

Annex 3

IP1 Representation

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Subject: New Premises Application for Ghana Family Funday Saturday 14th July 2018

Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing on behalf of the Chalk Lane Area Residents Association (CLARA) committee regarding the above licence application and to object to the licence being issued.

I understand from an email sent by Ellie Green dated 8th June 2017, for a representation to be relevant, it must be one that is about the likely effect of the application on the promotion of the four licensing objectives, namely:

Protection of Children from Harm.

Public Safety

Prevention of crime or disorder

Prevention of nuisance.

However, I would respectfully point out that the Blue notices that have been attached to the gateway of Trent Park did not explain this criteria. In addition, we would also advise you that the Blue New Premises Licence Application Notices attached to the boundary fencing of Trent Park for the Ghana Family Funday were missing basic information such as the applicants address and that the link to the council's website for further information simply brought up a statement that the page was not found. Council Officers were advised of this error at the Stakeholders meeting held on the 23rd April 2018. We note that a separate small piece of white card detailing the correct website link has now been hung adjacent to the blue notice and that the original Statutory Notice has been amended by simply drawing a line through the original website link. Assuming that the amendments were made on the 23rd April 2018, our concern is that for 20 days out of a 28-day consultation period the councils website link was incorrect. In addition, the applicants address section remains blank.

With regards to the application itself we would comment that in past years CLARA has supported this event in that it has been seen as a family event and therefore

supports what we believe to be one of the aims of parkland in that it is for family use. However, the event last year demonstrated that there were a number of matters which due to bad management had an adverse effect on both the other park users and local residents and although we have raised all of these matters both within last year's event review and subsequent meetings with council officers, we have yet to receive an assurance that the plans for this year's event have addressed them. At the time of writing we have not received from either the event organiser or the council any detailed event management information. A Stakeholders meeting has been arranged for the 21st May 2018 and we are advised that the event organisers will attend in order to provide the required detail. However, the date of this meeting falls after the closing date for our comments to Licensing and therefore we have to base our submission on the information we have at this time. We are happy to and reserve the right to amend, withdraw or add to our comments after we have received the event detail.

With regards to the above, our objections are as follows:

- (1) CLARA objects principally on the grounds of public nuisance and safety. This event is scheduled to take place on the 14th July attracting 6000 to 8000 attendees. On the same day another major event has been organised in Cockfosters at the Saracens Rugby Football ground. The event is The Cockfosters Music Festival and Summer Wonderland Activity fair ground. The event is also classed in the same category as the Ghana Family Funday (Major Event) in that it is expected to attract a similar number of attendees. The event organisers website is recommending that attendees use the same car parks, transport and other facilities that would be used by those attending the Ghana festival. CLARA formally advised Council Officers of the Cockfosters Music Festival on the 29th March, provided a link to the festival website and confirmed that it was scheduled to take place on the same days as the planned Ghana and Mauritius festival. We received confirmation that the matter would be investigated and that we would be advised of the outcome. To date we have only received limited information in return and as the Cockfosters Music Festival is still being heavily promoted and tickets remain available for sale we have to assume that it is still going ahead. With the above in mind, CLARA objects to this Licence application on the grounds of Public Nuisance and safety as we believe that it would be unsafe for two Major Events to take place in Cockfosters on the same day, that the infrastructure of the area and facilities are inadequate to cope with events at each end of the main shopping and residential areas. For this reason alone, we believe this application should be declined. However, should we receive written confirmation that the Cockfosters Music Festival will not be taking place then we are happy to withdraw this element of our objection.
- (2) Over past Ghana Festivals sound and noise management has proven to be an issue. At last year's event review, we commented that noise levels at certain times were excessive and monitoring provided by council officers

ineffective. We confirmed readings which were taken independently of:
Mansion house: Over a ten-minute period, Average 86 d/b
Animal Sanctuary: Over a five-minute period, Average 88d/b with peaks in excess of 105d/b

We have received verbal agreement from council officers that Sound Monitoring and Noise Control procedures would be developed for all Major events taking place within the 2018 season. Although still in draft form this commitment is documented within the draft Major and Large Event Operating Principles currently being developed between the Council and CLARA.

CLARA is of the opinion that the completion of the Sound Monitoring and Noise Control procedure should be a condition of this licence application and that it should be fully complied with for this event. The document and its procedures should be used by both the councils own monitoring staff or independent sound monitoring companies if applicable.

(3) Car Parking on the Showground

We were advised last year that there would be very limited car parking on the showground and that vehicle movements through areas used by the public would be restricted. The Animal Sanctuary registered concerns over traffic movements outside their café and the dangers it posed to children. We were promised that Marshals would be trained and that vehicle movements through public areas would be supervised to ensure that other park users remained safe. It was clear by both the volume of parking on the showground and witnessed traffic movements that neither of these commitments were met.

CLARA objects to parking on the showground being allowed for this application and that a condition of only supervised vehicle movements be included within the licence terms if awarded.

(4) As mentioned above CLARA have yet to receive any management details for this event. We have assumed that the Traffic Management plan, security measures, road closure plans, marshalling requirements, policing, communications of event procedures, waste management and terms relating to restoration of the park following the event are the same as on previous years with the Ghana festival. For this reason, we would ask the Licensing Sub Committee to add agreed documented conditions to this licence, if awarded, ensuring that matters relating to all of these headings are agreed, documented and finalised prior to the event taking place. Should the detail of the event management plan prove to have changed following our meeting with the event organisers and the council on 21st May 2018, then CLARA reserves the right to add further comment or objections.

Yours faithfully

Alan White (CLARA)