

Report No.  
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London Borough of Bromley

PART ONE - PUBLIC

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**Decision Maker:** LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

**Date:** 11<sup>th</sup> March 2020

**Decision Type:** Non-Urgent Non-Executive Non-Key

**Title:** APPLICATION FOR THE VARIATION OF THE PREMISES LICENCE AT KENT COUNTY CRICKET GROUND BECKENHAM BR3 1RL

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**Chief Officer:** Colin Brand Director: Environment and Community Services

**Ward:** Copers Cope

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1. Reason for report

- 1.1 To provide the Licensing Sub-Committee with information supporting them to determine this licence application.

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2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 The Licensing Sub-Committee asked to determine this application having taken into account the Council's Statement of Licensing Policy 2016 to 2021 and written and oral representations by the applicant and objectors.

Members can

1. Grant the application
2. Grant the application but impose restrictions and conditions
3. Refuse the application.

Impact on Vulnerable Adults and Children

1. Summary of Impact:

When making decisions under the Licensing Act 2003 the Council is required to promote the licensing objectives, one of which is the protection of children from harm.

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Corporate Policy

1. Policy Status: Existing Policy:

The Council has adopted a statement of its licensing policy under the Licensing Act 2003 for the period 2016 to 2021.

2. BBB Priority: Children and Young People Excellent Council Quality Environment Safe Bromley Vibrant, Thriving Town Centres Healthy Bromley Regeneration

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Financial

1. Cost of proposal: Licensing statutes allow for an appeal to the Magistrates Court against the Council's decision. Should an appeal be made, costs are likely to be incurred but it is not possible to quantify these.
  2. Ongoing costs: Non-Recurring Cost
  3. Budget head/performance centre: Public Protection & Enforcement Portfolio Budget
  4. Total current budget for this head: £2.4m
  5. Source of funding: Revenue Budget 2019/2020
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Personnel

1. Number of staff (current and additional): 2 Licensing Officers supported by 5 FTE admin
  2. If from existing staff resources, number of staff hours: Not applicable
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Legal

1. Legal Requirement: Statutory Requirement: The Council is the Licensing Authority for the Licensing Act 2003. This is a Non-Executive function and is delegated to the General Purposes and Licensing Committee. Where representations are received about a licence application, it is referred to the Licensing Sub Committee for a hearing and decision.
  2. Call-in: Not Applicable:
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Procurement

1. Summary of Procurement Implications: Not applicable
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Customer Impact

1. Estimated number of users/beneficiaries (current and projected): If this application is granted, the applicant Kent Country Cricket Club Ltd will be the sole users and beneficiary of the licence. Once a licence has been granted it can be transferred by the holders to other people or businesses. When determining this application Members will also need to balance the benefits of holding the licence against any adverse effects to local residents and businesses by considering the impact on the licensing objectives

Ward Councillor Views

1. Have Ward Councillors been asked for comments? Yes. Ward Members were notified about the application by e-mail on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2020
2. Summary of Ward Councillors' comments: Cllrs Wells and Mellor have responded in objection to this application in its current form. These are contained in appendix 3

Responsible Authorities Views

The following Responsible Authorities were notified about this application and their views sought

Responsible Authority	Date Notified	Comments (further details in Appendix 3)
Metropolitan Police	10 <sup>th</sup> January 2020	No Objection
Planning Authority	10 <sup>th</sup> January 2020	No Objection
Trading Standards Service	10 <sup>th</sup> January 2020	No Objection
Public Health Nuisance Team	10 <sup>th</sup> January 2020	Objection
Health & Safety Team	10 <sup>th</sup> January 2020	No Objection
Child Protection Team	10 <sup>th</sup> January 2020	No Objection
Fire Authority	10 <sup>th</sup> January 2020	No Objection
Public Health	10 <sup>th</sup> January 2020	No Objection
Licensing Authority	10 <sup>th</sup> January 2020	No Objection

Residents and interested Parties

Sixty Seven (67) representations were placed by local residents to the application these are contained in appendix 3

**3. COMMENTARY****3.1. Licensing Act 2003.**

The Licensing Act 2003 states that any premises require a licence/certificate issued by the Council (premises licence/club premises certificate) where the following activities occur:-

**Provision of regulated entertainment**

- a) Plays. (Where the audience exceeds 500 people)
- b) Films.

- c) Indoor sporting events. (Where the audience exceeds 1000 people)
- d) Boxing or wrestling entertainment.
- e) Live music. (Subject to the Live Music Act 2013 exemptions)
- f) Recorded music.
- g) Performances of dance. (Where the audience exceeds 500 people)

**Provision of late night refreshment (between 2300hrs and 0500hrs).**

Supply of alcohol (on and off sales).

The supply of alcohol by or on behalf of a club to, or to the order of, a member of the club.

The sale by retail of alcohol by or on behalf of a club to a guest of a member of the club for consumption on the premises where the sale takes place.

Licences/Certificates may be issued subject to any terms, conditions or restrictions the Council feels are appropriate to address any or all of the four licensing objectives.

The Council has previously agreed Bromley's Statement of Licensing Policy for the Period 2016 – 2021.

The Licensing Sub-Committee must consider the Statement of Licensing Policy and any Special Policy of Cumulative Impact currently in force when making any decisions in respect of these applications.

Members' attention is drawn to the following parts of the policy which are relevant to this application

**Not Applicable**

**Description of the Premises / Nature of the Proposed Application**

From the application form directly as follows:

Kent County Cricket Club Limited is a professional sports club (cricket), with a variety of food and beverage event spaces within the ground. These event spaces are within the main Buildings (The Pavilion and The Indoor Cricket School & Events Centre) and on occasion take the form of temporary outlets usually marquees, gazebos and trailers

The club has been in operation since 1870 and on this site in Beckenham since 2003 (in fact our first game on this site was in 1954) and is a recognised national club (one of 18 in the country) in the professional cricket league operated by the England and Wales Cricket Board (ECB).

In recent years, conferencing, weddings, parties and other social gatherings have increased to provide a sustainable year-round business.

In addition, the club would like to host outdoor concerts and outdoor cinema events at the venue, up to a maximum of 4,999 attendance. Kent Cricket has successfully hosted small and large concerts at their ground in Canterbury over the past 5 years and would like to offer such well-organised and successful events at their ground in Beckenham.

## Licensing History

The Licensing History shows there have been very few issues raised with the Licensing and Public Health Nuisance Team for over three years. From a Public Nuisance perspective there was a single complaint mid 2018 but nothing further recorded. The premises have not applied for any Temporary Events Notices this year. The current licence is found in appendix 2

## Details of the Application (from the application form at appendix 1)

Plays will take place within the main buildings and on temporary stage structures within the ground and will be both amplified and unamplified. When plays are amplified, it will be by the play production company on a small show PA system.

The majority of shows will be one off shows, however if we were to extend the run, the plays would be performed daily for a period of no longer than any 6 consecutive days before a break in the performance schedule.

Films will take place within main buildings and on occasion outdoors on a screen within the ground and will be amplified. When films are amplified, it will be by the film show production company on a small film PA system.

The majority of films will be one off screenings, however if we were to have an extended run, the films would be performed daily for a period of no longer than any 6 consecutive days before a break in the performance schedule.

Live music will take place within main buildings or on occasion on a temporary stage structure on the ground with both the temporary stage and audience erected/situated on the cricket field. These events will be primarily amplified and unamplified on occasion. When events are amplified, it will be by the promoter's company on a show PA system.

We would like to have a maximum of four stand-alone outdoor live music concerts every year, attracting crowds of up to 4,999 on each occasion. The four, stand-alone outdoor live music events will be restricted to the period May – September in any given year. Other live music

(outdoors) would be linked (but not limited to) to other events such as cricket match days, fireworks, club open days etc. Other live music (indoors) will be limited to no more than 3 events per week and will primarily be linked

(but not limited to) to weddings/parties and on occasion to stand alone performances which would be based on a room hire and operated by a 'promoter'.

All outdoor live music events (both the stand-alone concerts and any other outdoor performance) will be restricted to a 22.45 performance curfew regardless of the day of the week.

Recorded music will be played within the main buildings and on occasion outdoors through specific event temporary PA systems during specific outdoor events (but not limited to) cricket, concerts, firework event etc. Music will be played on occasion by a 'DJ' as an introduction to a live act under section E of this license.

All outdoor recorded music events (both the stand-alone concerts and any other outdoor performance) will be restricted to a 22.45 performance curfew regardless of the day of the week.

During the cricket season (summer) recorded music is played outdoors during all one day matches both before during and after the game. The timings fall well within those detailed and indeed on most occasions will end at 21.00 at the very latest (normally between 20.15 and 2045

#### Supply of Alcohol

On the occasion of 'Live Outdoor Music,' outdoor alcohol Supply/Sales will be restricted to the same timings as the live outdoor music section of this license (section E) - the finish being 23.00 (for outdoor alcohol Supply/Sales).

Supply/Sales of alcohol within main buildings will continue to those timings listed both of which fall within the timings of the current licence.

#### Representations

During the public consultation period the Council received a total of 65 representations against the application. Comprising 2 Ward Cllr and 63 residents all are contained in appendix 3

#### Map and Photos

Are contained in appendix 4

### **4. IMPACT ON VULNERABLE ADULTS AND CHILDREN**

- 4.1 Licensing regimes provide for additional controls through specific permissions to undertake activities. Both the Licensing Act 2003 and Gambling Act 2005 contain licensing objectives which seek to protect particular vulnerable groups. In the case of the Licensing Act 2003 it seeks to protect children from harm whereas the licensing objectives under the Gambling Act 2005 are wider and seek to protect children and vulnerable adults from being harmed or exploited.
- 4.2 Businesses and the Council are required to promote these objectives in the way they operate or make decisions.
- 4.3 Details of applications under both Acts are referred to the appropriate safeguarding teams for comment.

### **5. POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 Both the Licensing Act 2003 and the Gambling Act 2005 require the Council to prepare, consult on and publish statements of their licensing policy. These must be reviewed at least every 5 years under the Licensing Act and 3 years under the Gambling Act.
- 5.2 Members should make decisions in accordance with these policies but are free to depart from them with good reason.
- 5.3 The current policies are -
  - Statement of Licensing Policy 2016 – 2021

[http://www.bromley.gov.uk/downloads/file/226/statement\\_of\\_licensing\\_policy\\_2016-2021](http://www.bromley.gov.uk/downloads/file/226/statement_of_licensing_policy_2016-2021)

- Statement of Gambling Policy 2016-2019

[http://www.bromley.gov.uk/downloads/file/325/gambling\\_policy](http://www.bromley.gov.uk/downloads/file/325/gambling_policy)

### **6. FINANCIAL & LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 6.1 There are rights of appeal to the Magistrates Court against the decision of the Sub-Committee under both the Licensing and Gambling Acts. If an appeal were to be lodged there are costs associated with defending it. These are difficult to quantify and the Courts can award costs. In the event of a successful appeal we could pay the costs of the appellant as well as our own. Equally if we successfully defended an appeal, it is open to the Court to order our costs to be paid by the appellant.
- 6.2 Parties involved in a hearing before a Sub-Committee can also seek a Judicial Review if the Local Authority has failed to administer the hearing in accordance with proper procedures.
- 6.3 The Council has adopted a procedure for the conduct of hearings.

<b>Non-Applicable Sections:</b>	Personnel and Procurement implications
Background Documents: (Access via Contact Officer)	Soft File Computer based records

# Appendix 1

## Application Form



**Application to vary a premises licence under the Licensing Act 2003 PLEASE  
READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS FIRST**

Before completing this form please read the guidance notes at the end of the form. If you are completing this form by hand please write legibly in block capitals. In all cases ensure that your answers are inside the boxes and written in black ink. Use additional sheets if necessary.

You may wish to keep a copy of the completed form for your records.

I/We Kent County Cricket Club Ltd  
(Insert name(s) of applicant) being **the premises licence holder, apply to vary a premises licence under section 34 of the Licensing Act 2003 for the premises described in Part 1 below**

**Premises licence number 15/00293/LAPRE**

**Part 1 – Premises Details**

Postal address of premises or, if none, ordnance survey map reference or description			
Kent County Cricket Club, Beckenham Worsley Bridge Road Beckenham Kent BR3 1RL			
Post town	Beckenham	Postcode	BR3 1RL
Telephone number at premises (if any)		0203 490 2370	
Non-domestic rateable value of premises		£ 47,500	

**Part 2 – Applicant details**

Daytime contact telephone number	01227 456886		
E-mail address (optional)	alan.hilliker.kent@ecb.co.uk		
Current postal address if different from premises address	The Spitfire Ground, St Lawrence Old Dover Road Canterbury KENT CT1 3NZ		
Post town	Canterbury	Postcode	CT1 3NZ

**Part 3 - Variation**

Please tick as appropriate

Do you want the proposed variation to have effect as soon as possible? Yes ✓

If not, from what date do you want the variation to take effect?

DD MM YYYY

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Do you want the proposed variation to have effect in relation to the introduction of the late night levy? (Please see guidance note 1) No

**Please describe briefly the nature of the proposed variation (Please see guidance note 2)**

Kent County Cricket Club Limited is a professional sports club (cricket), with a variety of food and beverage event spaces within the ground. These event spaces are within the main Buildings (The Pavilion and The Indoor Cricket School & Events Centre) and on occasion take the form of temporary outlets usually marquees, gazebos and trailers.

The club has been in operation since 1870 and on this site in Beckenham since 2003 (in fact our first game on this site was in 1954) and is a recognised national club (one of 18 in the country) in the professional cricket league operated by the England and Wales Cricket Board (ECB).

In recent years, conferencing, weddings, parties and other social gatherings have increased to provide a sustainable year-round business.

In addition, the club would like to host outdoor concerts and outdoor cinema events at the venue, up to a maximum of 4,999 attendance. Kent Cricket has successfully hosted small and large concerts at their ground in Canterbury over the past 5 years and would like to offer such well-organised and successful events at their ground in Beckenham.

If your proposed variation would mean that 5,000 or more people are expected to attend the premises at any one time, please state the number expected to attend:

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**Part 4 Operating Schedule**

Please complete those parts of the Operating Schedule below which would be subject to change if this application to vary is successful.

**Provision of regulated entertainment (Please see guidance note 3) Please tick all that apply**

- a) plays (if ticking yes, fill in box A) ✓
- b) films (if ticking yes, fill in box B) ✓
- c) indoor sporting events (if ticking yes, fill in box C)
- d) boxing or wrestling entertainment (if ticking yes, fill in box D)
- e) live music (if ticking yes, fill in box E) ✓
- f) recorded music (if ticking yes, fill in box F) ✓
- g) performances of dance (if ticking yes, fill in box G)
  
- h) anything of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g) (if ticking yes, fill in box H)

**Provision of late night refreshment** (if ticking yes, fill in box I)

**Supply of alcohol** (if ticking yes, fill in box J) ✓

**In all cases complete boxes K, L and M**

A

Plays Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			<b><u>Will the performance of a play take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u></b> (please read guidance note 4)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish			
Mon	10.00	23.00	<b><u>Please give further details here</u></b> (please read guidance note 5)  Plays will take place within the main buildings and on temporary stage structures within the ground and will be both amplified and unamplified. When plays are amplified, it will be by the play production company on a small show PA system.		
Tue	10.00	23.00			
Wed	10.00	23.00	<b><u>State any seasonal variations for performing plays</u></b> (please read guidance note 6)		
Thur	10.00	23.00	The majority of shows will be one off shows, however if we were to extend the run, the plays would be performed daily for a period of no longer than any 6 consecutive days before a break in the performance schedule.		
Fri	10.00	23.00	<b><u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the performance of plays at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u></b> (please read guidance note 7)  N/A		
Sat	10.00	23.00			
Sun	10.00	23.00			

## B

Films Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			<b><u>Will the exhibition of films take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u></b> (please read guidance note 4)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish		Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mon	10.00	23.00	<b><u>Please give further details here</u></b> (please read guidance note 5)  Films will take place within main buildings and on occasion outdoors on a screen within the ground and will be amplified. When films are amplified, it will be by the film show production company on a small film PA system.	Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Tue	10.00	23.00			
Wed	10.00	23.00		<b><u>State any seasonal variations for the exhibition of films</u></b> (please read guidance note 6)	
Thur	10.00	23.00		The majority of films will be one off screenings, however if we were to have an extended run, the films would be performed daily for a period of no longer than any 6 consecutive days before a break in the performance schedule.	
Fri	10.00	23.00		<b><u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the exhibition of films at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u></b> (please read guidance note 7)	
Sat	10.00	23.00		N/A	
Sun	10.00	23.00			

C

<b>Indoor sporting events</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			<b><u>Please give further details</u></b> (please read guidance note 5)  N/A
Day	Start	Finish	
			<b><u>State any seasonal variations for indoor sporting events</u></b> (please read guidance note 6)  N/A
			<b><u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for indoor sporting events at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u></b> (please read guidance note 7)  N/A

**D**

<b>Boxing or wrestling entertainments</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			<b><u>Will the boxing or wrestling entertainment take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u></b> (please read guidance note 4)		Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
					Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish	Both			
			<b><u>Please give further details here</u></b> (please read guidance note 5) N/A			
			<b><u>State any seasonal variations for boxing or wrestling entertainment</u></b> (please read guidance note 6) N/A			
			<b><u>Non-standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for boxing or wrestling entertainment at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u></b> (please read guidance note 7) N/A			

## E

Live music Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			<b><u>Will the performance of live music take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u></b> (please read guidance note 4)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish		Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mon	10.00	23.00	<b><u>Please give further details here</u></b> (please read guidance note 5)  Live music will take place within main buildings or on occasion on a temporary stage structure on the ground with both the temporary stage and audience erected/situated on the cricket field. These events will be primarily amplified and unamplified on occasion. When events are amplified, it will be by the promoter's company on a show PA system.	Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Tue	10.00	23.00			
Wed	10.00	23.00		<b><u>State any seasonal variations for the performance of live music</u></b> (please read guidance note 6)	
Thur	10.00	23.00		We would like to have a maximum of four stand-alone outdoor live music concerts every year, attracting crowds of up to 4,999 on each occasion. The four, stand-alone outdoor live music events will be restricted to the period May – September in any given year. Other live music (outdoors) would be linked (but not limited to) to other events such as cricket match days, fireworks, club open days etc. Other live music (indoors) will be limited to no more than 3 events per week and will primarily be linked (but not limited to) to weddings/parties and on occasion to stand alone performances which would be based on a room hire and operated by a 'promoter'.	
Fri	10.00	23.00		<b><u>Non-standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the performance of live music at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u></b> (please read guidance note 7)	
Sat	10.00	23.00		All outdoor live music events (both the stand-alone concerts and any other outdoor performance) will be restricted to a 22.45 performance curfew regardless of the day of the week.	
Sun	10.00	23.00			

## F

Recorded music Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			<b><u>Will the playing of recorded music take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u></b> (please read guidance note 4)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish		Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mon	10.00	23.00	<p><b><u>Please give further details here</u></b> (please read guidance note 5)</p> <p>Recorded music will be played within the main buildings and on occasion outdoors through specific event temporary PA systems during specific outdoor events (but not limited to) cricket, concerts, firework event etc. Music will be played on occasion by a ‘DJ’ as an introduction to a live act under section E of this license.</p> <p>All outdoor recorded music events (both the stand-alone concerts and any other outdoor performance) will be restricted to a 22.45 performance curfew regardless of the day of the week.</p>	Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Tue	10.00	23.00			
Wed	10.00	23.00		<p><b><u>State any seasonal variations for the playing of recorded music</u></b> (please read guidance note 6)</p>	
Thur	10.00	23.00		<p>During the cricket season (summer) recorded music is played outdoors during all one day matches both before during and after the game. The timings fall well within those detailed and indeed on most occasions will end at 21.00 at the very latest (normally between 20.15 and 20.45).</p>	
Fri	10.00	23.00		<p><b><u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the playing of recorded music at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u></b> (please read guidance note 7)</p>	
Sat	10.00	23.00			
Sun	10.00	23.00			

## G

Performances of dance Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			<b><u>Will the performance of dance take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u></b> (please read guidance note 4)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish		Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<b><u>Please give further details here</u></b> (please read guidance note 5)  N/A	Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<b><u>State any seasonal variations for the performance of dance</u></b> (please read guidance note 6)  N/A		
			<b><u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the performance of dance at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u></b> (please read guidance note 7)  N/A		

**H**

<p><b>Anything of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g)</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)</p>			<p>Please give a description of the type of entertainment you will be providing</p> <p>- Other Ad-Hoc Events (including but not limited to) Filming, Conferencing, Circus, Fairs, Comedians, Burlesque etc.</p>		
Day	Start	Finish	<p><b><u>Will this entertainment take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u></b> (please read guidance note 4)</p>	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<p><b><u>Please give further details here</u></b> (please read guidance note 5)</p> <p>N/A</p>		
			<p><b><u>State any seasonal variations for entertainment of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g)</u></b> (please read guidance note 6)</p> <p>N/A</p>		
			<p><b><u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the entertainment of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g) at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u></b> (please read guidance note 7)</p> <p>N/A</p>		

**I**

<b>Late night refreshment</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			<b>Will the provision of late night refreshment take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</b> (please read guidance note 4)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish		Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<b><u>Please give further details here</u></b> (please read guidance note 5)  N/A	Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<b><u>State any seasonal variations for the provision of late night refreshment</u></b> (please read guidance note 6)  N/A		
			<b><u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the provision of late night refreshment at different times, to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u></b> (please read guidance note 7)  N/A		

**J**

Supply of alcohol Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 8)			Will the supply of alcohol be for <b>consumption – please tick</b> (please read guidance note 9)	On the premises	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish		Off the premises	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mon	10.00	23.00	<b>State any seasonal variations for the supply of alcohol</b> (please read guidance note 6)  N/A	Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Tue	10.00	23.00			
Wed	10.00	23.00			
Thur	10.00	23.00		<b>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the supply of alcohol at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</b> (please read guidance note 7)	
Fri	10.00	23.59		On the occasion of ‘Live Outdoor Music,’ outdoor alcohol Supply/Sales will be restricted to the same timings as the live outdoor music section of this license (section E) - the finish being 23.00 (for outdoor alcohol Supply/Sales).	
Sat	10.00	23.59		Supply/Sales of alcohol within main buildings will continue to those timings listed opposite.	
Sun	10.00	22.30		Both of which fall within the timings of the current licence.	

K

**Please highlight 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 (please read guidance note 10).**

N/A

L

<b>Hours premises are open to the public</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			<b>State any seasonal variations</b> (please read guidance note 4)  N/A
Day	Start	Finish	<b>Non standard timings. Where you intend the premises to be open to the public at different times from those listed in the column on the left, please list</b> (please read guidance note 5)  N/A

Please identify those conditions currently imposed on the licence which you believe could be removed as a consequence of the proposed variation you are seeking.

Please tick as appropriate

- I have enclosed the premises licence
- I have enclosed the relevant part of the premises licence

✓

If you have not ticked one of these boxes, please fill in reasons for not including the licence or part of it below

Reasons why I have not enclosed the premises licence or relevant part of premises licence.

**M** Describe the steps you intend to take to promote the four licensing objectives:

**a) General – all four licensing objectives (b, c, d and e)** (please read guidance note 11)

We will observe and act upon the Licensing objectives as laid down in the Licensing Act 2003 and Existing Health and Safety/Fire Safety etc requirements and in addition:

Well trained staff are critical to the well running of the premises, a number of staff are personal license holders and training/briefing takes place at regular intervals and briefings are held before every event. We keep a record of training and briefings to ensure all staff act in a professional manner with regards the sale of alcohol.

Kent Cricket is a highly customer focused organisation, constantly looking to improve the visitors experience (across all age groups) and regular feedback surveys are operated by both the club and the ECB (England and Wales Cricket Board).

We constantly look at and review the principles of the four licensing objectives and aim to meet and exceed the defined guidelines wherever possible.

- *From 1 April 2017 businesses that sell alcohol to the public will need to ensure that the UK wholesalers they buy alcohol from have been approved by HMRC under the Alcohol Wholesaler Registration Scheme (AWRS). They will need to check the wholesaler's Unique Registration Number (URN) against the HMRC online database which will be available from April 2017.*

All Alcohol sold at the ground is purchased and supplied by Shepherd Neame Limited of Faversham.

With regards to the outdoor concerts:

Kent Cricket/The Concert Promoter intends that all its events are staged in accordance with best practice and within health and safety guidelines. The Promoter will have a Health and Safety Policy that is available on request.

The Promoter will be committed to:

- The provision of safe and healthy conditions for employees and all other persons using the venue.
- Compliance with all Health and Safety legislation including Health and Safety At Work Act 1974.
- The implementation of the Health and Safety Policy.
- Seeking the coordination of everyone to achieve these objectives in order to minimise injuries and work related ill health.
- Ensuring employees are competent to do their tasks, providing information, training and supervision where necessary.

The Event Safety Coordinator will:

- Coordinate the production of an Event Management Plan
- Assess and identify any risks associated with the event
- Identify and implement control measures to mitigate risk
- Take overall responsibility for public safety
- Undertake safety checks prior to and during the event
- Keep an event log of all checks performed
- Record all accidents and incidents in a dedicated Incident Log
- Report to the Event Production Manager any issues or potential issues that may arise.
- Oversee all stewarding and security personnel.
- Work collaboratively with the club's management and staff, medical provider and other agencies to uphold the licensing objectives

The Event Production Manager will:

- Ensure all production is installed safely and meets safety and construction requirements.
- Ensure all Health and Safety matters for contractors & subcontractors are adhered to.
- Ensure the site is decommissioned and handed over at the end of the event.
- All personnel will be provided with 2-way radios.
- Stewarding and security personnel will be:
  1. - adequate in number
  2. - competent in the skills and experience required for their roles
  3. - properly supervised in the performance of their duties
  4. - well briefed in relation to their role in both routine and emergency situations.

**b) The prevention of crime and disorder**

We will liaise with Kent Police and aim to preserve the continuance of the Cricket Club's good reputation for maintaining an orderly premises and Existing Health and Safety/Fire Safety etc requirements and in addition:

The club has alarms on all buildings with internal rooms and operates a CCTV system around the ground.

All private areas, office space, cellars and storage facilities are kept locked when the premises are open to the public.

External lighting is provided around the ground both in the form of building lights and a stretch of 'street lighting' on the main entrance driveway.

All door supervisors employed are licensed with the Security Industry Authority (SIA) and badges are displayed at all times when working. All Security Staff, Stewards and Catering Staff are easily identifiable by the wearing of a uniform, high visibility jackets and ID badges. Consideration is always given to the sufficient provision of male and female door staff.

Risk assessments are available for all buildings and major events. The premises are searched inside and out for suspect packages before, during and after opening hours. Staff are trained to remain vigilant and report any suspicious activity.

For specific events outside the normal presentation of 'professional cricket matches' a comprehensive risk assessment will be undertaken by Kent Cricket and submitted to Bromley Council events team (SAG). Any problems arising from such events will be detailed and a full written debrief provided to the Council and Police within 48 hours of the event.

Ground regulations are issued which cover all areas of behaviour and also details the admissions and ejection process with regards to acceptable behaviour. These can be found on both the website and around the ground.

The club promote a 'plastic' drinking vessel at all outdoor events (cricket, concerts etc.) glass is allowed in the member's pavilion and corporate areas, however drinks must be decanted into the plastic glasses when leaving the function room areas.

The club also operate a zero-tolerance policy with regards to the use of Illegal Drugs and New Psychoactive Substances.

No Alcohol is allowed into the ground on our T20 cricket matches and other large events (concerts etc.) and the club operate a search policy on bags when required by suitably trained/accredited staff and only take place in public areas.

The club operate a lost property service at all events and items are logged by the on-duty manager.

With regards to the outdoor concerts:

- The event is staged in a secure site and entry is by ticket only.
- Conditions of entry prevent the introduction of alcohol, illegal substances and prohibited items including anything which might be used as a weapon.
- SIA security staff will profile attendees and conduct bag and random personal searches on entry.
- Refusal to be searched is grounds for refusing entry to the event.
- SIA security staff experienced in dealing with large crowds supported by stewards familiar with the venue will observe and monitor crowds and deal with any incidents of crime or disorder.
- There will be a dedicated SIA response team capable of responding to incidents within the crowd.

- There will be dedicated SIA staff present at each bar to uphold the licensing objectives.
- Any persons found to be drunk or heavily under the influence of alcohol will be ejected from the venue
- There will be a zero tolerance to drugs, any persons suspected or found dealing or using any illegal substances or 'legal highs' will be ejected from the venue.

**c) Public safety**

Kent Cricket will consult the local Safety Authority Group authorities including the Police, the Fire service and Ambulance authority to ensure all necessary steps are undertaken to provide for the safety of those attending the Kent Cricket Ground and its buildings and observes the recommendations made by those authorities. We meet Existing Health and Safety/Fire Safety etc requirements and in addition:

Risk assessments are undertaken on a regular basis in relation to public safety at events and reviewed at least every 12 months. We also have regular audits by the ECB (England & Wales Cricket Board) in relationship to ground safety and security. The 'Green Guide' is also referenced and all actions based on the recommendations within its contents.

First Aid facilities and a defibrillator are held on site and in addition we contract out a medical service provider at all 1<sup>st</sup> class cricket matches and other major events. Numerous members of staff are First Aid trained for first response on all other working days.

Function Rooms have agreed capacity levels and are adhered to at all times.

Smoking and Vaping is only allowed in designated areas within the ground.

Kent staff are regularly trained in Counter Terrorism via the Kent Counter Terrorism Security Adviser (Kent), CT Policing South East.

All Stewards are trained to a minimum NVQ Level 2 and a proportion are Level 3 and Level 4 qualified in Spectator Safety (the industry standard qualification for the Sports Ground Safety Authority).

Staff that deal with children or vulnerable people on a regular basis are all DBS checked (valid for 3 years).

With regards to the outdoor concerts:

- The event is staged in a secure site and access is via ticket only.
- Ticket check on ingress and routine patrols of the perimeter will ensure that the venue capacity is not exceeded.
- SIA security staff will profile attendees and conduct random personal and bag searches looking for drugs, alcohol, and prohibited items.

- No glass containers or bottles on site. No glassware to be taken outside of hospitality lounges.
- SIA security staff used to dealing with large crowds supported by stewards familiar with the venue will observe and manage crowds with a specific remit to support public safety.
- The public will be prevented from reaching out of bounds areas eg backstage.
- The event will adopt the venue's incident response procedures, coded messages and briefings in terms of suspicious packages, fire, medical and other incidents but these will be tailored to reflect the unique nature of the concert and the fact that the crowd is on the playing field.
- The event will adopt the venue's emergency evacuation procedures but these will be tailored to reflect the unique nature of the concert and the fact that the crowd is on the playing field.
- Gates and emergency exits will be staffed with stewards familiar with their role in an emergency or evacuation situation.
- The event will have a dedicated medical team operating in accordance with the event medical plan.

**d) The prevention of public nuisance**

Kent Cricket is anxious to continue to carry on its activities so as to cause the least possible disruption to its neighbours and members of the public generally.

The hours for the provision of the sale of alcohol, late night refreshment, live music, recorded music and for the opening of the premises have been restricted specifically to ensure that the escape of noise will be limited to hours acceptable to the club's neighbours.

We meet existing Health and Safety/Fire Safety etc requirements and in addition:

The club has a noise management policy in place for both indoor and outdoor events and external monitoring in place for all concerts.

External areas are restricted and cleared after 9pm during evening cricket matches to reduce the noise levels in the surrounding residential area.

Staff arriving early and late are advised to drive/ behave in a manner that will not cause disturbance to local residents in the area.

Commercial deliveries and collections are booked in between 8.00AM and 6PM Monday to Friday wherever possible.

Flyers, Ticket Touting and Hawkers will not be allowed to be distributed/sold outside. Anyone found to be practising in these pursuits without the permission of the club will be asked to leave the ground and encouraged not to sell on the public

highway. If anyone is causing a public nuisance the Police will be called immediately to avoid any escalation in the matter.

With regards to the outdoor concerts:

- The Promoter will attend a meeting with the local resident's association if required to agree measures aimed at preventing public nuisance.
- Music will commence and terminate at times agreed in advance and within the timings of this license
- Consultants will be employed throughout the concerts to monitor sound levels so as not to cause public nuisance to neighboring properties.
- PA announcements will be given at the end of the event asking spectators to leave quietly and respect local residents.
- SIA security staff supported by stewards will direct spectators out of the ground.

**e) The protection of children from harm**

Kent Cricket does not propose to provide any adult entertainment or services activities or other entertainment that may give rise to concern in respect of children. Children will not be allowed into any bar area, otherwise than in the company of an adult. We meet existing Health and Safety/Fire Safety etc requirements and in addition:

A documented policy setting out measures to protect children from harm, how to deal with lost children and also concerns with regards to vulnerable adults at the premises is updated regularly and staff trained on the policy (Spectator Safety Policy).

The club operates a NO ID, NO Sale Policy on any person appearing to be under 25 to prove they are over 18. (Challenge 25).

Staff training – age related sections of the Licensing Act 2003 are provided to all door, bar and till staff, this includes the ability to competently check customer's ID's where necessary and records kept accordingly.

During busy Cricket Matches the club operate a family viewing area which is stewarded at all times and allows families to enjoy the game in a relaxed manner. No Smoking, No Alcohol and No Bad Language is allowed in any form in this area.

With regards to the outdoor concerts:

- Persons aged 16 and under must be accompanied by an adult 18 or over at all times.
- The event management plan will include a procedure for managing lost and found children and vulnerable adults.
- A welfare room will be identified with a DBS checked member of staff.

- SIA security staff and stewards will be on the lookout for the welfare of children and vulnerable adults particularly checking for the underage consumption of alcohol.

Checklist:

Please tick to indicate agreement

- I have made or enclosed payment of the fee; or
- I have not made or enclosed payment of the fee because this application has been made in relation to the introduction of the late-night levy.
- I have sent copies of this application and the plan to responsible authorities and others where applicable.
- I understand that I must now advertise my application.
- I have enclosed the premises licence or relevant part of it or explanation.
- I understand that if I do not comply with the above requirements my application will be rejected.

**IT IS AN OFFENCE, UNDER SECTION 158 OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003, TO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT IN OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS APPLICATION. THOSE WHO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT MAY BE LIABLE ON SUMMARY CONVICTION TO A FINE OF ANY AMOUNT.**

**Part 5 – Signatures** (please read guidance note 12)

**Signature of applicant (the current premises licence holder) or applicant’s solicitor or other duly authorised agent** (please read guidance note 13). **If signing on behalf of the applicant, please state in what capacity.**

Signature	<i>Alan Hilliker</i>
Date	09/01/2020
Capacity	Premises Licence Holder

**Where the premises licence is jointly held, signature of 2nd applicant (the current premises licence holder) or 2nd applicant’s solicitor or other authorised agent** (please read guidance note 14). **If signing on behalf of the applicant, please state in what capacity.**

Signature	
Date	

Capacity	
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**Contact name (where not previously given) and address for correspondence associated with this application** (please read guidance note 15)

Post town		Post code	
Telephone number (if any)			
<b>If you would prefer us to correspond with you by e-mail, your e-mail address (optional)</b>			

#### Notes for Guidance

**This application cannot be used to vary the licence so as to extend the period for which the licence has effect or to vary substantially the premises to which it relates. If you wish to make that type of change to the premises licence, you should make a new premises licence application under section 17 of the Licensing Act 2003.**

1. You do not have to pay a fee if the only purpose of the variation for which you are applying is to avoid becoming liable for the late night levy
2. Describe the premises. For example, the type of premises, its general situation and layout and any other information which could be relevant to the licensing objectives. Where your application includes off-supplies of alcohol and you intend to provide a place of consumption of these off-supplies of alcohol, you must include a description of where the place will be and its proximity to the premises.
3. In terms of specific regulated entertainments please note that:
  - Plays: no licence is required for performances between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, provided that the audience does not exceed 500.
  - Films: no licence is required for 'not-for-profit' film exhibition held in community premises between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day provided that the audience does not exceed 500 and the organiser (a) gets consent to the screening from a person who is responsible for the premises; and (b) ensures that each such screening abides by age classification ratings.
  - Indoor sporting events: no licence is required for performances between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, provided that the audience does not exceed 1000.
  - Boxing or Wrestling Entertainment: no licence is required for a contest, exhibition or display of Greco-Roman wrestling, or freestyle wrestling between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, provided that the audience does not exceed 1000. Combined fighting sports – defined as a contest, exhibition or display which combines boxing or wrestling with one or more martial arts – are licensable as a boxing or wrestling entertainment rather than an indoor sporting event.
  - Live music: no licence permission is required for:
    - a performance of unamplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, on any premises.

- a performance of amplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day on premises authorised to sell alcohol for consumption on those premises, provided that the audience does not exceed 500.
  - a performance of amplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, in a workplace that is not licensed to sell alcohol on those premises, provided that the audience does not exceed 500.
  - a performance of amplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, in a church hall, village hall, community hall, or other similar community premises, that is not licensed by a premises licence to sell alcohol, provided that (a) the audience does not exceed 500, and (b) the organiser gets consent for the performance from a person who is responsible for the premises.
  - a performance of amplified live music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, at the non-residential premises of (i) a local authority, or (ii) a school, or (iii) a hospital, provided that (a) the audience does not exceed 500, and (b) the organiser gets consent for the performance on the relevant premises from: (i) the local authority concerned, or (ii) the school or (iii) the health care provider for the hospital.
  - Recorded Music: no licence permission is required for:
    - any playing of recorded music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day on premises authorised to sell alcohol for consumption on those premises, provided that the audience does not exceed 500.
    - any playing of recorded music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, in a church hall, village hall, community hall, or other similar community premises, that is not licensed by a premises licence to sell alcohol, provided that (a) the audience does not exceed 500, and (b) the organiser gets consent for the performance from a person who is responsible for the premises.
    - any playing of recorded music between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, at the non-residential premises of (i) a local authority, or (ii) a school, or (iii) a hospital, provided that (a) the audience does not exceed 500, and (b) the organiser gets consent for the performance on the relevant premises from: (i) the local authority concerned, or (ii) the school proprietor or (iii) the health care provider for the hospital.
  - Dance: no licence is required for performances between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, provided that the audience does not exceed 500. However, a performance which amounts to adult entertainment remains licensable.
  - Cross activity exemptions: no licence is required between 08.00 and 23.00 on any day, with no limit on audience size for:
    - any entertainment taking place on the premises of the local authority where the entertainment is provided by or on behalf of the local authority;
    - any entertainment taking place on the hospital premises of the health care provider where the entertainment is provided by or on behalf of the health care provider;
    - any entertainment taking place on the premises of the school where the entertainment is provided by or on behalf of the school proprietor; and
    - any entertainment (excluding films and a boxing or wrestling entertainment) taking place at a travelling circus, provided that (a) it takes place within a moveable structure that accommodates the audience, and (b) that the travelling circus has not been located on the same site for more than 28 consecutive days.
4. Where taking place in a building or other structure please tick as appropriate (indoors may include a tent).

5. For example state type of activity to be authorised, if not already stated, and give relevant further details, for example (but not exclusively) whether or not music will be amplified or unamplified.
6. For example (but not exclusively), where the activity will occur on additional days during the summer months.
7. For example (but not exclusively), where you wish the activity to go on longer on a particular day e.g. Christmas Eve.
8. Please give timings in 24 hour clock (e.g. 16.00) and only give details for the days of the week when you intend the premises to be used for the activity.
9. If you wish people to be able to consume alcohol on the premises, please tick 'on the premises'. If you wish people to be able to purchase alcohol to consume away from the premises, please tick 'off the premises'. If you wish people to be able to do both, please tick 'both'.
10. Please give information about anything intended to occur at the premises or ancillary to the use of the premises which may give rise to concern in respect of children regardless of whether you intend children to have access to the premises, for example (but not exclusively) nudity or semi-nudity, films for restricted age groups or the presence of gaming machines.
11. Please list here steps you will take to promote all four licensing objectives together.
12. The application form must be signed.
13. An applicant's agent (for example solicitor) may sign the form on their behalf provided that they have actual authority to do so.
14. Where there is more than one applicant, each of the applicants or their respective agents must sign the application form.
15. This is the address which we shall use to correspond with you about this application.



## Appendix 2

### Current Licence

**LICENSING ACT 2003**

**Premises Licence  
London Borough of Bromley**

Premises licence number

15/00293/LAPRE

Signed

Paul Lehane  
Food, Safety and Licensing Manager

Licence Granted 24th November 2005

Issue Number

**008**

This licence consists of **12** pages (Including Licence Summary)

**Part 1 – Premises Details**

**Postal address of premises, or if none, ordnance survey map reference or description**

Kent County Cricket Club  
Cricket Pavilion  
Kent County Cricket Ground  
Worsley Bridge Road  
Beckenham  
BR3 1RL

**Where the licence is time limited the dates**

Not applicable.

**Licensable activities authorised by the licence**

Sale or Supply of Alcohol  
Late Night Refreshment  
Films  
Live Music  
Recorded Music  
Performance of Dance  
Similar to Live, Recorded Music or Dance

**Where the licence authorises supplies of alcohol whether these are on and/or off sales**

On Sales only

**The opening hours of the premises**

Hours Open to the Public on Monday-Thursday from 10:00 to 23:00  
Hours Open to the Public on Friday and Saturday from 10:00 to 23:59  
Hours Open to the Public on Sunday from 10:00 to 22:30



**Name, address and telephone number of designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises for the supply of alcohol**

Full Name: Alan John Hilliker

Address: 24 Rectory Road Broadstairs Kent CT10 1HG

**Personal licence number and issuing authority of personal licence held by designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises for the supply of alcohol**

DPS Licence Ref: LN/200500963 issued by Thanet District Council

**Mandatory Conditions**

1. Supply of Alcohol:

(1). No supply of alcohol may be made at a time when no designated premises supervisor has been specified in the licence or at a time when the designated premises supervisor does not hold a personal licence or the personal licence has been suspended.

(2). Every sale of alcohol under the premises licence must be authorised by a personal licence holder.

2. Irresponsible Promotions:

(1) The responsible person must ensure that staff on relevant premises do not carry out, arrange or participate in any irresponsible promotions in relation to the premises.

(2). In this paragraph, an irresponsible promotion means any one or more of the following activities, or substantially similar activities, carried on for the purpose of encouraging the sale or supply of alcohol for consumption on the premises—

- (a) games or other activities which require or encourage, or are designed to require or encourage, individuals to—
  - (i) drink a quantity of alcohol within a time limit (other than to drink alcohol sold or supplied on the premises before the cessation of the period in which the responsible person is authorised to sell or supply alcohol), or .
  - (ii) drink as much alcohol as possible (whether within a time limit or otherwise);
- (b) provision of unlimited or unspecified quantities of alcohol free or for a fixed or discounted fee to the public or to a group defined by a particular characteristic in a manner which carries a significant risk of undermining a licensing objective;
- (c) provision of free or discounted alcohol or any other thing as a prize to encourage or reward the purchase and consumption of alcohol over a period of 24 hours or less in a manner which carries a significant risk of undermining a licensing objective;
- d) selling or supplying alcohol in association with promotional posters or flyers on, or in the vicinity of, the premises which can reasonably be considered to condone, encourage or glamorise anti-social behaviour or to refer to the effects of drunkenness in any favourable manner;
- (e) dispensing alcohol directly by one person into the mouth of another (other than where that other person is unable to drink without assistance by reason of disability).

3. Free Potable Water

The responsible person must ensure that free potable water is provided on request to customers where it is reasonably available.

4. Age Verification:

- (1) The premises licence holder or club premises certificate holder must ensure that an age verification policy is adopted in respect of the premises in relation to the sale or supply of alcohol.
- (2) The designated premises supervisor in relation to the premises licence must ensure that the supply of alcohol at the premises is carried on in accordance with the age verification policy.

(3) The policy must require individuals who appear to the responsible person to be under 18 years of age (or such older age as may be specified in the policy) to produce on request, before being served alcohol, identification bearing their photograph, date of birth and either—

- (a) a holographic mark, or
- (b) an ultraviolet feature.

5. Minimum Measures:

(1) The responsible person must ensure that —

(a) where any of the following alcoholic drinks is sold or supplied for consumption on the premises (other than alcoholic drinks sold or supplied having been made up in advance ready for sale or supply in a securely closed container) it is available to customers in the following measures— .

- (i) beer or cider: ½ pint; .
- (ii) gin, rum, vodka or whisky: 25 ml or 35 ml; and .
- (iii) still wine in a glass: 125 ml; .

(b) These measures are displayed in a menu, price list or other printed material which is available to customers on the premises; and .

(c) Where a customer does not in relation to a sale of alcohol specify the quantity of alcohol to be sold, the customer is made aware that these measures are available.

6. Permitted Price

(1) A relevant person shall ensure that no alcohol is sold or supplied for consumption on or off the premises for a price which is less than the permitted price.

(2) For the purposes of the condition set out in paragraph 1 -

(a) "duty" is to be construed in accordance with the Alcoholic Liquor Duties Act 1979;

(b) "permitted price" is the price found by applying the formula -

$$P = D + (D \times V)$$

where -

(i) P is the permitted price,

(ii) D is the amount of duty chargeable in relation to the alcohol s if the duty were charged on the date of the sale or supply of the alcohol, and

(iii) V is the rate of value added tax chargeable in relation to the alcohol as if the value added tax were charged on the date of the sale or supply of the alcohol;

(c) "relevant person" means, in relation to premises in respect of which there is in force a premises licence -

(i) the holder of the premises licence,

(ii) the designated premises supervisor (if any) in respect of such a licence, or

(iii) the personal licence holder who makes or authorises a supply of alcohol under such a licence;

(d) "relevant person" means, in relation to premises in respect of which there is in force a club premises certificate, any member or officer of the club present on the premises in a capacity which enables the member or officer to prevent the supply in question; and

(e) "value added tax" means value added tax charged in accordance with the Value Added Tax Act 1994.

(3). Where the permitted price given by Paragraph (b) of paragraph 2 would (apart from this paragraph) not be a whole number of pennies, the price given by that sub-paragraph shall be taken to be the price actually given by that sub-paragraph rounded up to the nearest penny.

- (4). (1). Sub-paragraph (2) applies where the permitted price given by Paragraph (b) of paragraph 2 on a day ("the first day") would be different from the permitted price on the next day ("the second day") as a result of a change to the rate of duty or value added tax.
- (2). The permitted price which would apply on the first day applies to sales or supplies of alcohol which take place before the expiry of the period of 14 days beginning on the second day.

7. Films:

- (1) The admission of children must be restricted in accordance with the recommendations laid down by the British Board of Film Classification.

OR

- (2) In circumstances where the licensing authority has reclassified a film. Then access of children should be restricted to meet this reclassification standard.

Note:- "Children" means any person under 18 years of age.

8. Door Supervision:

- (1) Any individual employed at the premises as a door supervisor must
- (a) be authorised to carry out that activity by a licence granted under the Private Security Industry Act 2001; or
- (b) be entitled to carry out that activity by virtue of section 4 of that Act.

**Conditions consistent with the Operating Schedule**

The premises must operate in accordance with the submitted application forms and is subject to additional conditions as specified within part 3 (Operating Schedule) of the form, held by the Licensing Authority dated 4<sup>th</sup> August 2005 and 4<sup>th</sup> June 2007.

**General**

9. The Licence is granted subject to the premises being leased and operated by Kent County Cricket Club.

**Prevention of Crime and Disorder**

None

**Public Safety**

None

**Prevention of Public Nuisance**

10. A fixed hard-wired Noise Limiter for any electronic amplification shall be installed, then set up and sealed by a representative of the Prevention of Nuisance Team from the Environmental Health Division of the Council.

11. All windows and doors will be closed when regulated entertainment is taking place. Regular checks are made to ensure that they remain closed.

12. Facilities are made for calling a taxi from the premises

13. Notices will be provided requesting that customers leave quietly after late night events and staff will be trained to observe this.

**Protecting Children from Harm**

14. All children entering the premises will be accompanied by an adult.

15. No children under 16 will be allowed into the bar after 7.30

16. Challenge 21 Policy will be in place with signage to this effect.

**Conditions attached after a hearing by the Licensing Authority**

Not applicable.

**Plans**

Held by the Licensing Authority Ref Number 15/00293/LAPRE  
Date: 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2015

**LICENSING ACT 2003**

**Premises Licence Summary**

**Premises licence number**

15/00293/LAPRE

Signed

Paul Lehane  
Food, Safety and Licensing Manager

Licence Granted 24<sup>th</sup> November 2005

Issue Number: **008**

This licence summary consists of **3** pages

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**Where the licence is time limited the dates**

Not applicable.

**Licensable activities authorised by the licence**

Sale or Supply of Alcohol  
Late Night Refreshment  
Films  
Live Music  
Recorded Music  
Performance of Dance  
Similar to Live, Recorded Music or Dance

**The opening hours of the premises**

Hours Open to the Public on Monday-Thursday from 10:00 to 23:00  
Hours Open to the Public on Friday and Saturday from 10:00 to 23:59  
Hours Open to the Public on Sunday from 10:00 to 22:30

**Where the licence authorises supplies of alcohol whether these are on and/or off sales**

On Sales only

**The times the licence authorises the carrying out of licensable activities**

Sale or Supply of Alcohol on Monday-Thursday from 10:00 to 23:00  
Sale or Supply of Alcohol on Friday to Saturday from 10:00 to 23:59  
Sale or Supply of Alcohol on Sunday from 10:00 to 22:30  
Sale or Supply of Alcohol is subject to the proviso that the supply and sale of alcohol at the premises after 21:00 shall be confined to the clubhouse  
Late Night Refreshment on Friday and Saturday from 23:00 to 23:59

**Inside**

Live Music on Fridays and Saturday from 11:00 to 23:59  
Live Music on Sunday to Thursday from 11:00 to 23:00  
Recorded Music Timing same as for Live Music  
Films on Monday-Saturday from 11:00 to 23:30  
Films on Sunday from 11:00 to 23:00

**Outside** (April to September only when First Team County Cricket is being played and on no more than eight occasions per calendar year)

Live Music on Every Day from 11:00 to 21:00  
Recorded Music on Every Day from 11:00 to 21:00  
Performance of Dance on Every Day from 11:00 to 21:00

**Name, (registered) address of holder of premises licence**

Kent County Cricket Club LTD.  
of  
St Lawrence Ground,  
Old Dover Road,  
Canterbury,  
Kent.  
CT1 3N2

**Registered number of holder, for example company number, charity number (where applicable)**

Registered under 28955R, Industrial & Provident Society

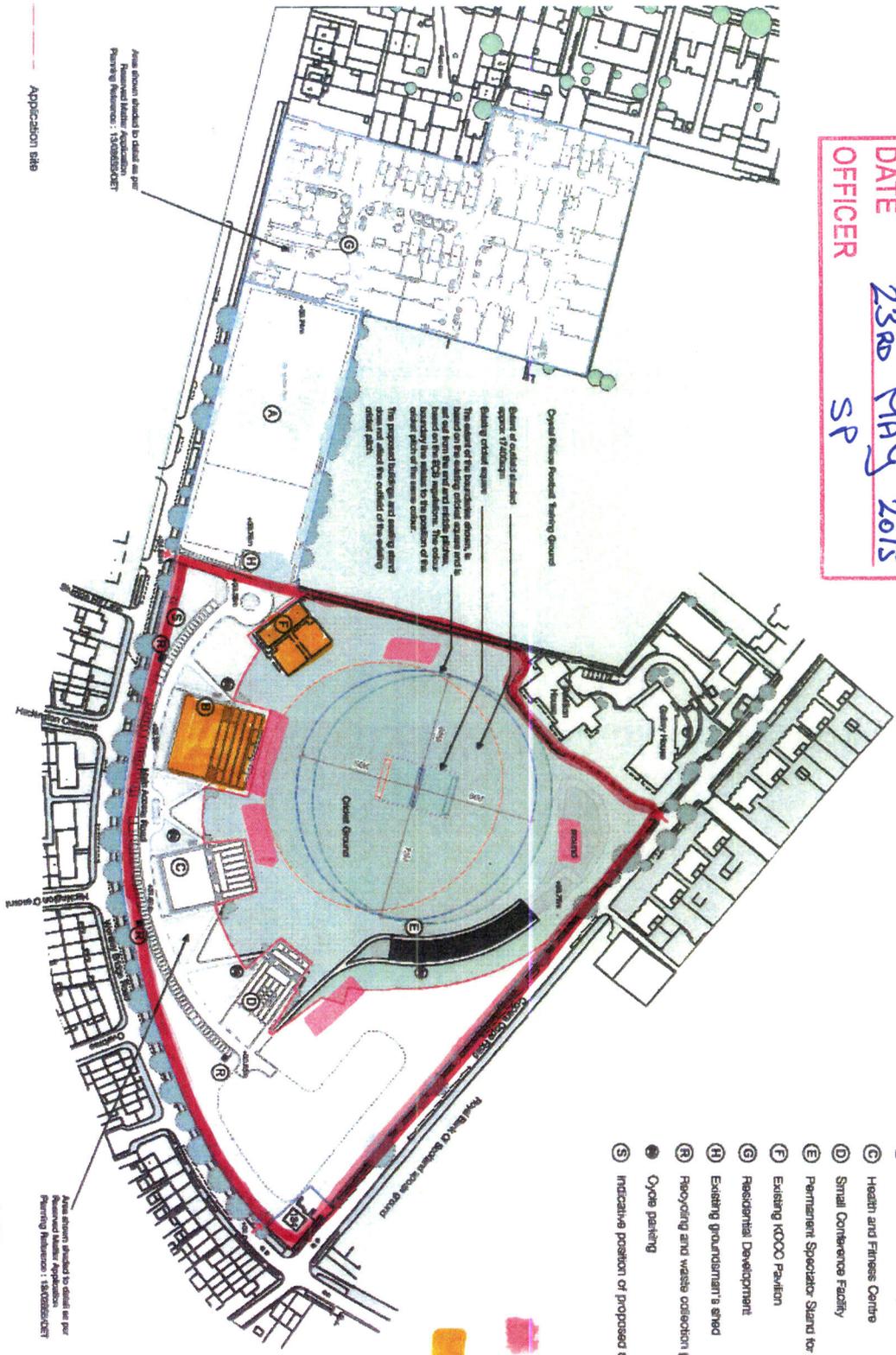
**Name of designated premises supervisor where the premises licence authorises for the supply of alcohol**

Full Name: Alan John Hilliker

**State whether access to the premises by children is restricted or prohibited**

Not Applicable

**LONDON BOROUGH OF BROMLEY**  
**LICENSING 1 of 1**  
**PLAN REF: 15/00293/LAPRA**  
**DATE 23RD MAY 2015**  
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- A New All-Weather Playing Surface
- B Indoor-Cricket Training Centre
- C Health and Fitness Centre
- D Small Conference Facility
- E Permanent Spectator Stand for 2048 people
- F Existing 10000 Pavilion
- G Residential Development
- H Existing grandstand's shed
- I Recycling and waste collection points
- J Cycle parking
- S Indicative position of proposed station

**LICENSABLE AREA**  
 ACTUAL BUILDINGS WITH BAR AREAS  
 PROPOSED VERSION OF TEMPORARY STAND ON CRICKET MATCH DAYS

paul davis partners  
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## Appendix 3

## Objections

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 5:38 PM on 25 Jan 2020 from

### **Application Summary**

**Address:** Cricket Pavilion Kent County Cricket Ground Worsley  
Bridge Road Beckenham BR3 1RL

**Proposal:** Premises Licence

**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

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### **Customer Details**

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

### **Comments Details**

**Commenter Type:** Local Resident

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Noise Disturbance
- Opening Hours
- Parking
- Public Nuisance
- Traffic

**Comments:** 5:38 PM on 25 Jan 2020 I live just over the fence from the cricket ground. This application is far from the original purpose of this facility. Music during matches or for a period afterwards is OK but the number of events proposed is unacceptable in terms of noise, traffic movements, people arriving and leaving late in the evening, light pollution and the potential for civil disturbance, police activity and so on. This licence is almost proposing to establish an Open Air Multiplex in the road characterised by residential properties and sports grounds.

I object to this application and hope that the authorities will see it for what it proposes - a massive intrusion into the peace and private of many many local residents. Madness.

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 11:41 AM on 31 Jan 2020 from

## Application Summary

**Address:** Cricket Pavilion Kent County Cricket Ground Worsley  
Bridge Road Beckenham BR3 1RL

**Proposal:** Premises Licence

**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

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## Customer Details

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

## Comments Details

**Commenter Type:** Neighbour

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Crime and Disorder
- Noise Disturbance
- Opening Hours
- Parking
- Public Nuisance
- Public Safety
- Traffic

**Comments:** 11:41 AM on 31 Jan 2020 To the Licensing Committee  
Bromley Council  
Re: 20/00033/LAPRE | Premises Licence  
Kent County Cricket Ground, Worsley Bridge Road,  
Beckenham BR3 1RL

We would like to object to this application by Kent Country Cricket Club (KCCC) for a licence for Live and recorded music and the sale of alcohol at outdoor events at the County Cricket Ground, Worsley Bridge Road, Beckenham. You will note I have ticked many reasons which naturally flow from the scope of the Application.

Our grounds for our objection are essentially public nuisance - from the event itself, from the people attending the event, especially after the event has finished, and from the traffic chaos such events will cause.

We overlook the cricket ground. The location of the events proposed is within 200 metres of our home. Despite double-glazing we will undoubtedly be disturbed by music or the soundtrack of the proposed films and our quality of life will be adversely affected. KCCC does not state how loud the music will be, but to reach a crowd of up to 4,999 it will be very audible in our home.

The number of events and the late hour (11pm) of closure make this far worse. The licence application asks for permission to have events until 11pm every day of the week.

The consequences, on a hot summer night, for our neighbours with small children are profound.

We never envisaged being neighbours to an outdoor O2. This proposal is totally at odds with this or any residential area.

This is then a formal objection to KCCC's proposed application for music and alcohol licences at The County Ground, Beckenham.

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 6:19 PM on 26 Jan 2020 from

### **Application Summary**

**Address:** Cricket Pavilion Kent County Cricket Ground Worsley  
Bridge Road Beckenham BR3 1RL

**Proposal:** Premises Licence

**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

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### **Customer Details**

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

### **Comments Details**

**Commenter Type:** Neighbour

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Noise Disturbance
- Opening Hours
- Public Nuisance

**Comments:** 6:19 PM on 26 Jan 2020 This application represents a substantial change for the use of the outdoor parts of this site and will be detrimental to the quiet enjoyment of residents in the area and especially those who live close to ground.

This is an inappropriate shift of the purpose of the site and the proposed holding of such events late into the night should be rejected.

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 10:28 AM on 30 Jan 2020 from

### **Application Summary**

**Address:** Cricket Pavilion Kent County Cricket Ground Worsley  
Bridge Road Beckenham BR3 1RL

**Proposal:** Premises Licence

**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

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### **Customer Details**

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

### **Comments Details**

**Commenter Type:** Neighbour

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Crime and Disorder
- Noise Disturbance
- Opening Hours
- Parking
- Public Nuisance
- Public Safety
- Traffic

**Comments:** 10:28 AM on 30 Jan 2020 I fully object to this. Worsley bridge road is busy enough and it's already a nightmare when cricket matches are on as cars park all along the road. Noise from this will be too much. It's a residential area and with young children these kind of events will be awful and too loud all day long and into the evening. They'll be drunk people stumbling around which will make it unsafe

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 10:08 AM on 30 Jan 2020 from.

### **Application Summary**

**Address:** Cricket Pavilion Kent County Cricket Ground Worsley  
Bridge Road Beckenham BR3 1RL

**Proposal:** Premises Licence

**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

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### **Customer Details**

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

### **Comments Details**

**Commenter Type:** Local Resident

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Noise Disturbance
- Parking
- Traffic

**Comments:** 10:08 AM on 30 Jan 2020 I am objecting to this application because :

1. The ground sits at the heart of a highly residential area .
2. Noise pollution would be a major issue for us residence, with the use of an outdoor stage.
3. There would be a massive increase of traffic.
4. There simply is not enough parking in the area for such events

In short this application should be rejected.

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 3:17 PM on 30 Jan 2020 from

## **Application Summary**

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Bridge Road Beckenham BR3 1RL

**Proposal:** Premises Licence

**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

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## **Customer Details**

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

## **Comments Details**

**Commenter Type:** Local Resident

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Child Protection
- Crime and Disorder
- Fitness of Licence Applicant
- Noise Disturbance
- Opening Hours
- Parking
- Public Nuisance
- Public Safety
- Traffic

**Comments:** 3:17 PM on 30 Jan 2020 We strongly object to this planning application. This is a quiet residential area with young families. We feel that the proposed opening hours are far too long with alcohol being served all day. This will inevitably lead to drunken behaviour, noise pollution and general disturbance. There will also be issues with parking and, as happened when the Kent Cricket Club have had open days, the areas surrounding us will become over congested with our private streets becoming a parking lot. There will be significant noise from the proposed live music, with no real noise barriers in place. The proposed live music events is estimating an attendance of 5,000, when the cricket seating area only holds 2,000. Where are all the rest going to sit/stand? What about all the rubbish this amount of people will generate? We feel the application, as it stands, is excessive in more ways than one. There needs to be further, better publicised, public consultation with the residents surrounding the cricket club.

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 12:00 PM on 30 Jan 2020 from.

## **Application Summary**

**Address:** Cricket Pavilion Kent County Cricket Ground Worsley  
Bridge Road Beckenham BR3 1RL

**Proposal:** Premises Licence

**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

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## **Customer Details**

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

## **Comments Details**

**Commenter Type:** Local Resident

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Noise Disturbance
- Parking
- Public Nuisance
- Traffic

**Comments:** 12:00 PM on 30 Jan 2020 I object to this event and any other outdoor show, concert and loud music in general for the following reasons:

- Noise disturbance: Many houses and flats are at a very close proximity to the ground.
- Public nuisance: This is a Cricket ground in urban setting not a concert venue.
- Parking and access: Little parking on the ground when space is taken by the equipment. Access by public transport is limited to a local bus of small capacity.
- The supply of alcohol to such a large audience will result in crime and disorder.

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 11:06 AM on 30 Jan 2020 from.

## **Application Summary**

**Address:** Cricket Pavilion Kent County Cricket Ground Worsley  
Bridge Road Beckenham BR3 1RL

**Proposal:** Premises Licence

**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

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## **Customer Details**

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

## **Comments Details**

**Commenter Type:** Local Resident

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Crime and Disorder
- Noise Disturbance
- Opening Hours
- Parking
- Public Nuisance
- Public Safety
- Traffic

**Comments:** 11:06 AM on 30 Jan 2020 Living directly opposite the KKCC and having Summer open air music events with an expected 4,000 people from 10.00 am to 11.00 pm is totally unacceptable. The noise from the sound system alone would impact on our daily life at home and the family - especially sleep disturbance, litter being left around and alcohol being served can cause problems. People attending and leaving the area - coaches, cars, etc., picking up and dropping off from 10.00 am to 11.00 pm would impact on the traffic, parking, noise and congestion in Worsley Bridge Road and air pollution. Most attendees would not pay the parking provided inside the KKCC ground either. The area has housing surrounding the whole area - which is not suitable - it is not situated away from public areas - this is not Lingfield Race Course where events are held out in fields away from housing. Object to the planned Abba event - it is not the place to hold events like this !

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 12:35 PM on 30 Jan 2020 from

## Application Summary

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Bridge Road Beckenham BR3 1RL

**Proposal:** Premises Licence

**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

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## Customer Details

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

## Comments Details

**Commenter Type:** Local Resident

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Child Protection
- Crime and Disorder
- Noise Disturbance
- Opening Hours
- Parking
- Public Nuisance
- Public Safety
- Traffic

**Comments:** 12:35 PM on 30 Jan 2020 The venue will be serving alcohol and be running events till late. We have children who have school in the mornings and having late night noise and disturbance will impact their ability to have a good nights rest.

Furthermore the fact that these events will attract close to 5k people this will result is a lot of demand for parking. We have already seen with cricket fixtures, cars spilling into our estate, which has required us to pay for additional signage to prevent people from parking in our spaces. Just because there are no yellow lines people for the cricket ground have parked in such a way as to prevent emergency vehicles such as fire brigade or ambulances from being able to enter the estate via headingly drive. This is not acceptable and we see this time and again. This will increase the number of times this will happen.

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 3:43 PM on 30 Jan 2020 from.

### **Application Summary**

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Bridge Road Beckenham BR3 1RL

**Proposal:** Premises Licence

**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

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### **Customer Details**

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

### **Comments Details**

**Commenter Type:** Local Resident

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Noise Disturbance
- Opening Hours
- Parking
- Public Nuisance
- Traffic

**Comments:** 3:43 PM on 30 Jan 2020 Using the cricket club for live events will make what is already a busy road even busier. It's bad enough during pick up and drop off at the primary school and that is significantly fewer people. The noise pollution will be very disruptive in what is a very residential area. And the extra foot traffic through the area will bring noise and disruption late in the night to properties along the routes to train stations.

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 7:29 PM on 30 Jan 2020 from.

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Bridge Road Beckenham BR3 1RL

**Proposal:** Premises Licence

**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

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### **Customer Details**

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

### **Comments Details**

**Commenter Type:** Neighbour

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Noise Disturbance
- Public Safety
- Traffic

**Comments:** 7:29 PM on 30 Jan 2020 We are absolutely not agree to make the noisy event because it is near residential house.

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 8:42 PM on 30 Jan 2020 from

### **Application Summary**

**Address:** Cricket Pavilion Kent County Cricket Ground Worsley  
Bridge Road Beckenham BR3 1RL

**Proposal:** Premises Licence

**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

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### **Customer Details**

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

### **Comments Details**

**Commenter Type:** Neighbour

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Noise Disturbance
- Parking
- Public Nuisance
- Traffic

**Comments:** 8:42 PM on 30 Jan 2020 The noise disturbance, traffic, insufficient parking for such events and inevitable littering of the whole area are not acceptable to those of us who live here. We were here long before KCCC bought the greenfield site, and doubted from the start that their intentions were purely sports-related as claimed. The building developments, sell-offs of packages and now this are proof that we were correct to doubt them.

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 8:45 PM on 30 Jan 2020 from

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Bridge Road Beckenham BR3 1RL

**Proposal:** Premises Licence

**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

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### **Customer Details**

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

### **Comments Details**

**Commenter Type:** Local Resident

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Crime and Disorder
- Noise Disturbance
- Parking
- Public Nuisance
- Traffic

**Comments:** 8:45 PM on 30 Jan 2020 The noise disturbance, traffic, insufficient parking for such events and inevitable littering of the whole area are not acceptable to those of us who live here. We were here long before KCCC bought the greenfield site, and doubted from the start that their intentions were purely sports-related as claimed. The building developments, sell-offs of packages and now this are proof that we were correct to doubt them.

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 8:55 PM on 30 Jan 2020 from

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**Proposal:** Premises Licence

**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

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### **Customer Details**

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

### **Comments Details**

**Commenter Type:** Neighbour

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Noise Disturbance
- Opening Hours
- Public Nuisance

**Comments:** 8:55 PM on 30 Jan 2020 Living in close proximity to the cricket ground, in a residential area, I'm concerned about the level of noise these events would generate. I fear this would affect my sleep and wellbeing. In addition the lager of people leaving the event late at night after consuming alcohol could cause a disturbance to the local residence. I feel there are more suitable venue for this type of event that are not situated in the middle of a residential area.

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 11:03 PM on 30 Jan 2020 from

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**Proposal:** Premises Licence

**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

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## **Customer Details**

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

## **Comments Details**

**Commenter Type:** Local Resident

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Noise Disturbance
- Opening Hours
- Parking
- Public Nuisance
- Traffic

**Comments:** 11:03 PM on 30 Jan 2020 The proposals for live music and a variety of outdoor events to be held on the Kent County Cricket Ground present a significant threat to the amenity of the neighbourhood. The scale of the change from the current sporting offering is very striking and disturbing in nature. The character of the area could be completely altered to the detriment of residents. The holding of outdoor events with an attendance limit of up to 4,999 people represents a considerable increase over the cricket ground seating capacity of I believe 2,000. The opening hours are proposed be significantly extended from early morning until 11pm most days of the week. The staging of live events to a large audience inevitably requires a PA system which is amplified to both cover the radius of the arena and of course provide the desired atmosphere for that event. Taken together I must register a strong objection to these proposals based upon the scale of intrusion to the residential area which all residents in the vicinity would surely feel beyond their control. I feel this would as a consequence lead to stress and anxiety in one's own home.

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 10:10 AM on 31 Jan 2020 from

### **Application Summary**

**Address:** Cricket Pavilion Kent County Cricket Ground Worsley  
Bridge Road Beckenham BR3 1RL

**Proposal:** Premises Licence

**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

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### **Customer Details**

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

### **Comments Details**

**Commenter Type:** Neighbour

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**  
- Noise Disturbance  
- Public Nuisance

**Comments:** 10:10 AM on 31 Jan 2020 I live directly opposite the entrance to the cricket ground and struggle to get in/out of my home when there are cricket matches going on.

This proposal will have a negative impact on my health and well being including sleep deprivation and a potential increase rowdy behaviour of visitors to the events.

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 10:51 AM on 31 Jan 2020 from

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Bridge Road Beckenham BR3 1RL

**Proposal:** Premises Licence

**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

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## **Customer Details**

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

## **Comments Details**

**Committer Type:** Neighbour

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Noise Disturbance
- Parking
- Public Nuisance
- Public Safety
- Traffic

**Comments:** 10:51 AM on 31 Jan 2020 Proposing to increase capacity from 2,000 to 4,999 is not suitable given the traffic and parking problems that happen when a cricket event is on with just 1,600 attendees. Worsley bridge road becomes a defacto car park for any cricket event with parked cars on both sides of the road, meaning that local traffic has to negotiate between very few passing places which are peoples driveways. This is also a bus route and they significantly struggle with navigating the road on days like this. The entrance to our road is gated and sometimes people park in the entrance meaning residents cannot easily access their properties or cause further congestion as they need to reverse out onto Worsley bridge road into the traffic.

The knock on traffic impact on A2015/Southend Road is also noticeable and adds further strain to an already troubled main artery towards Beckenham junction.

I am also worried about noise - this is a overall quiet and safe neighbourhood which would be impacted by loud music late at night with the overspilling exuberance of some attendees likely to cause disturbance to the many families and elderly that enjoy the areas relative tranquility to the london/Bromley hustle and bustle.

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 11:55 AM on 31 Jan 2020 from

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**Proposal:** Premises Licence

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### **Customer Details**

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

### **Comments Details**

**Commenter Type:** Local Resident

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Noise Disturbance
- Parking
- Public Nuisance
- Traffic

**Comments:** 11:55 AM on 31 Jan 2020 We object to the current application as it seems that there could be no limit as to the number of events per year. Each event is likely to cause noise and traffic pollution in a residential area and have a huge negative impact on the quality of our lives and those of other residents. We are happy to be near a cricket ground and do not object to the sounds and traffic of these more limited days as people enjoy the cricket facilities. However, this tremendous escalation in noise pollution and the traffic involved with the numbers of attendees going on late into the evenings will undoubtedly have a severe detrimental effect on our lives. On cricket days we already experience parking in our private roads which causes access problems.

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 10:30 AM on 01 Feb 2020 from

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**Proposal:** Premises Licence

**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

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### **Customer Details**

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

### **Comments Details**

**Commenter Type:** Local Resident

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Noise Disturbance
- Parking
- Public Nuisance

**Comments:** 10:30 AM on 01 Feb 2020 We already have to suffer no parking (as they don't want to pay for parking and so park on our estate) and noise disturbance when the cricket matches are on, now with the proposed new events it is going to be hell trying to find parking and the noise at night will be awful.

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 3:16 PM on 01 Feb 2020 from

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Bridge Road Beckenham BR3 1RL

**Proposal:** Premises Licence

**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

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### **Customer Details**

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

### **Comments Details**

**Commenter Type:** Local Resident

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:** - Public Nuisance

**Comments:** 3:16 PM on 01 Feb 2020 Unacceptable risk of noise, congestion and the potential for anti-social behavior arising from serving of alcohol late into the night. It is not clear why alcohol sales should ever extend beyond 10pm at the latest. I am also concerned that the licence if granted would effectively grant KCCC "carte blanche" to permanently convert a sports stadium and long time good neighbour into a music and theatre event venue that could eventually be in use almost every weeknight during the summer months. Such a change would inevitably have adverse consequences for the peace and quality of life of nearby residents. There should be a strict limit on number of such events overall (aside from cricket matches) each year and there should be equally strict limits on the numbers of people attending each event. Sound levels should be limited with appropriate noise limiting and monitoring systems.

Dear Sirs

Please find below my objection on grounds of a public nuisance that has already been submitted through the planning section of the Council's website. I make this objection on behalf of myself and my wife

Unacceptable risk of noise, congestion and the potential for anti-social behaviour arising from the proposed serving of alcohol late into the night

It is not clear why alcohol sales should ever extend beyond 10 pm at the latest. I am also concerned that the license if granted, would effectively offer KCCC "carte blanche" to permanently convert a sports stadium and long-time good neighbour into a music and theatre event venue that could eventually be in use almost every weeknight during the summer months. Such a change would inevitably have adverse consequences for the peace and quality of life of nearby residents. There should be a strict limit on the number of such events overall (aside from cricket matches) each year and there should be equally strict limits on the number of people attending each event. Sound levels should be limited with appropriate noise limiting and monitoring systems.

I have ccd our local Councillors and the Chair of the local residents' committee.

Kind regards

**To the Licensing Committee, Bromley Council**

We have two objections to make. We wish to object to Kent County Cricket Club's licensing application for the County Ground in Beckenham - see the text below.

We would also like to object that when we sought to make an objection online, we got an error message, thus

- Your comments could not be submitted due to an error in the system.

We understand others have had similar problems, and so it is unsurprising that no online objections are showing against this proposed licence. We would like members of the licensing committee to take this into account when considering this application. We have e-mailed our local councillors, Messrs Tickner, Wells and Mellor, about this problem.

Now to our objections to the proposed licence.

Re: 20/00033/LAPRE | Premises Licence

Kent County Cricket Ground, Worsley Bridge Road, Beckenham BR3 1RL

We would like to object to the application by Kent Country Cricket Club (KCCC) for a licence for live and recorded music and the sale of alcohol at outdoor events at the County Cricket Ground, Worsley Bridge Road, Beckenham.

Our grounds for our objection are essentially public nuisance – from the event itself, from the people attending the event, especially after the event has finished, and from the traffic chaos such events will cause.

Our flat overlooks the cricket ground, and our quality of life will be adversely affected by such nuisance. When we bought the flat some 12 years ago, it was to overlook a cricket ground, built on Metropolitan Open Land. Under the proposed licence application, we could be overlooking a music venue with an unlimited number of disruptive events causing considerable public nuisance.

We will say first of all that we have no objection to music being played at the various cricket matches held at the Beckenham ground, such as in between innings or when a wicket falls. These cricket matches by their nature will finish at 7 o'clock or soon thereafter, and the crowds will soon disperse, as many of the cricket-goers are families with young children.

Nor do we object in principle to outdoor events at the Beckenham ground. But these must be limited in number, confined to certain days of the week, and subject to strict curfews.

The dwellings in Copers Cope Road and Worsley Bridge Road that will be affected by the noise nuisance from these events are often family homes and/or owned/rented by people who work in central London. KCCC does not state how loud the music will be, but to reach a crowd of up to 4,999, it will have to be loud!

· Many of the dwellings will have young children, and we believe many of these children will be disturbed by the noise from the planned events. This could be detrimental to these children's health and to their schoolwork.

- Many of those who work in central London will often need to be at work very early in the morning, especially if they work in the City. Their quality of life will be impacted by the nuisance alluded to above. The standard of their work may also be affected.

The licence asks for permission to stage outdoor events for up to 4,999 people. A crowd of this magnitude will take a long time to disperse, and so there will be considerable noise nuisance well after the music finishes. There is no indication in the application that the ground will be cleared and closed by a reasonable time (eg 30 minutes after the end of the performance), and how disruptive behaviour will be addressed.

The likelihood of a late clearance is further enhanced by KCCC's application to serve alcohol until 11 o'clock. There is no indication of how much "drinking up time" the crowd will be given, and how KCCC intends to deal with those that refuse to leave the ground in a timely manner after the event. KCCC has also not indicated if event-goers will be allowed to bring alcohol into the event with them. If they are, this further increases in our view the likelihood of disruption when they are asked to leave the ground.

KCCC asks for a licence for the sale of alcohol from 10am to 11pm. If event-goers are allowed to drink all day, there must be a possibility of widespread drunkenness, and this raises the possibility of loud and possibly obscene singing, aggressive behaviour and destruction of local residents' property. Again, KCCC does not specify how it will combat this.

A crowd of up to 4,999 will generate a substantial number of cars. Some of these will be parked in the ground, some in Worsley Bridge Road and some in Copers Cope Road. There will be considerable noise nuisance from people getting into their cars, slamming doors, etc, again adversely impacting those living near the ground. And following our previous point, it is eminently possible that some of those getting into cars will be over the prescribed alcohol limit and thus a danger to themselves and to other road users.

The licence application asks for permission to have events until 11pm every day of the week. This means we could have (for example) a music festival that lasts a whole week, with loud music playing all day until 11pm each night. We believe this is unreasonable.

**Such outdoor events should be confined to Fridays, Saturdays and those Sundays before a Bank Holiday, and should not last more than one day.**

**We also believe the number of outdoor events should be limited to four per year, and none of these should last more than one day.**

**We also propose that live music and recorded music should not start until 5.30pm and finish at 10.30pm. We also believe the sale of alcohol should begin no earlier than 5.30pm and end at 10 o'clock, so that the crowd can disperse as quickly as possible after the event.**

We do not believe this will adversely affect the viability and profitability of these events. For example:

- The very successful Proms in the Park in Hyde Park finishes at 10.30pm.
- Wrexham's Picnic Proms in the Park starts at 7pm and finishes at 10pm.
- The National Trust's An Evening With Michael Buble at Blickling in Norfolk in mid-July starts at 7.45pm and finishes at 10pm

We would therefore make formal objection to KCCC's proposed application for music and alcohol licences at The County Ground, Beckenham.

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 6:30 PM on 01 Feb 2020 from.

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Bridge Road Beckenham BR3 1RL

**Proposal:** Premises Licence

**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

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### **Customer Details**

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

### **Comments Details**

**Commenter Type:** Neighbour

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:** - Noise Disturbance  
- Public Nuisance

**Comments:** 6:30 PM on 01 Feb 2020 I have two young children who sleep early and will be impacted by the excessive noise from a live music venue in a residential area. This is a residential area with many families so fitting in up to 2500 people on one night is excessive.

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 7:52 PM on 01 Feb 2020 from.

## Application Summary

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**Proposal:** Premises Licence

**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

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## Customer Details

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

## Comments Details

**Commenter Type:** Neighbour

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Crime and Disorder
- Noise Disturbance
- Opening Hours
- Parking
- Public Nuisance
- Traffic

**Comments:** 7:52 PM on 01 Feb 2020 This is a residential area and the proposed variation order would have a significant impact on neighbouring properties when events take place both in terms of noise, traffic, safety, parking, lighting and potential for anti social behaviour resulting from alcohol consumption at events and crowd management once outside of the KCC premises.

Residents have purchased properties in the vicinity in the knowledge that sporting events take place During day light hours but late night entertainment is not in keeping or compatible with the existing residential nature of the area and in fact a significant deviation.

Traffic and parking are already a problem along Worsley Bridge Road with issues with fly tipping also an ongoing concern. Large events up to 4,999 people attending will give rise to littering/waste control issues and whilst the variation order addresses litter control on the site it does not deal with the impact on the surrounding residential area.

Approval would set a precedent meaning it would be more difficult to object to future requests to expand the variation order for 'one off events' with higher numbers of attendees.



Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 8:09 PM on 01 Feb 2020 from

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Bridge Road Beckenham BR3 1RL

**Proposal:** Premises Licence

**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

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## **Customer Details**

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

## **Comments Details**

**Commenter Type:** Local Resident

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Child Protection
- Noise Disturbance
- Opening Hours
- Public Nuisance

**Comments:** 8:09 PM on 01 Feb 2020 I am utterly dismayed and very angered by the KCCC's application for permission to hold outdoor events, including live music, for up to 4,999 people. This is a cricket field, not a live music and show venue. My husband and I live in Flat 10 Pavilion House on Copers Cope Road which looks onto the cricket field and we have a young daughter of 5 years old who already struggles to sleep when the KCCC holds events in its buildings at night. If the KCCC is allowed to hold massive outdoor events on the cricket field with loud music, long hours, and with people having access to alcohol, I am concerned that the quality of our family life will be very negatively affected and I will be particularly worried about my daughter's well-being, safety, and ability to sleep in the evenings. We also have elderly neighbours whose health we worry about and who require a quiet atmosphere in order to rest. I expect that the Bromley Council will reject this application, given the impact it will have on hundreds of residents surrounding the cricket ground. However, if there is any question of this being approved in any form, the Council needs to consult residents.

Professor Lindiwe Dovey

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 9:52 AM on 02 Feb 2020 from

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Bridge Road Beckenham BR3 1RL

**Proposal:** Premises Licence

**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

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### **Customer Details**

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

### **Comments Details**

**Commenter Type:** Local Resident

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Noise Disturbance
- Opening Hours
- Parking
- Public Nuisance
- Public Safety
- Traffic

**Comments:** 9:52 AM on 02 Feb 2020 This application should be strongly resisted. The Council should not be authorising massive changes in usage - it is a cricket ground, rarely used even in the summer, and is not an appropriate area for large events particularly where alcohol can be freely consumed. The KCCC is surrounded by residential houses, has insufficient parking space, and large events can only be detrimental to the local residents.

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 9:57 AM on 02 Feb 2020 from.

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**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

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## **Customer Details**

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

## **Comments Details**

**Commenter Type:** Local Resident

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Crime and Disorder
- Noise Disturbance
- Opening Hours
- Parking
- Public Nuisance
- Public Safety
- Traffic

**Comments:** 9:57 AM on 02 Feb 2020 Whilst I appreciate KCC wishing to maximise their income, I am totally against this Plan. The infrastructure is not there to accommodate the numbers. Parking is a problem already with Worseley Bridge Primary School - road blocked, parking across drives. Police or security would have to be employed to control. Main objection is the noise level. Disturb sleep is an issue and we would like to be able to sit in our garden.

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 12:08 PM on 02 Feb 2020 from

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**Proposal:** Premises Licence

**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

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### **Customer Details**

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

### **Comments Details**

**Commenter Type:** Neighbour

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Crime and Disorder
- Noise Disturbance
- Opening Hours
- Parking
- Public Nuisance
- Public Safety
- Traffic

**Comments:** 12:08 PM on 02 Feb 2020 I am totally against the granting of a music license to Kent County Cricket Ground as it is in a residential area and noise already vibrates off the three tower blocks in Southend Road which would be exacerbated if open air concerts were approved. In addition to the noise congestion and unnecessary disruption this will cause I am concerned as an elderly resident who lives opposite the ground for my safety and more problems caused with parking/traffic as there is already a problem when cricket matches are held. Beckenham Place Park is on our doorstep and a lot larger so is an alternative venue. I hope consideration will be given to residents views on this application.

Licence application 20/00033 LAPRE

I wish to object to the licence application 20/00033 LAPRE that has been made by Kent County Cricket Club.

For reference, my address of [REDACTED] is almost opposite the ground entrance.

I have only just been told of the application by a neighbour. I do not know if the Council is obliged to notify nearby residents but it has not done so. I see that the application states that “I understand that I must now advertise my application”. We have not received any notice from KCCA. I would therefore ask that consideration of the application be deferred until residents have had proper advice and time to prepare objections.

I do object to the application. Significant MOL concessions were made (in the form of planning permission for the flats) to preserve the cricket ground. The matches did include amplified announcements and some music but all centred on the actual cricket match. This has worked well without any major inconvenience. Even the evening matches finished relatively early and spectators walked away quietly. Using the ground as an entertainment centre entirely unrelated to outdoor sport seems to be a major change of use and I find it hard to believe that, had there been no cricket ground, the Council would ever have countenanced the present proposal.

Amplified music is proposed and that cannot be done without a noise problem for the residents. In addition, it is proposed that alcohol be served until 11 p.m. and 12 p.m. on some nights. After that, the crowd will walk past the houses and there are people that have gone to be by then – without doing a survey, I guess that most of our neighbours are in bed before midnight. I can assure you from recent experience that four drunks arguing in the street is enough to wake one up so I don’t know what a crowd of up to 5,000 will do, even if only 5 per cent of them are drunk. The Council will be aware of the problems there have been in the centre of Beckenham and there seems a reasonable chance that it will occur here. KCCA appear to realise this as the application states that there will be “security staff used to dealing with large crowds”. What are they going to do – walk down the road saying “shush, there are people asleep”.

The application is not an extension of the cricket activity; it is entirely different and unrelated to the purpose for which planning permission was originally given. . If KCCA want better use of the ground, they could allocate more matches to the Beckenham ground, as I believe was originally indicated.

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 1:34 PM on 02 Feb 2020 from

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## **Customer Details**

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

## **Comments Details**

**Commenter Type:** Local Resident

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Noise Disturbance
- Public Nuisance
- Traffic

**Comments:** 1:34 PM on 02 Feb 2020 Open air concerts with live and recorded music will cause major noise disturbance to residents in Worsley Bridge Road, Copers Cope Road and Brackley Road, including Ashfield Close (where we live). This is a heavily populated residential area. Although the application states that there will be a maximum of four live music concerts per year, it is not clear whether these concerts will be one day events or repeated over several days, which would greatly increase the disturbance. The application proposes no limit on the number of recorded music events.

The concerts would be attended by up to 4,999 people, which would bring huge temporary increases in traffic (therefore noise and air pollution) on roads that are already busy. With such large numbers attending there is a likelihood of significant public nuisance in terms of litter, and the possibility of increased crime and disorder due to consumption of alcohol.

In view of this, the number of live or recorded music events ought to be restricted to four one-day events.

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 6:13 PM on 02 Feb 2020 from

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**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

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## **Customer Details**

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

## **Comments Details**

**Commenter Type:** Neighbour

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Noise Disturbance
- Opening Hours
- Public Nuisance

**Comments:** 6:13 PM on 02 Feb 2020 I am an 85 year old who has just had a stroke and therefore needs to be able to have quiet and undisturbed sleep. I therefore feel closing time should be at 10pm rather than 11pm and alcohol sales should stop at closing time.  
There should be an overall limit on the number of outside events (aside from cricket) and the timing of events should be spaced out.  
There should be a limit on the number of attendees at one event and there should be a limit on sound levels and appropriate noise limiting and monitoring systems. this is a residential area and although we are supportive of the cricket matches this should not extend to live open air music and films. My bedroom will directly be affected by this with noise and light pollution.

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 9:21 PM on 02 Feb 2020 from

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**Proposal:** Premises Licence

**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

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### **Customer Details**

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

### **Comments Details**

**Commenter Type:** Neighbour

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Crime and Disorder
- Noise Disturbance
- Opening Hours
- Parking
- Traffic

**Comments:** 9:21 PM on 02 Feb 2020 This application gives carte blanche to hold as many outdoor concerts/plays/films as they wish. Such events are highly likely to cause substantial noise pollution at a level hazardous to wellbeing and health. There should be no outdoor concerts or films (or amplified plays). The venue is simply inappropriate for such noisy events given it is simply a small field surrounded by residential properties.

I am concerned that there will be an increase in drunk and disorderly behaviour in the surrounding residential area, leading to crime, due to the length of the proposed hours that alcohol will be sold. The hours should be substantially limited on non-match-days (e.g. maximum five hours opening).

There are already traffic and parking problems on match days. This has the potential to make such problems an everyday occurrence.

I shall write formally to expand on these points.

Ref: 1196321

Sent: 01/02/2020 @ 17:21:37

**Q1. Title**

**Q2. Forename**

**Q3. Surname**

**Q4. Telephone number**

**Q5. Address name/number. House name/number**

**Address line 2. Address line 2**

**Address town/city. Town/city**

**Address county. County**

**Address postcode. Postcode**

**Q6. Email**

**Q7. Which service/issue is your feedback about?**

PLN

**Q8. Customer/reference number if you have one**

**Q10. Please give brief details of complaint, compliment or suggestion.**

I tried to make an online comment about Kent County Cricket Club's application for a licence for the Kent County Cricket Ground, Worsley Bridge Road, Beckenham, BR3 1RL, 20/00033/LAPRE | Premises Licence.

Having filled out the online comment form, I pressed send, and received the following error message.

"Your comments could not be submitted due to an error in the system."

I understand others have tried to use this system, and have had similar problems. It seems a denial of democracy that we are unable to use the online system to make our comments, and I would ask that you bring this issue to the notice of the Licensing Committee, and that you repair the fault as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully

**Q11. What action (if any) would you like us to take?**

See above

**Q12. Have you already spoken to somebody in the Council about this matter?**

Yes

**Q13. If yes, and you know who you spoke to please provide details and dates.**

I e-mailed our local councillors - Messrs Tickner, Wells and Mellor

**Q14. Supporting documents**

**Q15. bo\_email\_recipient**

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 4:15 PM on 03 Feb 2020 from

## Application Summary

**Address:** Cricket Pavilion Kent County Cricket Ground Worsley  
Bridge Road Beckenham BR3 1RL

**Proposal:** Premises Licence

**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

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## Customer Details

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

## Comments Details

**Commenter Type:** Local Resident

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Noise Disturbance
- Public Nuisance
- Traffic

**Comments:** 4:15 PM on 03 Feb 2020 Hi, I live right opposite the ground. I don't mind a one off event like this per year. I don't want to be a party pooper, but no more than 1. I chose my house because I wanted to live across from a cricket ground, not because I wanted to live opposite a concert venue. Abba will be fairly tame, but what happens if they put on Metallica and there will be a very different crowd. Or a rave.

I want to sleep in my house, I don't want to woken by revellers drinking or doing drugs or calling ubers. I have young kids which get woken as well

I already get woken up by the parties that currently go on, as the drunken people call their ubers and shout outside my house

I strongly object to more than one concert a year. This is not a concert venue.

Matt

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 9:04 AM on 04 Feb 2020 from

## **Application Summary**

**Address:** Cricket Pavilion Kent County Cricket Ground Worsley  
Bridge Road Beckenham BR3 1RL

**Proposal:** Premises Licence

**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

[Click for further information](#)

## **Customer Details**

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

## **Comments Details**

**Commenter Type:** Neighbour

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Crime and Disorder
- Noise Disturbance
- Opening Hours
- Public Nuisance
- Traffic

**Comments:** 9:04 AM on 04 Feb 2020 I strongly object to the above application. A licence for entertainment and the sale of alcohol seven days a week from 10am to 11pm in a residential area on a premises used for sport is not appropriate. Having endured the noise level from past events it is intrusive and disturbing especially in the summer when there is more outdoor living. The application anticipates accommodation for up to 4999 people for concerts plays and cinema. Not only will this cause nuisance during the operating hours but also the going to and the going home from these events. There are no sound barriers eg heavy wooded areas, to dull the sound, the noise disturbance will travel. This is not appropriate for this site.

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 9:11 AM on 04 Feb 2020 from

## **Application Summary**

**Address:** Cricket Pavilion Kent County Cricket Ground Worsley  
Bridge Road Beckenham BR3 1RL

**Proposal:** Premises Licence

**Case Officer:** Laurie Weeks

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## **Customer Details**

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

## **Comments Details**

**Commenter Type:** Neighbour

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Crime and Disorder
- Noise Disturbance
- Opening Hours
- Public Nuisance

**Comments:** 9:11 AM on 04 Feb 2020 I strongly object to the above application. A licence for entertainment and the sale of alcohol seven days a week from 10am to 11pm in a residential area on a premises used for sport is not appropriate. Having endured the noise level from past events it is intrusive and disturbing especially in the summer when there is more outdoor living. The application anticipates accommodation for up to 4999 people for concerts plays and cinema. Not only will this cause nuisance during the operating hours but also the going to and the going home from these events. There are no sound barriers eg heavy wooded areas, to dull the sound, the noise disturbance will travel. This is not appropriate for this site.

Dear Sirs

I would like to object to the proposed KCCC ground licence on the grounds that repeated outside events involving live or recorded music and the sale of alcohol until 11 pm will cause a nuisance to local residents who live near the cricket ground. The music would disturb residents, particularly if sound levels are not regulated, especially towards the end of the evening. People attending any events would further disturb residents afterwards by either driving cars away or talking loudly when making their way home. It would also cause parking issues. There are many families with young children living in the vicinity, in addition to elderly people.

The KCCC ground should be primarily for sporting occasions so would like to propose:

1. Events should end at 10.30 pm rather than 11 pm, and alcohol sales should also end then.
2. Apart from cricket matches, there should be an overall limit on the number of outside events in one year, and events should be spaced out.
3. There should be a limit to sound levels and appropriate noise limiting and monitoring systems.
4. There should be limit to the number of attendees at any one event.

Many thanks for considering this objection.

As a near neighbour, I would like to comment on the licensing application made by Kent County Cricket Club for its ground on Copers Cope Road. Up to now, Kent County Cricket Club has been a "good neighbour", and the cricket matches seem to be well controlled. I would like this relationship to continue.

It appears that the application greatly extends the number of outdoor events that could be held on the ground, each with some potential to cause nuisance.

Specifically:

1. Outdoor events clearly only going to be held during the summer months. Hence "10 events per year" could translate into one event every weekend during June and July.  
If I lived in the apartments overlooking the ground, I would find this intolerable.
2. The application discusses "An evening with ABBA" as a typical event, to be held on Saturday 16th May, with a possible repeat on Sunday 17th May. This is unacceptable, as the noise / traffic etc will severely impact the weekend enjoyed by neighbours.
3. The application mentions repeat events such as recorded music (e.g. discos) and film showings, with multiple repeats. Again, this is unacceptable.
4. There are no proposals to control noise levels and alcohol sales.
5. I find the proposed closing time of 11pm rather too late.

I would find extending the license acceptable given the following conditions:

1. There should be a total limit on the number of outdoor events, with a minimum spacing (say 14 days) between them.
2. There should be a limit on sound levels, with a requirement for a monitoring system.
3. There should be a limit on the number of attendees at any one event
4. Events and alcohol sales should finish at 10pm or 10.30pm

As it stands, I feel the application should be refused.

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 11:13 AM on 05 Feb 2020 from

## **Application Summary**

**Address:** Cricket Pavilion Kent County Cricket Ground Worsley  
Bridge Road Beckenham BR3 1RL

**Proposal:** Premises Licence

**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

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## **Customer Details**

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

## **Comments Details**

**Commenter Type:** Local Resident

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Noise Disturbance
- Opening Hours
- Public Nuisance
- Traffic

**Comments:** 11:13 AM on 05 Feb 2020 I am concerned at the possible disturbance these events would cause to our quiet development & believe the scope of the application is excessive & totally inconsiderate of local residents.

The noise will be horrendous until late in the evening, potentially followed by crowds dispersing & possible raucous behaviour for another hour, depending on size of crowd.

I believe application is outrageous in its current detail & way too ambitious in view of its location in a residential area. I would always support sporting events & would be happy with social/music events provided the number was limited to 6 events per year maximum, to be monitored closely for a trial period.

I strongly object to the application in its current format.

30<sup>th</sup> January 2020

Bromley Council  
Civic Centre  
Stockwell Close  
Bromley  
BR1 3UH

**Subject : Kent County Cricket Club Application 20/00033/LAPRE**

To Whom It May Concern:

I wish to register an objection to this application on the grounds of public nuisance, noise disturbance, traffic congestion, and opening hours.

There will be excessive disruption from traffic congestion, enduring prolonged high levels of noise, and public disturbances late at night following excessive alcohol consumption. I have been living in Worsley Bridge Road, overlooking the ground since before KCCC took up residence and therefore am familiar with the impact of match days, to which I have no objection. It is after all a cricket ground, matches do not last late at night, attracts families so there is a lower level of alcohol consumption, and do not have involve hours of sustained loud noise levels.

This application opens the door to a very different scenario. On busy match days there is already congestion with cars entering the site for the 400 parking places, and other cars having to find parking on-street. This is despite many people using public transport and walking up from the stations. Much larger events will only increase the traffic congestion and disruption to local residents.

We chose to live in this location due to it being a quiet residential area. I take great pleasure in relaxing in my garden in summer evenings after a days work and it undoubtedly contributes to my health and well-being. The prospect of 4 large events during the summer – almost one a month, which could be over several days, with hours of continuous loud music/dj-ing/tannoy announcements shattering the peace I consider an excessive intrusion and detrimental to our well-being. And there is no guarantee that there won't be other large and loud events associated with other occasions.

Section J reveals that they want to supply alcohol – for both on and off premises. It also would allow supply of the alcohol up to midnight on Fridays and Saturdays “indoors”, which per guidance note 4 may include a tent. So we could have a beer tent operating for a further hour after any entertainment has stopped at 23.00 hours, and then people taking their purchases out onto the surrounding streets in the middle of the night. I have no doubt any event will be well managed and stewarded, but dealing with a disturbance is still a disturbance. Larger events of the magnitude proposed will only increase the antisocial behaviour associated sadly with some sections of society. Beckenham Place Park is more suited to large scale public events because of large parkland. The KCCC ground may have the capacity for 6,000 spectators, but that is for a sporting event. Licenced music events are a very different matter.

Yours anxiously,

31<sup>st</sup> January 2020

Bromley Council Licensing Committee  
Civic Centre  
Stockwell Close  
Bromley BR1 3UH

Dear Sirs

**20/00033/LAPRE | Premises Licence | Cricket Pavilion  
Kent County Cricket Ground Worsley Bridge Road Beckenham BR3 1RL**

**Objections to the Licence application**

**Background**

Many of the flats (including ours) in our development of 34 apartments overlook the Kent County Cricket Ground. Everyone with whom I have spoken has a reasonably positive view of KCCC - until this license application. We all support them in their endeavours relating to cricket. And with that in mind have never objected to the noise, recorded music, loudspeaker announcements and inevitable disruption associated with these matches, which usually end before 19:00.

When I and the other owners bought our apartments it was to overlook the cricket ground of a major cricket club situated on Metropolitan Open Land. We are now faced with a plan to turn those grounds into a venue for live music, recorded music, films and plays which will have a huge negative and detrimental effect on all our lives.

Our development is very very close indeed to the proposed performance area, and it will have an especially severe effect on the elderly and those with small children, both of which groups will be unable to sleep until it is all over. It will of course affect a swathe of houses on Copers Cope Road and Worsley Bridge Road as well.

**Failure to be good neighbours**

Sadly KCCC have eroded much of the general goodwill they previously enjoyed with their neighbours because of a complete failure by them or anyone else to reach out to their neighbours for consultation or to discuss their plans or make us aware of them in some detail with regard to their plans to turn the cricket club into a venue for live music, recorded music, films and plays. They say they have put a notice in a local paper (which nobody I know of has seen), and they have put up a few A4 sized notices around the perimeter of their grounds. The notices give very little information and at least one of the few residents who actually looked at one thought they must be referring to indoor, rather than outdoor, events.

This failure completely invalidates the claim in the application under Prevention of Public Nuisance that “Kent Cricket is anxious to continue to carry on its activities so as to cause the least possible disruption to its neighbours and members of the public generally. The hours for the provision of the sale of alcohol, late night refreshment, live music, recorded music and for the opening of the premises have been restricted specifically to ensure that the escape of noise will be limited to hours acceptable to the club’s neighbours.” How can they possibly know what is acceptable with asking?

## Objections

I formally object to the license application in its current form and ask the Council to reject it on the grounds of Public Nuisance, as well as Noise Disturbance. Opening Hours and Traffic. Some of the detailed objections are these -

- The application is for up to 4,999 people to attend an event. I am aware that this number has been chosen because it is cut-off number for the council's application limit before going on to the next level of license fees etc, but the stands that will house the audience are only capable of holding just over 2,000 spectators.
  - The application should confirm – or otherwise – that for live non-cricketing events seating will be restricted to the stands.
- The proposed stage area is to be located in front of the stands. For live events etc it would in some cases house very large and powerful Public Address and sound systems a mere hundred yards or so from our development at noise levels which, even with the windows closed, would make normal life impossible.
  - The noise levels should be very strictly regulated and they should also be monitored on the perimeter of Gallery House / Pavilion House for decibel levels by sealed unit and that report should be made available to us on request.
  - On Opening Hours, the application asks permission for events to operate from 10:00 to 23:00, with live music events to end no later than 22:45. This is unacceptable.
  - Talking to other residents we believe a start time of 17:00 and a curfew of ideally 22:00 is more than reasonable. Many large concerts and outdoor Proms end at that times.
- With these numbers of possible visitors the dispersal, slamming of car doors, loud goodbyes and laughter from people who have had access to alcohol for several hours, is likely to go on for some considerable time after the event ends, which argues in favour of ending events earlier rather than later.
  - The number of cars all leaving at the same time will inevitably lead to considerable traffic noise, fumes and congestion.
- The application's specific request for live music is for 4 events in a year. However it then goes on to say "Other live music (outdoors) would be linked (but not limited to) to other events such as cricket match days, fireworks, club open days etc." Linked but not limited to other events effectively gives carte blanche as to the number of events, and makes the stated 4 live events meaningless. It also seeks permission for DJs and their sound systems to introduce events. This means that theoretically KCCC could have week-long all-day events. We need to have a strict limit to the number and nature of all events not associated with the club's cricketing activities. My suggestions would be as follows.
  - Maximum of 4 live music events
  - No outdoor film shows at all.
  - Days for holding non-cricket outdoor events should be limited to Fridays, Saturdays and pre Bank Holiday Sundays.
- Regarding security, the club is proposing to use the Copers Cope Road entrance gate (a few feet in front of Gallery House, by the picket fence).
  - KCCC should include an undertaking NOT to use that gate either for ingress or egress as the crowds would be literally feet away from us.

- There is also a high likelihood of damage to the fence, which is simply a light picket fence, which people will be tempted to jump over to exit through our property.

Finally, I attach a photograph taken from my balcony. The picket fence is the dividing line between the two properties, and I think it is very clear from this that a stage in front of the stand would be virtually in our front garden.

In summary, I believe that this application should be refused and KCCC should submit a new application that actually does take its immediate neighbours into account.

I am the Chairman of the Halcyon RTM Company that runs the Gallery House / Pavilion House development, and I and my fellow directors would be more than happy to meet with KCCC to arrive at a new, mutually acceptable application to replace the current one, which we sincerely hope you will reject.

Yours sincerely

Here is my Objection:

To the Licensing Committee

Bromley Council

**Re: 20/00033/LAPRE | Premises Licence**

**Kent County Cricket Ground, Worsley Bridge Road, Beckenham BR3 1RL**

We would like to object to this application by Kent Country Cricket Club (KCCC) for a licence for Live and recorded music and the sale of alcohol at outdoor events at the County Cricket Ground, Worsley Bridge Road, Beckenham.

**Our grounds for our objection are essentially public nuisance – from the event itself, from the people attending the event, especially after the event has finished, and from the traffic chaos such events will cause.**

We overlook the cricket ground. The location of the events proposed is within 200 metres of our home. Despite double-glazing we will undoubtedly be disturbed by music or the soundtrack of the proposed films and our quality of life will be adversely affected. KCCC does not state how loud the music will be, but to reach a crowd of up to 4,999 it will be very audible in our home.

The number of events and the late hour (11pm) of closure make this far worse. The licence application asks for permission to have events until 11pm every day of the week.

The consequences, on a hot summer night, for our neighbours with small children are profound.

We never envisaged being neighbours to an outdoor O2. This proposal is totally at odds with this or any residential area.

This is then a formal objection to KCCC's proposed application for music and alcohol licences at The County Ground, Beckenham.

1st February 2020

Dear Committee Members,

RE: 20/00033/LAPRE Premise Licence - KENT COUNTY CRICKET GROUND

We hereby strongly object to KCCC's application for a licence to stage multiple outdoor Live / recorded music and cinematic events with alcohol sales at the County Cricket Ground, Worsley Bridge Road, Beckenham. Reading between the lines the application is basically seeking permission for an unlimited number of outdoor events for up to 6 consecutive evenings each for up to 4,999 attendants till 11 pm from May through September. This will create an unbearable public nuisance in terms of noise, security and traffic chaos for the neighbourhood in a purely residential area surrounded by sports grounds. When we bought our apartment directly overlooking the Kent County Cricket Ground, situated on Metropolitan open land, we looked forward to sporty events, that may run into the early evenings, but we never imagined that the ground could be converted into an entertainment venue as KCCC would deem fit. The ground and its environment is just not fit for that purpose. We like KCCC to stay and succeed in Beckenham and we are amenable for them to stage a very limited number of one day outdoor music events on Fridays or Saturdays ending at 10 pm but nothing to the extent that they are currently seeking. We sincerely hope that the Committee will reject the application as is to preserve the character and quality of life of our delightful residential neighbourhood.

Sincerely,

LONDON BOROUGH

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3 February 2020

Bromley Council Licensing Committee  
 Civic Centre  
 Stockwell Close  
 Bromley BR1 3UH

Dear Sirs

20/00033/LAPRE | Premises Licence | Cricket Pavilion  
 Kent County Cricket Ground Worsley Bridge Road Beckenham BR3 1RL

Objections to the Licence application

I am one of the residents overlooking the Kent County Cricket Ground. My husband and I bought this flat in 2003 because of the cricket pitch and the reasonable hope that matches could be enjoyed. I love the T-20 matches which are vibrant with noise and colour but usually end at a reasonable time. This gives the audience a chance to enjoy this open space in a controlled manner but still go home before the sun sets. In order that this could continue, we didn't object to KCCC proposal to build 50-odd executive houses so that funds could be invested in this Cricket Ground.

Now I understand that there are no scheduled T-20 matches at this ground for 2020 – instead they are proposing open air film nights, concerts and other events involving loud noise & disruption until late at night.

Our development is within yards of the proposed performance area, without any barrier inbetween. It will mean that sleep will be impossible until the event is finished AND the ground emptied of people.

Neighbours in Copers Cope Road, Worsley Bridge and developments on the east side of the grounds will be severely affected – yet none of us have been notified of this application.

It should be noted that KCCC use their pavilion for parties which end at midnight on a regular basis throughout the year. These are normally on a Saturday. On these nights I'm unable to open my windows and even then the noise is disturbing. Children frequently leave the building and play around on the grounds – and this invariably involves loud screams and hysterical laughter.

Currently when Crystal Palace are using their grounds, the parking and traffic are difficult. Should these events take place (and especially if they coincide) the roads will be intolerable.

**I would like to formally object to the license application in its current form and ask the Council to reject it** on the grounds of Public Nuisance, as well as Noise Disturbance, Opening Hours and Traffic.

I would request that, at the very least, the Council impose strict time limits on the events and that they should end by 9pm – so that crowds can disperse by 10pm; that all-day events are restricted in the number of days (I suggest a maximum of 4 in any one year); that noise levels are strictly controlled and limited; that the Copers Cope Road entrance is not used at all; that numbers are restricted to the number of seats in the stands (not the proposed 4,999).

I would request that the Council refuse this application until KCCC produce one that is restricted.

Yours faithfully,

[REDACTED]

Bromley Council Licensing Committee  
Civic Centre  
Stockwell Close  
Bromley BR1 3UH

31<sup>st</sup> January 2020

Dear Sirs

**20/00033/LAPRE | Premises Licence | Cricket Pavilion  
Kent County Cricket Ground Worsley Bridge Road Beckenham BR3 1RL**

My partner, Michael Anderson, has written to you separately but I wanted to make my own comments. I would have made my comments online but your online form is broken and several other people also couldn't submit their comments and just got an error message. That doesn't seem very fair to me!

Gallery House and Pavilion House directly overlook the cricket ground and the club says the stage they will use for outside events in front of the stands is practically right on top of us, and the noise will be horrendous. I have tried to understand their application and it seems to me that they are giving themselves nearly unlimited freedom to have as many events as they like and I really think that this is supposed to be a cricket ground, and that is what it's main use ought to be. We all wish them well and don't have any problem with the cricket events, and in fact wonder why they don't have more of them.

Also I'm really upset that we only found out about this by accident, and they didn't talk to any of their neighbours, especially us, who are right next door. It seems like they were hoping nobody would notice, which isn't very nice.

So please, please reject this application as it is. There need to be limits on the number of events, especially the live music, and four events a year would be fine but the other wording needs to be changed so that they can't do this unlimited number. Also the time, past ten pm is really not on in a residential neighbourhood like this, what with people who have been drinking and the noise they and their cars will make.

They even want to use the gate on Copers Cope Road as an entrance, which would mean thousands of people streaming past us only a few feet away.

Yours sincerely

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 3:37 PM on 05 Feb 2020 from.

## Application Summary

**Address:** Cricket Pavilion Kent County Cricket Ground Worsley  
Bridge Road Beckenham BR3 1RL

**Proposal:** Premises Licence

**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

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## Customer Details

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

## Comments Details

**Committer Type:** Local Resident

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Noise Disturbance
- Opening Hours
- Parking
- Public Nuisance
- Public Safety
- Traffic

**Comments:** 3:37 PM on 05 Feb 2020 I am especially concerned about there being no limitation on the number of events held. One of the attractions for me and many of my neighbours for choosing the location of our current residences was its location in a quiet area of Beckenham. Traffic and parking is already a serious matter in Worsley Bridge Road. Twice a day during the week school drop-offs and pick-ups result in a considerable degree of illegal parking, which interrupts traffic flow and makes exiting the Century Gate development especially hazardous. Large numbers attending the proposed events will add to these dangers. The availability alcohol over long periods will encourage the anti-social behaviour of people, which is already much in evidence during the opening time of the "night-clubs around Beckenham Junction station. It would seem reasonable to limit the number of events to four p.a., with a closing time of no later than 10.00 pm, and capacity no greater than the number of seats the stand can cater for.

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 5:42 PM on 05 Feb 2020 from

**Application Summary**

**Address:** Cricket Pavilion Kent County Cricket Ground Worsley Bridge Road  
Beckenham BR3 1RL

**Proposal:** Premises Licence

**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

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**Customer Details**

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

**Comments Details**

**Commenter Type:** Neighbour

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Noise Disturbance
- Opening Hours
- Parking
- Public Nuisance
- Public Safety
- Traffic

**Comments:** 5:42 PM on 05 Feb 2020 I overlook the KCC and as I am sure you are aware this is a quiet residential area, so to add Noise Disturbance and the impact of outdoor noise until late into the evening, would have a total impact on myself and my young family as well as the surround area. The noise already bounces around due the configuration of the building so it would be even worse with outside music. We also have a huge lack of parking already around this area, and Copers Cope Road often comes to a gridlock during weekends. Please see complaints made by myself to your head of council regarding parking and videos shared. Also the evening concerts would offer so much disturbance in a residential area with young families. I also believe there would be a public safety issue as in the evening cars speed down the surrounds road and there have been several accidents already, and to then add that volume of people leaving at the same time, I think this would put the public safety at risk.

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 8:22 PM on 05 Feb 2020 from

## Application Summary

**Address:** Cricket Pavilion Kent County Cricket Ground Worsley  
Bridge Road Beckenham BR3 1RL

**Proposal:** Premises Licence

**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

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## Customer Details

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

## Comments Details

**Committer Type:** Neighbour

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Noise Disturbance
- Opening Hours
- Parking
- Public Nuisance
- Public Safety
- Traffic

**Comments:** 8:22 PM on 05 Feb 2020 When we moved to this estate, it was in the knowledge that our neighbours, other than the other householders, were sports grounds: the training ground for Crystal Palace and the Cricket ground, neither of which seemed to be invasive. The school has proven more disruptive with the unlawful parking of parents and litter on Worsley Bridge Road. The open-ended nature of the application sends alarm bells: we already experience the noise of firework displays and the occasional event with loud music. The sheer number of people potentially admitted to the cricket ground for those concerts would cause chaos on the road, unacceptable noise and no doubt more litter - litter is not collected in our area unless it is in a bin, which is indeed where all litter should be! Numbers of people and the frequency of such events are key since most will inevitably take place in the summer when we, neighbours, could hope to enjoy quiet evenings outside. We all understand the "not in my backyard" expression, on this occasion, there is no real necessity involved, concerts can already be enjoyed in a number of outdoor venues in the area.

Hi

I would like to object to the licensing application for Kent county cricket club to stage more events at the cricket ground on Worsley Bridge Road.

Unfortunately your website and search engine appears to have crashed this evening and so I can not submit online as is preferred.

Having read their application a few day's ago I and my wife object for the following reasons

1. Inadequate public consultation. There has been no communication between the cricket club and residents living on the same road as the club, despite us being most affected by any changes
2. Opening Hours. At present as the ground does not have lighting, matches finish before sunset which is at the summer solstice is 22:45. Realistically, matches are finished by 8pm. An extension of hours to 11pm is a significant change which will impact on local residents. Traffic at the start and close of cricket matches can be essentially gridlocked along Worsley Bridge Road at either end of the day, meaning residents cannot leave their houses in their cars. This is with crowds of around 2000, not the 4999 which are anticipated to attend future events.
3. Noise Pollution. There is significant noise heard from the inside and outside events held at the cricket ground at present, with music clearly heard inside houses such as ours which are across the road. As a doctor who undertakes night shifts and oncalls on a regular basis including over weekends I need to be able to sleep at home. Events with performance grade outside speakers playing up to 11pm at night in a residential zone constitutes a massive increase in noise pollution compared to the current situation and will significantly impact on my life (and the lives of other shift workers and those with young children living in the area) as well as detracting from the residential appeal of the local area.

In summary, this is a poorly thought out, ill considered plan which has not been properly opened to consultation with local residents and should be rejected until an appropriate and informed consultation can be held and concerns discussed/addressed.

We would be reassured to hear if the total number of events had a defined finite annual limit and the finishing time was earlier than is currently requested. We believe the attendance limit should also be considerably reduced - given the difficulties with crowds getting in and out of the ground at events last year.

Kind regards

Dear Sirs,

As a neighbour, I wish to object as follows:

Noise disturbance  
Opening Hours  
Traffic

Outdoor events should commence much later than 10am, maybe early afternoon / evening.  
Closing times should be 10 pm at the latest and last alcohol sales should be much earlier than proposed:

When the events finish as late as proposed, egress for thousands of people ( taking time to disperse) will be right next to our properties, with the associated noise and congestion of cars .

There should be a limit on the number of non cricket-related events in any one year.  
Some events could last over 6 or 7 consecutive days, which is wholly unacceptable for the residents.  
The number of attendees should be limited to those that can be accommodated in the present permanent fixed stand (circa 2,000).  
Given the proximity to our residential properties, less than 50 yards, with many of the properties occupied by elderly residents and young children, there should be a limit on sound levels.  
It is my understanding that the Kent CC Ground is a designated recreational area and the provision of non cricket-related events would appear to breach this approved use.

Yours faithfully

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 8:13 AM on 06 Feb 2020 from

## **Application Summary**

**Address:** Cricket Pavilion Kent County Cricket Ground Worsley  
Bridge Road Beckenham BR3 1RL

**Proposal:** Premises Licence

**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

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## **Customer Details**

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

## **Comments Details**

**Commenter Type:** Neighbour

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Noise Disturbance
- Opening Hours
- Traffic

**Comments:** 8:13 AM on 06 Feb 2020 Outdoor events should commence much later than 10am, maybe early afternoon / evening.  
Closing times should be 10 pm at the latest and last alcohol sales should be much earlier than proposed:  
When the events finish as late as proposed, egress for thousands of people ( taking time to disperse) will be right next to our properties, with the associated noise and congestion of cars .

There should be a limit on the number of non cricket-related events in any one year.  
Some events could last over 6 or 7 consecutive days, which is wholly unacceptable for the residents.  
The number of attendees should be limited to those that can be accommodated in the present permanent fixed stand (circa 2,000).  
Given the proximity to our residential properties, less than 50 yards, with many of the properties occupied by elderly residents and young children, there should be a limit on sound levels.  
It is my understanding that the Kent CC Ground is a designated recreational area and the provision of non cricket-related events would appear to breach this approved use.

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

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### **Customer Details**

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

### **Comments Details**

**Commenter Type:** Neighbour

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:** - Public Nuisance

**Comments:** 8:46 AM on 06 Feb 2020 I object on the grounds that the outside events would be a nuisance to me and that to minimise the the "Nuisance" I would recommend:

1. The closing time should be 10.30 pm rather than 11.00 pm and that alcohol sales should stop at closing time;
2. There should be an overall limit on the number of outside events (aside from Cricket) in any one year and that the timing of such events should be spaced out;
3. There should be a limit to the number of attendees at any one event;
4. There should be a limit on sound levels and appropriate noise limiting and monitoring systems put in place.

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 9:36 AM on 06 Feb 2020 from

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**Proposal:** Premises Licence

**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

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## **Customer Details**

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

## **Comments Details**

**Commenter Type:** Local Resident

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Noise Disturbance
- Opening Hours
- Parking
- Public Nuisance
- Traffic

**Comments:** 9:36 AM on 06 Feb 2020 As a local resident living opposite Kent County Cricket's Beckenham ground I I oppose this application for the following reasons:

It is unreasonable to have music on any given night until 10.45pm in a residential area. Kent Country Cricket is a cricket ground not a concert venue. We live opposite the ground and there is no screening of any sort that would reduce the noise. We can already hear tannoy announcements and crowd noise throughout the day during the cricket season and I'm extremely concerned about the noise that would be caused by music and film events taking place at the cricket ground which would go on into the night. We regularly hear music from other venues in the summer, the sound carries as there are numerous open spaces in the area. The cricket ground is in the middle of a residential area with houses and flats surrounding the ground, it is not an appropriate location for music and film events.

I am also concerned about the large numbers of people leaving the cricket ground late at night. There is a big difference between people leaving a cricket ground in the early evening and people leaving a concert late at night. Again this will cause disturbance to the residents. There is insufficient parking provision at the cricket ground with cars often queuing the length of Worsley Bridge Road to

enter and exit. This leads to considerable congestion and additional traffic noise and emissions on what is already a busy road. Again this is not appropriate late at night on any given day of the week.

We chose to move to this part of Beckenham as it is a quiet residential area, it is by no means a suitable location for a music or outdoor film venue. I urge the council to consider the lives of residents surrounding the ground when considering this licence application

I am happy to be contacted regarding this should you need any additional information.

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 11:05 AM on 06 Feb 2020 from.

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**Proposal:** Premises Licence

**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

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## **Customer Details**

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

## **Comments Details**

**Commenter Type:** Neighbour

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Noise Disturbance
- Opening Hours
- Public Nuisance

**Comments:** 11:05 AM on 06 Feb 2020 I live in a flat with a balcony and bedroom window directly facing onto the ground. I am extremely concerned that the proposed licence extension will severely compromise our quality of life and sleep. I have always been supportive of the club and enjoyed living in a peaceful, green space. The proposals potentially allow unlimited late night events with associated music noise and noise from attendees which will make noise and disturbance levels quite intolerable. This is a residential area completely unsuited to a live events venue with the potential usage levels being proposed. In order to make this in any way acceptable I would request

- Limit to 4 events of any type per year - and evenly spaced- other than cricket- which we love. As it stands the application refers to unlimited events.

- Closing time should be 9pm with all alcohol sales ceasing at the time. Otherwise people will remain in the area, having consumed alcohol well beyond 11pm with associated noise and trespass risks.

- There should be a limit to the number of attendees at each event

- There should be a limit on sound levels and appropriate noise limiting and monitoring systems

## **Kent County Cricket Club Amended Licence Application<sup>1</sup>**

### **NCCRAG comment and objection<sup>2</sup>**

#### **The North Copers Cope Road Action Group (NCCRAG)**

NCCRAG was established in 2004 and is recognised by Bromley Council as an accredited Residents' Association.

We review and comment on planning applications, including licensing applications, as well as other potential changes which could have an impact on residents of north Copers Cope Road and, more broadly, on the character and nature of the local area and community.

The aims and objectives of NCCRAG are:

“The preservation of the local built environment and the conservation of local woodland and open space and their integrity for the benefit of the residents of North Copers Cope Road and the wider communities of the town of Beckenham and South East London.”

In 2015 we submitted a proposal to Bromley Council that north Copers Cope Road should become an Area of Special Residential Character (ASRC).

This was accepted for a part of the north Copers Cope Road area when Bromley Council adopted its current Local Plan in January 2019.

The ASRC includes all the Victorian/Edwardian houses on the north western side of Copers Cope Road, numbers 119 to 169, and the houses on the north eastern side, numbered 76 to 86 inclusive.

#### **KCCC – current licence – outside activities**

The current licence, granted in 2005 and amended on various occasions subsequently and most recently in 2017, covers inside and outside activities.

In as far as the current licence covers outside activities those are set out below and the outside licence can only apply **when First Team County Cricket is being played**.

It is also limited to **no more than eight occasions per calendar year**.

The specific activities that are covered are:

Live music on Every Day from 11am to 9pm

Recorded Music on Every Day from 11am to 9pm

Performance of Dance on Every Day from 11am to 9pm

#### **KCCC – amended licensing application**

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<sup>1</sup> Amended licence application – 20/00033/LAPRE

<sup>2</sup> Submitted 6 February – the deadline for comment

The main change in the proposed amended licence is that it would allow KCCC to host outside stand-alone plays, films, live and recorded music, potentially from 10am until 11pm every day.

### **Outside events**

A limit of four per year is proposed for the “stand-alone outdoor live music concerts”. It is stated that “other live music (outdoors) would be linked to (but not limited to) other events such as cricket match days, fireworks, club open days etc.”

Under section J, described as box J in the amended licence application, sales of alcohol at “live outside music” may continue until 11pm and there is a statement at the end of that section that this “falls within the timings of the current licence”. It is not clear what this means as under the current licence “sale or supply of Alcohol is subject to the proviso that the supply and sale of alcohol at the premises after 9pm shall be confined to the clubhouse”.

There is no indication of the proposed time limit in the case of plays, films and recorded music. This needs to be clarified.

There are, under the amended licence, no limitations in relation to the number of plays and films that can be put on. In relation to both plays and films there is a statement:

“The majority of shows will be one-off shows, however if we were to extend the run the [plays/films] would be performed daily for a longer period of no longer than any 6 consecutive days before a break in the performance schedule.”

The recorded music will only be played outside during specific outdoor events and it is stated:

The timings would fall well within those detailed [above] and on most occasions will end at 9pm at the very latest (normally between 8.15 - 8.45pm).”

### **Indoor events**

There are some alterations to existing time limits which we are not clear are intended. We mention these below. There would also appear to be no repetition of the mandatory conditions which, under the existing licence, include the requirement for the doors to be shut etc. We quote all the current mandatory conditions at the end of the current section of this note.

The current licence allows live music to be played inside until 11.59pm on Friday and Saturday whereas the amended licence appears to have a limit of 11pm on all the days of the week. We are not clear whether this is a deliberate amendment.

The current licence for recorded music states “timing same as for Live Music” but the amended licence has the same 11pm limit and no extension until 11.59pm for Friday and Saturday. As for the live music licence we are not clear whether this is a deliberate amendment.

The current licence allows films to be played inside until 11.30pm on Monday to Saturday whereas the amended licence appears to have a limit of 11pm on all days of the week. We are not clear whether this is a deliberate amendment.

The current licence has as mandatory conditions:

“10. A fixed hard-wired Noise Limiter for any electronic amplification shall be installed, then set up and sealed by a representative of the Prevention of Nuisance Team from the Environmental Health Division of the Council

11. All windows and doors will be closed when regulated entertainment is taking place. Regular checks are made to ensure that they remain closed.

12. Facilities are made available for calling a taxi from the premises

13. Notices will be provided requesting customers leave quietly after late night events and staff will be trained to observe this.”

Is it proposed that this mandatory condition should remain in place? In the view of the Action Group they should.

### **Public nuisance**

If there are more outside events with music and significant numbers of attendees this will cause a, potential, public nuisance particularly for residents in Pavilion and Gallery Houses and for the houses in Worsley Bridge Road overlooking the site.

There will be extra traffic, attendees coming and going and noise from the music and sound tracks in the case of films and, possibly, dance events.

It is also proposed that some events can continue until 11pm rather than the current time limit for outside events of 9pm.

The number of such outside events is limited in relation to some, but not all, types of event.

### **NCCRAG comments and objections**

#### **Planning permission**

If the events go ahead then there will be the need to build significant structures which will require planning permission. KCCC will need to be made aware that this is the case and planning applications will need to be notified to residents in the usual way.

#### **Licence related comments and objections**

We are unclear why the start time for all outdoor events is 10am. This is the time that the gates open for the cricket events in advance of the cricket beginning at 11am. The outdoor events that are currently under contemplation in the amended licence application do not, in our view, need to start in the morning and we believe that the start date should be put back to early afternoon at the earliest.

While it may be reasonable for KCCC to seek to be able to provide additional events on the site to enhance its income producing opportunities the number of such events, their frequency and their timing need to be suitably conditioned to reflect the potential public nuisance that such events may cause. There also need to be limitations on the number of attendees at any one event.

We are extremely conscious of the potential impact these proposed, extra, outdoor events will have on residents' quiet and peaceful enjoyment of their properties, particularly those whose properties abut or overlook the sports ground. As a result of the openness of the space in which the events are to be held the nuisance could potentially affect a very significant area.

We object to the proposed hours of operation for outside events in a residential area, the lack of limitation on the number of events, and the lack of any maximum number of attendees.

We believe that the potential nuisance from the proposed external events can be satisfactorily mitigated by the application of the suitably drafted conditions covering the particular points below.

We are aware that some individual residents have submitted their own representations and objections to the current proposals.

### **Essential Conditions to be applied to the Amended Licence**

We ask the Officers and the Members of the Licensing Sub-Committee to consider the points we make in our representations in particular in their assessment and determination of the application and to apply the following conditions (and any others they consider necessary) to any licence granted.

Specifically we ask that:-

1. For Indoor events the current licence mandatory conditions (Numbers 10 to 13) should continue to be applied:
2. For Outdoor events
  - a) Event and or performance finishing times should be applied for all outside events as follows:-
    - i. No later than 9pm for cricket (as existing);
    - ii. No later than 9pm on weekdays (other than Fridays), Sundays and Bank Holidays.  
Reason: these days precede the working and school week;
    - iii. No later than 10pm rather than 11pm as requested on Fridays and Saturdays  
Reason: Residential Area to protect the amenity of homes.
  - b) All alcohol sales for any evening event should stop at the end of any given performance and in no circumstances later than 10pm;
  - c) The number of outside events (aside from Cricket) in any one calendar year utilising amplified sound should be limited to six and the frequency of such events should be limited to no more than two in any calendar month. . Of the six such events not more than three to have performance end times later than 9pm
  - d) 'Back to back' performances should not be permitted in any one day nor performances permitted on two consecutive days.
  - e) A limit, not exceeding the seated capacity of the spectator stand, should be applied to the number of attendees at any one outside event aside from cricket.
  - f) There should be a mandated appropriate and suitable limit applied to maximum amplified sound levels bearing in mind that the ground is sited in a residential area.

- g) Suitable conditions should be applied mandating the use of sound limiters and appropriate and noise monitoring systems.
- h) Events other than cricket should not start before 2pm
- i) KCCC shall give written notice of all outdoor events utilising amplified sound not less than two calendar months before the first such event is scheduled to take place to those residents who are likely to be affected by the event. This will include residents of Copers Cope Road between Brackley and Worsley Bridge Roads, on the North Side of Brackley Road from Copers Cope Road to Southend Road and on both sides of Worsley Bridge Road between Brackley and Copers Cope Roads.

**Licensing Sub-Committee meeting**

The deadline for comment on this application is 6 February 2020 and we understand that Bromley Council then has 21 days to reach a judgement on the application.

There is a meeting of the Licensing Sub-Committee on 25 February and we understand that the application is going to be “called in” by Councillors so that it can be considered at that meeting.

We ask the officers to ensure that this letter is shown to all members of the Licensing Sub-Committee.

We will make oral representations at that meeting in accordance with the views expressed above.

We recommend the amended licence is refused if KCCC is unwilling to accept conditions which the Licensing Sub-Committee considers to be reasonable.

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 1:46 PM on 06 Feb 2020 from

## Application Summary

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**Proposal:** Premises Licence

**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

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## Customer Details

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Address:** 5

## Comments Details

**Commenter Type:** Local Resident

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Noise Disturbance
- Opening Hours
- Parking
- Public Nuisance

**Comments:** 1:46 PM on 06 Feb 2020 I am a local resident living in the Century Gate development near the ground. I can currently hear live and recorded music from the venue when it is on from our house, both in the garden and from inside with the windows shut. I also notice a significant increase in traffic and parking in the local area when there is a cricket match on, albeit I appreciate many people travel by train to matches. I have no objection to the current use of the cricket ground and indeed appreciate the asset that a local cricket ground with sports matches and facilities for all ages brings to the area.

However, I have grave concerns about the increased noise and disturbance anticipated by this application, particularly as I have two very young children. The noise does carry over across the Century Gate development and to have noise past 10pm and any day of the week (and potentially for several consecutive days in the week) is not acceptable. My concern with weddings etc. is enforcing the curfew and ensuring the noise (both from music and attendees) does not disturb local residents - I have already experienced unacceptably late and loud music from both the football sports ground and the cricket ground. There is not much protection from noise for all of the residential buildings that surround the grounds. The increased frequency with which it is envisaged that events with live/recorded music and

thousands of people will take place will cause a nuisance, as it is not an appropriate venue for such events.

I invite the Council to reconsider these proposals bearing in mind the residential setting of the cricket ground. A more measured approach might be acceptable to residents, e.g. an earlier curfew, a maximum number of days per week when events can be held, and a maximum number of 'large' (i.e. thousands of attendees) of very noisy events in a year that involve music past 9pm.



02.02.2020

Planning & Licensing Dept  
Bromley Council  
Civic Centre  
Stockwell Close  
Bromley BR1 3UH

LONDON BOROUGH  
- 5 FEB 2020  
OF BROMLEY

To whom it may concern  
Re: license application 20/00033/LAPRE

I am totally against the granting of a music license to Kent County Cricket ground as it is in a residential area and noise already wafts off the three tower blocks in Southend Road which would be exacerbated if open air concerts were approved. In addition to the noise, congestion and unnecessary disruption this will cause I am concerned as an elderly resident who lives opposite the ground for my safety and more problems caused with parking/traffic as there is already a problem when cricket matches are held. Beckenham Place Park is at our doorstep and a lot larger so is an alternative venue. I hope consideration will be given to residents' views on this application.

Yours Sincerely



- 5 FEB 2020  
OF BROMLEY

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~~Bromley Council Licensing Committee~~

Civic Centre

Stockwell Close

Bromley BR1 3UH

Dear Sirs

**20/00033/LAPRE | Premises Licence | Cricket Pavilion**

**Kent County Cricket Ground Worsley Bridge Road Beckenham BR3 1RL**

**Objection to Licence application**

Dear Sir,

Having lived in our apartment for 14 years we have enjoyed the peace and tranquillity of overlooking the Kent CCC. They have been exemplary neighbours. We welcome the cricket matches and would be delighted if KCCC would host more matches at Beckenham. It is after all a cricket ground.

We are disappointed to learn that KCCC are planning to host a number of live musical events as well as cinema shows and plays at the Beckenham ground during the spring and summer months. These could be every night for six or seven evenings in one week!

We are very concerned that the level of noise will be at an unacceptable level as the planned stage would be no more than 150 yards from our homes. The noise will also affect residents in Copers Cope Road, Worsley Bridge Road, Braeside and the surrounding areas.

Together with the increase in noise levels we understand KCCC are requiring a drinks licence to serve alcohol outdoors up until a little before midnight.

We also understand they plan to sell tickets to a maximum of 4,999 people at these events.

It will be quite clear that those leaving the ground after midnight having taken a few drinks will not be the quietest residents!

This cannot be acceptable and would be quite unfair to residents living in close proximity to the ground.

While we understand KCCC need to look for new revenues we would ask:

- \* That they limit the number of musical shows to six per year.
- \* Limit this to Friday/Saturday evenings during the summer months
- \* Cease activities at 22.30 and close all bars at the same time.
- \* Do not hold any cinema shows
- \* Do not use the Copers Cope Road gate for ingress or egress as it is too close to resident's homes – noise will be at high level
- \* Ensure security is upheld and people do not climb our fences to access the KCCC

We hope the committee will take our concerns seriously and ask KCCC to amend their licence application and consider the local residents.

Yours faithfully

A large black rectangular redaction box covering the signature and name of the sender.

Licencing Dept  
Bromley Council  
Civic Centre  
Stockwell Close  
Bromley  
BR1 3UH

6 February 2020

Dear Sirs

We are writing to object to the licence application (ref: 20/00033/LAPRE) made by Kent County Cricket Club (“KCCC”) at its premises in Beckenham.

The objection is made on the grounds that:

- the proposed outdoor music, films and plays will cause public nuisance, by contributing to significant and life-impacting noise pollution in the nearby residential areas;
- there are inadequate plans in place to alleviate the increased strain on the local traffic, transport and parking situation from these outdoor events (with up to 4,999 attendees)
- there are inadequate plans in place to prevent anti-social behaviour associated with excessive alcohol consumption;
- there is no public interest argument to grant the licence; and, in any event
- the proposed licenced hours are excessively flexible

We note that KCCC plans to hold indoor events. We have no objection to this, as this is unlikely to have any material negative impact.

#### **Public Nuisance - Noise pollution**

KCCC’s current activities are already significantly noise polluting, but in a way consistent with its activities as a professional cricket club. For example, when a match is being played we can hear from our property general crowd noise and incidental music during the pauses in play. We can even hear the music inside our property with the windows fully closed. However, the noise is bearable as it is intermittent and infrequent – loud crowd noise tends to die down with seconds; the music is usually only played during brief pauses in play and KCCC only play a few games a year at Beckenham, with the number of games naturally limited by the cricket season and the parameters of the competitions in which they play. Furthermore, the lack of floodlights means that the matches, and therefore the noise pollution, only occurs during daylight hours; it doesn’t affect sleep.

We note that the live music is likely to be substantially louder than the incidental music currently played.

It’s worth noting that KCCC’s Beckenham premises is in a predominantly residential area. The proposed licence amendment would therefore likely contribute to a significant level of noise pollution, certainly at a level that would be detrimental to quality of life, and quite possibly at a level

that would be detrimental to health. We note there are no provisions in the licence for sound level monitoring at nearby residential addresses to ensure no impact on quality of life.

Whilst the wording of the proposed licence suggests an intention to hold no more than four standalone concerts a year, the proposed licence would actually allow KCCC to host outdoor events 365 days a year ("Other live music (outdoors) would be linked (but not limited to) to other events such as cricket match days, fireworks, club open days etc"). These concerts could run from 10am to 11pm. In effect, the licence would allow KCCC to become a full-time outdoor entertainment company. This is completely unacceptable.

We suggest that KCCC should not be permitted to host outdoor music, films and plays. There is simply no reason why this proposal should be permitted as it will be detrimental for the physical and mental health of the local community.

### **Traffic management**

There is already a considerable strain on local traffic and parking conditions when KCCC hosts its most popular matches (e.g. 20/20 games). Local public roads tend to be far busier than usual. There is sometimes illegal parking on private roads.

KCCC's proposal will exacerbate an existing problem. It is likely that live music combined with an ongoing cricket match will increase the number of attendees, exacerbating the traffic problem. Standalone events with up to 4,999 attendees will create further strain on the local roads.

We note that KCCC outlines that there will be parking for c. 400 cars. However, they do not indicate whether they would charge for these spaces or not. If they do, then it is highly likely that many customers will simply park on nearby residential streets and only pay for KCCC's carpark in the event that they cannot find a space. This will create a substantial further strain on local traffic conditions. We suggest that KCCC's application only be accepted on the condition that there is no charge for the c. 400 parking spaces on its property.

### **Anti-social behaviour**

The proposal to sell alcohol from 10am to 11pm will create a heightened risk of alcohol-driven anti-social behaviour, negatively impacting the local community. We already face this to a limited degree during the cricket season, when KCCC plays a major game at Beckenham. However, the proposal to serve alcohol from 10am to 11pm, potentially very regularly, would multiply this problem many times over.

We note that KCCC states in its licence application that "any persons found to be drunk or heavily under the influence of alcohol will be ejected from the venue" and that KCCC will prevent alcohol from being taken onto the premises, or anyone under the influence of alcohol to be admitted. It therefore follows that anyone found to be "drunk or heavily under the influence" must become so on the premises, by consuming alcohol purchased on the premises. It should therefore fall to KCCC to ensure the safety of the intoxicated individual and the local community. Ejection from the premises, into a quiet residential area, in which the individual may well feel disoriented, would put both the individual and local residents at risk. KCCC should offer a 'sobering up' facility rather than offloading its responsibilities onto its neighbours.

We therefore suggest that it would only be appropriate to approve KCCC's application with further restrictions on the sale of alcohol (e.g. significantly limiting the hours of sale), and with provisions being made to prevent any intoxicated customers being ejected into the local residential area.

**No public interest argument**

There are already outdoor films, plays and music a few hundred yards away at Beckenham Place Park, which, despite also being adjacent to residential properties is far better suited to host such events without excessive noise pollution, owing to its tree-lined periphery. Allowing KCCC to also host outdoor entertainment will not materially improve the choice of entertainment facing the public. There is no public interest argument in favour of the proposal.

In addition to events at Beckenham Place Park, there are also a number of outdoor events at Croydon Road Recreation Ground. It seems unnecessary to have three outdoor music venues in such a small residential area.

**Proposed hours**

All of the above comments are made in the context of the proposed operating hours of 10am to 11pm, 365 days a year. The negative impacts could be mitigated to some extent by substantially limiting the hours KCCC is permitted to host such events.

We suggest that the outdoor music, films and plays should, in any event, be limited to Friday evenings and Saturdays (and Sundays before bank holiday Mondays). Further, they should be limited to finish by no later than 8pm. Finishing any later is likely to have a serious detrimental impact on the local community, particularly given the prevalence of young families in the area, as evidence shows even modest levels of noise pollution adversely affects the psychological development of children.

Yours faithfully,

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 3:46 PM on 06 Feb 2020 from

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## Comments Details

**Commenter Type:** Local Resident

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Noise Disturbance
- Opening Hours
- Parking
- Public Nuisance
- Traffic

**Comments:** 3:46 PM on 06 Feb 2020 I am a retired widow. I cannot cope with loud noise or loud music. A cricket ground is a lovely, peaceful village type of place to have nearby. But concerts with music thumping throughout the neighbourhood is absolutely not acceptable.

I suffer a lot from migraine and loud music events will worsen my situation and I will undoubtedly end up in hospital as a result. I often have my small grandchildren to stay the night and they will be unable to sleep.

Not to mention thousands of people drinking alcohol and possibly taking drugs. I believe that happens at events such as these?

When my husband died in hospital last year, the hospital was so pressured by the number of drunk and stabbed patients being brought in during the evening and night that the staff were overwhelmed and unable to give my husband proper care. How much more alcohol do you want to encourage on our streets and how much more can the NHS stand before it collapses altogether?

Why do you need an ABBA concert? Life moves on. People grow up or at least should. How about encouraging a walk in the park? Most people nowadays have smartphones and earbuds. Surely we can all listen

to music by ourselves if we so wish without imposing our own taste on others who would hate our style.

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 3:59 PM on 06 Feb 2020 from

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## **Customer Details**

**Name:**

**Email:**

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## **Comments Details**

**Commenter Type:** Local Resident

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:** - Noise Disturbance  
- Opening Hours

**Comments:** 3:59 PM on 06 Feb 2020 I live in a housing development adjoining the ground. We have occasional disturbance from recorded music and crowds of people travelling to and from the ground during cricket matches, but this is not a problem - we have bought a house near to a cricket ground, after all.

That said, the noise is pervasive, even with all windows shut. We have small children, and the late-night noise implications of this application concerns me greatly. It would permit live music with a full-scale PA system, with a stage pointing directly towards the housing developments (which have no interposing buildings or foliage to muffle the noise), going on until 11pm on any night of week, potentially up to six nights in succession.

I have no objection to the principle of Kent CCC using their ground for events - but I would submit that to permit multiple large events of this nature in the middle of a heavily-residential area including many young families would be hugely disruptive. I would urge the council to impose an earlier curfew and limit the number of events per year much more explicitly and tightly than the rather open-ended terms proposed in the application.

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 8:12 PM on 06 Feb 2020 from

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## **Comments Details**

**Committer Type:** Local Resident

**Stance:** Customer objects to the Licensing Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Crime and Disorder
- Noise Disturbance
- Opening Hours
- Parking
- Public Nuisance
- Traffic

**Comments:** 8:12 PM on 06 Feb 2020 Dear Sir or Madam,  
I would like to object this licence application for the following reasons:

- I am concerned about the lack of communication from the KENT County Cricket (KCC) ground about the licence application with local residents. The KCC never lets local residents know of their activities. This application is not different, the KCC have not informed the local residents of their plans, neither sought any feedback on the proposed changes.
- I am concerned about construction of two new buildings and the nuisance connected with construction of these.
- I am concerned about the noise levels of their outdoor and indoor events, in particular the late evening events as we have two small children.
- I'm concerned about road safety and parking situation during these events. Worsley bridge road is already a very busy road, and having large attendance events being held at the KCC will cause even higher road congestion. When there are events at the KCC, the parking on Worsley bridge road and surrounding areas becomes very difficult.
- I am concerned about alcohol being served during such events to crowds and how this will be managed. Often, with alcohol comes anti social behaviour.

- I am concerned about large amount of people leaving the KCC at and after 11pm and possibly 'hanging around' in the area. This might cause anti social behaviour and nuisance to local residents.

- another of my concerns is the litter that stays behind after such events and how this will be handled. With the open space, there are tendencies for litter to be flown around.

Thank you for accepting my objection comments.

Regards

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 8:26 PM on 06 Feb 2020 from

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Bridge Road Beckenham BR3 1RL

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**Case Officer:** Steve Phillips

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- Crime and Disorder
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**Comments:** 8:26 PM on 06 Feb 2020 I have lived in direct neighbourhood of the cricket ground for three and half years. Occasionally, when there is a cricket match, the traffic and parking is a nightmare. Luckily the matches finish at reasonable time. When they start organizing late night and noisy public events including selling alcohol, I expect the situation getting much worse. I have two little children (one and three years old), who need good night sleep, as do I and my wife. I am afraid that it will take a couple of hours when people leave after the event, which will bring the noise level significantly up (mainly the drunken ones) as increase in antisocial behavior, vandalism and public disturbance . With the current cuts to public services and practically non existing cleaning of the Worsley Bridge Road, the roads in the neighborhood will turn into dump due to littering. I am afraid that frequent late night noisy events will drive my family to moving out of the area. There are many other places with license where such events can be organized. There is no benefit to the public and community, the only benefit is income for the cricket ground. Basically my road will become much worse place to live in.

■ Copers Cope Road  
Beckenham  
Kent BR3 1RJ  
■

Mr S Phillips,  
Licensing Department  
Bromley Council,  
Civic Centre,  
Stockwell Close,  
Bromley BR1 3UH

6<sup>th</sup> February 2020

Dear Mr Phillips,

**Kent County Cricket Club Licence Application Beckenham County Ground Worsley Bridge Road Beckenham BR3 1NZ**

*Kent County Cricket Club in North Copers Cope*

I support the presence of a Kent County Cricket Club at its Beckenham County Ground which is surrounded by homes and immediately adjacent to the North Copers Cope Area of Special Residential Character formed by the Council just over a year ago now.

Since the club first occupied the ground in 2003 it has been an exemplary and considerate neighbour in my view. I can only recall one instance, many years ago now, when there was undue noise and disturbance from activities carried out at the ground. It involved a rowdy celebration following a cricket match for which the club was quick to apologise to residents by way of a circular letter and in assuring us that that situation would not reoccur. There has been no recurrence to my knowledge.

Kent clearly need to make the ground pay its way and I think it's entirely understandable that the management should now wish to expand the club's activities with a view, presumably, to developing more income to improve the club's finances and in turn strengthen its ability to attract first rate players and of course build its Academy operations. Strengthening its operation here should have benefits for the Borough, wider community and of course, in particular, for the young cricketers and potential young cricketers it attracts from South London to its Worsley Bridge Road training facility.

The Club's presence helps sustain the swathe of Metropolitan Open Land (urban Green Belt) in which the County Ground sits for continued sporting use. The land has been in such use now for in excess of a century. While previously the sports ground was owned by Lloyds Bank and open only to use by bank employees, their families and visiting sports teams under Kent it is now been available to the public for family recreation and leisure for nearly 17 years.

The presence of a First Class County Cricket Ground in the Borough is beneficial to Bromley and the wider area of South London and is to be supported.

*Licence Process and Proposed Changes*

Residents have never been made directly aware of the club's licence applications but as I understand it the club has always complied with the law regarding notifying licence applications, albeit that for various reasons, not least that the local free newspapers have not now been delivered to this part of Copers Cope Road for many years, residents have generally been unaware of previous licencing applications.

Fortunately residents became aware of this latest application, which is very significant for them, at an early date and have been able to respond to it. While the application proposes to

reduce the number of licensed activities from 10 under the extant licence to I think 6, it evidences that the Club intends to expand and diversify its activities considerably from those one might have generally expected at a County Cricket Club ground located in a suburban residential area.

The proposed changes, which would introduce entertainment in the form of film showings and plays (both with amplified sound) and concerts of live and / or recorded music, also with amplified sound, look set to result in a much more intense use of the ground than has been the case hitherto. If successful these activities, both inside and outside with weather permitting, will lead to a much more frequent basis of use than has been the case since 2003.

The extension of the licence to cover outside film shows, plays and concerts with amplified sound is the most critical element of the application for residents as it has the potential to significantly damage the amenity they currently enjoy in their homes and gardens in this generally tranquil area of Beckenham.

I find myself both concerned about the possibility that significant Public Nuisance could result from the noise generated by these activities and disappointed that there is no evidence of any intention to increased use of the ground for its intended purpose, First Class Cricket. Indeed this year I see that only one First Class match is scheduled at Beckenham.

The Club was welcomed to Beckenham by the Council and the wider community to play First Class Cricket but unfortunately 16 years or so later there are now fewer matches than at the outset. This begins to look a little like a false prospectus and the Council might wish to consider whether it is appropriate to allow the diversification proposed without a commensurate commitment being shown by the Club to increasing First Class matches here. The square is after all, as Kent are quick to tell everyone, one of the very best in the South of England!

I am not against the application in principle but if the Officers and Members are minded to grant the extension then the Club should be required to give a quid quo pro undertaking to expand First Class Cricket at the ground. Currently the asset is being grossly underutilised for its intended purpose and the potential benefits of playing First Class Cricket at this lovely suburban ground are being squandered to the disadvantage of Londoners and, not least, the club, its players and their competitors given the vast potential catchment area for supporters.

There can be no doubt that the additional licensable activities for which permission is now sought have considerable potential to cause Public Nuisance from noise. How the Officers and Members determine the application and what conditions they apply to any licence granted for these activities will result in either the protection of residents and their amenity of their properties from harm *or* indeed result in harm to them. I believe it is possible, by the application of appropriate additional licensing conditions, to minimise and mitigate these effects satisfactorily while at the same time allowing the applicant to expand its operations.

If adequate and satisfactory conditioning can be achieved to prevent Public Nuisance being caused to residents then the only other consideration is whether the new proposed activities and events, and in particular outside events, can and will be adequately managed. I don't believe there are any grounds or that there is any evidence to suggest that KCCC are not competent and responsible enough to fulfil that managerial role satisfactorily, although of course realistically there might inevitably be some teething problems.

*Planning Permissions*

Lastly the erection of the structures in the form of stages, sound rigs and films screens etc necessary to the proposed additional outdoor activities on MOL will require planning permission as once erected these will not be classifiable as moveable under planning law.

### *Conclusion*

I object to the club's application as currently formulated on the grounds of Public Nuisance by way of noise and the proposed hours, times and days of operation for the new activities proposed. However, my objections could be overcome by any extended licence granted being satisfactorily conditioned by the Officers and the Members to address my concerns.

I set out below the conditions (in addition to those applicable to the currently licensed activities) which [REDACTED] (Chair of the North Copers Cope Road Action Group) and I have drafted for, and which have been adopted by the Action Group, and believe that they should allay possible concerns and overcome the objections which residents might reasonably have to the application and protect the amenity of their homes.

If the applicant is not prepared to accept these conditions then I ask the Officers to recommend refusal and the Members to refuse the licence amendments sought.

### *Proposed Conditions*

Specifically we ask that:-

1. **For Indoor events** the current licence mandatory conditions (Numbers 10, 11 12 & 13):
  10. "All windows and doors will be closed when regulated entertainment is taking place. Regular checks are made to ensure that they remain closed."
  11. "A fixed hard-wired Noise Limiter for any electronic amplification [*equipment*] shall be installed, then set up and sealed by a representative of the Prevention of Nuisance Team from the Environmental Health Division of the Council.
  12. Facilities are made available for calling a taxi from the premises
  13. Notices will be provided requesting customers leave quietly after late night events and staff will be trained to [*ensure that customers*] observe this.

should continue to be applied.

I have offered amendments to conditions 11 and 13 by the addition of the words "equipment" and "ensure that customers" in brackets respectively which might be felt to clarify the two conditions and perhaps be seen as beneficial to the reader, particularly a layman in such matters.

### **2. For Outdoor events**

- a) Event and or performance finishing times should be applied for all outside events as follows:-
  - i. No later than 9pm for cricket (as existing);
  - ii. No later than 9pm on weekdays (other than Fridays), Sundays and Bank Holidays.

Reason: these days precede working days and the working and school week;

iii. No later than 10.00pm rather than 11pm as requested on Fridays and Saturdays  
Reason: Residential Area, to protect the amenity of homes.

- b) All alcohol sales for any evening event should stop at the end of any given performance and in no circumstances later than 10.00pm;
- c) The number of outside events (aside from Cricket) in any one calendar year utilising amplified sound should be limited to six and the frequency of such events should be limited to no more than two in any calendar month. Of the six such events not more than three to have performance end times later than 9pm.
- d) 'Back to back' performances should not be permitted in any one day nor performances permitted on two consecutive days.
- e) A limit, not exceeding the seated capacity of the spectator stand should be applied to the number of attendees at any one outside event aside from cricket.
- f) There should be a mandated appropriate and suitable limit applied to maximum amplified sound levels bearing in mind that the ground is sited in a residential area.
- g) Suitable conditions should be applied mandating the use of sound limiters and appropriate and noise monitoring systems.
- h) Events other than cricket should not start before 2pm
- i) KCCC shall give written notice of all outdoor events utilising amplified sound not less than two calendar months before the first such event is scheduled to take place to those residents who are likely to be affected by the event. This will include residents of Copers Cope Road between Brackley and Worsley Bridge Roads, on the North Side of Brackley Road from Copers Cope Road eastwards to Southend Road and on both sides of Worsley Bridge Road between Brackley and Copers Cope Roads.

I understand that Councillor Stephen Wells has called the application in to committee and look forward to attending the hearing in due course.

Please will you ensure that this letter is shown to all the Members of the Licensing Sub-Committee?

Yours sincerely,



Cc Councillors Stephen Wells  
Russell Mellor  
Michael Tickner

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Comments were submitted at 10:48 PM on 06 Feb 2020 from

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- Noise Disturbance
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- Traffic

**Comments:** 10:48 PM on 06 Feb 2020 I live virtually next door to KCCC. I am very concerned the damage that grant of this application will cause. It will materially affect the quality of my life. My particular concerns are:

1) That this will be a public nuisance in terms of noise and increased traffic obstructing or at least causing congestion on Worsley Bridge Road and surrounds. This would be an inevitable with a potential of 4,999 people in attendance at one time.

2) Attendees will have hours of access to alcohol then spill out onto, I am thus concerned about unruly behaviour.

3) That this will be a nuisance in terms of noise and light pollution. Large sound systems in the middle of a residential area is changing the nature of this quite location for the worse.

4) Grant of this application will change the nature of KCCC. It is preferable, in terms of quality of life of the grounds neighbours, that that it remains a cricket ground and not a musical events menu.

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Comments were submitted at 11:05 PM on 06 Feb 2020 from

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**Comments:** 11:05 PM on 06 Feb 2020 Why would you try and put on huge noisy events with alcohol on sale in the middle of a residential area where families live in the centre of a housing area.

We already have large events with music close to home with Beckenham Place park events, that is enough. Just day visits to park without music events, now generating a lot more traffic and parking issues.

Last year KCCC held an event at same time as Beckenham Place Park on a Sunday - we had road gridlock, couldn't get out of the drive. 352 bus stuck yet again. Sydenham girls school events also cause gridlock due to lack of traffic management. 2020 cricket days create traffic jams. This would be 4th thing to stop all traffic in area. Please think about the excess traffic and parking issues. Please think about noise pollution to neighbours. Please think about drunks in our neighbourhood. This is not a sensible application. If it is just about making money do not sacrifice local communities.

## Appendix 4

### Map and Photos

