Town Centers, which it seems will have to be more focused in the direction of residential occupation; then if our Town is to survive, it will need inhabitants – the town center will need residential occupants over retail, because there is none – note the number of vacant premises and please read the future of retail in publications such as Estates Gazette and Property Weekly!

The residents will be the buoy for the town and they will pay their way via council taxes and spending in what will only be small, family/private shops/businesses in the Town Centre. If there is a night club with extensively late hours as proposed in such close proximity to an area that **has** to become residential for the economic survival of our town then it would be a **massive detraction** for anyone thinking of relocating.

If you ask anyone who has visited Newark they may say (if they were here over the last 20 years) it is a great little market town, if you ask them why they visited – over those years - it may be because of a handful of retailers who in truth were brave and believing. That handful of retailers should have had their business rates cancelled because of the number of visitors they brought to the town. Those people they brought to town spent money, the sort of money the town needs. They had a great experience, recommended to others and, by the way, left without the need of a Black Mariah.

Anthony Aspbury is correct in all of his observations down to the taxi ranks which on a daily evening basis blocked access to pavements on Lombard Street and Castle Gate (and my premises) full stop!

There is no logical reason why the former Corn Exchange should be a place for evening entertainment – of course – it does depend on what sort of entertainment you like. If it is watching several men beat a single guy to an inch of his life in the middle of Lombard Street, Castle Gate or Millgate – closing it temporarily to vehicles whilst waiting for the police to possibly have enough staff to attend or seeing a woman battering another with a stiletto shoe in hand – again in the middle of the road then please proceed. You will have a ghost town.

Not to mention that at this moment in time, would you question the economics of a business plan supporting this sort of business (although not my concern) but given the future potential of the current pandemic, if Newark and Sherwood gave consent, would they be deemed culpable if there were an outbreak of the virus from the premises if it were operating?

Philip Barker

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

From: ANTONY ASPBURY

To:

Sent: Thursday, 30 July 2020, 18:39:46 BST

Subject: Application for a Premises Licence at 18 Castle Gate, Newark: OBJECTION

I write to OBJECT to the above-cited Premises Licence Application.

I live at 1-5 Millgate, a short distance from the premises in question and have done so for 38 years.

Since the Corn Exchange closed some years ago and since the Atrium Bar closed subsequently, residents in and around the Town Centre have been spared the depredations of the typical customers which both premises attracted. There is a section of the population of the Town and its surroundings who resort to these premises and who, fuelled with too much alcohol, are at best careless and insensitive to the amenities of those living nearby and at worst habitually engage in criminal and anti-social behaviour. In the past I have had drunken patrons of these establishments shouting, using obscene language, arguing loudly, engaging in altercations and fighting on the street outside my property, urinating, defecating and vomiting on my doorstep and smashing my windows. Dealing in hard and soft/recreational drugs has been widespread. Any attempt to challenge such behaviour results in physical and verbal threats and abuse. This is a peculiarly British 'disease' which manifests itself wherever people combine congregation in large numbers with free-flowing alcohol. It must surely be clear now that hoping that this cohort will behave differently is misguided and they should not be afforded the opportunity and the means to inflict their bad behaviour on others.

An additional detriment impact on the local environment and to residential amenity is the long queues of taxis standing on Castlegate and reaching round onto Lombard Street, with their engines running, for much of the evening and into the early hours, resulting in additional noise and poor air quality.

The doormen at these establishments are only concerned with those who are in, or trying to enter the premises, whilst the police force in Newark is too small, insufficiently resourced and too spread out to adequately control the behaviour cited above. Despite their protestations the Applicants do not care about the impact of their business on the wider community, including the local environs and do little or nothing to preempt or prevent misbehaviour by their patrons. Rather they effectively encourage it with the reckless sale of excessive quantities of alcohol, including to people who have clearly already consumed too much. Practical regulation of consumption is rendered harder by the size and layout of the premises and the number of people within them. I submit that the Applicants have demonstrated previously, here and elsewhere, that they are not fit and proper persons to hold the Licence and to operate the premises properly within its terms.

To suggest that The Exchange and its 'partner in crime', the equally badly-run Atrium, contributed in the past, or would contribute positively in future to the so-called 'Evening Economy' of the Town, is absurd and delusional and wholly at odds with the evidence. Thus when the true cost to the community, including: the additional cleaning and repair costs to the public domain and to private property; the additional strain imposed on the emergency services and the local hospitals, including the harm to the health and safety of their staff through physical assaults; etc; is taken into account, there is a clear net economic disbenefit, as well as severe damage to the image and reputation of the Town

The uses and activities the subject of this license application are clearly incompatible with the safety, security, health and welfare of the community and with the aspirations of the Council for the Town Centre as reflected in the current Towns Funds bid, including making the Centre a safe and attractive place for more people to live. They will attract precisely the people and behaviour that we don't want in the Town, day or night, and certainly in the early hours of the morning. If this market is to be met at all, then better to develop purpose-built premises outside the Town Centre and in non-residential areas, such as Northern Road Industrial Estate, where patrons can be contained within a sound-proof building shell and/or corralled behind security fencing, well away from residential and other sensitive property.

The Corn Exchange is a fine historic building in the heart of the Town Centre Conservation Area and adjacent to the Riverside. There are better and more appropriate alternative uses for it, which would be genuinely beneficial to the community.

I therefore urge the Council to refuse to grant the premises license sought in this case. If however, it misguidedly DOES grant it, then it should only do so subject to requiring the Applicant to give a bond of not less than £50,000 to be drawn on to pay for repairs for damage to property in the local area and cleaning the public realm, and, in addition,

APPENDIX 5

to pay a sum to meet the full cost of an additional police officer on duty in the Town Centre between 6 pm and 6 am 7 days-a-week.

Please acknowledge receipt of this communication and advise how the Application is to be dealt with henceforth.

Antony P Aspbury

To whom it may concern.

Premises Licence Application for 18 Castlegate, Newark NG24 1BG

I am horrified by the latest licencing application for the old Corn Exchange at 18 Castlegate, Newark, in terms of **noise pollution**, and the **antisocial behaviour** which will occur if it goes through.

In the past, when it was open as a night club/disco, there was always a lot of noise from the premises themselves and from people gathering outside, often the worse for drink. There are lots of residential places, like mine, that are close enough to be affected by this. It says on the application that it is for outside and indoor use, so if they are going to start using the garden between the building and the river, the noise will be even worse.

The application allows the noise to go on during the night, from 2.00am on some days to 4.30am on other days, and as this time covers the sale of alcohol, there is likely to be a lot of very inebriated people.

Judging by what has happened in the past when the Corn Exchange (and The Atrium) were open, the behaviour deteriorates the longer and later places open. This will be made worse by people who have already been drinking in other places in Newark before going onto the Corn Exchange as it is the only other place open during the night. The behaviour of those leaving the establishment has proved in the past to be totally unacceptable. Not only is there the noise of those shouting as they come along the roads, waking up many who are asleep, but there have been numerous examples of men and women urinating and defecating along Millgate and in the footpaths adjoining it. There is also the likelihood of fights breaking out. None of this is speculation. It is what has happened in the past. There are insufficient police to prevent it, and to respond promptly when called. It can be very scary, and nobody should be woken by someone urinating in their garden or up against their door or wall.

The thought of this being possible every day of the week fills me and other residents nearby with horror and fear, and is surely unfair. At the very least, the hours should be reduced with a closing time of midnight, and the number of days it can open should be reduced.

10 Navigation Yard
Newark.

NG24 4TN

45A Castlegate

Newark

NG24 1BE

21/7/20

Proposed application for new premises /club premises certificate

At The Corn Exchange Castlegate Newark Notts

As the owner of an HMO property, I wish to object to the proposed certificate above being granted for the following reasons

I already find it difficult to rent out rooms in this property and the proposed changes above would make it virtually impossible to operate my business .It would stop any new applications and adversely affect the people whose home it is now .

- People coming out of the venue are drunk, noisy, argumentative, fighting, dropping litter

- People coming out of the venue and visiting other food outlets with associated noise and behaviour in the early hours of the morning -extending the time of disruption further

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- The front of my premises has been daubed with food i.e. curry sauce, chips

- Broken glasses left on the path and down the alley way

- The revellers set off the alarms of the business in the area

- Tenants returning to the property when the previous venue was operating felt intimidated on many occasions and the female occupant were harassed

Mr S, Clark

Dear Ms Kellas,

Myself and my partner have recently moved from another part of the country to Millgate and have heard about the licensing application for 18 Castlegate.

We feel the licencing application is not suitable for Newark and furthermore, it is not in line with other places we have lived in the country.

We would like to make the following objections:

- **Crime and Disorder:** Newark is a peaceful market town, and a venue like the one proposed will attract unwanted trouble. It is uncommon for towns the size of Newark to have a venue with the ridiculous proposed opening hours; this is for good reason. Inevitably, the venue requires support from the emergency services, in a small town like Newark, in the early hours of the morning. This would be a large proportion of the available emergency resources and could impact everyone in this town.
- **Public Safety:** The location of the venue is not suitable for this type of licence. On the rear of the property is the canal which, apart from the premise's perimeter wall, does not have a guard rail to prevent the inevitably intoxicated revellers from tumbling in, causing a safety risk to themselves and other members of the public.
- **Public Nuisance:** The proposed venue is situated with the dense residential areas of Castlegate and Millgate within less that a 0.5km radius. It is inconceivable how a venue with extensive opening hours will not disturb the peace of residents and have a detrimental impact on their quality of life.
- **Location:** Given the capacity of the space outside the front, it is not suitable for the patrons to queue in an orderly manner on a busy night when ID checks are taking place. Furthermore, venues like this typically create general litter out front where intoxicated clubbers leave drinks before entering, cigarette butts and takeaway food waste; this should not be on a prominent street in Newark.

Whilst we are pro-local business and have ourselves enjoyed nightlife, this needs to be conducted in a suitable location and in a responsible manner. We hope that Newark & Sherwood council Licensing Committee can make a sensible decision that protects its residents.

Kind regards,

Shiloh Grant-Smith
20A Coopers Yard

Dear Nicola

Please find below our objection to the application for these premises.

Kind regards

Sue Pickles

for Millgate Conservation Society

New Premises Licence - 18 Castlegate Newark

Numbers in brackets refer to the Statement of Licensing Objectives

Millgate Conservation Society is in favour of our built heritage being re-purposed for current times. We welcome re-opening the former Corn Exchange for public enjoyment but **strongly object** to the current application.

In offering these comments MCS aims to ensure that this new venture is successful and sustainable. We share the Licensing Authority's view of the potential of licensed premises (1.4). The former corn exchange has an unhappy history of short-lived enterprises which have not been managed well enough to give secure employment to staff or receive acceptance and support from the local community.

As we all learn to 'live with covid' we are looking more precisely at the amenities on our doorstep. We want the new business to become an established, well-respected, safe, go-to destination with a stable client base. We support the applicant's ambition for the premises to become multi-functional.

Newark and Sherwood District Council Statement of Licensing Policy written in response to the 2003 Licensing Act lays out very clearly the role of the Licensing Committee in supporting all policies of NSDC by promoting the Licensing Objectives:

- (a) the prevention of crime and disorder;
- (b) public safety;
- (c) the prevention of public nuisance; and
- (d) the protection of children from harm.

We believe that the application being considered falls a long way short of partnering the Council to achieve those objectives.

Approximately 100 metres from the premises being considered is Top Lock Rows, a complex of senior housing managed by NSDC (NASH until Feb 2020). This complex has some of the most vulnerable members of our community. A number of our households include young children. Many of those of working age are employed on shift-work whilst others work from home. So there is wide

variation in 24hour routines. The development next to the marina will bring more new residents once it is complete. All of us are potential customers for this new venture. Any application could benefit from our diversity.

Proposed Use

The proposed end times are totally incompatible with the location and have no respect for the needs of the resident community.

We would ask that the garden area, described as for use by families, will close at a much earlier time, conducive with school hours and childrens' bedtime with perhaps a later time at weekends ((d) above). After those times all noise should be contained within the building with any windows and doors being closed .

Activities inside should end by 23.00h on weekdays and 00.00h at weekends.

Final entry time should be 1hour before the end time.

Operating Schedule

We are disappointed that we have not had the opportunity to talk to the applicant about the proposed Operating Schedule before it was submitted (7.1.7) to ensure it properly addresses all relevant issues that might give rise to concern (1.3), (6.5.7).

The Statement of Licensing Policy 2019-23 (approved Jan 2019) contains **numerous examples of recommended management practice** that a premises operator may adopt in order for their business to run effectively and support the Licensing Objectives.(Para. 7.12-19) We can see that the applicant has incorporated some of these in his proposal. We don't understand why they are not **all included. We would want that to be the case.**

We read in 4.5 that Newark is an area of concern for its 'burden of alcohol-related harms to the health and wellbeing within the community'. This application is being made at a time when a national initiative to combat obesity is being launched. For a business with a future, both those issues should feature in **measures in the Operating Schedule concerning the drinks and food offer** (prevention of crime and disorder, public safety, protection of children from harm).

NSDC Licensing website features prominently links in relation to **Covid 19**. The pre-opening checklist includes: Consider existing operating policies in light of COVID 19 regulations (and consider if you need new/revised ones) –such as admission and dispersal, searching, drugs, toilet checks, underage, vulnerable persons, cleaning protocols, security, avoiding overcrowding of areas used regularly like corridors and toilets and other confined spaces, controlling queues and ensuring markers are in place or other measures to comply with social distancing. **The Operating Schedule makes no mention of either the Guidance or the measures that will be taken** (public safety).

Whilst the application states operating hours it does not explain that members of staff will be working beyond those hours and could potentially create a nuisance/disturbance as they leave the premises later (prevention of public nuisance).

There is no explanation of how under-18s will leave the building if they are restricted from the Basement (protection of children from harm).

There is no designated smoking or vaping area. (prevention of public nuisance).

Local residents are offered a direct means of communicating with the DPS in the event of noise nuisance. We welcome this and request that the **link is to a responsible person on-site who is in a position to take action.**(prevention of public nuisance)

Policy 1

Whilst it is good to know that only Security personnel will be employed who hold a recognised SIAS qualification, **no other staff training will be to national standards and certification.** (6.7.2)

It worries us that the licensee lives a good 15 miles from the premises and there is no resident manager. The pre-opening checklist for Covid 19 has as its first checkpoint that the DPS is working at the premises. In view of the requested opening hours and that the DPS holds more than one licence it is unrealistic to believe that he will always be on-site. **The Operating Schedule makes no mention of DPS presence during opening hours. No other personal licence holders are listed.** We feel this is an essential safeguard for all four licensing objectives in a large, 3-storey building + garden that will be operating virtually 24/7.

Policy 2

Overall the **Operating Schedule is far too vague and lacking in substantive detail** (7.5)

No Risk assessment has been submitted for any individual area or the premises as a whole (7.4).

With this lack of clarity there is enormous **potential for the Licensing Objectives to be undermined.**

We submit that the Licensing Committee should **refuse the application** as being insufficiently detailed to allow them to make a well-founded decision.

Dear whom it may concern,

We are writing in support for the proposals in place to bring the Corn Exchange back into use. The corn exchange is a prominent building in the centre of town that has been neglected for too long. The proposal in place will not only bring it back to life and its former glory, but will also bring something new to the town centre which will help it to thrive. Currently, there is no live music or late night venue in Newark. This aspect of the proposal will help make the town more attractive to young professionals who can make use of the excellent transport links and commute to Nottingham or Lincoln. Whilst the family centred aspects of the proposal with the food hall and games will help bring the corn exchange back to the centre of the community for all ages.

Yours Sincerely,

Amy and Sam Peach

From:

Sent: 29/07/2020 21:37:55

Subject: Newark Corn Exchange

To Who it may concern

Newark is dying, with the endless roadworks and Covid Newark has become a desert full of boarded up buildings being left to rot.

Newark needs new life breathing into it and I would like to put my weight behind a company that is trying to do just that.

The Corn Exchange project is just what Newark needs, food hall Live music and bringing the riverside to life, I sincerely hope as a resident my views are taken into consideration.

Sincerely

Andy McIntosh

Dawn Birkin
Barnby in the Willows

Hello

I have just seen the write up about the plans for the old Corn Exchange in Newark. Over the years we have seen the Robinhood Hotel decline from what was once a thriving venue where I actually had my wedding reception in 1990.

I see the Council have concerns regarding the Licencing application for a late licence. I must say I really have to strongly show my support for this new venture, it would bring this once glorious building back to life again. My parents both enjoyed their dances in that building many years ago where they would jive the night away in the 50's/60s. Over the years we have seen Newark in decline with different attempts to open venues with late licences and yes you may get the very few who cause concern but why on earth should that spoil it for the majority. Many now visit other neighbouring counties to socialise and enjoy evenings out with food and live music. I feel this would be a great opportunity to stop the Corn Exchange becoming another eye sore like the 'Robinhood' and I feel lessons should be learned how that's ended up. Castle gate is one of the main routes through town and its time to bring it all back to life. Attract people from outside as well as Newark with the hope that it encourages people to come and spend money to make Newark business's thrive. Bring in much needed revenue into our town.

Sat beside the river today, looking at the castle and surrounding buildings the rear of the Corn Exchange lets the landscape down. For people visiting Newark, the view of the Castle, the park, the river and Castlegate are what makes Newark a very attractive place. As well as the Market with quaint coffee shops and historical buildings. Please support this application, don't dwell on past issues, let's support those who wish to make Newark a thriving place to visit and support breathing life into this once historic building.

Yours sincerely

Dawn Birkin

To whom this may concern,

This is exactly what we need in Newark!

What an amazing proposal - all the different rooms/floors will be perfect for what Newark is lacking.

It will be so nice to have something like this local where we don't need to travel out of Newark for a good night out.

Even more so that my parents used to party here and I did when I was a teenager for the 'foam parties' it will be nice to have this live on.

Kind Regards,
Lauren Bird

Lucy Worrall

Hello,

I would like to voice my support for the application for Newark corn exchange's licence, I believe this sort of venue would be brilliant for our town. Having more venues like this would be excellent as I could spend my money locally instead of having to go to Lincoln or Nottingham.

As can be seen from the success of Madision's, if the appropriate security is used then issues that have happened in the past such as antisocial behaviour are just that, a thing of the past! I live just down the road from Madision's and think the venue is superb and therefore would love to see another venue that offers live music and food. Especially considering the new Travelodge that is under construction, as I believe this would bring much needed tourism into the area!

Thank you

LW

I am writing to support the above application. I reside at 41 Castlegate and opening a new venture on Castlegate will improve the footfall and local economy. I live opposite the building.

Regards Margaret Begley -grey

Dear sir/madam,

The potential development of the Corn Exchange is exactly what we need to rejuvenate the town! I worked at Caesar's when it first opened. Great days!!! Let's keep the local economy going instead of everyone having to go out of town for a decent, safe night out.

It would be such a shame for the building to become further dilapidated and let's face it, another eyesore that will eventually be targeted by vandals or end up as the Robin Hood did!

I say, if the developers intend to invest in the town, in what I can imagine will be a very costly process. I think we should support them. The business will bring new, much needed jobs during the development and completion.

As a mother of a teenage daughter, I would welcome a decent establishment for my daughter to frequent when she is old enough in our own town, as did I.

Warm regards,

Nicola Pelling

Resident of Fernwood.