

Annex 2

IP1 Representation

From: Denise
Sent: 02 May 2018 16:21
To: Licensing <Licensing@enfield.gov.uk>
Subject: Turkish Event, Enfield Playing Fields, June 17th

Dear Sir/Madam,

I previously emailed asking where I raise my objection to this event and have been in conversation with the Parks department regarding my concerns but they have informed me that I should also raise them to you.

I am concerned that an event of this size is being considered for the Playing Fields as its numbers in previous years vastly exceed the safe number of people which the playing fields have been stated to hold. I note on their application they say that no more than 6000 people will be in attendance, but it clearly states on the web site for last years event, that over 20,000 people were in attendance. I understand that this number of people was through out the day and potentially not all at one time, but I feel this number is nearly four times the amount which the playing fields can safety cater for, and is therefore unfeasible.

The amount of damage this number of people simply traversing the playing fields will cause to the ground should also be taking in to serious consideration. The playing fields will only have held the car pageant 3 weeks before, and as a resident living besides the playing fields, I can confirm, the damage the pageant does to the ground takes months to be repaired. How can the ground be used, as intended, for sports purposes when it will have received this level of damage?

One of my major concerns is traffic movement, and in my previous email you provided me with a plan denoting that the playing fields can hold 2000 cars. Again, working on an average of 3 people per can, and the supposed 6,000 tickets being sold, this only just breaks even. The traffic movement, in to and out of the event is going to cause serious traffic issues with in the local vicinity. The pageant causes issues every year, and leads to residents of Sketty Road being unable to use their cars for the majority of the weekend as the road becomes blocked with people being left to choose which way they exit on to Southbury Road. Traffic management at the pageant leaves a lot to be desired, and I have been informed by Parks that members of the council will be in attendance this year to see how it works and to make any changes as needed. I feel this action will be too late for this festival.

I have been told that the plan is to use Donkey Lane as the main entrance and exit to the festival, but I do not think enough thought has been put in to this either, as this roadway is not designed to take the expected level of traffic either.

A concern would be that as a resident of Sketty Road, our home was purchased in full knowledge of the playing fields, and the yearly car pageant. We understand that

the football fields are really utilised with children's soccer schools in the summer evenings and 'Sunday league' football games in the football season, which is wonderful so as that the fields are used by all in the community. I am appreciative of the new play ground being installed and used by local children and their parents. But we did not purchase our homes to have an influx of events being held on the fields, which I would appear to be being the case.

The town park is much better equipped to have these types of events as it hosts the annual summer fete, and other events through out the summer. The town has multiple car parks and a much more robust traffic system than the roads surrounding the playing fields.

Concern has also been raised that the signage has been repeatedly changed by Licencing, I first noticed it on the gates to the playing fields, and then on the lamp posts within Sketty Road the day after, with the amendments being made in Sharpie rather than actually typed. We then had the additional information added as a foot note and a second piece of laminated card, as a typo had been noted on the email address for residents to raise any issues to you.

The web site for this event would appear to have the event confirmed, and it certainly has the date and location confirmed on there. Which makes me believe this email of objection is futile, but I can not allow for an event like this to be held in the playing fields without raising my voice of concern.

To have this event on a Sunday till 8pm, unfair to those of us who live right next to the park. As the pageant finishes much earlier than this, but all the exhibitors do not leave the grounds until much later in the night by the time they have closed all there displays, and I can only think this will be the same for this event. The disruption to the residents on just the movement of exhibitors and stalls at this time of night on a Sunday is unacceptable.

I have raised my concerns with my local counsellors also and would appreciate confirmation on the out come for the application in due course.

Kind regards

Denise

From: Angie Allin [<mailto:Angie.Allin@enfield.gov.uk>] **On Behalf Of** Licencing
Sent: 03 May 2018 10:13
To: Denise
Subject: RE: Turkish Event, Enfield Playing Fields, June 17th [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Classification: OFFICIAL

Dear Denise

Thank you for your email.

I have to advise, that the objection regarding parking, traffic etc. is not a representation that the licensing team can accept as one relating to the four licensing objectives permitted under the Licensing Act 2003. I have forwarded your email to the Officer who would deal with the traffic/parking issues you have raised.

The disruption to residents, referred to at the end of the email, is also not a representation against the licensing objectives as it relates to the movement of exhibitors and stalls which are not licensed under the Licensing Act 2003. The Premises Licence is to cover 'regulated entertainment' with no sale of alcohol. Nowhere in the email does it mention an objection to the noise etc. from the regulated entertainment which would qualify as a licensing representation.

I have checked our Licensing Register and it shows the following for this event: Enfield Playing Fields, Great Cambridge Road, ENFIELD, EN1 3SD Premises Licence New Application - In Progress.

No licence has been issued and the last date for representations is 21 May 2018. Therefore, any confirmation regarding the event stated on the applicants website prior to any licence being issued, is there at their own risk.

Kind regards

Licensing Team

From: Denise

Sent: 03 May 2018 10:38

To: Licensing <Licensing@enfield.gov.uk>

Subject: RE: Turkish Event, Enfield Playing Fields, June 17th [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Dear Angie,

What about the factor of the potential for the huge overage of people attending the event? Surely event could expect up to 20.000 people this would cause a huge risk to the public. I have been advised that they are planning on having a maximum number of 40 SLA event supervisors, which would be an average of 500 people per security guard. A maximum number quoted does not mean they are actually having this many, its their suggestion.

I would expect this event to have completed their application in a misleading way, and although no alcohol may be sold at the event we can assume it will be consumed. Its an event outside in hopefully good weather, people will bring their own.

The movement of traffic, is another safety concern surely, as the vast number of vehicles would mean an increased risk of accidents.

I understand that my email highlights issues which would be my main concern, but it does point out the flaws in the application also, in which I think this application should be reviewed urgently.

But for clarity in my objection:

- Prevention of Crime & Disorder;
 - With the expectation of the event far exceeding the number of stated attendees, the potential for disorder is greatly increased.
 - The area surrounding the playing fields has recently had increased presence of travellers and with this event attracting a lot of people, the increase in crime in the area will be linked.
 - With cars in the ground, away from own view it will encourage people to have their vehicles damaged via break ins. The event is only a few weeks after the pageant of motoring and that in its self causes an increase in reported crime within the area. This event will do the same, making our crime rate statistics worse.
 - Do we even have enough police to patrol this area more as the need will surely be there. SLA supervisors only have limited powers
- Public Safety;
 - My previous comments on the number of people whom attended the event last year and the supposed amount of people attending on the application are vastly different numbers. 6,000 and 20,000 are not even close! I have been advised the plan is to use a clicker system to count in and count out. This is not the most reliable of systems and will leave the people attending at great risk, should the area need to be evacuated quickly.
 - With the number of extra vehicles in the area moving to and from the event this will have an impact on road safety for all users. Donkey Lane was not designed to be able to cope with such numbers of vehicles. It is noted that there is planned parking area for coaches and lorries, again if we have too many of these using roadways not designed for this level of traffic, public safety is at risk.
- Prevention of Public Nuisance;
 - All of my previous comments in my earlier emails note how this event is going to be a nuisance for the residents of areas around the fields
 - I have mentioned that the event being held on a Sunday is not ideal, as the noise from the increased population in the area will be a nuisance
 - Again, will there be enough police patrols to deal with the potential for public disturbance due to the number of people in the area
 - The playing fields are an area for sports, not live music events of any nature, adapting the usage of the fields is detrimental to the grounds and is a nuisance
- Protection of Children from Harm.

- Children use the park regularly and with this type of event it will make the park unsafe for them to use the play ground
- It is a risk to allow this many people, including children to the playing fields as stated above and the risk of them being trampled should the event need to evacuate is immense.

I hope this clarifies my objection, as it is not just an issue with parking that I have.

My homes was purchased by Enfield Playing Fields, not Enfield's Newest Open Event Area!!

Kind regards

Denise