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From: [Redacted] [ \*\* This  
 Sent: 18 April 2022 14:01 email  
 Licensing Policy originates  
 Subject: Objection to Holloway Hill Sports Association Ltd License Application from an  
 external  
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Dear Sirs

We are emailing to object to the licence application for selling alcohol at the Pavilion on the Recreation Ground seven days a week until 23.00 every night and to stay open until 23.30.

We live n [Redacted] It is a quiet residential road in Busbridge next to the Recreation Ground with a pedestrian entrance into the Recreation Ground at the end of the road. There are no parking restrictions in [Redacted]. Despite there being a large public car park at the Recreation Ground, the road is regularly used by the public to park their cars to use the Recreation ground because of the easy access at the end of [Redacted].

If the license was granted, it would inevitably lead to the Pavilion users parking in [Redacted] and returning late at night to their cars. They would make a lot of noise talking, slamming their car doors and driving off, often having consumed a lot of alcohol. This would wake the residents late at night.

Please confirm receipt of our strong objection to this license application and the next steps.

Yours faithfully  
[Redacted]

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Sent from my iPad

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From: [Redacted]

Sent: 17 April 2022 10:08

To: Planning Enquiries <PlanningEnquiries@waverley.gov.uk>

Subject: Re planning application

[ \*\* This email originates from an external source \*\* ]

Dear Sir/Madam

I wish to comment on a planning application to extend licensing hours at the Holloway Hill sports club but I can't find it online. I wish to object to the extension of opening hours to 11.30pm and licence to sell alcohol to 11pm on weekday nights on the basis that this will cause noise disturbance to neighbouring houses. The club is not suitable to be a pub and I can not believe that anyone who is itworking or going to school the next day wishes to be drinking until that time and if they do there are plenty of pubs in town which are more suitably placed. Kind regards,

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From: [Redacted]  
Sent: 25 April 2022 13:59  
To: Licensing Policy  
cc: [Redacted]  
Subject: Objection to granting of a Premises License to Holloway Hill Sports Association Ltd

property is [Redacted]

[Redacted]

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Good afternoon,

As a resident of [Redacted], whose Holloway Sports Pavilion, I wish to object strongly to this application. I live at

This application gives it the right to open as if it were a fully licensed public house. This Pavilion is in the middle of a completely residential area with many residents with young families. There are already occasional event licenses granted, without consultin the local residents or ivin them advance notice, and they do disrupt the neighbourhood; but we can cope if they are infrequent.

The license application mentions "The Premises Licence Holder shall endeavour to ensure that noise (both music and voice) and light shall not emanate from the premises so as to cause a nuisance to local properties." This has never been achieved when there is a disco. The materials which the Pavilion are made of means that music is always emanating.

I suspect the license holder is not expecting to open at all the times specified but it is opening a dangerous door.

Please refuse this application as inappropriate

Best wishes

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From:

Sent:

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From:

[REDACTED]

10 May 13:46

Licensing

cc:

Licensing Policy

Subject:

RE: LICENSING ACT 2003 - APPLICATION FOR A NEW PREMISES LICENCE  
FOR  
HOLLOWAY SPORTS PAVILION, HOLLOWAY HILL RECREATION GROUND,  
BUSBRIDGE LANE, GODALMING, SURREY/ GUI IQD

[\*\*This email originates from an external source \*\*]

Good afternoon,

I have met with a representative of the HHSA and would like to amend my comment on the application:

I understand that the HHSA have fallen foul of the Borough licensing officer regarding their club license as they do not have the admin staff (or any staff) to meet their obligations regarding checking if people who attend functions or go to the bar are members of the affiliated clubs. Personally, I do not feel that bodes well regarding their ability to act as licensees.

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Without income from events they feel they cannot maintain their obligations to the building, They put out to tender expressions of interest to run the venue and the Howlin Owl (which runs the horse box coffee stall on the Busbridge Rec) emerged as the preferred supplier. They feel that no solution to save the clubhouse can happen without a full license. [redacted] says the HHSa will put strict restrictions on the level and type of activity permitted to be run by Howlin Owl to ensure sport takes priority and local disturbance is minimised. I would like those restrictions to be noted on the license

Some neighbours feel that HHSa haven't bothered to explore alternative sources of finance, such as a community member scheme / increasing the contribution from local sports associations and have plumped for the easiest solution of handing over the running of the site to an external company. I can understand why they have done this - they are merely a small committee.

The sticking point for local residents is the reluctance by [redacted] to put a number on the maximum permitted late night "events" which can be run per year. The current license stipulates a max of 16 events and this suits the local community well. These events are invariably noisy (as the clubhouse has no roof insulation) and cause a great deal of disturbance. If we could at least have a cap on these as there is currently, it would help. I would like a similar cap of, say 16, on late night events to be added as a condition to the license The current license says this and d feel it

should be on the new license too.

Also | am no longer available to attend the hearing on the 6t June but hope that my above comments be considered bythe panel.

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[redacted]	[redacted]

Provision of regulated entertainment:-  Live Music, Recorded Music and Performance of dance	Friday and Saturday <u>On not more than 16 events per year (including events requiring TENs).</u>	19:00	23:30
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26 April 06:35  
Licensing  
Holloway Hill sports association

[ \*\* This email originates from an external source \*\* ]

Good morning

I object to the alcohol licence being applied for at Holloway hill. I believe it will encourage drinking and anti social behaviour at the rec which we residents do not need.

Kind regards

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From: [Redacted]

Sent: May 2022

To: Licensing Policy Subject: 01 16:51

Holloway Hill Sports Association (Ltd)

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I strongly object to this Licence application. The noise generated by both on and off the premises alcohol consumption, the car noise, pollution and parking which is already overflowing onto local roads and verges together with the unacceptably long proposed opening hours would all greatly disturb local residents. Most of us local residents use the sports grounds and rec for family sport, picnics and walking and this local amenity is so important and does not need long alcohol consumption sessions to destroy this valued quiet, tranquil community space and would be an extreme public nuisance.

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From:  
Sent: May 2022  
To: Licensing Policy Subject:

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From: [Redacted]  
03 08:06

Representation re Holloway Hill Sports Pavilion, Busbridge Lane, Godalming, GU 7

Importance: High  
[\* This email originates from an external source ]

Dear Sir,

I have attempted to submit my representation via the portal, but on several occasions received an error message (even though my comment was < 1000 characters). Hence this email.

I Object to the application.

This is not a good location to serve alcohol 12hrs/day every day. Insufficient parking will cause patrons to park in residential streets, in turn causing noise pollution upon entry/exit. Patrons are likely to park in close residential streets and slip through the pedestrian Rec entrance (top of Ramsden Rd). This will create a parking hazard, noise pollution and safety concerns with increased traffic on the narrow Busbridge Lane. The pedestrian pass through the hedge is blind; difficult to see on-coming traffic.

The Rec presents a community focal point for young families. It is inappropriate to force young children to experience the disruption caused by 12hr drinking, which will inevitably spill onto the premises veranda and park. Alcohol purchased will be taken and consumed elsewhere in the park, Litter, bottles, cans etc, will cause a hazard for the environment, wildlife, pets and children.

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[REDACTED]  
From:

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[REDACTED]  
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14:06

Objection to license application

[\*\* This email originates from an external source \*\*]

Dear Sir or Madam

I wish to make a comment/objection to a current alcohol licensing application.

The premises named in the application is the sports pavilion at the recreation ground on Busbridge Lane, Godalming.

I am aware this building has included licensed premises before and I am not objecting in principle but wish to object to the extended/extensive hours applied for, as these appear to propose opening until 11pm every day including provision for off-sales. There are two issues considering this is in a quiet residential area:

Full pub hours every day of the week could mean excessive disturbance in the neighbourhood.

I'd suggest there's a good chance of customers retiring to the recreation ground after the bar closes with their off-sales purchases, and this could invite disturbance problems too.

I'm glad to see the recreation ground facilities being used and improved but am objecting to what seems to be a proposed substantial increase in the local impact of the licensing.

Please could you confirm receipt of this email?

Thank and best wishes

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From:

[REDACTED]

Re: Holloway Hill Sports Association (Ltd)

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Thank you

In that case we would like to lodge our objection to turning the Holloway Hill Sports Association (cricket club) into a pub and party venue by the Howling Owl on the basis of the prevention of public nuisance.

This is in a quiet residential area.

Many thanks

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[REDACTED]

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## Application for Premises Licence for Holloway Sports Pavilion

Holloway Hill Sports Association has applied for a change of licence for the Holloway Sports Pavilion from a Club Certificate to a Premises Licence, with significant changes to operating conditions, I wish to object to granting of this application in its current form on the grounds of public nuisance

### Reasons for Objection

The Sports Association stands to benefit a great deal from the change from a Club Certificate to a Premises Licence. It will no longer be restricted to selling alcohol only to members and guests, and the current limit on the number of wider public events would disappear, as would the embargo on advertising the pavilion to the general public. On-sale consumption of alcohol would no longer be restricted to the building itself, the requirement to keep the doors closed would be removed, and on-sale consumption would be extended to an undefined external seating area. Off-sales would now be permitted.

At the same time, whereas previously the Association ran the Pavilion directly itself, it has now made an agreement with a commercial third party (Howling Owl) to run it. So with a Premises Licence the Association will have the opportunity to attract more events and more customers, and the commercial third party will have a strong financial incentive to maximise the number of events and customers.

The underlying problem with the application is the location of the Pavilion. It is sited on the Holloway Hill Recreation Ground, which is bordered on three sides by residential properties. The Pavilion itself and the car park with its entrance/exit onto Busbridge Lane are located close up to the Busbridge Lane side, with homes only yards away immediately across the lane. Combined with the new commercial arrangement, lifting the current restrictions listed above is likely to lead to more nuisance to the public.

The application specifically does not take into account the welfare of the families with young children living opposite the north end of the Pavilion.

From:

Sent:

May 2022

Howling Owl has more powerful sound equipment than previously available to the Sports Association, which I believe has already caused complaint. With the proposed licence change it is understandable that immediate neighbours are

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concerned that disturbances will become more frequent. Extending the Pavilion's activities to outside the building, will lead to added nuisance.

There is contradiction between the proposed Pavilion closure of 23.30 and the long established car park closure at 22.00 previously agreed to by the Association for very good reasons.

#### Going Forward

I feel it is unfortunate that the Association did not approach neighbours before submitting this application because with goodwill, and input from Waverley's Licensing Dept on what is technically permissible, I believe a compromise application could be reached. As it is, the effect of having no prior discussion is to engender suspicion and remind residents that the Sports Association has not once met the condition in its 2005 Club Certificate that "The Club shall arrange at least one public meeting a year with local residents."

There are also a number of questions residents reasonably want answered such as whether the Designated Premises Supervisor will be a director of the Sports Association (which would seem sensible if the Association is the licence holder), whether the licence will be transferable (hopefully not), why alcohol sale should be allowed until 03.00 on Christmas and New Year Day in a residential area (it shouldn't), and whether the Association will accept continuation of the condition in its 2005 Club Certificate that "The gate providing access to the site shall be locked by not later than 22.00 every night".

I believe that the application should be rejected and that the Association should be encouraged to enter a dialogue with neighbours to find a suitable

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alternative to the current certificate which has benefits to the Association but limits harm to residents

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08 18:58

Licensing Policy

Subject: Holloway Hill Sports Association Planning Application

[\*\*This email originates from an external source \*\*]

Representation regarding Application for a New Premises Licence at Holloway Hill Sports Association (Ltd), Holloway Hill Sports Pavilion, Busbridge Lane, Godalming, GU7 IQD

Representation from:

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

As a Busbridge Resident living on the road from Holloway Hill Sports Pavilion, I am writing to lodge my formal objection to the Application for a New Premises Licence.

The plan under consideration provides no required or desired amenity to the area whatsoever; we have lived here for more than 20 years, and at no stage have we ever wished for such a facility to be provided on our doorstep, Godalming town centre is 5 minutes walk from here, and it is more than adequately served with licensed premises. There are only down sides to this plan if the Application is approved — increased noise, increased antisocial behaviour, increased car parking on our road, increased expense for Waverley Borough Council due to the need for more police resources to be deployed to the area and the council will also need to finance the collection and disposal of the inevitable increased litter. As a final note we have already had to call the police to our home after finding a man passed out in our garden when a late evening party was going on at the Sports Pavilion, we don't want this plan to encourage yet more drunks in the area.



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From: [Redacted]

Sent: 08 18:58

Licensing Policy

Subject: Holloway Hill Sports Association Licence Application

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Representation regarding Application for a New Premises Licence at Holloway Hill Sports Association (Ltd), Holloway Hill Sports Pavilion, Busbridge Lane, Godalming, GU 7 IQD

Representation from:

[Redacted]  
[Redacted]  
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[Redacted]  
[Redacted]

[Redacted]

I am writing to object to the Application for a New Premises Licence for the Holloway Hill Sports Pavilion. Busbridge is a quiet and peaceful area, and the local residents are concerned about the extra noise, litter and antisocial behaviour that this would cause.

There are plenty of premises that sell alcohol (and food) in and around Godalming town already, so it is of no benefit to the area to open one in Busbridge.

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[REDACTED]  
09 22:29

Licensing Policy

cc:

[REDACTED]

Subject:

Representations -  
Representations Premises Licence at Holloway Hill Sports Pavilion

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Dear Sir/Madam

We wish to object to Holloway Hill Sports Association's application for a new premises licence at Holloway Hill Sports Pavilion, Busbridge Lane, Godalming (the "Pavilion") on the following grounds:

**The Prevention of Crime and Disorder:** The existing club certificate requires the entrance gate to the Pavilion to be locked no later than 10pm each night. This condition has not been adhered to and free accessibility to the car park has led to frequent late night anti-social behaviour by way of extremely loud music and voices, substance abuse, dangerous driving, smashing glass and vandalism. Frequent complaints to Surrey Police and Parks & Countryside in Waverley has resulted in the council instructing a private security firm to lock the gate at 10pm. Since locking the gate, anti-social behaviour has greatly reduced. The new premises licence includes no mention of the gate being locked at 10pm - if the gate is not locked it is highly likely said issues will reassert, disturbing the local area and leading to a drain on police resources.

**The Prevention of Public Nuisance:** The recreation ground is located in the middle of Busbridge, a residential area, which has thrived without a pub for many decades. Almost the entire periphery of the recreation ground is surrounded by houses. The Pavilion itself backs immediately onto Busbridge Lane, a residential road, and sits within a few metres of numerous residences. The existing club certificate includes various sensible conditions in order to not create public nuisance (e.g. closing the gate by 10pm, all events taking place inside the premises with doors closed to help minimise noise, limited number of events per year, and meetings with local residents to address concerns). These conditions recognise the sensitivity of the Pavilion's location, balancing requirements of the sports clubs while respecting local residents. It is not clear how a premises licence, serving the general public 7 days' per week, can achieve a similar balance.

There have recently been some late night events at the Pavilion. The most recent (23/4) was particularly noisy, especially the music. The Pavilion was designed first and foremost as a sports facility — it was not designed as a music venue - to the best of our knowledge there is no sound proofing, so loud noise is difficult to contain. Granting a premises licence increases the likelihood of more events like this, causing greater public nuisance to local residents.

From:

Sent: May 2022

Public Safety: The recreation ground is a popular daytime destination for a variety of people - sports club participants, families, dog walkers, etc. Parking is already beyond capacity at weekends, especially during spring/summer months. As a result, parking overflows to nearby roads and lanes. These are all small residential roads, not designed for on-street parking and many lack pavements in places. People walking in the area have to navigate the parked cars — needing to move into the middle of the roads to pass. This can obviously prove dangerous, especially to parents pushing pushchairs/prams, children riding bikes/scooting and those with disabilities. Additionally, local residents frequently struggle to safely maneuver in/out of their own driveways due to the number of cars parked on the street in the area. The granting of a premises licence will exacerbate this problem — bringing more cars to the area, adding to the parking issue and traffic.

The existing club certificate requires alcohol to be consumed within the boundaries of the premises. It appears this condition has proven difficult to manage people frequently take drinks beyond the premises' boundaries. Empty and broken glasses have been found in the vicinity, posing a hazard to children and animals. The granting of a premises licence (it appears that the application is for off-sales too) will likely exacerbate this issue due to the increased number of people purchasing alcohol at the Pavilion.

The Protection of Children from Harm: Busbridge includes 5 schools (1 infant, 2 primary, 1 junior and a sixth form college) and a nursery. A significant proportion of Busbridge residents are young families that walk to and from local schools each morning/afternoon. Local roads are also frequently used for walks and bike/scooter rides, including trips to and from the recreation ground. The entrance to the recreation ground is on Busbridge Lane, a narrow residential road, which has sections that are essentially single track and/or without pavement. Granting a premises licence will lead to increased traffic in the area (especially on Busbridge Lane) and it is an unfortunate reality that some of this added traffic will include people driving home after consuming alcohol at the Pavilion. This logically leads to an increased risk to children using the local roads.

Yours faithfully,

[Redacted signature]

[Redacted contact information]



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**From:** [Redacted]  
 Wednesday 11 May 2022  
 20:14

**To:** Licensing Policy

**Subject:** Re: LICENSING ACT 2003 - APPLICATION FOR A NEW PREMISES LICENCE FOR HOLLOWAY SPORTS PAVILION, HOLLOWAY HILL RECREATION GROUND, BUSBRIDGE LANE, GODALMINGt SURREY, GIJ7 IQD [\*This email

**Attachments:** Notice.JPG

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Dear Sir/Madam

In addition to our objections set out below, I wanted to notify you of the attached notice which understand is being circulated via local WhatsApp groups, I can only assume that this notice was written on behalf of Holloway Hill Sports Association.

I would like to make two points:

- 1) the notice is factually incorrect - the ability to serve drinks to non-members is not the only change being made to the current licence. The new licence has very different conditions to the existing licence, not to mention the operator' ambitious plans to turn the pavillion into a profitable commercial enterprise. Producing documents containing a false statement in relation to the application of a premises licence is an offence under section 158 of the Licensing Act 2003, and should therefore be investigated by the appropriate authority. Representations in relation to this application will be being made on the basis of false and misleading information; and
- 2) applying for a premises licence with a view to commercialise the pavilion is not the only way in which money can be raised to maintain the building. It appears that HHSA has not looked into other ways of raising money (e.g., increasing members' fees (currently nominal), getting sponsorship etc.).

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[Redacted] wrote:

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Raising money by means of turning the pavilion into a public house, with the ability to host numerous evening events, is not in the interests of local people.

Yours faithfully,

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
10 May 2022 10:49  
**To:** Licensing Policy  
**Subject:** Holloway Hill Spot-ts Pavilion licence application

[\*\* This email originates from an external source \*\*]

Hi

Please can I lodge the following objection in relation to the current option application for a premises licence for Holloway Hill Sports Pavilion. As mentioned in our emails below, given our close neighbourhood, please do not disclose any personal identifying info about me to the applicant or public. However, should you need them, my name is [REDACTED]

My comments are as follows:

Many thanks indeed

I would like to object to the application in relation to the Holloway Hill Sports Pavilion. I am a local resident with small children and, whilst I admire and appreciate efforts to reinvigorate the use of the club building, I do not agree with them, I'm afraid.

My comments all come within the licensing objectives relating to (i) prevention of public nuisance (ii) public safety and (iii) protection of children.

The Sports Pavilion sits on the Recreation Ground which is a very important and well-used sports and recreation facility, not just for the local area in Busbridge, but the town. It hosts so many sports, but also just local family activities and play areas for kids. Whilst serving alcohol to club members during fixtures has been fine, extending licensing and opening towards the direction of being general bar is not in the interests of the neighbourhood or Rec users, I believe, and it presents a risk of public nuisance and safety issues, especially for children.

My children use the Rec regularly, as do many others, and I want it to remain a safe and friendly environment for them and their friends to meet and play, including whilst on they are on their own. Alcohol does not mix well with this and has the potential to be at odds with a sports and recreation facility, which we would like it to remain. Adults who may have had a little too much to drink, congregating in groups, noise, parties and the like does not create a safe-feeling atmosphere for children in particular. I know my kids would feel uncomfortable and be put off.

I would also like to still be able to use the Rec for walking or running without having to pass by what will effectively become a bar/pub; it doesn't make me feel very comfortable either. It's a sports field and there are enough areas where women feel uncomfortable and potentially unsafe undertaking sport and activity.

Nor is it great for near neighbours — this is a highly residential area, with a lot of families with young kids and there is the potential for this to create a nuisance; there are a lot of pubs and restaurants in Godalming town who need our business, rather than diverting it up to Busbridge. It's protected by Fields in Trust as a multi-use recreation ground for good reason.

Holloway Hill Rec Ground is an important sports and recreation facility, first and foremost, and we would really like it to remain that, and not be tainted by the effects of drinking and alcohol which can compromise use and safety as a sports and activity venue. So many sports and activities use it, and just kids for playing, cycling and messing about. We need to protect that use. There are plenty of choices for drinking in the town, which is a much more appropriate location.

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Sent:

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From:

[REDACTED]

11 May 2022 09:11

Licensing Policy

Subject:

RE: Holloway Hill Sports Association (Ltd)

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Hi [REDACTED]

Thank you for the below.

I would like to raise an objection on the basis of all four licensing objectives.

We live only 20m away from the building that is the subject of the application. We have three children, aged 4, 3 and 4 months. Part of the licence application is for the sale of alcohol both on and off the premises from 11am to 11pm. It is reasonable to expect that as a bare minimum there will be drunken behaviour and littering including broken glass — as a result which I find really concerning, from a public nuisance perspective but more particularly because of the potential harm that could be caused to my children.

We moved to 20m right next to the rec as it's a very pleasant and quiet road and part of a beautiful area to bring up our children. If we had known that a bar would be opened two doors down we would have thought very differently about it. I already know that there are parties planned there which are inevitably going to be loud into the night, causing a public nuisance.

I really can't overstate how concerning it is for the immediate residents of the area to have a bar open to the public and selling alcohol, potentially on a daily basis. We are really concerned about vandalism, excessive levels of noise late into the night (both people and music), and I am immensely concerned about the impact that this may have on my young children.

I think these concerns meet all of the licensing objectives.

Kind regards

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- Licence for Holloway Sports Pavilion, Holloway Hill Sports Association The Pavilion, Holloway Hill Recreation Ground, Busbridge Lane, Godalming, Surrey, GU 7 IQD
  - Applicant Holloway Hill Sports Association Ltd
  - Licence Type Premise licence
  - Application Date 12th April 2022
- 0 Representations By 11th May 2022
- 0 Status New Application Hearing Set

Objection by: [Redacted]  
made [Redacted]  
Nearby reside [Redacted]

Apologise for the length of this. Having looked into the problems facing the pavilion with other

residents, we do believe there are some much better options to meet the costs of the pavilion without turning it into a pub, party venue and off-licence. I am happy to go into detail if required.

The prevention of crime and disorder. This relates to any crime, disorder or anti-social behaviour at the premises or related to the management of the premises. A licence holder/applicant cannot generally be held responsible for the conduct of individuals once they leave the premises;

From:

Sent:

## Licence Registers Details

- a) Godalming college: I am surprised Godalming College does not object to this licence paying particular attention to the daytime element of a public bar being so close to the college. Clearly many of the college students will be of legal drinking age so would not be able to be refused if they wanted to drink. As with any college there will be lesson-free sessions throughout the day. Currently, students wander over to the park during such times and after college ends to play football and socialise etc — all good use of the park. But if a normal pub/bar were to be open from 11am, the temptation to have a few pints or more either during or immediately after college I suspect will be irresistible quite regularly. It could grow in popularity with the college students. It's possible the third-party operator could even encourage end of term events thus attracting literally hundreds of 18 year olds to drink or special student evenings. My understanding is once granted this licence will allow music events for up to 500 people which can easily be accommodated on the park. I understand Godalming College has expelled unprecedented numbers of students this academic year for drinking alcohol whilst in college so having a bar so close surely will cause many to be tempted to drink when currently they do not have that temptation.
- b) Like many sports pavilions, I believe the prices are quite a bit cheaper than competing pubs. If I am wrong about that, I would be keen to see specifics. Clearly lower priced alcohol can attract young people in particular and being so close to the college could make this a bit of a meet up hub for young adults who are friends with students but do not attend the college themselves. Again, the operator and cricket club would not be able to turn them away if they are at least 18 years old. If the operator or cricket club intend to close at times that are more attractive to college students which is a course of action available to the operator,

then this could be an unambiguous limitation of the licence and should be made clear in the licence.

- c) This may be seen by the committee as a hypothetical, but I do genuinely wonder if drivers that normally would not drink and drive, may consider doing so from the pavilion to their home in another part of Busbridge. Why? Because:
- a. Very short driving distance.
  - b, Much less likely to have a chance encounter with a passing police car.
  - c. Spontaneously deciding to drink alcohol when their original intention was just to drive the kids to the park for example. Then meet up with a friend and have a few drinks, then have to nip the car home after a few drinks.
- d) More people driving under the influence even if not over the limit: surely this is a given and not a hypothetical? People just have one beer then drive home. Busbridge Lane in particular is very narrow in places without any pavements, I think it warrants being a 20 mph speed limit now, but it's a 30. Already now, we see some drivers on a regular basis doing 40mph and faster (particularly young drivers but not exclusively) and accelerating quickly after leaving the park entrance. I think this should be a very serious consideration for the committee. There are lots of toddlers, young children, elderly walking on the road of Busbridge Lane with fast traffic going past, of which a higher percentage will be driving under the influence.
- e) Once a premises licence is granted will the cricket committee need to purchase all alcohol at the same rates as normal pubs? I suspect they will need to which I imagine they do not now. Thus increasing their cost base further, which means more drinks will need to be sold just to get back to breakeven (which the pavilion is struggling to do now). My point here, is the higher volume needed before they break into profit, which means more disruption than if they would just try other ways of raising the funds they need to maintain the building which was donated to them!

Prevention of public nuisance. This can relate to issues such as hours of operation, noise emanating from the premises, vibrations, lighting and litter.

- a) To show an existing problem already exists: I understand recently a park bench was moved about 100 meters because residents of Birchanger Road complained that people would sit on the bench at night, talk and cause noise. The council clearly agreed and went to the expense of moving the park bench. What costs will the council incur as inevitably more noise complaints are made around the park?
- b) To show an existing problem already exists: Ourselves and our immediate neighbours regularly, particularly during the summer months, need to complain to the council and we were asked by the council to also complain to the police when young drivers park next to the pavilion, drink, smoke drugs (not always but we do smell it occasionally), shout, laugh and play very loud music. As a result during the summer the council close the gate at 9pm, which does stop this behaviour. Clearly if the pavilion has a motivated profit targeted

operator (indeed the cricket committee are now profit motivated to "lower the cost of cricket to its members" quote from meeting 8<sup>th</sup> May 2022 with cricket chairperson) they will try to open as often as they can. What happens with the gate closing at 9pm?

- c) Management and noise: Not adhering to the existing licence. On 23rd April 2022 the 40th birthday party produced loud music. The DJ was provided by the operator onsite along with large speakers and disco lighting. The music could be heard in our house including the penetrating bass but not just bass - songs could be clearly heard from our house and even the singing of patrons from our house, even as late as 2330. At 2332 I have the video recording taken from my house and every word of the song, Bryan Adams, "everything I do, I do it for you" can be heard, When that came to its natural end at 2332 the DJ can be heard over the loud speaker system saying "it's all over [pause].. or is it?...[pause]" Then progressively louder: "one more song, One More Song" and then he shouts "ONE MORE SONG!" Then we hear two clear chants from the crowd "one more song, one more song" then a new bassy tune is played. The time is 2332 and that final song finished at about 2335. My understanding is that was 5 minutes past the time drinks and music should have stopped being served. I do not know obviously if they were also still serving last drinks past 2330.
- d) Noise: The current application does not state that windows and doors should be shut particularly if there is any music being played. This is a requirement in the licences of numerous local licenced premises, for example, the "Bada Tapas" at 10 Queen Street, Godalming, Surrey, GU7 1BD, licence bar/restaurant issued on 12th February 2022 says in part of "d" "Doors and windows shall be kept closed." That's a permanent feature not even relating to if music is being played. It should be noted that Bada Tapas is very close to the main high street of Godalming and indeed is probably considered by most as part of the high street. A very different area to that of the long term (over 100 years) of residential peaceful area that the pavilion resides. The night of the 40th Party was a chilly night and mostly the only people who went outside did so to smoke. Being chilly, the patio doors which run the entire width of the dance floor / bar area, were open by about 1 meter only. I think it is not hypothetical to assume that during balmy summer evenings the doors will be open wider, and even open to the fullest extent they allow which will only make noise disturbance from loud music worse. Indeed, the Howling Owl and the chairman of the board have confirmed they have further plans to extend from those patio doors across the grass and removing the wall to allow for a large decking area. This would clearly be enhanced from their point of view by being able to have the patio doors open to the fullest extent, thus making the noise levels we recorded on the chilly 23rd April at 2330 actually lower than when the doors are fully opened. I also understand there is poor insulation both sound and temperature, so in the summer I suspect that room will become hot thus giving another reason to open all of the patio doors fully. I do think if there is music being played often then the doors and windows should be kept shut. In their previous application they wrote on page 14:

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"all functions are within the premises and doors are not left open",

- e) Application states "The Premises Licence Holder shall endeavour to ensure that noise (both music and voice) and light shall not emanate from the premises so as to cause a nuisance to local properties," The videos I have show that it did on the 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2022 and the door was only open by 1 meter. How will they ensure this happens?
- f) Noise: The applicants have said that from April to September each Friday, Saturday and Sunday days and evenings will not be available to any party bookings because it will be for the exclusive use of the junior and senior cricket club members. They have told us that this is with the exception of some Fridays during the school summer holiday as the juniors do not play all summer. This is reassuring because it's the parties in particular that give us a lot of concern with loud music, lots of people and potentially lots of alcohol related problems. However, we challenge if this is actually going to be adhered to. The two reasons are:
- o That same 40<sup>th</sup> party I mentioned earlier was held on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2022, which was confirmed as a match day for the senior cricket team. The cricket team appeared to make way for that party to be held which started at 7:30pm and the music stopped around 11:35pm. My wife and I attended that party as it was a friends do, the cricket team were definitely not present. The application makes no limit on this stated intention of no parties on the weekends from April to September. Worse case if the application is granted in some way: If their intention is for no private hire for parties on Friday's, Saturday's or Sunday's between April and September can that be put as a unambiguous limitation on the licence? Such a limitation (and others) would greatly benefit the residents which the cricket club have said they are trying to accommodate.
  - o Do the cricket teams play away every other week for example? If so, does this cut down that stated intention to half of the weekends between April and September?
- g) Rubbish and management: Using that same 40<sup>th</sup> party as an example, the next morning I walked around the premises and could see cigarette butts on the veranda and grass from the night before as well as a cigarette packet. I also found a glass intact about 200 meters from the pavilion by the gate. I took photos of all this which are available. I then returned later that day and over the next couple of days: the glass had been removed by Sunday early evening, but the cigarette butts and packet were not. The cigarette butts never appeared to be removed even several days later. I also found a plastic glass on the grass between the pavilion and the nearest gate. This is evidence that there is very limited cleaning outside conducted which is to the detriment of the wider community because if it isn't cleaned during the day, night and at the end of the shift it can blow away to areas of the park not immediately in front of the veranda so if the operator cleans say the morning afterwards, they would never go that far away. Therefore, if this is granted in some way, I propose cleaning of the veranda and grass immediately in front of the veranda where smokers throw their cigarette butts should be cleaned regularly during the day and at the end of the shift. Also, a cigarette bin should be provided on the veranda to encourage smokers not to litter in the first place.

H) Rats: If there is food to be served: then outdoor cleaning must be kept to a very tight schedule. We all know that rats have long been a problem around Farncombe Lake and as far as I understand are impossible to eradicate entirely from there. There is an old rat hole just by the entrance to the Holloway hill car park when coming from Ramsden Road and I believe the park does not have rats at the moment. If even small bits of food were regularly left on the veranda, grass or building this would likely attract rats back. The operator needs

to take responsibility for not only immediately inside their building, but around the building, particularly as food or drink purchased in the pavilion can be taken outside,

- I) Dangerous rubbish: The application states: "Off sales must be taken from the premises for consumption" clearly many people will choose to drink bottles of beer, wine and cans in all areas of the park. Unfortunately, there is already a pretty bad rubbish problem in the park if you look around the car parks in particular so regrettably we can surmise that a proportion of those cans and glass after being drunk will not be put in a bin. Also, glass can break and cans can have razor sharp edges when crumpled. Gradually over a period of months and years there will be numerous sharp glass and cans bedded into the ground, This will lead to sports players, children and dogs to have small and perhaps some very nasty cuts. Of course, this would also increase the liability to the council for such injuries and I suspect even the most non-litigious parents or dog owners would be inclined to take legal action for the first time so as to try to prevent it happening in the future. I think this is an example of how ill-thought through to the wider community this proposal is.
- J) Park bins not emptied often enough: the council or operator will need to increase the bin emptying around the park, already on occasions the bins overflow. With increased people using the pavilion pub, there will be additional rubbish. Particularly with offsite sales.
- K) Noise: Closing of car doors and final chats and laughing as patrons leave the pub at all hours up to midnight potentially 7 days a week. Our bedrooms will be in — [REDACTED] of the park car park next to the pavilion - [REDACTED] from this.
- L) Noise: People will likely park on Ramsden Road and Busbridge Lane, particularly if the park gate is closed at 9pm (which I hope it still is during the summer months at least), the noise of patrons leaving up to midnight every night will be a disturbance.
- M) Limitations: There are no limitations given in the licence application. This application gives them the right to have as many parties as they can sell, The chairperson has said these are the most profitable activities. I have asked her how many are they looking to have and she is unwilling to put any limit on them. I think the licence should have clear limits throughout.

- N) The current level of noise, disturbance etc is absolutely acceptable to us. We have lived here since 2016 and have lived in harmony without ever needing to raise any concerns to the cricket club. would not even be complaining about the 40<sup>th</sup> birthday party now' was it not for the real risk that such parties do not continue to be occasional (say 6-10 times per year) but instead become much more regular.
- O) Quiet residential neighbourhood. This has been a quiet residential area for over 100 years, never having had a pub. My family and I moved here because it's a well-established quiet, safe, residential neighbourhood. To address demand - there are 7 existing licenced pubs/bars which are literally a 5 minute walk from the cricket pavilion those being to the Rose and Crown, Red Lion, Star, Weatherspoons, Sun Inn, Bada Tapas and King George. Plus the Inn on the Lake in the other direction and again around a 5 minute walk. Not to mention the numerous licensed restaurants and take aways also on Godalming High Street — all a 5 minute walk from the pavilion. We could have chosen to live near the high street of Godalming but we of course accept that a high street location has natural hussle and bussle day and night from shopping, deliveries to serve the shops and pubs, and of course music and general behaviour that happens weekly and more serious disturbances that happen from time to time when people have a bit too much to drink.
- P) The amount of usage will have to increase I suspect quite dramatically: not only so they breakeven on the existing running costs but so the operator can cover its extra costs (increased business rates, increased insurance, increased alcohol costs, advertising, renovation) then the operator and the cricket committee both want to make profit. We have been given no indication of their turnover plans or how many nights will they have parties etc — we asked both the operator and the chairperson of the committee. This licence gives them cart blanche to open as much as they wish,
- Q) "Movement activated Security Lighting shall be provided to the front of the building to enable safe passage without disturbing the local residents" Lighting will cause us a disturbance as our children try to sleep.

Protection of children from harm. This relates to protecting children from the activities carried out on the premises whilst they are there. The law already provides special protections for children under 18 to buy alcohol.

- a) Having two toddlers ourselves we are concerned if the bar/pub becomes very successful all problems relating to noise, alcohol, rubbish, will be exacerbated. Instead of children playing in the park unsupervised as they get older, we will need to be very careful depending on if there are drunk people throughout the park.
- R) Our household consists of my wife and I and our two daughters of 17 months and 3 years Old. [REDACTED] have a clear unobstructed line of sight (and more significantly "line of sound") to the cricket pavilion which is about     way. Like most toddlers they go to bed at about 7pm every evening. So even loud music being play at



8pm will cause a disturbance to their sleep. If that happens once or twice a week it becomes unacceptable and we would likely have to decide to move house. If its 6-10 times per year then that would be fine.

Public safety,, This relates to the safety of the public on the premises, i.e. fire safety, electrical circuitry, lighting, building safety or capacity, and first aid.

- a) The application writes: "The numbers of persons using the bar areas shall be visually monitored to ensure that there is no overcrowding" - but the guidelines I have read say that any points on the licence must be "precise and enforceable" and "must be unambiguous and clear in what they intend to achieve". I do not believe their point here meets that requirement. What does overcrowding look like? How many? How has that been decided? How many inside vs outside? What if its not crowded inside but then

there is a rush to the bar from outside? Crucially, what if there is large spill over onto the playing fields, particularly with off-set alcohol sales.

- b) Because the pavilion is operating at a loss have all fire, gas and electrical safety checks been carried out on time? Particularly prior to it being opened up to the public?
- a. Can the applicant demonstrate they have conducted a fire safety inspection by a qualified person? When was this conducted? Were there any recommendations and have these been implemented?
  - b. Have all appliances been PAT tested within the last 12 months?
  - c. Has the gas equipment been tested in the last 12 months?
- c) What happens if it is not a success and the third-party operator leaves earlier than expected? Will this not create a larger financial hole than is already there particularly with increased rates etc.
- d) I note the Howling Owl's website provides marquees of a variety of sizes for hire. Do they intend to provide that service for the cricket pavilion? For private parties? How does that work with their licence? If that is not an option can that be limited unambiguously in their licence.
- e) The application states: "On sale consumption of alcohol shall be permitted within the boundaries of the premises, including the veranda and seating area." And "Plastic (or its equivalent) glasses shall be used for purchases to be consumed on the veranda or outside seating area." How will the license holder ensure that patrons who purchase with a glass but then perhaps change their mind do not take their glass outside? (perhaps they go to smoke, or they see a friend outside). We found a glass by the corner gate, circa 150m away from the pavilion the morning after the private party of the 24<sup>th</sup> April 2022 (I took photos which are time and date stamped).

The effects of opening the first ever pub in Busbridge will be significant. In fact, the plans of the operator and HHS that we know of so far mean it will not only be a pub, but also party venue with loud music, off-licence and potentially serve food on a take-away basis.

Currently it's a sleepy cricket pavilion for members and their guests only. It doesn't cause much of a problem. Certainly, we have never felt the need to complain about anything the pavilion have hosted. Even occasional noise is ok. But on the 23<sup>rd</sup> April that party was a marker for what we fear is to come, very loud music, which went on past 2330, the next morning I found a beer glass left on the wreck some 150 meters away, cigarette butts and other rubbish on the veranda and immediately the other side of the wall of the veranda not cleared up even days later. And that was just one 40<sup>th</sup> party with 70 people. What happens when it's a 20<sup>th</sup> party with 100 people?

We believe it will be a net negative effect not only for nearby residents but also wider residents, for example, broken glass in the park to name one problem.

### Challenging the entire idea of turning it into a non-members pub (party venue, off-licence and take away):

We have 3 key challenges to it being granted premises licence for non-members:

- 1) Firstly, it's a residential area of over 100 years with no pub. All of my neighbours and I were amazed someone could simply apply to open a pub and it be granted. As one of my neighbours said, if he wanted to turn his house into the Busbridge Arms one day it would, quite rightly, be rejected without another thought. The pavilion is about— from my house and another, and in the heart of a quiet residential area. The cricket pavilion by its nature is a sleepy members-only establishment. It doesn't cause any particular negative effects currently and if it were to become a little more popular with the aim of covering its annual costs and maintenance costs it wouldn't involve much more trade. As a members only pavilion it really does service the community. If that trade is increased substantially, as the plans must be in order to cover the increased costs and profit ambitions of a third-party operator, then the negative effects will come to bare.
- 2) There are other venues to hire for parties in the town center, which is always a place that is set up for that kind of thing. The town center is a 5 minute walk from the pavilion. Hiving off that trade to residential area just seems like a crazy idea.
- 3) The cricket club is not owed a profit. They have had 24 years to work out how to cover the maintenance costs and my neighbours and I honestly feel in a couple of weeks we have found solutions (listed below). Clearly we all want the cricket pavilion to break even, but it shouldn't be profit orientated.

### Other solutions:

At this stage my neighbours and I do not have the full detail required, but a few of us residents do believe that some or all of the below income generating ideas could not only be successfully implemented but are actually far easier and more appropriate for a "sports pavilion members bar" (plus guests) in the heart of a residential community. For example,

- The tennis club is thriving, with over 700 members. It costs f 15 per person for a year membership or f30 per family, none of this goes towards the pavilion because currently they cannot be members of the pavilion club. I understand this would be a simple "constitutional" change to allow them a membership status (less rights than the cricketers of course). So, by adding say f 10420 to that annual membership that can all go on the upkeep of the failing pavilion which I suspect would be understood and likely supported by the tennis members and could raise anything from €5,000 - f 10,000 pounds per year (predictable reoccurring income). By doing this it creates a further benefit — those 700 tennis members are more likely to buy a beverage in the bar more often because they pay for the upkeep of the building — it becomes partly theirs in the goodwill sense so creates a feeling of ownership which leads to participation. They may even prefer an energy drink for example particularly during the week, but that's just a suggestion of diversification.

I do not know the shortfall required, but it would not surprise me if implementing the tennis club small increase alone allows the pavilion to meet its current shortfall of f20,000 per year obligation. Then of course more income is needed to cover the maintenance.

- A "community membership" could be created whereby local residents can join for say a f30 membership fee per year. Thus, if say 100 people joined, that would be €3k per year. If they paid for membership they would then frequent the facility too bringing in regularly income. As members they can bring 1 or 2 guests each bringing more income further.
- With these memberships being controlled you can really make it something for the community.
- Vouchers could be purchased in advance by cricket members, parents, tennis members, community members, football members. Buying a drinks voucher doesn't cost the members more money. It just helps them decide where to spend the voucher to keep their pavilion open.
- Keeping the membership plus guests vs a public house (which has been applied for) means that patrons to the pavilion have some connection with the area (a stated aim of the cricket board).
- Any resident that thinks it's a fantastic idea to turn the pavilion into a 7 day a week, day and night drinking venue I suspect would also be keen to alternatively become a "community member" for say f30 a year. Again, this has further financial benefits in that those that become a community member take some good will ownership of the pavilion and are more likely to come and spend an afternoon watching the cricket and meeting other members

from the community. Again, I would say community members have less rights than the cricket club members.

- I am not clear how much the PT pays for storage, but we understand the going rate in Godalming is about £40 per week. This would raise about 2k. If he is paying less than this I am sure his thriving business could pay the going market rate for storage.
- Sponsorship. Clearly may need a simple planning change but sponsor boards do not need to be read from the other side of the field, for example, the National Lottery have a board up as the building was part funded by the lottery fund, and similar sized boards would not in my view be intrusive to anyone and certainly a lot less intrusive than turning the whole place into a pub, I know that Guildford Rugby Club next to Farncombe lake charge £1,200+VAT for such a sponsorship and they have circa 30 sponsors. Maybe the cricket club would need to charge a lesser amount but I suspect there would be plenty of interest from sponsors who want to show their support for the pavilion whilst promoting themselves in a measured way within Busbridge.
- The Football club use the changing rooms which obviously has a cost in terms of cleaning after being very muddy, hot and cold water, heating of the rooms during winter months etc. I may be wrong but the impression I got from the chairperson was that the football club is in trouble and is therefore not contributing anything. I personally do not understand how they could not be asked to contribute through a membership fee of some kind to at least cover the direct costs that are incurred through their direct use. And further the indirect cost of contributing a small amount per person to the long term maintenance of the building they use. I do not know the football teams numbers, but again, it's only asking them to contribute for the changing room services they are using at the very least.
- The cricket board and I imagine many others in the community did fantastically well in 1998 when they raised circa £250,000 (inflation adjusted today is around £350,000) to part fund the construction of the current cricket pavilion. That's an enormous accomplishment and I do not know how much they require now, but it seems a much, much smaller number. So there is always the possibility of a bit of similar fund raising.
- Very much a long shot, but potential to install an ev charger and charge for charging people's car — once set up this can be done without any intervention by the operator.

These are just initial ideas. As with any idea, there will always be challenges — we all know that nothing gets implemented without having to solve a few problems along the way. But the

problems implementing the above I personally think are not that difficult compared to the pub, party venue and off-licence route being chosen and do not have the negative effects that the pub does.

#### History of the building:

- Replaced a previous cricket pavilion in 1998.
- Funded by £250,000 of donations and lottery fund money.
- From 1998 until now (so 24 years) we understand after speaking with [redacted] (HHSA), that each year the cricket club managed to just about cover the annual costs of the pavilion but not any sinking fund for long term maintenance.
- Just about all income for the building came from selling drinks (alcohol mainly) at the pavilion bar. The bar was staffed by volunteers.
- The members of the cricket club pay annual membership fees ranging from £15 to £200 per member. But none of this goes towards the pavilion, that membership money goes towards the upkeep of the grounds and other costs.

In a frank summary: The HHSA were given donations of a substantial amount of money to receive the building for free. Then for 24 years managed to cover the costs that were being incurred every year but failed to put anything aside for the inevitable maintenance costs. I'm afraid to say that is poor management.

During the pandemic, The Howling Owl opened up a coffee shop. I think during the course of them using electricity from the pavilion a relationship was formed and an idea about the howling owl running the pavilion and being able to turn a profit from it.

So this pub idea is a relatively easy option for them in their eyes. Someone else (Howling Owl) will run all functions of the pavilion and the cricket club may even see some profit back to them.

None of the disadvantages particularly affect the HHSA personally and all the benefits will be to their club. Indeed [redacted] said to us on 8<sup>th</sup> May that one of her new goals is "to make cricket cheaper for its members" — that's great for the cricket members but at what cost? At our cost in disturbance, rubbish and potentially dangerous rubbish, driving and behaviours for the wider community.

#### Last points which may fit within the 4 areas:

- 1) Their current licence is "for the supply of alcohol to members and their guests within the normal permitted licensing hours of 11 a.m. to 11.00 p.m. on weekdays and 12 noon to 10.30 p.m. on Sundays" They are extending this to 11.30pm every day plus 30 mins for staggered leaving times — why should that be permitted? Isn't that more than pubs in Godalming High Street?

<b>Details</b>	
Licence for	Holloway Hill Bowling Club, Holloway Hill Recreation Ground, dusbridge Lanet Godalming, Surrey
Applicant	Holloway Hill Bowling Club
Licence Type	Club Certificate
Licence Date	24th November 2021

No Representation Plans

<b>Licensing Schedule</b>	
Activities	Alcohol BOTH ON/OFF premises
Location	On and off the premises
Number	
Hours	
<del>Monday</del>	<del>19:00-22:00</del>
<del>Tuesday</del>	<del>19:00-22:00</del>
<del>Wednesday</del>	<del>19:00-22:00</del>
<del>Thursday</del>	<del>19:00-22:00</del>
<del>Friday</del>	<del>19:00-22:00</del>
<del>Saturday</del>	<del>19:00-22:00</del>
Non Standard Timings and Variations	onal
	N/A Good Friday 1200-2230. Christnmas Day hours shall: i) not exceed six and a half hours; ii) not begin earlier than noon; iii) not end later than 2230; iv) provide for a break of at least 2 hours, including 1500-1700; v) not extend for more than three and a half hours after 1700. rpew Year's Eve - from the end of permitted hours on New Year's Eve to the start of permitted hours on the following day.
<b>History</b>	
Transaction Conversion	

2) Please view, their 2005 application:

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Extract is page 5:

a) "General — we are a private members club that does not retail to the general public. All social functions are private occasions" "no catering to the general public takes place" Why can it change now? What's different?

a) General – all four licensing objectives;

We are a private members club that does not retail to the general public. All social functions are private occasions, only club officials duly trained in the serving of alcohol, and who also have an intimate knowledge of our membership, operate behind the bar. No catering to the general public takes place. The club benefits from CCTV security and has full facilities for use by disabled members.

b) The prevention of crime and disorder

This is a private club that is not open to the general public and we do not undertake any advertising. The premises are covered by 24-hour CCTV. Consumption of alcohol is only allowed within the boundaries of our premises (see plan). Only club officers are allowed to serve alcohol. All alcohol is stored behind Chubb protected doors and grills. Security outside lights are automatically controlled.

c) Public safety

Our premises are visited annually for fire equipment maintenance, alarm maintenance & central heating maintenance. Our equipment dispensing alcohol and non-alcohol are cleaned weekly. All out-of-date goods are returned to the vendor. Our premises are covered with public safety signs including fire exit routes (see plan). Local taxi card numbers are displayed.

d) The prevention of public nuisance

We have on-site parking facilities including a disabled area. Access to the site is by a gate that is locked at 10pm every night. All functions are within the premises and doors are not left open. We have meetings with local residents who give us feedback as to whether there are any particular problems arising and then take steps as necessary to eliminate the problem.

e) The protection of children from harm

As a private club with a colts section, we know the ages of our members. We also have a comprehensive membership data base. All members have a club card. From this we know that no alcohol is served to under-age members. No adult entertainment takes place on our premises. We do not have internet access.

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From: [REDACTED]  
Sent: 11 May 2022 16:41  
To: Licensing Policy  
Subject: Application for Premises Licence for Holloway Hill Sports Pavillion

[ \*\* This email originates from an external source \*\* ]

We wish to object to the application for a change of licence by the Holloway Hill Sports Association from a club certificate to a premises licence. We recognise that the change is driven by the need to increase the use of the club house, and it opens it up to being used by the general public rather than limited to club members and their guests, in short to create a facility for the benefit of the local community. Such a laudable aim will however, have a variety of adverse consequences which will flow from granting this application and have a detrimental impact on local residents.

The club house was designed and built to serve the interests of the people of Godalming who use the sports and leisure facilities. It was not intended to be a public house in the midst of a residential area. Given the opening times planned in the application (allowing sale of alcohol until 11.30pm seven days a week), then ) the permissions sought include the sale of alcohol off the premises, and b) the arrangement to allow a commercial organisation (Howling Owl) to use the club to promote regular events and play loud music, as advertised on their website, there can be no doubt that this application will create an increased public nuisance.

At present, the car parking under the control of Waverley Borough Council which is adjacent to the Sports Pavilion, attracts youngsters playing loud music on car radios until the early hours particularly at weekends as well as using drugs and drinking alcohol. The car park and local area becomes littered with the detritus of these activities. The police are regularly informed and occasionally send a patrol car. The impact of granting the proposed premises licence will undoubtedly have the effect of legitimatising this anti social activity, especially since the proposed opening times will extend well beyond the 10pm time when the gate to the car park is supposed to be locked, (there are warning signs up at present, but these are invariably disregarded.). Anti social behaviour, loud noise and criminal activity can expected to increase substantially if this application is approved. Furthermore if the licence extends to 11.30pm, the police will argue that they have no grounds to intervene.

It is already evident after an event held there at present that the surrounding area is littered and residents bordering the ground have beer cans, bottles etc thrown into their front gardens.

The Howling Owl advertise on their website the decibel levels which create an unacceptable level for residential areas. We understand that Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve opening times will be until Bam.

Howling Owl advertise that they cater for events for up to 500 people. This application places no limitation on the numbers that could use this sports pavilion and currently there is insufficient car parking, which means there is an overflow vehicles affecting the surrounding lanes used by locals.

If the council are inclined to approve this application it should be for a probationary period, so that the impact can be monitored and residents have the opportunity to complain at the time and for events to be halted by them.

Yours faithfully

[Redacted signature]

[Redacted name]