

Report No.  
ES 20042

London Borough of Bromley

PART ONE - PUBLIC

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**Decision Maker:** LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

**Date:** TUESDAY 29<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2020

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

**Title:** APPLICATION FOR NEW PREMISES LICENCE AT  
CHISLEHURST SPORTS AND COUNTRY CLUB, ELMSTEAD  
LANE, CHISLEHURST, KENT BR7 5EL

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**Chief Officer:** Colin Brand Director of Environment and Public Protection

**Ward:** Chislehurst

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**1. REASON FOR REPORT**

- 1.1 To provide the Licensing Sub-Committee with information supporting them to determine whether to uphold or dismiss the objections placed against this application.
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**2. RECOMMENDATIONS**

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

Members can

1. Grant the licence
2. Grant the licence with the addition of conditions necessary to promote any of the licensing objectives
3. Exclude from the scope of the licence any of the licensable activities to which the application relates
4. Refuse to specify a person in the licence as the premises supervisor
5. Reject 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 and Portfolio
  4. Total current budget for this head: £2.4 m
  5. Source of funding: Revenue Budget 2020/2021
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Personnel

1. Number of staff (current and additional): 2 Licensing Officers supported by 4.5 FTE admin
  2. If from existing staff resources, number of staff hours: N/A
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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. When considering and making a determination on this application Members need to balance the benefits of holding the licence against any adverse effects to the Public, Local Residents and Businesses by considering its impact against 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 21<sup>st</sup> July 2020
2. Summary of Ward Councillors' comments: Councillors Kieran Terry, Katy Boughey and Suraj Sharma responded to this application and raised the following concerns: -

**Prevention of crime** - This is a quiet residential area a significant distance from Chislehurst Town Centre. As such policing locally is limited. It will not benefit from the level of policing and control over antisocial behaviour of a larger town centre. Large numbers of revellers travelling to and from the site, many inebriated, will have the potential to cause significant disorder with little in place to protect those who live locally.

**Safeguarding of children** - A nursery is opening on site shortly, and the Sports Ground is used by local school children for PE, meaning young children will use the site. Residents have expressed that previous similar uses of the site have resulted in debris from drug paraphernalia, including nitrous oxide canisters and discarded packets.

**Prevention of public nuisance** - There is very little separating the houses and the Sports Ground in terms of distance and physical barriers, as such any noise emanating from the site easily spreads and causes huge inconvenience to local residents. Effects of this noise have previously gone far beyond the immediate surroundings and caused serious inconvenience to residents as far as Wood Drive, Melanda Close, Grange Drive and Beaconsfield Road. The proposal will have extensive operating hours throughout the week, including hours of operation up to 3am on some days during the year. Lighting from the site will be visible from local houses into the night, bass from music will cause vibrations and disruption to local people and there will undeniably be litter generated from large numbers of people travelling to and from the site.

The full detail of the objections contained in **Appendix 2**.

Responsible Authorities Views

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

Responsible Authority	Date Notified	Comments (further details in <b>Appendix 2</b> )
Metropolitan Police	21 <sup>st</sup> July 2020	Objections made
Planning Authority	21 <sup>st</sup> July 2020	No Response
Trading Standards Service	21 <sup>st</sup> July 2020	No Response
Public Health Nuisance Team	21 <sup>st</sup> July 2020	Objections made
Health & Safety Team	21 <sup>st</sup> July 2020	No objection made
Child Protection Team	21 <sup>st</sup> July 2020	No Response
Immigration (Home Office)	21 <sup>st</sup> July 2020	No Response
Fire Authority	21 <sup>st</sup> July 2020	No objection made
Public Health	21 <sup>st</sup> July 2020	No Response

Residents and interested parties

Two (2) representations were received in support of this application and three hundred and fifty-seven (357) were received objecting to the application. These representations are contained within **Appendix 2**.

**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.

**Description of the Premises**

Chislehurst Sports and Country Club is a sports club which comprises of a club house with a function room with a bar and an outdoor patio and balcony area. The premises are situated on the edge of a private, 10-acre sports playing field with tennis courts.

The premises are on Elmstead Lane and are surrounded by residential properties on 3 sides with Elmstead Woods to the rear of the property. There is a small wooded area on either side between the premises and the residential houses. A satellite image of the premises and the surrounding area can be found in **appendix 3**.

### **Licensing History**

The premises previously held a Club Certificate from 24<sup>th</sup> November 2005 to 13th January 2015.

In 2018 the premises was subject to 3 Temporary Event Notices (TENs) which generated a small number of noise complaints.

On 26<sup>th</sup> May 2019 the Summer Luv festival was held at the premises. A number of objections were received and a hearing was held. The event was allowed to go ahead with the addition of conditions including reducing the capacity from 3000 to 2500. A number of noise complaints were received regarding the event.

2 further events were held under TENs at the premises on the 14<sup>th</sup> of July 2019 and the 17<sup>th</sup> August 2019. A number of complaints were received regarding these events and as a result a further application for a late TEN for an event on the 25<sup>th</sup> August 2019 was refused as objections were received.

### **Details of the Application**

This is an application for a premises licence to supply alcohol and provide regulated entertainment including live and recorded music.

The above activities are to take place in the bar, function room and communal areas on the site between 19:00 – 23:00 Monday to Thursday, 19:00 – 00:00 on Friday, 12:00 – 00:00 on Saturday and 12:00 – 23:00 on Sunday, except for the following seasonal variations: -

The sale of alcohol every Friday and Saturday in December until 01:30am and July and August until 01:00am

The sale of alcohol on: -

Halloween weekend (first Saturday after 31st October) until 02:00am

Christmas Eve (24th December) until 02:00am

Boxing Day (26th December) until  
02:00am New Year's Eve (31st January)  
until 03:30am

Valentines weekend after 14th February until  
02:00am May bank holiday weekend (Sunday) until  
01:30am

The provision of live and recorded music on the patio and grass area in the months of May to September on Saturdays and Sundays.

The provision of live and recorded music on:

Halloween weekend (first Saturday after 31st October) until 02:00am

Christmas Eve (24th December) until 02:00am

Boxing Day (26th December) until  
02:00am New Year's Eve (31st  
January) until 03:30am

Valentines weekend after 14th February until  
02:00am May bank holiday weekend (Sunday) until  
01:30am

Full details of the application are contained in **Appendix 1**.

### **Amended Application**

Considering the number of objections received the applicant proposed an amended application which made the following changes: -

- Removal of late-night openings past 12:00am on the weekend throughout the year
- Removal of any special event late opening times - for example, Christmas Eve, Halloween etc.
- Removal seasonal variation opening times - July/August/December now close at 12:00am not 01:00am or 01:30am
- Will not play music on the patio area in the months of May to September. No outdoor music will be played in order to reduce noise disturbance.

Full details of the proposed amendments are contained in **Appendix 1A**.

The applicant requests that it is this amended application that is considered at the hearing.

### **Representations**

During the public consultation period the Licensing Authority received 357 objections to the application including objections from ward Councillors Kieran Terry, Katy Boughey and Suraj Sharma. 2 representations were received in support of the application. These representations are contained within **Appendix 2**.

## **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. None were received in this instance.

## **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 for a premises licence to be granted  
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** JOSHUA JOHNSTON-FRANKLIN

*(Insert name(s) of applicant)*

**apply for a premises licence under section 17 of the Licensing Act 2003 for the premises described in Part 1 below (the premises) and I/we are making this application to you as the relevant licensing authority in accordance with section 12 of the Licensing Act 2003**

**Part 1 – Premises details**

Postal address of premises or, if none, ordnance survey map reference or description			
CHISLEHURST SPORTS AND COUNTRY CLUB ELMSTEAD LANE CHISLEHURST KENT BR7 5EL UNITED KINGDOM			
Post town	UK	Postcode	BR7 5EL

Telephone number at premises (if any)	07951251332
Non-domestic rateable value of premises	££14,250

**Part 2 - Applicant details**

Please state whether you are applying for a premises licence as      Please tick as appropriate

- a) an individual or individuals \*       please complete section (A)
- b) a person other than an individual \*
  - i as a limited company/limited liability partnership       please complete section (B)
  - ii as a partnership (other than limited liability)       please complete section (B)
  - iii as an unincorporated association or       please complete section (B)
  - iv other (for example a statutory corporation)       please complete section (B)
- c) a recognised club       please complete section (B)
- d) a charity       please complete section (B)

- e) the proprietor of an educational establishment  please complete section (B)
- f) a health service body  please complete section (B)
- g) a person who is registered under Part 2 of the Care Standards Act 2000 (c14) in respect of an independent hospital in Wales  please complete section (B)
- ga) a person who is registered under Chapter 2 of Part 1 of the Health and Social Care Act 2008 (within the meaning of that Part) in an independent hospital in England  please complete section (B)
- h) the chief officer of police of a police force in England and Wales  please complete section (B)

\* If you are applying as a person described in (a) or (b) please confirm (by ticking yes to one box below):

- I am carrying on or proposing to carry on a business which involves the use of the premises for licensable activities; or
- I am making the application pursuant to a
  - statutory function or
  - a function discharged by virtue of Her Majesty's prerogative

**(A) INDIVIDUAL APPLICANTS** (fill in as applicable)

Mr <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mrs <input type="checkbox"/>	Miss <input type="checkbox"/>	Ms <input type="checkbox"/>	Other Title (for example, Rev)	
<b>Surname</b> JOHNSTON-FRANKLIN			<b>First names</b> JOSHUA		
<b>Date of birth</b> 11-09-1985		I am 18 years old or over <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Please tick yes	
<b>Nationality</b> BRITISH					
Current residential address if different from premises address		73 ALGIERS ROAD LEWISHAM LONDON			
Post town	UK			Postcode	SE13 7JE
<b>Daytime contact telephone number</b>			07951251332		
<b>E-mail address (optional)</b>		JOSHLEWISHAM@ICLOUD.COM			

**SECOND INDIVIDUAL APPLICANT** (if applicable)

Mr <input type="checkbox"/>	Mrs <input type="checkbox"/>	Miss <input type="checkbox"/>	Ms <input type="checkbox"/>	Other Title (for example, Rev)	
<b>Surname</b>			<b>First names</b>		

<b>Date of birth</b>		I am 18 years old or over <input type="checkbox"/> Please tick yes	
<b>Nationality</b>			
Current postal address if different from premises address			
Post town		Postcode	
<b>Daytime contact telephone number</b>			
<b>E-mail address (optional)</b>			

**(B) OTHER APPLICANTS**

**Please provide name and registered address of applicant in full. Where appropriate please give any registered number. In the case of a partnership or other joint venture (other than a body corporate), please give the name and address of each party concerned.**

Name
Address
Registered number (where applicable)
Description of applicant (for example, partnership, company, unincorporated association etc.)
Telephone number (if any)
E-mail address (optional)

**Part 3 Operating Schedule**

When do you want the premises licence to start?

DD	MM	YYYY
1	5	082020

If you wish the licence to be valid only for a limited period, when do you want it to end?

DD	MM	YYYY
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Please give a general description of the premises (please read guidance note 1)

CHISLEHURST SPORTS AND COUNTRY IS A SPORTS CLUB, A CLUB HOUSE FUNCTION BAR ROOM WITH A PATIO OUTDOOR AND BALCONY AREA. THE SITE INCORPORATES 10ACRES OF SPORTS PLAYING FIELDS AND TENNIS COURTS FOR PRIVATE USE.

If 5,000 or more people are expected to attend the premises at any one time, please state the number expected to attend.

What licensable activities do you intend to carry on from the premises?

(please see sections 1 and 14 and Schedules 1 and 2 to the Licensing Act 2003)

Provision of regulated entertainment (please read guidance note 2)

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**

<b>Plays</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			<b><u>Will the performance of a play take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u></b> (please read guidance note 3)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>			
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>			
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Day	Start	Finish	<b><u>Please give further details here</u></b> (please read guidance note 4)					
Mon								
Tue								
Wed						<b><u>State any seasonal variations for performing plays</u></b> (please read guidance note 5)		
Thur								
Fri								
Sat								
Sun						<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 6)		

**B**

<b>Films</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			<b><u>Will the exhibition of films take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u></b> (please read guidance note 3)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish	<b><u>Please give further details here</u></b> (please read guidance note 4)		
Mon					
Tue			<b><u>State any seasonal variations for the exhibition of films</u></b> (please read guidance note 5)		
Wed					
Thur			<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 6)		
Fri					
Sat					
Sun					

C

<b>Indoor sporting events</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			<b><u>Please give further details</u></b> (please read guidance note 4)
Day	Start	Finish	
Mon			<b><u>State any seasonal variations for indoor sporting events</u></b> (please read guidance note 5)
Tue			
Wed			
Thur			<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 6)
Fri			
Sat			
Sun			

**D**

<b>Boxing or wrestling entertainments</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			<b><u>Will the boxing or wrestling entertainment take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u></b> (please read guidance note 3)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish		Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mon			<b><u>Please give further details here</u></b> (please read guidance note 4)	Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tue					
Wed			<b><u>State any seasonal variations for boxing or wrestling entertainment</u></b> (please read guidance note 5)		
Thur					
Fri			<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 6)		
Sat					
Sun					

**E**

Live music Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			<b>Will the performance of live music take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</b> (please read guidance note 3)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish			
Mon	19:00	23:00	<b>Please give further details here</b> (please read guidance note 4) LIVE MUSIC WILL BE PLAYED IN THE BAR, FUNCTION ROOM AND COMMUNAL AREAS ON THE SITE.		
Tue	19:00	23:00			
Wed	19:00	23:00	<b>State any seasonal variations for the performance of live music</b> (please read guidance note 5) THE SITE WILL ACCOMMODATE LIVE MUSIC ON THE PATIO AND GRASS AREA IN THE MONTHS OF MAY TO SEPTEMBER ON SATURDAYS AND SUNDAYS		
Thur	19:00	23:00			
Fri	19:00	00:00	<b>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</b> (please read guidance note 6) THE PREMISES WILL ACCOMMODATE ADDITIONAL DAYS OF LIVE MUSIC ON: HALLOWEEN WEEKEND (FISRT SATURDAY AFTER 31ST OCTOBER) UNTIL 02:00AM CHRISTMAS EVE (24TH DECEMBER) UNTIL 02:00AM BOXING DAY (26TH DECEMBER) UNTIL 02:00AM NEW YEARS EVE (31ST JANUARY) UNTIL 03:30AM VALENTINES WEEKEND AFTER 14TH FEBRUARY UNTIL 02:00AM MAY BANK HOLIDAY WEEKEND (SUNDAY) UNTIL 01:30AM		
Sat	12:00	00:00			
Sun	12:00	23:00			

**F**

Recorded music Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			<u>Will the playing of recorded music take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 3)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish			
Mon	19:00	23:00	<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 4) RECORDED MUSIC WILL BE PLAYED IN THE BAR, FUNCTION ROOM AND COMMUNAL AREAS ON THE SITE.		
Tue	19:00	23:00			
Wed	19:00	23:00	<u>State any seasonal variations for the playing of recorded music</u> (please read guidance note 5) THE SITE WILL ACCOMMODATE RECORDED MUSIC ON THE PATIO AND GRASS AREA IN THE MONTHS OF MAY TO SEPTEMBER ON SATURDAYS AND SUNDAYS		
Thur	19:00	23:00			
Fri	19:00	00:00	<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> (please read guidance note 6)  THE PREMISES WILL ACCOMMODATE ADDITIONAL DAYS OF RECORDED MUSIC ON: HALLOWEEN WEEKEND (FIRST SATURDAY AFTER 31ST OCTOBER) UNTIL 02:00AM CHRISTMAS EVE (24TH DECEMBER) UNTIL 02:00AM BOXING DAY (26TH DECEMBER) UNTIL 02:00AM NEW YEARS EVE (31ST JANUARY) UNTIL 03:30AM VALENTINES WEEKEND AFTER 14TH FEBRUARY UNTIL 02:00AM MAY BANK HOLIDAY WEEKEND (SUNDAY) UNTIL 01:30AM		
Sat	12:00	00:00			
Sun	12:00	23:00			

**G**

<b>Performances of dance</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			<b><u>Will the performance of dance take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u></b> (please read guidance note 3)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish			
Mon			<b><u>Please give further details here</u></b> (please read guidance note 4)		
Tue					
Wed			<b><u>State any seasonal variations for the performance of dance</u></b> (please read guidance note 5)		
Thur					
Fri			<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 6)		
Sat					
Sun					

**H**

<b>Anything of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g)</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			Please give a description of the type of entertainment you will be providing		
Day	Start	Finish	<b><u>Will this entertainment take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u></b> (please read guidance note 3)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mon				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tue			<b><u>Please give further details here</u></b> (please read guidance note 4)		
Wed					
Thur			<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 5)		
Fri					
Sat			<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 6)		
Sun					

**I**

<b>Late night refreshment</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			<b>Will the provision of late night refreshment take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</b> (please read guidance note 3)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish	<b><u>Please give further details here</u></b> (please read guidance note 4)		
Mon					
Tue					
Wed			<b><u>State any seasonal variations for the provision of late night refreshment</u></b> (please read guidance note 5)		
Thur					
Fri			<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 6)		
Sat					
Sun					

**J**

<b>Supply of alcohol</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			<b><u>Will the supply of alcohol be for consumption – please tick</u></b> (please read guidance note 8)	On the premises	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
				Off the premises	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish	<b><u>State any seasonal variations for the supply of alcohol</u></b> (please read guidance note 5) EVERY FRIDAY AND SATURDAY IN DECEMBER UNTIL 01:30AM JULY AND AUGUST UNTIL 01:00AM		
Mon	19:00	23:00			
Tue	19:00	23:00			
Wed	19:00	23:00			
Thur	19:00	23:00			
Fri	19:00	00:00			
Sat	12:00	00:00			
Sun	12:00	23:00			
			<b><u>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</u></b> (please read guidance note 6)		
			HALLOWEEN WEEKEND (FIRST SATURDAY AFTER 31ST OCTOBER) UNTIL 02:00AM CHRISTMAS EVE (24TH DECEMBER) UNTIL 02:00AM BOXING DAY (26TH DECEMBER) UNTIL 02:00AM NEW YEARS EVE (31ST JANUARY) UNTIL 03:30AM VALENTINES WEEKEND AFTER 14TH FEBRUARY UNTIL 02:00AM MAY BANK HOLIDAY WEEKEND (SUNDAY) UNTIL 01:30AM		

**State the name and details of the individual whom you wish to specify on the licence as designated premises supervisor (Please see declaration about the entitlement to work in the checklist at the end of the form):**

Name JOSHUA JOHNSTON-FRANKLIN	
Date of birth 11/09/1985	
Address 73 ALGIERS ROAD LEWISHAM LONDON	
Postcode	SE13 7JE
Personal licence number (if known) LEW 5555	
Issuing licensing authority (if known) LONDON BOROUGH OF LEWISHAM	

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**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 9).

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<b>Hours premises are open to the public</b> Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 7)			<b><u>State any seasonal variations</u></b> (please read guidance note 5)  EVERY FRIDAY AND SATURDAY IN DECEMBER UNTIL 01:50AM JULY AND AUGUST UNTIL 01:20AM
Day	Start	Finish	<b><u>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</u></b> (please read guidance note 6)  HALLOWEEN WEEKEND (FIRST SATURDAY AFTER 31ST OCTOBER) UNTIL 02:20AM CHRISTMAS EVE (24TH DECEMBER) UNTIL 02:20AM BOXING DAY (26TH DECEMBER) UNTIL 02:20AM NEW YEARS EVE (31ST JANUARY) UNTIL 03:50AM VALENTINES WEEKEND AFTER 14TH FEBRUARY UNTIL 02:20AM MAY BANK HOLIDAY WEEKEND (SUNDAY) UNTIL 01:50AM
Mon	19:00	23:20	
Tue	19:00	23:20	
Wed	19:00	23:20	
Thur	19:00	23:20	
Fri	19:00	00:20	
Sat	12:00	00:20	
Sun	12:00	23:20	

**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 10)**

Josh Franklin, the licensee, shall ensure that the premises are only used for licensable activity and make sure that there are sufficient competent staff on duty at the premises for the purpose of fulfilling the terms and conditions of the licence and for preventing crime and disorder. The Licensee shall ensure that all staff will undertake training in their responsibilities in relation to the sale of alcohol, particularly regarding drunkenness and any underage persons. Records will be kept of staff training and refresher training courses where needed will be supplied.

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

Any incidents of a criminal nature that may occur on the premises will be reported to the Police. The licensee, Josh Franklin will install, operate and maintain comprehensive CCTV coverage at the premises. The recording device will be kept in a secure area and will be regularly maintained to ensure continuous quality of image capture retention and picture quality. The CCTV system will be sited to observe the entrance and exit doors both inside and outside. The cameras on the entrances will capture full frame shots of heads and shoulders of everyone entering the premises and till areas will be monitored on 50% or more of the screen. Each camera that oversees floor areas will be wide angled to give a clear overview of the premises and the CCTV system will be able to visually confirm the nature of (the) crime committed. It will also provide a record of the date, time and place of any image; as well as showing good quality images in colour during opening time as the cameras will be capable of recording under the current light level within and outside the premises. There will be clear signage displayed to inform customers that CCTV is in operation. Police will be given access to images at any reasonable time and each digital image will be kept for 31 days. In order to ensure that the police can make evidential copy, the CCTV system will have an export method such as a DVD writer as the data provided must be in a native file format to make sure no image quality is lost when creating a copy. A copy will be made available to Police on request

**c) Public safety**

Appropriate fire safety procedures are in place including fire extinguishers (foam, H2O and CO2), fire blanket, internally illuminated fire exit signs, numerous smoke detectors and emergency lighting (see enclosed plan for details of locations). Every appliance is inspected annually, and all emergency exits will always be kept free from obstruction.

**d) The prevention of public nuisance**

All customers will be asked to leave quietly. Clear and legible notices will be prominently displayed to remind customers to leave quietly and have regard to our neighbours.

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

The licensee, Josh Franklin, and staff will ask persons who appear to be under the age of 25 for photographic ID such as proof of age cards, the Connexions Card and Citizen Card, photographic driving licence or passport, an official identity card issued by HM Forces or by an EU country, bearing the photograph and date of birth of bearer. All staff will be trained for UNDERAGE SALES PREVENTION regularly. A register of refused sales shall be kept and maintained on the premises.

**Checklist:**

**Please tick to indicate agreement**

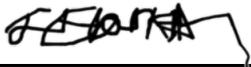
- I have made or enclosed payment of the fee.
- I have enclosed the plan of the premises.
- I have sent copies of this application and the plan to responsible authorities and others where applicable.
- I have enclosed the consent form completed by the individual I wish to be designated premises supervisor, if applicable.
- I understand that I must now advertise my application.
- I understand that if I do not comply with the above requirements my application will be rejected.
- [Applicable to all individual applicants, including those in a partnership which is not a limited liability partnership, but not companies or limited liability partnerships] I have included documents demonstrating my entitlement to work in the United Kingdom (please read note 15).

**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.**

**IT IS AN OFFENCE UNDER SECTION 24B OF THE IMMIGRATION ACT 1971 FOR A PERSON TO WORK WHEN THEY KNOW, OR HAVE REASONABLE CAUSE TO BELIEVE, THAT THEY ARE DISQUALIFIED FROM DOING SO BY REASON OF THEIR IMMIGRATION STATUS. THOSE WHO EMPLOY AN ADULT WITHOUT LEAVE OR WHO IS SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS AS TO EMPLOYMENT WILL BE LIABLE TO A CIVIL PENALTY UNDER SECTION 15 OF THE IMMIGRATION, ASYLUM AND NATIONALITY ACT 2006 AND PURSUANT TO SECTION 21 OF THE SAME ACT, WILL BE COMMITTING AN OFFENCE WHERE THEY DO SO IN THE KNOWLEDGE, OR WITH REASONABLE CAUSE TO BELIEVE, THAT THE EMPLOYEE IS DISQUALIFIED.**

**Part 4 – Signatures** (please read guidance note 11)

**Signature of applicant or applicant’s solicitor or other duly authorised agent** (see guidance note 12). **If signing on behalf of the applicant, please state in what capacity.**

<b>Declaration</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>[Applicable to individual applicants only, including those in a partnership which is not a limited liability partnership] I understand I am not entitled to be issued with a licence if I do not have the entitlement to live and work in the UK (or if I am subject to a condition preventing me from doing work relating to the carrying on of a licensable activity) and that my licence will become invalid if I cease to be entitled to live and work in the UK (please read guidance note 15).</li> <li>The DPS named in this application form is entitled to work in the UK (and is not subject to conditions preventing him or her from doing work relating to a licensable activity) and I have seen a copy of his or her proof of entitlement to work, if appropriate (please see note 15)</li> </ul>
Signature	
Date	14/07/2020
Capacity	Josh Franklin Events Manager

**For joint applications, signature of 2<sup>nd</sup> applicant or 2<sup>nd</sup> applicant's solicitor or other authorised agent** (please read guidance note 13). **If signing on behalf of the applicant, please state in what capacity.**

Signature	
Date	
Capacity	

Contact name (where not previously given) and postal address for correspondence associated with this application (please read guidance note 14)			
Post town	UK	Postcode	SE13 7JE
Telephone number (if any)	07951251332		
If you would prefer us to correspond with you by e-mail, your e-mail address (optional) JOSHLEWISHAM@ICLOUD.COM			

**Notes for Guidance**

- 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 for consumption of these off-supplies, you must include a description of where the place will be and its proximity to the premises.
- 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.
- 3. Where taking place in a building or other structure please tick as appropriate (indoors may include a tent).
- 4. For example the 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.
- 5. For example (but not exclusively), where the activity will occur on additional days during the summer months.
- 6. For example (but not exclusively), where you wish the activity to go on longer on a particular day e.g. Christmas Eve.
- 7. 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.
- 8. 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'.
- 9. 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.
- 10. Please list here steps you will take to promote all four licensing objectives together.
- 11. The application form must be signed.
- 12. An applicant's agent (for example solicitor) may sign the form on their behalf provided that they have actual authority to do so.
- 13. Where there is more than one applicant, each of the applicants or their respective agent must sign the application form.
- 14. This is the address which we shall use to correspond with you about this application.

**15. Entitlement to work/immigration status for individual applicants and applications from partnerships which are not limited liability partnerships:**

A licence may not be held by an individual or an individual in a partnership who is resident in the UK who:

- does not have the right to live and work in the UK; or
- is subject to a condition preventing him or her from doing work relating to the carrying on of a licensable activity.

Any premises licence issued in respect of an application made on or after 6 April 2017 will become invalid if the holder ceases to be entitled to work in the UK.

Applicants must demonstrate that they have an entitlement to work in the UK and are not subject to a condition preventing them from doing work relating to the carrying on of a

licensable activity. They do this by providing with this application copies or scanned copies of the following documents (which do not need to be certified).

**Documents which demonstrate entitlement to work in the UK**

- An expired or current passport showing the holder, or a person named in the passport as the child of the holder, is a British citizen or a citizen of the UK and Colonies having the right of abode in the UK [please see note below about which sections of the passport to copy].
- An expired or current passport or national identity card showing the holder, or a person named in the passport as the child of the holder, is a national of a European Economic Area country or Switzerland.
- A Registration Certificate or document certifying permanent residence issued by the Home Office to a national of a European Economic Area country or Switzerland.
- A Permanent Residence Card issued by the Home Office to the family member of a national of a European Economic Area country or Switzerland.
- A **current** Biometric Immigration Document (Biometric Residence Permit) issued by the Home Office to the holder indicating that the person named is allowed to stay indefinitely in the UK, or has no time limit on their stay in the UK.
- A **current** passport endorsed to show that the holder is exempt from immigration control, is allowed to stay indefinitely in the UK, has the right of abode in the UK, or has no time limit on their stay in the UK.
- A **current** Immigration Status Document issued by the Home Office to the holder with an endorsement indicating that the named person is allowed to stay indefinitely in the UK or has no time limit on their stay in the UK, **when produced in combination with** an official document giving the person's permanent National Insurance number and their name issued by a Government agency or a previous employer.
- A **full** birth or adoption certificate issued in the UK which includes the name(s) of at least one of the holder's parents or adoptive parents, **when produced in combination with** an official document giving the person's permanent National Insurance number and their name issued by a Government agency or a previous employer.
- A birth or adoption certificate issued in the Channel Islands, the Isle of Man or Ireland **when produced in combination with** an official document giving the person's permanent National Insurance number and their name issued by a Government agency or a previous employer.
- A certificate of registration or naturalisation as a British citizen, **when produced in combination with** an official document giving the person's permanent National Insurance number and their name issued by a Government agency or a previous employer.
- A **current** passport endorsed to show that the holder is allowed to stay in the UK and is currently allowed to work and is not subject to a condition preventing the holder from doing work relating to the carrying on of a licensable activity.

- A **current** Biometric Immigration Document (Biometric Residence Permit) issued by the Home Office to the holder which indicates that the named person can currently stay in the UK and is allowed to work relation to the carrying on of a licensable activity.
- A **current** Residence Card issued by the Home Office to a person who is not a national of a European Economic Area state or Switzerland but who is a family member of such a national or who has derivative rights or residence.
- A **current** Immigration Status Document containing a photograph issued by the Home Office to the holder with an endorsement indicating that the named person may stay in the UK, and is allowed to work and is not subject to a condition preventing the holder from doing work relating to the carrying on of a licensable activity **when produced in combination with** an official document giving the person's permanent National Insurance number and their name issued by a Government agency or a previous employer.
- A Certificate of Application, **less than 6 months old**, issued by the Home Office under regulation 17(3) or 18A (2) of the Immigration (European Economic Area) Regulations 2006, to a person who is not a national of a European Economic Area state or Switzerland but who is a family member of such a national or who has derivative rights of residence.
- Reasonable evidence that the person has an outstanding application to vary their permission to be in the UK with the Home Office such as the Home Office acknowledgement letter or proof of postage evidence, or reasonable evidence that the person has an appeal or administrative review pending on an immigration decision, such as an appeal or administrative review reference number.
- Reasonable evidence that a person who is not a national of a European Economic Area state or Switzerland but who is a family member of such a national or who has derivative rights of residence in exercising treaty rights in the UK including:-
  - evidence of the applicant's own identity – such as a passport,
  - evidence of their relationship with the European Economic Area family member – e.g. a marriage certificate, civil partnership certificate or birth certificate, and
  - evidence that the European Economic Area national has a right of permanent residence in the UK or is one of the following if they have been in the UK for more than 3 months:
    - (i) working e.g. employment contract, wage slips, letter from the employer,
    - (ii) self-employed e.g. contracts, invoices, or audited accounts with a bank,
    - (iii) studying e.g. letter from the school, college or university and evidence of sufficient funds; or
    - (iv) self-sufficient e.g. bank statements.

Family members of European Economic Area nationals who are studying or financially independent must also provide evidence that the European Economic Area national and any family members hold comprehensive sickness insurance in the UK. This can include a private medical insurance policy, an EHIC card or an S1, S2 or S3 form.

**Original documents must not be sent to licensing authorities.** If the document copied is a passport, a copy of the following pages should be provided:-

- (i) any page containing the holder's personal details including nationality;

- (ii) any page containing the holder's photograph;
- (iii) any page containing the holder's signature;
- (iv) any page containing the date of expiry; and
- (v) any page containing information indicating the holder has permission to enter or remain in the UK and is permitted to work.

If the document is not a passport, a copy of the whole document should be provided.

Your right to work will be checked as part of your licensing application and this could involve us checking your immigration status with the Home Office. We may otherwise share information with the Home Office. Your licence application will not be determined until you have complied with this guidance.



## LICENSING ACT 2003

APPLICATION FOR  
 GRANT\* / ~~VARIATION\*~~ OF  
 PREMISES LICENCE/~~CLUB PREMISES CERTIFICATE~~

Date (a):

I/~~We~~ (b)

HAVE APPLIED TO THE COUNCIL OF LONDON BOROUGH OF BROMLEY FOR THE GRANT\* / ~~VARIATION\*~~ OF THE LICENCE

AT (c)  
 Name of Business

Address

TO ALLOW THE FOLLOWING LICENSABLE ACTIVITIES TO TAKE PLACE (d):  
 (Insert times and days of week)  
 Delete if not applicable

**THE SALE BY RETAIL OF ALCOHOL:**~~**THE SUPPLY OF ALCOHOL ON BEHALF OF A CLUB:**~~**THE PROVISION OF REGULATED ENTERTAINMENT:**~~**THE PROVISION OF LATE NIGHT REFRESHMENT:**~~

Anyone wishing to oppose or support this application must do so by:

Date (e):

In writing  
to:

Environmental Health and Trading Standards, Licensing and Business Support  
 London Borough of Bromley  
 Stockwell Close, Bromley, BR1 3UH

Tel: 020 8313 4218

Any further information about this application can be obtained from the above address.

\* Delete as applicable



## NOTICE TO BE PUBLISHED IN A LOCAL NEWSPAPER

## LONDON BOROUGH OF BROMLEY

LICENSING ACT 2003  
 PREMISES LICENCE\* / ~~CLUB PREMISES CERTIFICATE\*~~

(Delete if not applicable)

TAKE NOTICE THAT I ~~WE~~

JOSHUA JOHNSTON-FRANKLIN

Being the ~~occupier(s)/ owner(s)/~~ applicant(s) of the undermentioned premises.

CHISLEHURST SPORTS AND COUNTRY CLUB,

ELMSTEAD LANE, CHISLEHURST, KENT, BR7 5EL, UNITED KINGDOM

Have applied to the Council of the London Borough of Bromley to allow the following licensable activities to take place:  
 (Delete if not applicable)

Insert times and days of the week applied for

**RETAIL SALE OF ALCOHOL:**

MONDAY 19:00-23:00, TUESDAY 19:00-23:00, WEDNESDAY 19:00-23:00,  
 THURSDAY 19:00-23:00, FRIDAY 19:00-00:00, SATURDAY 12:00-00:00,  
 SUNDAY 12:00-23:00

~~**SUPPLY OF ALCOHOL ON BEHALF OF A CLUB:**~~**PROVISION OF REGULATED ENTERTAINMENT:**

MONDAY 19:00-23:00, TUESDAY 19:00-23:00, WEDNESDAY 19:00-23:00,  
 THURSDAY 19:00-23:00, FRIDAY 19:00-00:00, SATURDAY 12:00-00:00,  
 SUNDAY 12:00-23:00

~~**PROVISION OF LATE NIGHT REFRESHMENT:**~~

under the above Act

(Delete if not applicable)

(a) This is a new application for the grant of a Premises Licence/ ~~Club Premises Certificate~~(b) ~~This is an application to vary the existing Premises Licence/ Club Premises Certificate~~

Any person wishing to object to the application should do so by giving notice in writing stating the grounds of objection to the Environmental Health & Trading Standards, Licensing and Business Support, Civic Centre, Stockwell Close, Bromley, BR1 3UH, by \* (see note below). Persons objecting to the application should be prepared to attend in person at a public hearing before a Committee of the Council.

Signed:

Date:

14th August 2020

**IMPORTANT-** All charges in respect of the insertion of this advertisement are the responsibility of the applicant.

\* Please contact Bromley Council for the correct date: 020 8313 4218.

## Appendix 1A

### Application Amendments

**From:** Joshua Franklin [<mailto:joshlewisham@me.com>]  
**Sent:** 20 August 2020 21:31  
**To:** Slaney, Lee; [Tina.L.Dandridge@met.police.uk](mailto:Tina.L.Dandridge@met.police.uk)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Chislehurst Sports Club Application

Dear Mr, Lee Slaney

As discussed with yourself over the phone, as a small family run business that has owned Chislehurst Sports Club for over 15 years we are extremely disheartened by the reaction that our application for an alcohol licence has received. We strongly believe what we are trying to achieve compared to what the public perceive we wish to open is markedly different.

As always, we are willing to work with the local neighbours as the foundation of our business relies on their support. This is why we would like to make the following changes to the application, which we hope will be to the satisfaction of the majority:

1. **E:** Remove late night openings past 12:00am on the weekend throughout the year
  - a. Remove any special event late opening times - for example, Christmas Eve, Halloween etc.
  - b. Remove seasonal variation opening times - July/August/December now close at 12:00am not 01:00am or 01:30am
2. **F:** Not play music on the patio area in the months of May to September. No outdoor music will be played to reduce noise disturbance.

Just to clarify the amendments above mean we are requesting an alcohol licence from Monday-Thursday 19:00PM-23:00PM. Friday 19:00PM-24:00AM, Saturday 12:00PM-24:00AM and Sunday 12:00PM-23:00PM throughout the whole calendar year in response to the concerns of local residents about us being open late into the night.

Moreover, the clubhouse will only be open for private events and not open to the public. As previously mentioned, we are very selective about any events we do have, as we have heavily financially invested into the sports ground and do not wish to have any harm or damage caused to it.

Additionally, as mentioned at the meeting we are in the process of widening the entrance to the ground to make it much safer for people to enter and exit the site. Also, a brand new CCTV system is being installed over the coming weeks to ensure all possible security measures are in place. To mitigate any parking fears we have installed a new tarmac driveway onto the grass, at a great cost, to provide ample parking space for any future users we may have at the site.

We plan to host an open day at the site open to all local residents to provide them with an opportunity to meet us and view the site and improvements we have and are making with the hope that this will greatly ease any fears they may have. **Please let me know if Saturday 19th September you are available to also attend before we go ahead with a public invitation?** Alongside this, we will be doing a local letter drop off in the surrounding area of the clubhouse.

In regards to the hearing, please let us know as soon as possible when a date will be set.

Kind regards,

Tilak Patel / Josh Franklin  
Chislehurst Sports and Country Club

## Appendix 2

### Representations & Objections



From: Police Licensing Team,  
Bromley Police Station  
High Street,  
BROMLEY BR1 1ER

To: The Licensing Committee  
W88, West Wing  
Bromley Civic Centre,  
Stockwell Close,  
BROMLEY BR1 3UH

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> August 2020**

**Re: License for Chislehurst Sports and Country Club, Elmstead Lane, Chislehurst BR7 5EL**

Members Of The Licensing Committee,

I respectfully submit the following representations under the Licensing Act 2003 for the proposed license for Chislehurst Sports and Social Club.

The proposed licensed hours are vary between 1200 hours and 0000 hours, 7 days a week, for sale of alcohol for consumption on the premises. Live music would also be licensed during these times, though the proposed hours vary according to the month and date of the year, so much later finish times are sought by the applicant (licensed activity up to 0330 hours in the mornings are sought).

The premises is situated in a quiet residential road in Chislehurst, which has always been a pleasant and peaceful area. Public transport is served by Elmstead Train Station (half a mile away) and buses on Elmstead Lane. The N136 night bus stops every half hour throughout the night on Elmstead Lane but there are no other night buses routes on this road.

A new nursery for pre-school children called The Pink Elephant Nursery is operating on the site starting in September 2020, and the playing fields are currently used regularly by children who attend a local school as their sports fields.

Because the applicant has not engaged meaningfully with us to address our concerns, we must make representation to the entire license application. Although the applicant appeared to be engaging with the police and local authority officers at a meeting last week at the venue where concerns were highlighted and a response requested, the applicant has not answered the phone calls, voicemails and emails that have been sent by the police. The applicant has also not contacted the local authority. The application requests authorisation for licensed activities taking place across an area greater than that permitted at any other licensed venue in the Borough Of Bromley, and for far longer periods of time during the year than other venues. Each licensed activity at this venue would be more suitably authorised under Temporary Event Notices (TENS) rather than a permanent license.

Therefore we would like to put in the following representations as follows:

- 1) To prevent nuisance, and prevent crime and disorder, and protect children from harm, no live or recorded music should be permitted at the venue beyond 2300 hours.

As is stated in Bromley's Statement Of Licensing Policy, consideration should be given to noise issues, managing crowds, and parking on the road. The proposed licensed area is around 10 acres in size and could generate considerable disturbance.

Outdoor stage lights and crowds would disturb residents and distract passing motorists. The venue has previously played host to a music festival in 2019 that was managed by an outside company on a Temporary Event Notice. If regular music is played inside the venue for 12 months a year, and outside in the grounds of the sports club for 5 months of the year it would generate significant noise and anti-social behaviour complaint. There is nothing in the application that would mitigate the noise impact of playing music outdoors in this residential area.

- 2) To prevent nuisance, and prevent crime and disorder, and protect children from harm, no supply of alcohol to be permitted.

The police had to attend the venue and speak to the applicant on 26<sup>th</sup> July 2020 when a large group of people were at a wedding celebration. The number present (around 150) at the celebrations were well in excess of the 30 the Covid Regulations permit but the premises seemed unable or unwilling to manage the crowd. Fortunately the persons attending this gathering were well behaved and not causing any disturbance but it raises the question of the venue's ability to manage groups of people at the venue.

The fact that a pre-school nursery will be operating in the building and school children exercising outside in their sports classes on the fields is a concern with alcohol is requested to be supplied in these areas. The applicant has not evidenced the fact that numbers of children will be regularly attending the venue throughout the day, or how they will be protected from adults under the influence of alcohol.

Almost the entire 10 acre site has been requested for licensable activity which indicates that large festival type events with multiple outlets for alcohol purchase could become a regular occurrence at this venue. The applicant has not supplied sufficient information how they intend to manage crowds of persons and vehicles attending safely. To keep people safe there would need to be better access, numbers of stewards, good lighting and CCTV camera posts right across the open site, etc.

Licensed premises usually have a controlled and limited licensed space so that activities can be regulated properly. The 10 acre site is too large to be controlled under the applicant's proposal which would result in considerable crime and disorder for those attending and nearby residents.

If licensable activities are permitted then we would request the following conditions be attached to the premises license to prevent crime and disorder.

- 1) The licensable area should only be the building premises and exclude the outside areas to minimise disturbance to residents.

- 2) Install and maintain a digital CCTV system covering the entrances, internal areas and external areas surrounding the premise building, and footpaths and driveways to the road and on site car park. Recordings shall be stored for a minimum of 28 days and CCTV images shall be retrieved in a digital format and supplied immediately to a Police or Council Officer on request.

A CCTV system is currently in operation on the premises but is not a condition so could be removed. This is a vital tool for preventing and tackling criminality at venues.

- 3) Also to protect children from harm, alcohol should only be supplied in polycarbonate or recyclable plastic drinking vessels. Broken glass on the playing fields or in the nursery could injure children.
- 4) Ensure a member of staff trained in the use of the CCTV system must be available at the premises at all times that the premises are open to the public. To enable the police to respond and deal with criminality swiftly and to prevent further crime.
- 5) Ensure that a Challenge 25 policy is operated at the premises with appropriate signage displayed inside and outside the premises. To protect children from harm.
- 6) Ensure that CCTV signage is displayed reminding customers that CCTV is in operation in order to prevent crime and disorder.
- 7) Ensure that all staff within the business are trained in relation to the Licensing Act 2003 and conflict management. Training records shall be held at the premises and made available for Inspection by the police upon reasonable request. Refresher training will be undertaken every 6 Months to uphold all 4 licensing objectives.
- 8) To prevent crime and disorder, maintain a comprehensive incident register at the premises. The DPS shall ensure that the details of incidents shall be added to the register within 24 hrs of any incident. The following details shall be recorded:-

- Date
- Time
- Location
- Persons concerned
- Summary of incident
- Identification of any Emergency Services Personnel who attended
- Crime or appropriate reference number provided by the Emergency Services that relates to the incident and any linked incidents.

- 9) To protect children from harm, ensure that a record of refusals is maintained and updated on the premises that records all refusals made about the supply of alcohol on the premises, and this will be made available to the police and local authority officers immediately upon request.

The Chislehurst Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) have concern allowing an ongoing authorisation of licensable activities at the premises would bring anti-social behaviour to this quiet residential area and adversely change the character of the neighbourhood and bring an increase of crime and disorder, especially on Bank Holidays and during the months of May to September. Bromley Police

do not wish to routinely devote limited resources to deal with large scale crime and disorder such a big venue may bring.

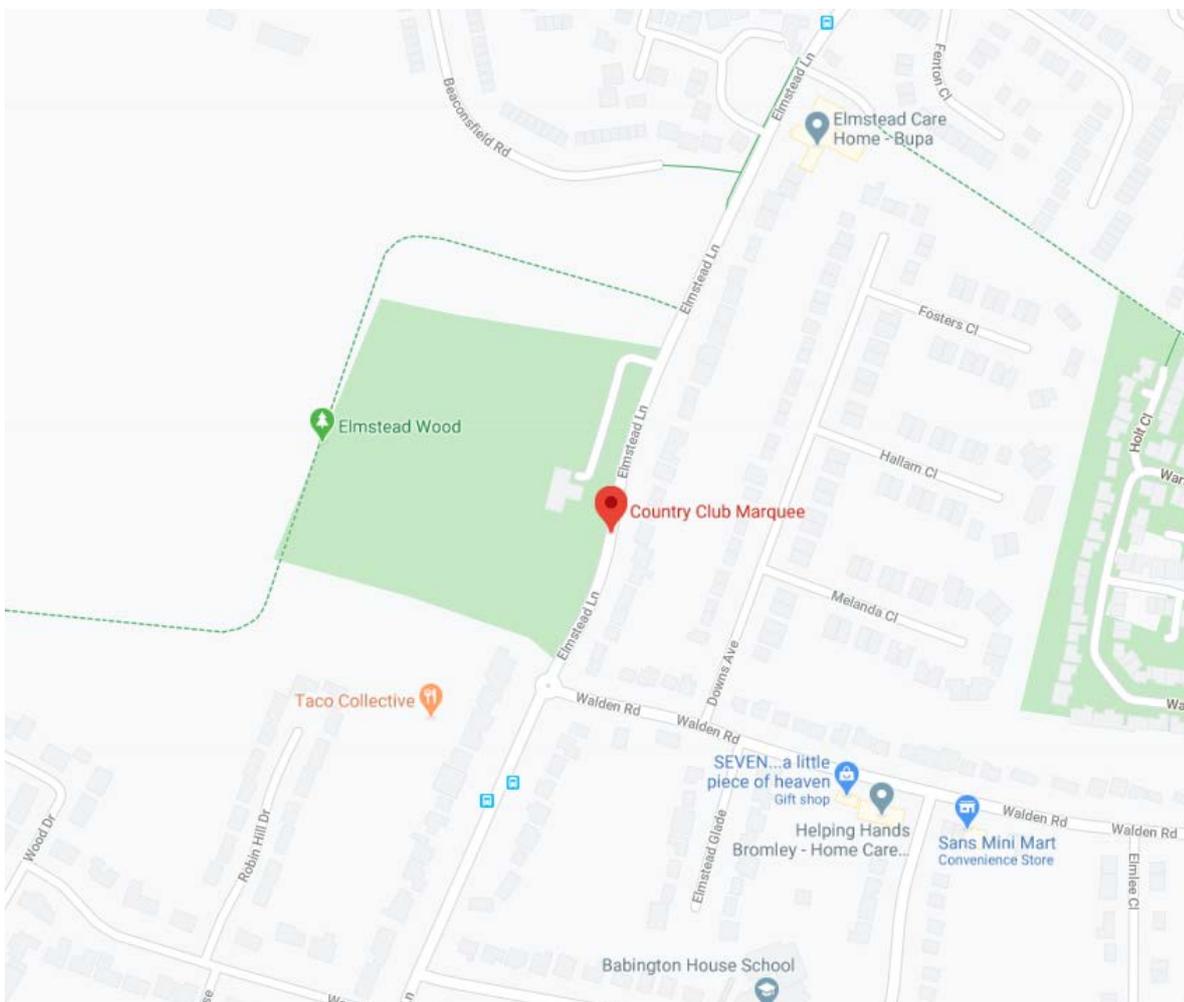
I thank The Bromley Licensing Committee for it's consideration of these matters, and would be glad to assist with any further enquiries they have at a hearing if required.

Yours Sincerely,

**PC Edwin Sear 2157SN**

**Bromley Police Licensing Team**

Below, map and image of Chislehurst Sports and Country Club, courtesy and copyright of Google Images:





**From:** Public Health (Group)  
**Sent:** 10 August 2020 15:57  
**To:** Devarajulu, Esther  
**Cc:** Licensing  
**Subject:** RE: Re: Chislehurst Sports And Country Club Elmstead Lane Chislehurst Kent BR7 5EL - 20/00311/LAPRE

Good afternoon,

I wish to object to this application on behalf of the Public Health Nuisance Team under the prevention of public nuisance licencing objective.

An event held at the venue last year generated a large number of complaints resulting in a significant public nuisance to local residents. I am not satisfied that the controls for noise disturbance from the premises have been appropriately assessed and mitigated in this application to ensure that the venues music activities do not impact on the local residents.

I am not confident that the music timings and locations proposed will not cause rise to a public and statutory noise nuisance.

Kind regards,

**Maddie Richardson**  
Public Health and Nuisance  
**London Borough of Bromley**  
Public Protection, Civic Centre, Bromley, BR1 3UH

**From:** Terry, Kieran, Cllr  
**Sent:** 13 August 2020 20:48  
**To:** Phillips, Steve  
**Cc:** Licensing; Sharma, Suraj, Cllr; Boughey, Katy, Cllr.  
**Subject:** 20/00311/LAPRE - Chislehurst Sports and Country Club, Elmstead Lane, Chislehurst

To whom it may concern

I am writing on behalf of all three Chislehurst Councillors to express objections to the proposed premises license at Elmstead Sports Ground, Chislehurst. We as Chislehurst ward members are all collectively against the proposals set out in the application.

We have received a very large number of emails from residents locally and strongly support their objections to the scheme.

Our grounds for objection are as follows:

1) Noise - it is very clear the applicant has misunderstood the relationship between the local properties and the Sports Ground itself. The site is bound by private houses on the south side and there are properties directly opposite on the eastern side of Elmstead Lane. There is very little separating the houses and the Sports Ground in terms of distance and physical barriers, as such any noise emanating from the site easily spreads and causes huge inconvenience to local residents. Views previously expressed by local residents have demonstrated the effects of this noise have previously gone far beyond the immediate surroundings and noise emanated from the site has caused serious inconvenience to residents as far as Wood Drive, Melanda Close, Grange Drive and Beaconsfield Road.

The proposal will have extensive operating hours throughout the week, including hours of operation up to 3am on some days during the year. This area is virtually exclusively residential in nature and is home to numerous families with small children, a retirement home and people simply enjoying the extensive benefits that arise from living in this suburban part of London. How are residents locally supposed to sleep or enjoy lives in their own homes given the noise both music and people will generate from this proposed use every day? This is not a town centre location, therefore the main audience to events here are numerous family homes. There is also a nursery opening here in September 2020, which will open early on most mornings. Along with the normal daytime sports related use, the site will be active for almost 24 hours a day on some days if licensing is permitted. Lastly, from previous applications for TENs on site and licensing applications for events held here, we have received numerous emails from residents in relation to noise, demonstrating the significant issues faced by residents to date in respect of this. We are happy to provide evidence of these on request.

2) Prevention of crime - as stated above this is a quiet residential area a significant distance from Chislehurst Town Centre. As such policing locally is limited to the typical coverage one would experience in any quiet residential neighbourhood. It will not benefit from the level of policing and control over antisocial behaviour one would experience in a larger town centre. Large numbers of revellers travelling to and from the site, many inebriated, will have the potential to cause significant disorder with little in place to protect those who live locally.

3) Safeguarding of children - as above a nursery is opening on site shortly, and the Sports Ground is used by local school children for PE, meaning young children will use the site. Residents have

expressed that previous similar uses of the site have resulted in debris from drug paraphernalia, including nitrous oxide canisters and discarded packets. It cannot be acceptable to mix these uses. We would also question the impact of this use on the wider wellbeing of children locally given the noise and wider disturbances this sort of use will generate.

4) Prevention of public nuisance - the above outlines the close relationship this site has with local properties and the noise this will create, especially given the proposed hours of operation. However this will clearly create a nuisance for local people in other ways. Lighting from the site will be visible from local houses in to the night, bass from music will cause vibrations and disruption to local people and there will undeniably be litter generated from large numbers of people travelling to and from the site.

We are happy to follow up on any of the points expressed above if this is required

Please support the main view expressed in the local community and reject this inappropriate application.

Councillors Kieran Terry, Katy Boughey and Suraj Sharma

## OBJECTIONS

1. We wish to object to the above mentioned application for a change in licensing please.

Elmstead Lane is a busy and narrow road with a history of car accidents. There are cars and busses travelling on the road at a significant frequency, often at quite a speed. To increase this traffic late at night would have an impact on public safety, particularly in an area inhabited by children and over 60s.

This is a quiet family friendly area- it is not the centre of a town or somewhere with pubs or many shops in the locality. It is largely residential, with a school for young children. It is not appropriate to have a sports club serving alcohol and playing loud music on a busy road in this area regularly until midnight and sometimes 2am. It will likely result in an increase of crime/public nuisance in the area and will jeopardise the safety of children and the general public in the area.

Additionally, if music is played it will carry. This will have a serious detrimental impact on the local residents which are primarily families and over 60s. We understand that this is known to residents from previous experience.

Finally, the car park is small with a single entrance and exit. There would be an overflow of cars onto the road during late night hours. We are all aware that this road has a dangerous history- please do not allow this to be exacerbated/increased.

We urge you to reject this application and strongly object to the same.

2. I write to strongly object to the promised License request for Chislehurst Sports and Country Club of Elmstead Lane.

Our objection is based on concern of the likelihood of a significant increase in public nuisance, crime and disorder and hence out of concern for public safety.

The premise is located on a large school playing field and it is entirely unrealistic to think that those attending the premise will confine themselves to the building and proposed patio area given the open nature of the site. Moreover local residents, including ourselves, can confirm that this openness of the site will also mean that any noise coming from the premise will impact all of the surrounding area given the contour of the area.

We are fortunate to have excellent schools in the area and hence the neighbourhood is full of young families - the proposal of premise serving alcohol with live music both indoors and outdoors is totally at odds with the pre-existing user of commercial or residential properties anywhere close to the site.

As you will I am sure be aware the highest concentration of Anti Social Behavior and Violent offences in the Mottingham and Chislehurst North boundary area is concentrated to the south in the Kimmeridge Road to Castlecombe Road area.

Providing a premise that vends alcohol and likely a focal point would seem to be ad direct odds with the Licensing Act objectives of prevention of crime and nuisance and prevention of crime and disorder specifically given it is focused on operating between 1900 and 2300 weekdays and 1900 and

0000 at weekends.

If the premise was truly to be operating as a Sports and Country Club given that it sits on a very large sports field it would seem more appropriate that it invested in the sport element and that any license to vend alcohol only be granted after a period of demonstration that it was providing a public good of a genuine recreational facility in a purely residential location.

3. I am a resident of Chislehurst. It has come to my attention that an application for a new license for the sports club on Elmstead Lane for extended times for the sale of retail alcohol and the provision of regulated/live music entertainment, has been made.

I would like to inform- you that I strongly object to this application on many levels of which I will explain:

Crime and disorder I believe will rise due to many people frequenting these premises, bringing with it anti-social behavior fueled by drinks and drugs. There is an alleyway that leads from Elmstead Lane into Downs Ave and a green chain walk way behind my property, where it could possibly become a urinal and possible selling point for drugs as well as other anti-social behavior like fighting and increased noise pollution from people using the alleyway and green chain walk as an exit home.

Public safety will be a risk, not just from anti-social behavior, but from increased traffic congestion from people driving to the resort or using taxis etc...increasing the likelihood of traffic accidents.

Public nuisance from anti-social behavior, increased levels in noise pollution in the surrounding residential area and due to the influx of more people intoxicated could lead to harmful effects to the young people (and children) that live in the surrounding area.

These issues alone will impact on the local area and residents like myself would be greatly affected and at a time where we have a national pandemic that could spike and rise at any time in the Chislehurst/Bromley area - to now invite possibly hundreds of people to come into the area for drinking and the lack of social distancing that would emanate from this would be a recipe for disaster to the local area, so again I strongly object to this application.

4. I am writing to you to object about the licencing application ref: 20/00311/LAPRE at the Chislehurst Sports & Country Club on Elmstead Lane.

Our objections are as follows:

Noise Disturbance

Live and recorded music outside will cause a noise disturbance in a residential area. Previous events on the site e.g. "Summer Luv", resulted in residents enduring high base noise throughout the days leading up to the event and the event itself.

The application is for outside music, from May to September from 12:00 to midnight on Saturdays and to 23:00 on Sundays, which will result in significant noise disturbance during summer evenings, especially when residents' windows are likely to be open.

In addition, music played indoors during the summer, which can be played until 23:00 is likely to have an impact (albeit much lower than outdoor events) when patio doors/windows at the venue are likely to be open.

Parking and traffic

There is limited parking on site and parking on Elmstead Lane is already limited. Before the lockdown, on most working days the limited on street parking is already being fully utilised by residents.

This is stretched further by people using Elmstead Woods station which is used after the parking restrictions in the afternoon.

Elmstead Lane is not wide enough for parked cars and traffic to flow in both directions. During evenings until 8pm, before the lockdown, traffic regularly tailed back down from the traffic lights between Elmstead Lane and William Barefoot Drive, past the sports club to Elmstead Woods station. This could extend further back, especially when raining, to Sundridge Avenue and the junction with Romney Drive.

Public Nuisance:

There is limited public transport late at night. The last train into London on a Saturday from Elmstead Woods is 23:58.

The last 314 bus, which has limited capacity, is at 00:38. The nearest bus stop is a request stop outside residential houses and would normally only have a handful of people waiting for the bus. Larger crowds are likely to encroach on private property or onto the road.

Any opening beyond 23:30 will most likely require the provision of taxis/cabs, creating a lot of noise and traffic. This will be particularly relevant for applications for the non-standard opening times, which extend openings to 01:50am-3:50am

Opening Hours

The extended opening hours - this is a sport club not a bar - lead to further concerns about impact of noise both music and pedestrian at very late hours of the night and early hours of the morning these are not conducive to the residential neighbourhood that the Sports club is located. If openings were restricted to 23.00 as the latest time with a music cut off at 22.30 implemented, this would greatly reduce the risk of noise pollution to the residents.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss the above further, please do let me know. I did try to submit my comments online however there seems to be some issues with the system.

5. As local residents we are strongly opposed to the above application, on the following grounds

1. Drug traffickers operating in the local area will be drawn to this site, creating violence and law and order issues as has been the case in many local pubs and clubs in the past. (viz recent stabbings and murder Gordon Arms, Green Lane Chislehurst)
2. Threat to public safety,
3. Noise nuisance throughout the local area
4. Disruption to children s sleep
5. Alcohol-fuelled, undesirable characters will be drawn to the area, wandering around the area late at night – risk of increase to burglaries/ sexual assaults
6. Loud music from past events at this site carries to our home, even through closed windows causing considerable nuisance. We object to this disruption to our family and invited guests particularly during Public holidays when family gathering take place

Chislehurst is recognised as a safe, quiet and peaceful suburban locality, which are the principal reasons that have attracted families to the area.

This type of activity runs contrary to those values, and would have a direct and immediate negative impact on our enjoyment and sense of security and well-being.

If Bromley Council do not reject this application, it would be a betrayal both to the council tax-paying, good people of the area and to the very reasons they have chosen to live here in the first place.

6. You will no doubt be aware of the license application at Chislehurst Sports & Country Club in Elmstead Lane.

My family and I are really concerned about this - this venue is right in the heart of our purely residential area (including a care home) and will make life here unbearable. We have already experienced the unpleasant impact of occasional events at this venue which include profound noise pollution, late night anti-social behaviour as revellers leave and make their way to either the train station or their cars - many of which have been parked inappropriately along Elmstead Lane overhanging driveways and reducing the width of the road and pavements for both cars and pedestrians.

There has always been empty alcohol bottles and cans as well as small silver canisters left strewn along our road, along with other associated rubbish.

In the past there has been a combination of live and recorded music played at the venue which has made it impossible for us to sit in our garden, open any windows or even sit indoors to watch TV. We have had to leave our home to escape the incessant loud music only to return later in the evening and then not be able to sleep as a result of very loud music and shouting and screaming from party goers outside our home.

Elmstead Lane is entirely unsuitable for this type of venue - even on an occasional basis, but I understand that the current application is to make this a permanent fixture which I wish to register my objection to with you in the strongest possible terms please.

7. We are against the issue of a Premises Licence at the above address for the following reasons:

1. Public Safety: during events at the Premises, too many cars park along Elmstead Lane causing a narrowing of the road making passing in vehicles & pedestrian crossing difficult & dangerous.
2. Prevention of Public Nuisance: we are already frequently disturbed by loud music during events at the Premises & events are sometimes concluded with fireworks later at night that cause further disturbance of peace. The surrounding roads, in which we reside, suffer from nuisance parking by those attending the events. Further nuisance is caused when the people return to their cars in high spirits late at night.
3. Impact on Local Residents: see 1 and 2.
4. Issues With Previous Events: see 1 and 2.

Loud music will be a nuisance for extended times, every weekend & when one is most likely to want to enjoy the peace in their garden or when they have their windows open to cool down whilst attempting to sleep at night.

8. There are many reasons for my strong view on this application and I will touch on all of them in this letter but the primary reason is simply that Elmstead Lane and it's surrounding roads are a quiet residential area that does not require nor want licensed premises (this should be clear from the fact that there is not a single licensed premises within 1 mile of the sports ground where the application has been made). In fact one of the closest licensed premises (I exclude restaurants from this definition) serving alcohol primarily is the Gordon Arms pub just behind Chislehurst High St where we have seen just this weekend the unsavoury events that took place with multiple stabbings and a young gentleman needlessly killed by the alleged perpetrators trying to flee the scene. The thought of increasing the risk of this sort of behaviour in a residential area populated by families is nothing short of frightening. Crime and disorder as whole would be a far greater risk for local residents as a result of this application but it is the violent elements of crime that concern me greatly and I would hope the council would not knowingly expose it residents to such increased risk.

As a consequence of the lack of desire or need of local residents wanting a licensed premises in the area this will most likely mean that the users of the premises, should it be granted, would be coming from outside the local vicinity and probably goes some way to explaining why the application has been made by Mr Franklin who does not even reside in the borough. This brings with it a fresh set of challenges and further questions and concerns as to the type of individual who would be frequenting the premises as it will not be local residents and just as important how those individuals will get to and from the premises. Elmstead Lane is a busy road at all times of the day as it provides the main link to and from the station and is one of the main connecting points for Chislehurst, Bromley and Mottingham as well being the main route to the A20 for a large number of people. The road just above the mini roundabout is already somewhat of a slalom run on the best of days with cars parked either side and when buses are on either side of the road is nearly impassable so to exacerbate this problem late into the evening is naïve at best and at worst negligent.

When you add alcohol into the above mix then that recipe becomes even more combustible as you will have people leaving the premises late in the evening and based on the opening hours in the application (I will come to that later) the early hours of the morning and it's fair to say a number of these will not be in full use of their senses which puts the risk to both themselves and drivers on this busy road at a significant risk and in my opinion is not a risk that should be taken. I also worry greatly that people will be severely tempted to drive home after a "couple of drinks" due to the fact they don't live locally, Elmstead Woods does not operate trains beyond Midnight on most days, Burlington cars who are the local taxi company at the station do not operate beyond Midnight most nights, I could go on.

I also take note that the application makes reference to music events on the grounds which is only going to add further to the noise disturbance the premises will cause but more worrying for myself is the types of activity that can occur at such events. I am referring here to the use of recreational drugs, smoking and littering all of which are at far greater risk of happening at an outside venue which is far harder to police and control. Aside from the illegality and the damage this will do to the grounds themselves what is fundamentally important is that these grounds are used as the playing fields for Babington House school and as of Sep this year a nursery will open on the same site. These grounds will have children openly running round having fun (in-keeping with the very fabric of the area) and despite all the assurances that the applicant will no doubt be making there is a huge risk (in my opinion) that one of these children falls over and is cut by stray rubbish not picked up or god forbid is pricked by a needle left behind by a recreational drug user who attended an event. I appreciate this might

sound alarmist but we can't bury our heads in the sand and say this isn't a risk because it is and it is a very real risk and it is one that cannot be taken lightly. Protecting the youngest and most vulnerable (there is a BUPA care home pretty much opposite the playing fields) in society is an obligation in my opinion that should be bestowed upon everyone.

Finally the opening hours that have been requested are simply unacceptable for the location even without all of the issues I have listed above. Midnight every Fri & Sat save for Jul & Aug where it would be 1am and Dec 1:30am, 11pm every Sun, Bank Holidays until 1:30-2am and other specific dates throughout the year until the early hours of the morning. This is a playing fields bordering residential streets and a care home not a nightclub in the heart of Bromley and I simply cannot see how opening hours such as this are befitting of the location it occupies.

My family and I have spent 40 happy years as residents of Elmstead Lane and have always supported local businesses in that time such as the shops on Walden Road, Burlington Cars at the station and our children even went to Babington House school so the area is very much part of us and that is why I feel so strongly that this application is not appropriate for the area and should therefore be rejected.

If this application is still to be considered despite local objections then I would expect a public meeting to be held in much the same way as it was for the Bullers Wood Boys School whereby councillors got to hear directly from local residents as to why they object so strongly.

I thank you for your time and allowing me to share my thoughts and would be more than willing to discuss in detail directly with you or your colleagues any of the points raised.

9. It is with disbelief to find that Chislehurst Sport and Country Club has applied for a licence for live music and alcohol for every night until late.

The area is purely residential, with young families and older residents including a care home opposite the venue.

Noise pollution would be unacceptable. The increase in cars would cause noise, pollution and traffic problems with disturbance to residents.

A nursery is set to open - how are a nursery and nightclub compatible. The litter will be hazardous to the children, with the possibility of bottles and needles scattered in the car park.

Please take the residents objections seriously when looking at this applications. It simply isn't acceptable

10. I wish to object to the extension of licensing hours and provision of live music.

I see no reason for them to be extended at all.  
The reasons for this are as follows:

1. Prevention of crime & disorder

Increasing opening hours will attract people to consume excessive amounts of alcohol past normal licensing hours. Public transport does not run after midnight. So visitors to venue will either be left to walk home or wait outside for taxis. This will in variable lead to disorder, noise disturbance and public nuisance. As well as having drunken people wandering outside with no public toilet facilities in the nearby area.

Local policing is stretched. Chislehurst police station closed a number of years ago. Will policing resources be able to cope with extra demand from this venue? How will this venue assist police to keep residents safe from public nuisance?

## 2. Public safety

Will venue be able to offer sufficient parking? Small capacity at present will lead to parking on Elmstead Lane. Elmstead lane parking is dangerous at best. Cars parked on road regularly lose wing mirrors as drivers misjudged space and speed they are travelling at. There are no adequate road calming measures or pedestrian road crossing facilities. Which makes crossing road very dangerous. Multiple fatalities have occurred on this road involving pedestrians.

## 3. The prevention of public nuisance

Noise - The large open space of the playing fields amplifies the music generated from the venue. The noise from the venue at present is exceptionally loud.

Many of the residents around the venue are working families. Extending the licensing hours during the working and school week will affect the residents ability to sleep. Especially schoolchildren. Music and noise generated from the venue during the day events is excessive. This would cause even greater stress on residents / families if it was extended into the late evening / morning.

Light nuisance - Residents could be effected by excessive levels of light coming from the venue. Such as flashing lights and laser shows. How will this be restricted and/or managed?

Litter - No litter facilities on either side of road adjacent or at venue. This will lead to anti social behaviour and extra work for residents having to clear up after events.

Drunks - Wandering outside the venue after it has closed. How will residents be protected from public nuisance by the venue. What assurance or commitment can the venue or licencing authority give us?

## 4. Protection of children from harm

Already mentioned but will reiterate - excessive noise generated from open space venue will effect children's sleep. The noise generated at present is incredible loud. An extension to the time this could go on for would not be welcomed at all.

## 5. The impact on the local area and residents

Consultation - It appears that only residents adjoining the venue are being consulted.

Residents who will be affected by the noise in the immediate area e.g. Downs Avenue have not received consultation paperwork or been offered a chance to comment.

Pavements - pavements and facilities (barriers) in a poor state of repair around venue.

Potholes, poor paving work, inadequate pedestrian crossing facilities and barriers not fit for purpose. Increase in footfall will degrade further. Are facilities safe for a venue?

## 6. Any other issues

How can a nursery be combined with an events venue? Presumably there will be alcohol and smoking taking place at the venue. How would the venue clean and prep before nursery starts at 07:30 in the morning. How will the outside of the venue, which children will have to walk

through, be deep cleaned? This would have to take place between 12:00 and 07:30 which will, for the most part, be in the complete dark.

How can this clean be guaranteed especially in light of the existing issues with covid-19?

11. I object on the basis this is situated in a quiet residential area and already when they have occasional events it causes a huge noise impact particularly outdoor music. If the music is indoors only and it's properly sound insulated with restricted numbers this maybe more acceptable.

12. I am writing to you as my local ward councillors to express my strong concern for and object to the licensing application that has been submitted for Chislehurst Sports and Country Club.

This impacts hugely on a residential area, how it can even consider these operating hours and outside live music when it is in the middle of a built up area including being located close to a care home is frankly ridiculous.

The request for live music and or recorded music to be played outside every weekend from May to September is simply unacceptable on the grounds of a noise disturbance. I was able to hear, quite loudly, the music festival event that was held last summer, from indoors and in my garden. This event was a one off and finished by 10pm which was perfectly adequate and I had no objection to this, I also could have opted to attend and there was great feedback from this family event. However live music until midnight every weekend for 4-5 months impacting sleep patterns and therefore the mental and physical health of residents is outrageous and inconsiderate.

Even the pubs in Chislehurst High Street, which do to have the number of local neighbours as this venue, do not open as late as this or have music outside.

The transport links are not sufficient for the increased flow of traffic and the road is already congested with resident parking which narrows the road. The trains do to operate consistently to enable any attending to use theses as a route home leaving only the night bus- a away to white horse hill- meaning additional disturbance to neighbours or they will drive or get cabs.

The potential increase in anti social behaviour is a huge concern with people drinking until the early hours of the morning and while CCTV is being recommenced this will out prevent or deter any such behaviour except to perhaps postpone the issues until the guests have left the venue and then will be a nuisance for residents and not for the license holder.

I am hugely concerned as to this application and have been unable to make my comments known on the portal due to an error, this will also likely mean that others are unable to comment and I can see this may be the case (unless you are unable to comment on licensing applications) as there are 0 comments on the system. I would like to know if on this basis that the consultation will be extended to allow all those who neighbour and will be impacted by the application to engage, Furthermore I urge the council to contact residents either by leaflet or letter to ensure that they are made aware of this huge issue

13. This is a quite residential area with many family houses and we have had many problems in the past with drugs and violence when functions have been held in this area.

14. I strongly oppose this application. This area is characterised by residential property and a massive amount of noise disturbance will be created if this application is passed.

We have a 6-month-old baby who enjoys being in the garden and the noise created by this venue would be a major disturbance.

I recall last year that this operated as a live music venue and it was extremely loud and disturbed all surrounding neighbours significantly.

This will be a public nuisance and significantly raises the risk of criminal and disorderly behaviour.

15. We moved to this house 8 years ago and were attracted in particular by the beautiful garden in a quiet residential area. The character of the area will be completely changed (and in my view destroyed) if this licence were granted. We had some experience of live music events at this venue last year when temporary licences were granted for one-off events at the site. The noise on those occasions was horrendous. We could hear every word spoken over the tannoys and the music was incredibly loud. It was impossible to sit in and enjoy the garden (the events were on otherwise balmy summer evenings) and there was no point going to bed until the events finished at midnight as it was also impossible to sleep even with all the windows closed. As I read the application, if the licence were granted, we would be subjected to this potentially every day of the year, until 11 on weekdays and Sundays, midnight on Fridays and Saturdays and 1 a.m. at weekends in December and throughout July and August, with extensions until 2 a.m. or even 3.30 a.m. on holiday days. We would find this completely intolerable and I cannot think of anything more inappropriate for a quiet residential area. It would, we think, hugely devalue our house - I cannot imagine that anyone would want to move into an area affected by this type of noise nuisance. I am not familiar with the planning process for this sort of thing, but hope that noise impact assessments will be carried out which will confirm everything that I say above. I implore those dealing with this application to give d16. ue weight to its certain adverse impact on the character of our area and reject it accordingly.

16. having come to my notice regarding an application for extended hours for selling alcohol and live music ( inside & out), at Chislehurst Sports & Country Club, Elmstead Lane, Chislehurst, BR7 5EL (20/00311/LAPRE) , I was appalled. We pay a significant price for property here - where the Club always sold alcohol & played music after matches - we have even booked it ourselves for dinners, dances & other occasions - but never ending after 11.30 pm or causing any disturbance outside. BUT last time there was any late/early outside music, it was loudspeakered up to such a pitch that our bed pillows were actually bouncing & house vibrating to the modern day "base" air movement! We "let live" for occasional events, but if the drinks are served later, and selfish, half-phased people come out with more bottles/beers at exit time to hang about outside until dawn making a noise, it's not fair ! We have our own parties at home but DON'T expect to inflict it on others. The occasional event is fine with rules & permission but please ,please no later than 11.30pm/midnight. Some of us have to sleep ! Even a garage in Widmore Rd. has to shut at 11pm & the restaurant next door never has any noise to disturb local residents. So NO I am against this extension (& please no "base" noise in the early hours, - then there's the cars ... !!!)

On a separate note , I am pleased that the Nursery school (20/00310/FULLI) 7.30 am till 6.30 pm., on the same site , has been approved as they are much needed by working families around here - so long as they are responsibly run of course. thankyou for your attention

17. We would like to object to provision of licence to Chislehurst Sports Club (CSC) to play live music and sell alcoholic drinks. Elmstead Lane and nearby area is populated by elderly residents and families with children who go to nearby schools. We have two school age children, the youngest of them is 10 years old and needs to be in bed by 20:00. So, having live music until 23:00 will cause noise pollution. This is probably a similar concern for the care home for the elderly on Elmstead Lane just across the street from CSC.

There are no sufficient public spaces in the area adjacent to the CSC and inevitably the visitors to the entertainment place will find themselves in the nearest woods and the residence area. This will cause public nuisance to the residents across the street and has a potential of negatively affecting the safety and security of the nearby residents and property.

The woods next door to CSC is used by residents for walks with children and dogs. There are no CCTV cameras there and this could turn into a breeding ground for crime and substance abuse at night time.

Please do not grant a requested license to CSC for the reasons above.

18. I object to the lateness of the hours requested and the fact that every weekend in December is requested. This is opposite residential housing and will cause sleep deprivation which will impact school age children and working people in particular. The noise from these events travels and I am able to hear it from my house.

19. Elmstead Lane is a residential area. To subject the residents to potentially 7 days of disturbance in one way and another is disgraceful. Most of the houses will have bedrooms to the front and they will be subject not just to music noise - and even worse in the summer as it will be outside - but the continual movement of cars and noisy and often drunken people however efficient the owners of the organisation are in trying to keep things under control. We know that Chislehurst has its problems and even serious crime as has happened recently, and has a small police presence; this venue will only increase the problems with many people coming from outside the area. I have ticked the box for child protection after realising there will be a new nursery at the venue which means, looking at the worse scenario, drugs and needles being left after an event.

20. I am a resident of Chislehurst, It has come to my attention that an application for a new license for the sports club on Elmstead Lane for extended times for the sale of retail alcohol and the provision of regulated/live music entertainment, has been made.

I would like to inform- you that I strongly object to this application on many levels of which I will explain:

Crime and disorder I believe will rise due to many people frequenting these premises, bringing with it anti-social behavior fueled by drinks and drugs. There is an alleyway that leads from Elmstead Lane into Downs Ave and a green chain walk way behind my property, where it could possibly become a urinal and possible selling point for drugs as well as other anti-social behavior like fighting and increased noise pollution from people using the alleyway and green chain walk as an exit home.

Public safety will be a risk, not just from anti-social behavior, but from increased traffic congestion from people driving to the resort or using taxis etc...increasing the likelihood of traffic accidents.

Public nuisance from anti-social behavior, increased levels in noise pollution in the surrounding residential area and due to the influx of more people intoxicated could lead to harmful effects to the young people (and children) that live in the surrounding area.

These issues alone will impact on the local area and residents like myself would be greatly affected and at a time where we have a national pandemic that could spike and rise at any time in the Chislehurst/Bromley area - to now invite possibly hundreds of people to come into the area for drinking and the lack of social distancing that would emanate from this would be a recipe for disaster to the local area, so again I strongly object to this application.

21. I am writing to you to object about the licencing application ref: 20/00311/LAPRE at the Chislehurst Sports & Country Club on Elmstead Lane.

Our objections are as follows:

#### Noise Disturbance

Live and recorded music outside will cause a noise disturbance in a residential area. Previous events on the site e.g. "Summer Luv", resulted in residents enduring high base noise throughout the days leading up to the event and the event itself.

The application is for outside music, from May to September from 12:00 to midnight on Saturdays and to 23:00 on Sundays, which will result in significant noise disturbance during summer evenings, especially when residents' windows are likely to be open.

In addition, music played indoors during the summer, which can be played until 23:00 is likely to have an impact (albeit much lower than outdoor events) when patio doors/windows at the venue are likely to be open.

#### Parking and traffic

There is limited parking on site and parking on Elmstead Lane is already limited. Before the lockdown, on most working days the limited on street parking is already being fully utilised by residents.

This is stretched further by people using Elmstead Woods station which is used after the parking restrictions in the afternoon.

Elmstead Lane is not wide enough for parked cars and traffic to flow in both directions. During evenings until 8pm, before the lockdown, traffic regularly tailed back down from the traffic lights between Elmstead Lane and William Barefoot Drive, past the sports club to Elmstead Woods station. This could extend further back, especially when raining, to Sundridge Avenue and the junction with Romney Drive.

#### Public Nuisance:

There is limited public transport late at night. The last train into London on a Saturday from Elmstead Woods is 23:58.

The last 314 bus, which has limited capacity, is at 00:38. The nearest bus stop is a request stop outside residential houses and would normally only have a handful of people waiting for the bus. Larger crowds are likely to encroach on private property or onto the road.

Any opening beyond 23:30 will most likely require the provision of taxis/cabs, creating a lot of noise and traffic. This will be particularly relevant for applications for the non-standard opening times, which extend openings to 01:50am-3:50am

#### Opening Hours

The extended opening hours - this is a sport club not a bar - lead to further concerns about impact of noise both music and pedestrian at very late hours of the night and early hours of the morning these are not conducive to the residential neighbourhood that the Sports club is located. If openings were restricted to 23.00 as the latest time with a music cut off at 22.30 implemented, this would greatly reduce the risk of noise pollution to the residents.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss the above further, please do let me know. I did try to submit my comments online however there seems to be some issues with the system.

22. Chislehurst is not a location for a night club it's a quite area and not a city of town centre

23. As local residents we are strongly opposed to the above application, on the following grounds

1. Drug traffickers operating in the local area will be drawn to this site, creating violence and law and order issues as has been the case in many local pubs and clubs in the past.

(viz recent stabbings and murder Gordon Arms, Green Lane Chislehurst)

2. Threat to public safety,

3. Noise nuisance throughout the local area

4. Disruption to children s sleep

5. Alcohol-fuelled, undesirable characters will be drawn to the area, wandering around the area late at night – risk of increase to burglaries/ sexual assaults

6. Loud music from past events at this site carries to our home, even through closed windows causing considerable nuisance. We object to this disruption to our family and invited guests particularly during Public holidays when family gathering take place

Chislehurst is recognised as a safe, quiet and peaceful suburban locality, which are the principal reasons that have attracted families to the area.

This type of activity runs contrary to those values, and would have a direct and immediate negative impact on our enjoyment and sense of security and well-being.

If Bromley Council do not reject this application, it would be a betrayal both to the council tax-paying, good people of the area and to the very reasons they have chosen to live here in the first place.

24. My family and I are really concerned about this - this venue is right in the heart of our purely residential area (including a care home) and will make life here unbearable. We have already experienced the unpleasant impact of occasional events at this venue which include profound noise pollution, late night anti-social behaviour as revellers leave and make their way to either the train station or their cars - many of which have been parked inappropriately along Elmstead Lane overhanging driveways and reducing the width of the road and pavements for both cars and pedestrians.

There has always been empty alcohol bottles and cans as well as small silver canisters left strewn along our road, along with other associated rubbish.

In the past there has been a combination of live and recorded music played at the venue which has made it impossible for us to sit in our garden, open any windows or even sit indoors to watch TV. We have had to leave our home to escape the incessant loud music only to return later in the evening and then not be able to sleep as a result of very loud music and shouting and screaming from party goers outside our home.

Elmstead Lane is entirely unsuitable for this type of venue - even on an occasional basis, but I understand that the current application is to make this a permanent fixture which I wish to register my objection to with you in the strongest possible terms please.

25. I am writing to you with respect to the planning application that has been brought in order to turn the clubhouse at the playing fields on Elmstead Lane into a licensed premises. I will make my position clear from the outset and then set out the reasons for this in the remainder of the letter but myself and my husband are strongly opposed to the application and would like for it to be rejected.

There are many reasons for my strong view on this application and I will touch on all of them in this letter but the primary reason is simply that Elmstead Lane and its surrounding roads are a quiet residential area that does not require nor want licensed premises (this should be clear from the fact that there is not a single licensed premises within 1 mile of the sports ground where the application has been made). In fact one of the closest licensed premises (I exclude restaurants from this definition) serving alcohol primarily is the Gordon Arms pub just behind Chislehurst High St where we have seen just this weekend the unsavoury events that took place with multiple stabbings and a young gentleman needlessly killed by the alleged perpetrators trying to flee the scene. The thought of increasing the risk of this sort of behaviour in a residential area populated by families is nothing short of frightening. Crime and disorder as a whole would be a far greater risk for local residents as a result of this application but it is the violent elements of crime that concern me greatly and I would hope the council would not knowingly expose its residents to such increased risk.

As a consequence of the lack of desire or need of local residents wanting a licensed premises in the area this will most likely mean that the users of the premises, should it be granted, would be coming from outside the local vicinity and probably goes some way to explaining why the application has been made by Mr Franklin who does not even reside in the borough. This brings with it a fresh set of challenges and further questions and concerns as to the type of individual who would be frequenting the premises as it will not be local residents and just as important how those individuals will get to and from the premises. Elmstead Lane is a busy road at all times of the day as it provides the main link to and from the station and is one of the main connecting points for Chislehurst, Bromley and

Mottingham as well being the main route to the A20 for a large number of people. The road just above the mini roundabout is already somewhat of a slalom run on the best of days with cars parked either side and when buses are on either side of the road is nearly impassable so to exacerbate this problem late into the evening is naïve at best and at worst negligent.

When you add alcohol into the above mix then that recipe becomes even more combustible as you will have people leaving the premises late in the evening and based on the opening hours in the application (I will come to that later) the early hours of the morning and it's fair to say a number of these will not be in full use of their senses which puts the risk to both themselves and drivers on this busy road at a significant risk and in my opinion is not a risk that should be taken. I also worry greatly that people will be severely tempted to drive home after a "couple of drinks" due to the fact they don't live locally, Elmstead Woods does not operate trains beyond Midnight on most days, Burlington cars who are the local taxi company at the station do not operate beyond Midnight most nights, I could go on.

I also take note that the application makes reference to music events on the grounds which is only going to add further to the noise disturbance the premises will cause but more worrying for myself is the types of activity that can occur at such events. I am referring here to the use of recreational drugs, smoking and littering all of which are at far greater risk of happening at an outside venue which is far harder to police and control. Aside from the illegality and the damage this will do to the grounds themselves what is fundamentally important is that these grounds are used as the playing fields for Babington House school and as of Sep this year a nursery will open on the same site. These grounds will have children openly running round having fun (in-keeping with the very fabric of the area) and despite all the assurances that the applicant will no doubt be making there is a huge risk (in my opinion) that one of these children falls over and is cut by stray rubbish not picked up or god forbid is pricked by a needle left behind by a recreational drug user who attended an event. I appreciate this might sound alarmist but we can't bury our heads in the sand and say this isn't a risk because it is and it is a very real risk and it is one that cannot be taken lightly. Protecting the youngest and most vulnerable (there is a BUPA care home pretty much opposite the playing fields) in society is an obligation in my opinion that should be bestowed upon everyone.

Finally the opening hours that have been requested are simply unacceptable for the location even without all of the issues I have listed above. Midnight every Fri & Sat save for Jul & Aug where it would be 1am and Dec 1:30am, 11pm every Sun, Bank Holidays until 1:30-2am and other specific dates throughout the year until the early hours of the morning. This is a playing fields bordering residential streets and a care home not a nightclub in the heart of Bromley and I simply cannot see how opening hours such as this are befitting of the location it occupies.

My family and I have spent 40 happy years as residents of Elmstead Lane and have always supported local businesses in that time such as the shops on Walden Road, Burlington Cars at the station and our children even went to Babington House school so the area is very much part of us and that is why I feel so strongly that this application is not appropriate for the area and should therefore be rejected.

If this application is still to be considered despite local objections then I would expect a public meeting to be held in much the same way as it was for the Bullers Wood Boys School whereby councillors got to hear directly from local residents as to why they object so strongly.

I thank you for your time and allowing me to share my thoughts and would be more than willing to discuss in detail directly with you or your colleagues any of the points raised.

26. I am a resident of Elmstead Lane, and I most strongly object to this licence application.

I understand that the premises has never been licenced under the Licencing Act 2003, for either a Premises Licence or Club Certificate. This is a new application. It has been subject to some Temporary Events Notices in the past, which generated a number of noise nuisance complaints.

#### The Site

Chislehurst Sports and Social Club occupies a site of 10 acres. The Premise License Area being applied for forms virtually the whole of the site, including the sports field. The site lies on the west side of Elmstead Lane and is situated within Metropolitan Open Land. It also forms part of the Green Chain. The clubhouse and access to the site, lie close to and opposite residential dwellings in Elmstead Lane. The Bupa run home for the elderly, Elmstead Care Home, is in very close proximity the clubhouse and main site entrance.

#### Summary of the application

An application has been made by an individual, who lives outside Bromley Borough, proposing to carry out a commercial business which involves the use of the aforementioned premises for licensable activities throughout the year; namely the supply of alcohol, and the playing of both live and recorded music. The applicant is applying to play live and recorded music both inside the clubhouse building and in the open patio and field. The application is for up to 5000 attendees.

#### Opening Hours

The applicant proposes for the venue to be open to the public for the standard days and timings of:

Monday to Thursday, from 19.00 until 23.20

Friday, 19.00 until 00.20

Saturday, noon until 00.20

Sunday, noon until 23.20

Additionally, the applicant proposes to be open to the public every Friday and Saturday in December until 01.50, and "July and August until 01.20".

In addition to this, the proposal is to open to the public on:

The first Saturday after Halloween, noon until 02.20,

Xmas Eve until 02.20,

Boxing Day (26th Dec) until 02.20,

New Years Eve until 03.50,

"Valentines weekend" after 14 February until 02.20, and,

The Sunday of the May Bank Holiday, until 01.50.

#### Supply of Alcohol

During the times open to the public, the applicant is proposing to sell alcohol throughout the open hours, less the last 20 minutes.

#### Live Music and Recorded Music

The application, if successful will allow the License Holder to play live music and recorded music, both indoors, and outside on the patio area and the field.

The applicant is proposing to play live/recorded music outside on every Saturday and Sunday during the months of May, June, July, August and September, during the day/evening. You will note that during the months of July and August, the applicant is proposing to be open until 01.20.

The premises will accommodate additional days of live/recorded music as follows:

The first Saturday after Halloween, noon until 02.00,

Xmas Eve until 02.00,

Boxing Day (26th Dec) until 02.00,

New Years Eve until 03.30,

“Valentines weekend” after 14 February until 02.00, and,

The Sunday of the May Bank Holiday, until 01.30. (Outside)

I wish to object to this application on the following grounds

1. Child Protection
2. Crime and Disorder
3. Noise Disturbance
4. Opening Hours
5. Parking
6. Public Nuisance
7. Public Safety
8. Traffic
9. Fitness of Licence Applicant

1. Child Protection

Sharing this site with a children’s day nursery

On the 17th of June 2020, Bromley Council granted permission for a children's day nursery to operate in the very same venue between the hours of 07.30 until 18.30, 51 weeks of the year. Pink Elephants Nursery, will deliver a much needed daycare service for 40 children, up to the age of five years. The nursery will offer indoor and outdoor play.

Considering permission has already been granted to this nursery, it seems highly inappropriate for the Local Authority to then grant permission to a scheme such as this, which will be using the same premises on a daily basis. I can't envisage a suitably safe 'clean up' operation, including outdoors and late at night, after closing. There is likely to be broken glass, possible biohazards such as vomit/urine/blood, and drug paraphernalia. Additionally, The Delegation Report document produced by LB Bromley on the 11th of June 2020, which I understand forms the basis of the decision making process, clearly states that the clubhouse will be adapted for use by the nursery midweek, with private functions only being held at weekends.

I believe the safety of the children will be compromised, notwithstanding the practical and commercial concerns of adapting the premises back to a suitable environment for young children, on a daily basis. I also consider there to be concerns with the logistics of the nursery closing at 6.30 pm (as per permission granted) and staff of this licence applicant arriving in preparation for the evening, opening to the public at 7pm.

Underage people getting access

I understand there have been issues with insecure perimeter fencing to the site, which would allow easy access to would-be, underage revellers. I understand there have been well documented attempts over the last few years to the owner, Bromley Council, Ward Councillors, and the local neighbourhood police team, to get permanent repairs or replacement but sadly with limited success. As a result of this, I understand there to have been issues with anti-social behaviour in the grounds, demonstrating that the site would be easy to access, by youths bringing in unregulated alcohol.

## 2. Crime and Disorder

The applicant's anticipation of, and contingencies to prevent crime and disorder may potentially contribute to the solving of any crimes committed, by cooperating and assisting the police in their enquiries, but they do not present preventative measures. Indeed, large crowds, having consumed alcohol for long periods, are a major factor in contributing to local crime and disorder levels, which will increase, and will have social, as well as cost implications for local residents and the Local Authority.

## 3. Noise Disturbance

Clearly, these large and often outdoor events are going to cause a major disturbance for local residents. There are issues of noise from the music and crowds during the hours of opening, and noise from revellers as they leave the venue, late at night and in the early hours of the morning.

The applicant has no noise control measures in place for either inside the clubhouse, or the music on the field, and has no crowd management and dispersal plans, apart from asking attendees to leave quietly, which is wholly lacking and irresponsible.

#### 4. Opening Hours

Opening hours applied for in the application are reckless and completely inconsiderate of local residents. They are far in excess of anything in the area, and no doubt the whole borough.

#### 5. Parking

This application is for large scale events, many of which are outdoors, attracting up to 5,000 attendees. There is only one, single decker bus route that runs along Elmstead Lane, the 314, running between Bromley/New Addington and Eltham Station. There is only one train station within feasible walking distance. The site has very limited parking facilities and so parking will have to take place outside on this narrow stretch of Elmstead Lane. This will increase the risk of road traffic accidents on Elmstead Lane, which is already a known accident black spot.

#### 6. Public Nuisance

The applicant's remedy for reducing public nuisance caused by his large scale, late night events, is to ask customers to leave quietly and have regard to the neighbours. While any measures are to be welcomed, this is a wholly lacking approach, as crowds of inebriated people do not behave in a considerate and respectful manner. There will be significant public nuisance, not confined to just noise, but to include vomit, public urination, drunkenness, fighting, drug use, and littering.

Although there are no proposals to make changes to the fabric of building itself, the applicant has given no details of how he plans to provide outdoor lighting for these events. The Premise License Area being applied for forms virtually the whole of the 10 acre site, including the sports field, and the applicant proposes up to 5,000 attendees. For safety, events such as these require significant outdoor lighting, which will cause a visual disturbance at night, to houses along Elmstead Lane itself and the many houses that back onto the site.

#### 7. Public Safety

The applicant's response to the Public Safety section of the application, is merely to quote the existing fire precautions for the building as it stands. He does not give details of number of attendees he expects to permit into the building, and makes no reference to a suitable Fire Risk Assessment having been carried out for the new anticipated use, or evacuation procedures for the same. The applicant hasn't demonstrated how he intends to control numbers into the clubhouse or venue, or how he plans to manage disruptive influences and incidents, or emergency situations.

He has paid no regard to other aspects of health and safety, such as safety lighting, slips, trips and falls (including the balcony area), first aid, welfare facilities, noise protection, asbestos, and other health and safety requirements, including risk assessments and his associated control measures.

In granting an application, Bromley Council owes a common duty of care to all visitors of the establishment and events. The common duty of care is a duty to ensure any visitor will be reasonably safe when using the premises for the purposes for which they are invited or permitted by the occupier to be there.

#### 8. Traffic

It's clear that this proposal will generate significant amounts of movement, which will have implications for traffic congestion and road safety. No travel plan has been submitted by the applicant. It is noted that local public transport will have stopped running by the proposed closing times.

#### 9. Fitness of Licence Applicant

The very audaciousness of this application, clearly demonstrates that the applicant has no consideration for the local occupants living in this entirely residential area, and in very close proximity to the site, not least, the Elderly Care home, situated right opposite. I therefore consider the applicant unfit to hold such a license.

The application is ill considered and shows a total lack of responsibility to the local residents and environment. I would strongly urge this application be refused.

27. I am writing in response to a note to put through my door this week, dated the 22nd of July 2020. As a local resident in this area I am appalled by the thought that the London Borough of Bromley could even consider this application. It is totally inappropriate.

Elmstead Lane and its surrounding area is a quiet, residential area made up of young families and large proportions of the older generation. It would be totally unsuitable to have regular live music preventing people who have to work and children from sleeping, let alone the rest of the residents.

Where there is alcohol and loud music people become drunk and disorderly, and fights occur. The amount of rubbish will increase and quite probably bottles will be thrown into the neighbouring woods where people walk with their children and dogs. This will increase the risk of accidents. Where there are large numbers of people partying there is also the potential for drug abuse bringing more danger to our children and animals.

Parking in this area is already an issue. The sportsground has very limited parking. There is only one bus frequenting Elmstead Lane therefore transport becomes a problem. On the few occasions when there has been a function at the sportsground the music has kept me up and prevented me from enjoying my own garden and from sleeping. Cars have been parked in all the local roads causing residents problems. When it happens 2 / 3 times a year you can accept this but the application is suggesting that this would be on a regular basis, up to midnight on two nights of the week and 11pm during the weekdays. This is wholly inappropriate. At closing time all the local residents will be woken up by rowdy, drunken people leaving the premises and finding their cars and driving away. I moved into this area two years ago because it was a 'quiet residential area'. The proposal that it should be permitted to stay open on 'certain dates' until 2 and 3am in the morning, in a residential area, is unconscionable. By the time the 'party goers' leave and get to their cars - parked outside the local residents houses – it will be far later and the residents will be woken up, again, and again. People leaving a good night out are not quiet. I've lived opposite a night club and promised myself never again. My garden was vandalised, my washing stolen, people urinating and defecating in the road. When asked to leave quietly they became even older and abusive, sometimes even threatening.

The request to have live music – whether inside or out – will vibrate, destroying the peace and quiet of a beautiful area. When the recreation ground has its yearly party I can feel the vibrations a mile

away. That's once a year and in the daytime. This is something entirely different and totally unacceptable.

If this application was approved, the local people would see the value of their properties plummet and they would find it hard to sell, should they wish to move.

I also can't conceive how the same building can be made clean and safe to open and used as a nursery opening at 7.30am to 6.30pm and then reused later at night as a nightclub.

In summary, I totally object to the proposal and trust that the borough will not grant this application. I feel so strongly that I would consider further action should it be approved.

28. There are more than enough drinking establishments in Chislehurst and Petts Wood. It will create more drugs into the area and trouble. This will ultimately fuel violence and misery which will have a huge impact on our emergency services. Totalled against

29. I am against this and as a local resident, I hope Bromley Council will take into consideration the views of its residents

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In addition, the proposal that it should be permitted to stay open on 'certain dates' until 2 and 3am in the morning, in a residential area, is unconscionable. By the time the 'party goers' leave and get to their cars - parked outside the local residents houses - it will be far later and the residents will be woken up, again, and again. People leaving a good night out are not quiet.

The request to have live music – whether inside or out – will vibrate, destroying the peace and quiet of a beautiful area. It will prevent the local residents enjoying their gardens and prevent them from sleeping. When the recreation ground has its yearly party, I can feel the vibrations a mile away. That's once a year and in the daytime. This is something entirely different and totally unacceptable.

Less 350 yards away, there is the 'Elmstead care home' an old peoples residence with sick and dying people. Part of this homes caters for people with dementia. Having live music will cause great upset, distress, confusion and possibly mayhem.

If this application is approved, the local people will see the value of their properties plummet and they will find it hard to sell, should they wish to move.

I also can't conceive how the same building can be made clean and safe to open and used as a nursery opening at 7.30am to 6.30pm and then opened half an hour later as a nightclub.

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31. I am objecting to the above application submitted to LB Bromley on the 22 July on the grounds listed below as specified by the application notification submitted to Bromley Council.

Additionally, it should be noted that the applicant has not provided any information about the nature of the entertainment to be provided (apart from music) nor has he engaged and consulted with the local community about his plans.

However, the following link below has been brought to my attention: [www.beamldn.co.uk](http://www.beamldn.co.uk) where it appears that the premises are already being advertised as available for functions.

We have not received any formal notification of this application and I feel that it is in the public interest that all residences within at least 2 miles of the premises receive a formal notification of the proposed licence request so that they can be consulted accordingly. It was only by chance that this application was drawn to my attention.

This application is of great concern to me and my neighbours given that previous events have caused extremely disturbing loud noises and music. If this were to occur at all the times specified by the applicant it would become intolerable. It should be noted the additional dates and times requested for even later events which will cause even more potential issues as there will be increased time for drinking more alcohol and creating further public nuisance due to noise going on even later in the night particularly disturbing the sleep of local children (amongst others); potential crime and disorderliness; and public safety as further explained below.

#### 1. The Prevention of Crime and Order

In the past, large events at the above premises has always caused inconsiderate parking in our street and along Elmstead Lane as well as excessive littering. Additionally, a few years ago we found one man around our end of the street who claimed to be hiding from some people at the event who had threatened him. I do not know if the police were called. If more events of this type were allowed to occur, this will be most likely to lead to even more social disorder.

2. The Prevention of Public Nuisance

As there has already been noise nuisance from the premises from previous events if the premises were allowed to stay open for even more events (daily) and even later this would go on until unacceptably late antisocial times and even later during some major public/ celebratory holidays (a request has been made to continue to between 1:30am to 3:30am on some dates).

3. Protecting Children from harm

- As the proposed premises will also be running as a nursery during the daytime, children may be exposed to residual smoke and possibly drug usage from the night before which will affect their health and welfare.

- In addition, the children at the nursery may be exposed to excessive noise and disturbance as the evening bar service and live entertainment is being set up, all of which will adversely affect their wellbeing and ability to learn.

- As the premises above will also be running as a nursery during the daytime, children may be exposed to strangers around the nursery setting up preparing for the evening event which is a child protection issue.

4. The Impact on local area and residents

- Increased sales of alcohol proposed by the applicant all year round (until 23:00 or midnight every day of the week and some public/celebratory holidays) as well extended alcohol sales after closing time every Friday and Saturday in December until 1.30am and July and August until 1am, would lead to more disorderliness and criminal activities in what is essentially a quiet residential neighbourhood where there are many families with children and vulnerable elderly. It should be noted that there is an Elderly Care Home with up to 49 residents within a hundred metres of the premises who will no doubt be adversely affected by the effects of all of the above concerns.

- The extended opening times would cause noise nuisance until the early hours and currently the music from previous events can still be heard clearly through our closed double glazed windows. This will be particularly an issue in summer when windows need to be kept open. Noise will also be present until late preventing sufficient sleep for people who may need to work early shifts which includes my family.

- The extended hours for live music and unspecified entertainment and particular until even later hours during public/celebratory holidays will adversely affect our peace and quiet and disturb family time together.

- I am aware of a neighbour who is even closer to the premises who has a young child who is particularly sensitive to noise (as we he had been asked to not start any loud garden noise until after she has woken up and left for school) and no doubt this will be highly disruptive of this child's wellbeing. As this is a residential neighbourhood, this may well apply to many more children who live near to the premises but have not been notified of this application.

5. Any Issues with previous events on the sports field

Two events which I recall (stated below) caused excessive noise at the weekend, littering and inconsiderate parking.

- Summer Luv Festival – Chislehurst - Sun 26th May 2019 at 11:30am - Sun 26th May 2019 at 9:30pm
- Sun Fest end of Summer Extravagansa. Saturday 27 September 2014, 12 noon to 8 pm

In view of the above, I would urge you to refuse the application above

32. 1.1 The purpose of this document is to register our opposition to the licence application which has been submitted in connection with Chislehurst Sports and Country Club (the "Application").

1.2 I set out below detailed representations in support of our position. Whilst this is an individual submission, I confirm that our sentiments are reflected by every other resident on Downs Avenue (and beyond) who we have spoken to about the Application. It is clear that the local residents unanimously oppose the Application and that there will be an appetite to take collective action in the event it is approved in its current form. Our position is endorsed by the Chislehurst Society and local MPs.

1.3 Downs Avenue is an extremely quiet and peaceful no through road with a series of equally tranquil cul de sacs leading off it. It consists exclusively of residential properties and the residents are predominantly young families or elderly/retired citizens. Many of the residents have lived on the street in excess of 40 years whilst more recent residents have chosen to move here because of the safe and peaceful environment.

1.4 There is a very similar demographic on Elmstead Lane which runs parallel with Downs Avenue, separating it from the premises which are the subject of the Application. There is an elderly care home situated on Elmstead Lane, no more than 50 metres from the premises.

1.5 Our deeds specify that we live on parish grounds and include restrictive covenants which prohibit the sale of alcohol and use of properties as 'dance venues'.

1.6 The Application proposes using the premises for the sale of alcohol and live music entertainment 7 days' per week until Midnight on Fridays and Saturday (1.30am in December and 1am in July August) and 11pm on other nights. It is intended that music will be played indoors and outdoors and later finish times are proposed on specified days throughout the year.

1.7 The applicant runs an events company which is aimed at youths. On his website, he promotes the quality of the lighting and lasers used at his events and, under the heading of Audio Solutions, he advertises "Big Sound...for massive parties and anyone who's looking to make a bang".

1.8 The Application in its current form is wholly incompatible with the peaceful area and residential demographic described above.

1.9 We set out further representations below using some of the points you suggest we consider as sub-headings.

2. THE PREVENTION OF CRIME & DISORDER

2.1 We consider that the measures proposed in the Application will not be sufficient to prevent crime and disorder.

2.2 If the Application is approved in its current form, the neighbourhood will face the prospect of 100's of youths descending on a single site in a residential area where they will be served alcohol and played loud music until the early hours of the morning. It is inconceivable to think that this will not lead to an increase in crime and disorder in the area.

2.3 There is likely to be large gatherings of people (mostly youths) waiting for taxis or buses or walking to Elmstead Woods at closing times. The CCTV proposed by the Applicant will not capture these areas and the possibility of crime, disorder and public nuisance seems high.

2.4 As recently as 14 August, the police had to put a dispersal order in place due to "drill rap" music videos and gang fights just off Walden Road.

2.5 The premises back on to Elmstead Woods, Marvels Wood and the Green Chain Walk. Notwithstanding the inevitable disruption to this natural environment, the secluded nature of those areas lend themselves to crime and anti-social behaviour – there is a reputation for drug-dealing in those areas and, just in the last few months, there have been reports of a stolen moped being set alight on the Green Chain Walk and a car being set on fire in Marvels Wood.

3. PUBLIC SAFETY

3.1 Attendees will inevitably use Downs Avenue to park their cars. This may cause parking issues for residents and create accessibility problems. There is a number of elderly residents who receive care worker support and it is vital that there is uninhibited access for this support and the emergency services.

3.2 There are already issues with the volume and speed of traffic along Elmstead Lane. The road is narrow for the volume of traffic and there are no speed restrictions. Further increases to the volume of traffic will impact on public safety which is a material issue given that there is both a care home and a nursery on the road and schools within a quarter of a mile radius.

3.3 As stated above, there is likely to be large gatherings of people (mostly youths) waiting for taxis or buses or walking to Elmstead Woods at closing times. Given the proposed alcohol licence times, it is likely that many of these people will be intoxicated and in this environment the risk of injury to themselves or others (drivers, residents etc) will be high.

4. THE PREVENTION OF PUBLIC NUISANCE/THE IMPACT ON THE LOCAL AREA AND RESIDENTS

4.1 As set out in the summary section above, the Application proposes using the premises for the sale of alcohol and live music entertainment 7 days' per week until Midnight on Fridays and Saturday (1.30am in December and 1am in July August) and 11pm on other nights. It is intended that music will be played indoors and outdoors and later finish times are proposed on specified days throughout the year. The applicant runs an events company which is aimed at youths. On his website, he promotes the quality of the lighting and lasers used at his events and, under the heading

of Audio Solutions, he advertises “Big Sound...for massive parties and anyone who’s looking to make a bang”.

4.2 This will clearly cause a public nuisance and have huge impact on the local area and its residents. The sound will travel across to our garden and enter our property and this will seriously impact our enjoyment of our home. In the Application, it is suggested that public nuisance and impact on the local area concerns can be addressed by putting up signs asking customers to be quiet when they leave at the end of the night. It is inconceivable to expect youths who have been listening to live music and drinking alcohol for several hours to adhere to such benign direction.

4.3 The Application in its current form is wholly incompatible with the peaceful area and residential demographic described above.

4.4 In July 2020, a large bonfire was lit on the grounds of the venue. The owner of the premises (or his workers) were throwing all manner of materials on to the bonfire without any consideration as to its impact to local residents. The fire created a thick smog which drifted across Elmstead Lane and on to Downs Avenue. This type of behaviour does not suggest that the applicant will show consideration to the neighbourhood if he is given license to proceed with his venture.

#### 5. ISSUES WITH PREVIOUS EVENTS ON THE SPORTS FIELD

5.1 The sports field has been used for approximately two events per year in the last few years. The infrequency of these events has made the disruption they cause bearable but it still must be noted that considerable disruption is caused by the holding of youth-focused music events. In particular:

5.1.1 The music can be clearly heard both inside and outside our residence on Downs Avenue.

5.1.2 Attendees have parked on Downs Avenue and litter has been dropped as youths walk up and down the road.

5.1.3 Late at night, intoxicated people have walked up our road (despite it being a no through road) shouting and swearing.

#### 6. CONCLUSION

6.1 We rigorously oppose the Application in its current form. We consider that any sort of music/alcohol venue on the site in question would have a negative impact on crime and disorder, public safety, public nuisance and could cause harm to children. As such, we would oppose any form of licence being granted but, if one is to be granted, we submit that it should be subject to some very stringent conditions which should be discussed and agreed following a period of consultation with local residents.

33. I am writing to strongly object to the proposed application.

The sports club and grounds are situated in the middle of a quiet, residential area. The proposed hours for selling of alcohol, live music and recorded music are until very late in the evening and on some occasions until the very early hours of the morning. The main concerns are :

- 1) The noise pollution for local residents (particularly including the care home opposite)
- 2) The likelihood of anti-social behaviour once attendees have left the grounds.
- 3) There are no suitable transport links in the local vicinity for the proposed finish times for people to travel home. I believe that this could lead to a large number of people loitering within the residential roads.
- 4) The traffic / parking situation has only just started to be resolved around Elmstead Woods and the surrounding roads. If people decide not to use public transport and to travel by car, then this could lead to further problems with such an influx of traffic / parking.

With the above in mind and as a local resident, I am extremely concerned about large scale music events being held at the premises. As per the applicants website <http://www.londonyouthevents.com>, it boasts of supplying "infamous 8ft volcano sound system to Notting Hill Carnival in 2019". It is also already advertising the grounds for use of outdoor festivals "we offer a large piece of land used for outdoor festivals and events such as weddings and day festivals". As these will be private parties and events, I do not believe that this will add any benefits to the local area and community.

34. Disruptive and will create lots of noise / traffic / crowds in a local neighbourhood.

35. We wish to object against the application files for turning the ground into music festival site.

Currently it's a quiet neighbourhood with primary school and young families.

Music venue will change this forever with possible alcohol related crime/ disturbance, drug taking and noise pollution.

We reside and very distraught if this application is allowed to go through.

36. Please accept this email as a formal notification of my objection to the above licensing extensions changes at the Chislehurst sporting recreation club on Elmstead Lane.

My objection is on a number of points including noise, antisocial behaviour including drug use and alcohol related issues, crime and generally an increase in mess and disturbance to the area in general. There are enough venues in the south-east and London area that another one for large-scale events would be unwarranted at this time.

37. I am writing to you as my local ward councillors to express my strong concern for and object to the licensing application that has been submitted for Chislehurst Sports and Country Club.

This impacts hugely on a residential area, how it can even consider these operating hours and outside live music when it is in the middle of a built up area including being located close to a care home is frankly ridiculous.

The request for live music and or recorded music to be played outside every weekend from May to September is simply unacceptable on the grounds of a noise disturbance. I was able to hear, quite loudly, the music festival event that was held last summer, from indoors and in my garden. This event was a one off and finished by 10pm which was perfectly adequate and I had no objection to

this, I also could have opted to attend and there was great feedback from this family event. However live music until midnight every weekend for 4-5 months impacting sleep patterns and therefore the mental and physical health of residents is outrageous and inconsiderate.

Even the pubs in Chislehurst High Street, which do to have the number of local neighbours as this venue, do not open as late as this or have music outside.

The transport links are not sufficient for the increased flow of traffic and the road is already congested with resident parking which narrows the road. The trains do to operate consistently to enable any attending to use theses as a route home leaving only the night bus- a away to white horse hill- meaning additional disturbance to neighbours or they will drive or get cabs.

The potential increase in anti social behaviour is a huge concern with people drinking until the early hours of the morning and while CCTV is being recommenced this will out prevent or deter any such behaviour except to perhaps postpone the issues until the guests have left the venue and then will be a nuisance for residents and not for the license holder.

I am hugely concerned as to this application and have been unable to make my comments known on the portal due to an error, this will also likely mean that others are unable to comment and I can see this may be the case (unless you are unable to comment on licensing applications) as there are 0 comments on the system. I would like to know if on this basis that the consultation will be extended to allow all those who neighbour and will be impacted by the application to engage, Furthermore I urge the council to contact residents either by leaflet or letter to ensure that they are made aware of this huge issue

38. I need to report what happens to me and my neighbours when any late night event is held in the club.

I have had men in my drive trying to gain access to my garage (1am). My son discovered them and a scuffle broke out.

Bottles thrown and left in my drive along with used drug canisters.

Cars parked all along the lane and blocking my drive.

I have witnessed fights and drunken behaviour.

My neighbour has had people urinating in his drive and bottles of alcohol left and drug canisters.

The sheer numbers of people gathering in this very quiet residential area with only a train station (which closes midnight) as means of departing the site causes great public nuisance. People drunk trying to cross the Lane is a frightening thing to witness! Let alone the noise levels.

Apart from all the above the venue is used by Babington House School for sports and events and now a Nursery is opening there next month. How can this be possible with all the drug paraphernalia they leave behind from EVERY event? It's only a matter of time till a child is seriously hurt.

I strongly urge the Council to decline this ridiculous and ludicrous application!

39. I am writing in response to a note to put through my door this week, dated the 22nd of July 2020. As a local resident in this area I am appalled by the thought that the London Borough of Bromley could even consider this application. It is totally inappropriate.

Elmstead Lane and its surrounding area is a quiet, residential area made up of young families and large proportions of the older generation. It would be totally unsuitable to have regular live music preventing people who have to work and children from sleeping, let alone the rest of the residents.

Where there is alcohol and loud music people become drunk and disorderly, and fights occur. The amount of rubbish will increase and quite probably bottles will be thrown into the neighbouring woods where people walk with their children and dogs. This will increase the risk of accidents. Where there are large numbers of people partying there is also the potential for drug abuse bringing more danger to our children and animals.

Parking in this area is already an issue. The sportsground has very limited parking. There is only one bus frequenting Elmstead Lane therefore transport becomes a problem. On the few occasions when there has been a function at the sportsground the music has kept me up and prevented me from enjoying my own garden and from sleeping. Cars have been parked in all the local roads causing residents problems. When it happens 2 / 3 times a year you can accept this but the application is suggesting that this would be on a regular basis, up to midnight on two nights of the week and 11pm during the weekdays. This is wholly inappropriate. At closing time all the local residents will be woken up by rowdy, drunken people leaving the premises and finding their cars and driving away. I moved into this area two years ago because it was a 'quiet residential area'. The proposal that it should be permitted to stay open on 'certain dates' until 2 and 3am in the morning, in a residential area, is unconscionable. By the time the 'party goers' leave and get to their cars - parked outside the local residents houses – it will be far later and the residents will be woken up, again, and again. People leaving a good night out are not quiet. I've lived opposite a night club and promised myself never again. My garden was vandalised, my washing stolen, people urinating and defecating in the road. When asked to leave quietly they became even older and abusive, sometimes even threatening.

The request to have live music – whether inside or out – will vibrate, destroying the peace and quiet of a beautiful area. When the recreation ground has its yearly party I can feel the vibrations a mile away. That's once a year and in the daytime. This is something entirely different and totally unacceptable.

If this application was approved, the local people would see the value of their properties plummet and they would find it hard to sell, should they wish to move.

I also can't conceive how the same building can be made clean and safe to open and used as a nursery opening at 7.30am to 6.30pm and then reused later at night as a nightclub.

in summary, I totally object to the proposal and trust that the borough will not grant this application. I feel so strongly that I would consider further action should it be approved.

40. I am writing to appeal against the proposal for a premises licence for the Chislehurst Sports and Country Club in Elmstead Lane.

I believe enabling the club to sell alcohol and hold events with live music every day of the week will be a great source of public nuisance in a residential area, in terms of noise, extra traffic and potential criminal activity within the surrounding vicinity. The noise in particular will be most disturbing for not only the residents close to the club but several streets beyond. This could severely impact the quality of life and safety of many of the residents in the area.

It also seems inexplicable that a site to be used as a nursery should also be used as a licensed premises as this could expose children and their parents to potential harm or injury.

In short I can see no advantage to the community and only the only advantage is to those who may profit from the licence being granted.

41. Elmstead Lane is already a busy residential road and forms part of the 314 bus route. A number of accidents have occurred in the road which have resulted in very serious injury and, in two cases death. Increased traffic will arise if the licence is granted increasing the risk to public safety.

The Sports Club car park is small and insufficient to accommodate the numbers proposed in the licence. This will lead to increased parking in Elmstead Lane and surrounding roads increasing the risk to public safety.

Access to the Sports Club car park is limited to one gate and situated at a narrow part of Elmstead Lane just past the "blind" hill bend. Increased traffic and parking in the vicinity (that will arise if the application is granted) will therefore increase the risk to public safety.

The noise & disturbance caused by previous events displayed a lack of concern for residents' safety. There is nothing in the current application to suggest that the safety of local residents would be priority.

#### 2) The prevention of public nuisance.

There have been other events held at the Sports Club which have resulted in acts of public nuisance by users of the club during the event. Examples include: the obstruction of traffic in Elmstead Lane; residents' drives being blocked by cars; damage to residents' property; significant noise & disturbance; threatening behaviour; obscene behaviour; drug taking; music louder than permitted levels; litter; people urinating & vomiting. Extended licensing hours increases the risk of this anti social behaviour. The licensee had inadequate provisions in place to prevent or stop these events previously and there is nothing in the new application to suggest that these issues would not reoccur.

#### 3) The prevention of crime & disorder.

As mentioned above in (2) during previous events fights; drug taking; threatening and abusive behaviour; obscene behaviour; criminal damage by users of the club have affected local residents . Extended licensing hours increases the risk of this antisocial behaviour. The licensee had inadequate provisions in place previously and there is nothing in the application to adequately prevent them reoccurring.

#### 4 ) Safety of children

A new day nursery has just been granted permission to operate from the premises. It would be irresponsible to grant a licence from the same premises.

My personal experiences from an event held at the club was not pleasant. Attendance at the event was high. Cars were parked on both sides of the whole length of Elmstead Lane and surrounding roads ( including Beaconsfield road & other roads on the Mottingham estate) causing serious risk and obstruction to all residents and other road users. The venue's car parking stewards do nothing to stop this.

The music exceeded permitted levels and disturbed residents not only in the immediate vicinity but also in Beaconsfield road some distance away. Requests to reduce the noise were met with hostility.

There were episodes of disgusting behaviour including drug taking (evidenced by a large number of silver capsules of nitrous oxide thrown into residents gardens and the road side); fights; people urinating and or vomiting in gardens; verbal abuse; threatening behaviour; foul language. The police had to get involved. Polite requests to be more considerate for residents were met with hostility and abuse. It was an upsetting experience and one which I am concerned would be repeated on a frequent basis should this application be granted.

As a long standing Bromley resident & council tax payer I urge the committee to take my comments into account by rejecting the application

42. I am writing to object to Premises Licence: 20/00311/LAPRE.

I live close to the Chislehurst Sports And Country Club. I am over 80 years old.

My worries are:

The Noise (Impact on the local residents)

Previous events at Club have been loud, the music can be heard directly in my lounge and bedroom even when my windows are closed.

There is not enough parking (Public Nuisance)

The car park at the Club is small. When there were previous events, lots of people parked their cars badly on Downs Avenue on the pavement and blocking my road.

43. OBJECTION: To the proposal to effectively turn Chislehurst Country Club into a multi-purpose, year-round, fulltime music, entertainment and drinking venue in an overwhelmingly residential area. Regular live and recorded music promotions and events to the very late hours would have a huge, permanent impact on the quality of life of all residents within the vicinity, ourselves included.

As residents of a small cul-de-sac just off the Walden Road end of Elmstead Lane, we wish to highlight issues with noise, public nuisance, road safety, parking, and finally, raise the question of whether the site would any longer be suitable as a nursery were any aspect of this licence to be granted. On a personal level, it would impact on street safety, access to our properties and our ability to enjoy peace and quiet indoors and out, especially late at night but also on weekends.

The potential licensee, Joshua Johnston-Franklin (Josh Franklin) has submitted an application to run licensed premises all year round, with both live and recorded music and alcohol sales, operating until the early hours on multiple occasions, including as late as 2am-3.50am. On the weekends alcohol and music would start at midday and last until the early hours. Such licensing hours are normally only granted to nightclubs, pubs and bars on busy High Streets and not in an area of family homes, some flats and a nursing home. We would all be subject to noise from people leaving regularly in the early hours of every single evening and pretty much all day and night on the weekends.

**NOISE FROM MUSIC:** In the past and as recently as last summer, we have always clearly heard music from outdoor events at Chislehurst Country Club (CCC). That has included weddings, parties, festivals and football matches. These events have either been intermittent or at sociable hours so we have never complained. It is important that the council and its officers understand that sound travels further than the legal requirements for consultation. Last year's Summer Luv festival apparently had as a condition sound mitigation measures. You would not have guessed. It should be noted that we have also previously heard the bass from indoor music events. That Mr Franklin wishes to use his sound equipment to maximum effect at CCC is clear from his website:

<http://www.londonyouthevents.com/> "BIG SOUND: The big stuff comes out for festivals, massive parties and anyone who's looking to make a bang." The company 'proudly built its second stage' at the Notting Hill Carnival in 2019, 8ft high, for the 'infamous Volcano Sound System. 2020 MAY BE BIGGER,' it says. This indicates intent to run large, outdoor events pumping out sound in line with licensing hours for music and alcohol up till midnight routinely but well after 1am in the peak summer months of July and August. The intention is also for music to be played outdoors (with alcohol sales) pretty much all day Saturday and Sunday in the summer months May-September." Down here in Chislehurst we offer large piece of land used for outdoor festivals and events such as weddings and day festivals."

**NOISE FROM PATRONS/PUBLIC NUISANCE:** Mr Franklin's proposed measures for the prevention of public nuisance amount to the most basic box ticking exercise available. Customers asked to leave quietly and he will put up some signs to that effect. Anyone who knows the layout of the premises, knows that the noise and nuisance will occur up and down Elmstead Lane and immediate offshoots as customers make for the station, bus stops or their cars, outside the premises. It will not stop shouting and slamming doors from revellers, especially as he wishes to have live/recorded music and alcohol sales every Fri-Sat in December till 1.30am and until after 2am for Christmas Eve and Boxing Day (not known to be a night for partying). On the weekend after Halloween and Valentine's (another surprise) last orders are set for 2am and on New Year's Eve at nearly 4am. This means that customers do not have to leave until well after this and residents could have their sleep/peace regularly disturbed at all hours of the night, all year-round. On top of that, Mr Franklin also wants to run regular weekend day/night music festivals with alcohol. This would mean surrounding areas packed with cars, increasing the risk of traffic accidents and impeding access to our properties. We would hear the music whether we wanted to or not, even with windows shut - in summer. We are entitled to enjoy our outdoor space too. And given the sheer length of the alcohol licensing hours, there is a risk of public urination and damage to our properties, even if caused merely by intoxication.

**ROAD SAFETY:** Chislehurst Country Club (CCC) is off a main arterial road into/from Chislehurst, Elmstead Lane. Cars routinely speed on this road. Fatal accidents to pedestrians have occurred in the

past, including one just yards away from the club and opposite the nearest bus stop. In fact, access in and out of the club is precarious in terms of visibility and it is situated at just the point where cars pick up speed as they go downhill. Intoxicated revellers - especially from outside the area - leaving this venue at the point where vehicles continue to pick up speed would pose a safety risk to themselves and others.

**PARKING:** Our objection is that the licence is likely to turn our cul-de-sac, Elmstead Glade, into an all day parking lot for overspill from CCC. This has happened regularly in the past with most events at CCC, including children's football clubs and last year during the Summer Luv Festival, when the council blocked off Walden Road but allowed festival goers to park in side roads such as ours, prime territory for parking off this section of Elmstead Lane. Currently, our road has parking restrictions for Elmstead Woods station. But on evenings and weekends year-round, we would become dependent on Mr Franklin's customers parking considerately so we have unblocked access to our drives. We would almost certainly have to put up with the slamming of car doors in the early hours and any attendant noise.

The business model for the site is puzzling. A separate entity, Pink Elephant Nursery, has recently obtained permission to open a Chislehurst branch at CCC, with hours from 7.30am-6.30pm Mon-Fri, 51 weeks a year for children aged 3 months to 5 years. Both parties are planning on using the same two floor space with little turnover time. First, Pink Elephant: "Set in several acres of land, the setting will be split over two floors...Children will have the opportunity to explore and enjoy these fantastic grounds and a forest school will be coming in 2021 to enhance the children's learning experience."

Josh Franklin of London Youth Events: Down here in Chislehurst...On the North side we have a two floor club house with two bars, balcony space and an upstairs function room. Facilities include Parking, Toilets, and Storage.

Presumably these spaces are cleaned from 6.30pm prior to customers arriving at 7pm and cleaned throughout the night for the arrival of children at 7.30am. This is a big ask in the Covid age. Mr Franklin wishes to run events on Sundays throughout the summer outdoors. Presumably sound equipment and stages will be dismantled and stored and debris and litter from outdoor events that finish at 1am or later will be cleared up to allow tiny children to get to their forest school without wading through cigarette butts, wine bottles and beer cans on Monday morning. Cleaning and clearing late at night could cause even more disruption for residents - and while on the subject, departing customers could drop litter on Elmstead Lane and surrounding areas.

We do not object to intermittent events - two or three times a summer - but object entirely to this being allowed as a regular licensed activity. Mr Franklin is already advertising the 'Club House and grounds' for hire to all-comers on his website. This is a quiet residential area. Customers will not be departing through the actual Elmstead Woods (used by council officers to justify rejecting residents complaints about noise from Summer Luv 2019). They will be making noise out on the roads. Any aspect of this licence would impose on our ability to enjoy peace and quiet or even our own music in our outdoor spaces throughout summer, as well as potentially blight our sleep in the early hours, year-round.

Therefore, the proposals put forward by the potential licensee amount to an extraordinary leap in the use of the club facilities as a commercial venue with the sale of alcohol and provision of live music. We strongly object to this on the grounds of noise, public nuisance; traffic and parking impediment and road safety. We remain concerned that this business would detrimentally affect a nursery sharing the same facilities. We urge the council to reject the application outright.

44. There is a Home Care just opposite and also I do shift work which would disturb my hours of sleep too.

45. I am objecting to this application because of the disruption this would cause the local community. There is a high proportion of elderly residents in the area, not to mention the elderly home BUPA found just opposite said location. The noise pollution from the venue would be a severe nuisance, especially in the summer months. There are also parking and traffic concerns. Please consider the residents of the community before making a decision.

46. I do not think it is appropriate to a music / festival premise in a residential area full of elderlies and families with small children especially when the license will run until post midnight on certain days. There is also no appropriate transportation to support the influx of people. This may encourage drink driving as well as illegal parking which will cause a nuisance to residents. This is also a site for nursery in the morning and may post danger to kids if there are any bad drinking behaviours, such as drinks/bottles not being disposed properly.

47. We have already experienced difficulties ( parking, rubbish and noise) after such events in the past, adding alcohol will only make it even more offensive.

48. I object to the application primarily on the grounds of public nuisance, with some concern about crime and disorder. I note that the Bromley statement of licensing policy recommends that no live music or recorded music should be played or relayed to external areas should be allowed past 2200 hours and in residential areas should cease earlier. The intent to serve alcohol and have both live and recorded music both indoors and outdoors for significantly later hours seven days a week (and with even later hours on many more occasions throughout the year) would have a significantly detrimental impact on a number of neighbouring families, pensioners and care home residents. The lack of any significant mitigation steps with respect to crime, disorder and public nuisance is very alarming. Having lived in a quiet residential neighbourhood for 24 years, like many other residents I am very worried about this application and object in the strongest terms.

49. Customer objects to the Licensing Application

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

50. My home backs onto Sundridge Park golf course and the lie of the land magnifies noise from the Elmstead Woods direction. We have previously had significant noise issues (reported to the council several times) with events at the Sundridge Park Mansion when it was a wedding venue and other events which we believe were from the sports club. The amplified noise level can still be heard with double glazed windows closed - it's as though they are playing in our garden!

The granting of a music licence to 2am, proposed for the sports club, will be detrimental to the quiet enjoyment of our home and should not be permitted.

51 Occasionally there are functions there, the woodland behind the venue is littered everytime, the loudness of the music is harassing and causes anxiety, the fencing to the woods is continually destroyed when there is a function and people who walk their dogs have the added contention of the woods not being secure as dogs run onto the field the venue is in ,, when the fencing is down , it attracts scrambler bikes and burnt out stolen bikes , disturbing the "flora fauna ,, not a nice place to be a resident in after the venue holds a function.

52. Strictly oppose

53. Too much of a built up residential area not to have an impact by late night music and the comings and goings of cars/taxis collecting people in the early hours of the morning. Music may finish at a set time but the noise of people leaving the venue will continue for some time after.

54 I do not wish my comment to be made public.

This application will result in increased crime with the increased number of people coming to this area, noise disturbance will be high as noise travels very easily in this area due to less density of housing.

This is a residential area, with no need for a 'high street' type of premises with a liquor licence, late licence and live music- there will be increased traffic (cars park in and around local roads already), the safety of both residents and customers will be at high risk as due to limited public transport, cars may be driven with increased traffic, parking issues, and potential drink-driving offences. The woods are quiet, loved by local residents for wildlife, ecology and the environment- due to noise, litter, car fumes this will all be disrupted. Wildlife is already in danger due to the cars on Elmstead Lane and many succumb to this, this will increase and damage the fragile ecosystem of the area. More people will have knowledge and access to the woods, with the potential of anti-social behaviour being very high and potential damage eg fires, litter as well as noise pollution

55. Customer objects to the Licensing Application

- Parking
- Public Nuisance
- Public Safety
- Traffic

Don't approve because this is residential area and not public pub.

My daughter is pre term and noise will affect her

56. Ive read the application and object on the grounds of noise .drink licence hours of operation and the traffic and parking 5000 people in an outside venue in Chislehurst opposite bupa care home isnt going to fair well

57. I strongly object to this application. The hours they are proposing to have loud, live music and alcohol sales are outrageous and do not take local residents right to peace and quiet into consideration. The fights, litter, noise, drink driving, vandalism, anti-social behaviour and traffic that will come with something like this fill me with horror and Bromley Council would be mad to allow this to be passed. I hope someone sees sense that it is not something local residents want.

58. Dear sirs/madam, having come to my notice regarding an application for extended hours for selling alcohol and live music ( inside & out), at Chislehurst Sports & Country Club, Elmstead Lane, Chislehurst, BR7 5EL (20/00311/LAPRE) , I was appalled. We pay a significant price for property here - where the Club always sold alcohol & played music after matches - we have even booked it ourselves for dinners, dances & other occasions - but never ending after 11.30 pm or causing any disturbance outside. BUT last time there was any late/early outside music, it was loudspeakered up to such a pitch that our bed pillows were actually bouncing & house vibrating to the modern day "base" air movement! We "let live" for occasional events, but if the drinks are served later, and selfish, half-phased people come out with more bottles/beers at exit time to hang about outside until dawn making a noise, it's not fair ! We have our own parties at home but DON'T expect to inflict it on others. The occasional event is fine with rules & permission but please ,please no later than 11.30pm/midnight. Some of us have to sleep ! Even a garage in Widmore Rd. has to shut at 11pm & the restaurant next door never has any noise to disturb local residents. So NO I am against this extension (& please no "base" noise in the early hours, - then there's the cars ... !!!)

On a separate note , I am pleased that the Nursery school (20/00310/FULLI) 7.30 am till 6.30 pm., on the same site , has been approved as they are much needed by working families around here - so long as they are responsibly run of course

59. I object in relation to prevention if public nuisance. On our property we can hear loud music, and announcements going on late into the night. Also there are broken bottles and trash in the walk paths around after the events

60. Increased traffic in a already busy residential area. More violence and accidents due to late night activity and drunk and disorderly conduct in an area where there are children and elderly. Night clubs should be in city centres not quite residential areas

61. Though I do not live directly on Elmstead Lane, I have been disturbed until late at night from the bass of the loud music when events have been allowed to take place in the past. Elmstead Lane is what it is, a lane and it is also a bus route. It is a busy road and if this licence is granted it is not going to come without extra traffic, parked cars and unsociable behaviour as already witnessed from previous events.

Since living in the area I have witnessed 2 deaths caused by vehicles speeding on Elmstead Lane, by granting this licence I feel this is going to increase that risk as there will always be one or two people that think they are safe to drive under the influence of alcohol and there will be a build-up of extra traffic.

There is a home for the elderly who specialise in Dementia practically opposite this club and is it fair on them, NO.

Dementia impacts on a person both emotionally and psychologically and it is a known fact that people diagnosed with this illness cope better in a calming environment. This proposed licence will not allow them the surroundings that they need.

The club is in a residential area and in the past the local neighbours have had to put up with antisocial behaviour, noise and suspected drink drivers.

Please listen to the residents of Elmstead Lane and the surrounding areas before making a final decision as this will be an absolute travesty to the area if permission for this licence granted

62. I do not think it would be sensible for a disruptive nightclub to be opened. It is a residential area and would impact my extended neighbours. I oppose the building of the nightclub and do not think the site is appropriate, especially as it will be next to the new nursery

63. The criteria for objections to this proposal do not seem to include protection of wildlife yet Elmstead Woods, where this application is located, is a natural habitat for the tawny owl ( on Nature England's orange list) and the little owl and there can be no doubt that this proposal, involving night-time noise and lights, would have a disturbing effect on their survival in this location. What assessment does the Council propose to undertake on the effect on wildlife/birds of this proposal?

64. I object to this plan on the basis of noise that will affect my children's ability to sleep - not only from the club itself but associated patrons who will leave the premises (potentially inebriated and/or rowdy) and be a nuisance. I liken this situation to an old club called Bon Bonne which was eventually shut down due to the issues it causes in a dense residential area.

This venue held an outdoor festival once in 2019 and all of the issues mentioned above happened, hence my worries are based on experience.

65. I do not support this application. Late night music until 11pm every night with certain nights this being extended to 2am is not acceptable in a residential area.

When previous events have been held at this venue, the noise has been extremely loud. The sound travels as there are no buffers in between the club and the houses. Previous events have disturbed my young school age children and the thought of this happening every night is just unbearable.

Elmstead Lane is a busy road and the club is located on a narrow section at the brow of the hill. There have been several near misses on this part of the road. The idea of more traffic on this road, cars parked along it and cabs coming and going late at night and combined with people who have been drinking, is quite frankly a serious accident waiting to happen.

I'm happy for the site to be put to use but a late night music venue operating 7 days a week is not right in such a residential area. It will have a dramatic impact on the neighbours and local residents quality of life. The roads opposite the site have lots of

elderly residents, including the care home on Elmstead Lane. They all chose to live in this area because it's quiet and peaceful, why should this have to change?

I urge you, for the sake of the residents including the young children and the elderly in the area, to not let this application through

66. I would like to add my voice to the concerns raised by many local residents and neighbours. Principally, the outrageous proposal to have live and pre-recorded music until 3am for months on end. This is completely out of keeping for the local area which is exclusively residential.

Further, the lack of access, parking and traffic control in the area are further reasons for concern. This will make the narrow, congested Elmstead Lane even more congested than it already is. The road is a central artery between Chislehurst/Bickley/Bromley and Eltham/Mottingham. It needs more capacity, not more congestion.

Please refuse this application and remind the proposers that they are a part of this community, which means supporting local residents, not working against them

67. This application is completely unsuitable for a residential area such as this.

- Transport links at night are poor, with no night buses in the area or any local taxi ranks.

-It will share the site with a nursery and my daughter's school playing field. The risk of broken bottles or drugs paraphernalia being found by children including my daughter is very worrying.

- the late licence outside is likely to cause considerable disturbance to locals. An event last year during the day was clearly audible from here in Denbigh Close and disrupted our enjoyment of the garden.

-it will encourage crime in an area which is already seeing an increase in crime in recent years. Does the planning committee wish to be encouraging crime in the area?

Please reject the application. Thank you

68. I think this application is totally inappropriate for what is entirely a residential area. If this proposal does go ahead it will cause noise and nuisance to the surrounding streets both in terms of parking and noise particularly late at night. I think it is particularly objectionable that it is proposed to have live music in the open air at weekends. This will blight the entire area and severely affect local residents and their enjoyment of their properties. Overall this application is completely unacceptable to local residents and I would urge the council to reject the application in its entirety.

69. I think this is an absolutely ridiculous idea as this is a residential area and to have loud music and drunk people walking through the streets in the early hours is disruptive for everyone!

70. This would be disruptive and distressing for my family, with young children unable to sleep if noise carried on. I myself am disabled with extreme noise sensitivity and problems sleeping, and this could trigger increased symptoms and further decline in my health. If more cars are parked nearby my ability to move around safely would also be impacted

71. These premises are in a residential area where occupiers of properties should be able to enjoy a quiet peaceful environment. Any 'events' taking place in these premises cause extreme noise pollution to residents in a very large area and any activities continuing after 11pm at the very latest are unacceptable in a normal residential area. On occasions when 'one off' events have taken place in the past the noise has been so loud as to disrupt sleep in properties in roads in the surrounding area. Should this be a regular occurrence it would be totally unacceptable, this venue is not suitable for this type of use and permission should be refused.

72. This would create a noise nuisance for those in the surrounding area and the excessive opening hours could lead to antisocial behaviour

73. Totally inappropriate - in residential area Noise level Increased traffic/parking on busy main road

74. I strongly object to introducing a venue which will only encourage and endorse the already troublesome anti-social behaviour, cause major traffic and parking issues and great disturbance in a family orientated residential area. it's a ridiculous place to install a music venue.

75. Will cause huge issues on an already congested road. This is a residential area with a care home almost directly opposite. When a handful of events involving music at this location have been held in the past summer months, noise pollution is clearly heard from this to my property. Having moved to this address only last summer the one thing neighbours commented on was how quiet the area is.

There will be anti social behaviour from alcohol fuelled people making the area unsafe and unpleasant

76. We object

77. This is a residential area. The disruption from noise and large numbers of drunk people would be unacceptable to all those of us living in the area.

We do not have enough police resources to man and control the issues which will arise from this

78. I am strongly against this application.

1) It will significantly negatively impact the quality of life of local residents.

- A live event last year at that venue kept us awake until very late (noise travels outside!)

- we moved out of London so we didn't have noise until late on weekdays and very late on weekends and drunk people causing a nuisance by loitering or passing (I watched 3 separate men urinating in our front garden trees after an event there a while ago)

- transport isn't set up to deal with people leaving that venue late so people will noisily loiter

- disrupting locals peaceful environment on important family weekends (bank holiday/Boxing Day etc)

2) there is no local need for the licenses requested.

- Why doesn't he open a venue nearer where he lives in more central London?

- We have a greater need for somewhere safe for teenagers (still too young to go to music venues in London until 2am) to hang out with friends. A sports club with a hang out area with games/chill out and non-alcoholic drinks would be the sort of venue that serves locals needs

3) we have plenty of pubs in Chislehurst. If people want to socialise with alcohol until 11.30 on weekdays they can go to the pubs. Many local residents specifically chose to live on and around Elmstead lane to not have a licensed premise on their doorstep

I really hope that local government see that this proposal is to earn someone from outside the area a profit and to bring in large groups from outside the area at the expense of local residents

79. As the adjoining neighbour of the applicant and the person whom it most affects I strongly oppose this application. On past events that have been held at this club I have been kept awake by the loud music, microphones and the thump thump noise of the base. Also the generators are placed on the side nearest to my property and cause disturbance. I could accept this a few times a year but to grant a licence for seven days a week, Sunday's and Extremely late finishing times is ludicrous and unacceptable. I have lived here for over 35 years I have never opposed anything the owner has tried to do. In fact I am happy for the nursery to go ahead but feel that this extended licence would disrupt the once peaceful neighbourhood even more. I have suffered criminal damage to my property from people accessing the field and am aware of illegal activity taking place on and around the field and woods. This extended licence would only add to this. Mr Patel the Owner of the property is aware. I find it strange that Mr Patel himself has not applied for this licence personally as he is responsible for this property. Surely also the fact that this is going to be a nursery is in conflict with the opening of a drinking establishment! How can a bar be situated within the same building as the nursery

80. I feel it is totally inappropriate to open a nightclub in a very quiet area. There is an elderly peoples home opposite where the club would be. Last year a few party's were held at this site which totally disrupted our sleep in Downs Avenue where many pensioners live, myself included. We live in Chislehurst and pay exceptionally high prices for our houses because it has always been a quiet area. The idea of people pouring down on the trains to Elmstead Woods station, then attempting to get home late at night would be a disaster.

81. Here we go again this small area of Elmstead Lane and another Company wanting to turn the area into some sort of music venue /Party club Do the council realise some local residents have lived here for many years and now in my case are wondering if we will be able to stay here we get letters for mobile phone mast large music events Nursery's which all adds to noise traffic especially when schools open I strongly object to this application

82. With the extended hours and the sale of alcohol would no doubt mean more crime. We have seen an increase in crime in the area recently and this will just add to it.

83. The sound when previous outdoor events have been held at these premises carries quite far and has caused us quite a lot of disturbance. We had to keep the windows shut last time to minimise the disruption. I'm concerned about the late opening hours and the application to play music both inside and out well into the early hours of the morning when most people will be trying to sleep. If the

licence is granted then it would not be unreasonable to expect it to be closing no later than 11.00. Anything after this would be very unfair on local residents throughout the summer

84. Slap bang in middle of a residential area and also close to old people's home. The disruption to local residents will not be acceptable

85. This is a residential area and it will encourage trouble from gangs from surrounding areas this is a family area they have the beaver wood club for late nights traffic will be horrendous and noise doesn't bear thinking about if you want late nights they should not be in areas such as this

86. When events have taken place at this venue before, the noise has been extremely disruptive. I was surprised how far the noise can travel from the venue to my house. Thousands of people will

be disrupted by this late into the evening and early morning. This is predominantly a family area so this kind of venue is unneeded and not serving the community. The litter will be unsafe to nursery children and Elmstead lane can not cope with the additional traffic which would accompany big events.

87. I object to the proposed plans as a local resident. We already struggle with parking, traffic is currently a big problem. The noise occurrence and unsociable hours could affect us massively

88. Absolutely object to this application.

This would hugely impact Elmstead lane living and provide a parking nightmare!

The road is already dangerous so adding this venue would be a recipe for disaster!

There is already a mental health crisis and this kind of application just shows utter disdain for the locality and neighbours.

There is also a care home only a couple of minutes away and I think a disruption like this would create much anguish.

89. There was a couple of events before and it was loud, road it's busy even nighttime so cars parked on the side cause congestion

90. This is in a residential area backing onto Elmstead Woods. It will be like having a rave every weekend with no consideration to residents and neighbours of noise levels and the potential increase in late night crime. Following all day Eid festival that was held in the Sports field last summer the music was so loud you couldn't sit in your back garden or open your windows. The field was completely full of rubbish and you couldn't see a blade of grass. This spilled over into woods with chicken bones, food and litter everywhere. Consideration needs to be given to the wildlife and we have a lovely wood which will be blighted with litter. This is Bromley and not Glastonbury which is a one year event and not everyday.

91. I object to this planning application due to noise level, increase in traffic, on previous events held the drunk people walking past our house was extremely annoying, leaving rubbish and noisy behaviour fuelled by alcohol. Most of these past events have been in the day but now this

application would mean late at night, which would be unbearable. As much as the owners would say otherwise, when people have a drink it will only cause problems for the area including our road

92. This area has lots of families with small children's and elderly. It's an inappropriate project proposal for this area. We strongly object and will protest!

93. There is a huge amount of litter after the event and unsociable behaviour. The noise is too loud and it is too late for the elderly population.

94. I am concerned about the noise disturbance, traffic congestion and possible crime and disorder that is likely to arise from such a venue

95. No in every respect. Exceptionally close neighbours including an elderly care home. Likelihood of many cars and inadequate car parking. Extensions to 3.30 am are totally inappropriate due to close proximity. Known drug dealing within one mile of the premises will allow these people to monopolise on such a close venue. Strongly object

96. The club is situated in a residential area, on a busy but narrow road. There is no parking to speak of at the venue and patrons will inevitably park on neighbouring streets causing nuisance late at night. Public transport ends before the proposed late night extension. Asking inebriated patrons to be quiet when leaving and to respect the neighbours is hardly likely to be effective. I think an extension to midnight on special occasions would be acceptable but allowing a licence until the early hours of the morning is not. The premises are designated as a sports club not a night club

97. Inappropriate in a residential area near a care home. Noise extra traffic parking problems at all hours. We already have idiots speeding in Elmstead lane with alcohol added it will be worse. Then they will be noisier when they leave in the early hours slamming car doors and roaring down the lane. If not in cars they will be using gardens as toilets or being sick. If the same place is going to be used as a nursery how will they clean up inside and out ready for young children?

98. Five nights a week open till 11pm and two nights a week till midnight is far too much noise and commotion in this usually quiet and peaceful location

99. We're already experiencing parking issues, crime problems and increased volume of traffic in the area. This will all hugely increase if this application gets the go ahead.

100. This is a residential area. Previously when events have been held at this property then the music can be held inside my house with the windows closed. It is not acceptable for this to happen every weekend. In addition their on site parking is insufficient and results in people parking down Elmstead lane or as has happened previously then parking restrictions being imposed on Elmstead lane and people parking in my street

101. In the past this has been used by persons as a toilet, also to smoke drugs and to have sex. These incidents occurred when events were being held at the sports ground, obviously I don't know if the people were attendees of the sports club

102. The times proposed are totally inappropriate for a residential area.

The proposed hours of operation are too long and interfere with normal night times for any consideration for those of us living in the area.

Music outside travels a great distance; previous events at this site could be heard in Royal Parade at the other end of Chislehurst

Alcohol supply to such antisocial hours will, as in the past, lead to antisocial behaviour in the area.

Alcohol will also reduce any responsible attitude when people are leaving the premises.

The overall atmosphere produced by an event continuing to such late hours of the night/early morning will produce more noise from vehicles and people under some influence of alcohol as they exit the premises.

Previous events at this location have caused sleepless nights due to the loud volume of the music and caused distress to local residents

103. It's residential area and noise carries far. Last time you could hear it other side of Elmsted Woods and this area already suffers with parking issues and congestion

104. This is a residential area and would be very disruptive to local residents

105. I do not want this place to be a loud venue. The music in summer months will be heard from our house. The parking will be an issue on our street and it is likely more crime will be committed if alcohol is allowed.

106. When events have taken place at this venue before, the noise has been extremely disruptive. I was surprised how far the noise can travel from the venue to my house. Thousands of people will

Be disrupted by this late into the evening and early morning. This is predominantly a family area so this kind of venue is unneeded and not serving the community. The litter will be unsafe to nursery children and Elmstead lane can not cope with the additional traffic which would accompany big events.

107. This venue frequently holds celebration parties it seems that at midnight there is a need to celebrate with fireworks. This venue even as a sports club is noisy, disruptive and causes parking problems often making Elmstead lane a single file road. On a night when the atmosphere is still the trains can be heard a long way from the station. This venue is not suitable for open air live music

108. Residential area no objection for up to 12 midnight but after that noise disturbance as residential area

Also object if outside music as not suitable for residential area. Care home nearby and lots of houses.

109. This is a busy residential area and unsuitable for musical events. Directly opposite the ground is a care home for elderly people. It's outrageous that they could be disturbed and upset every weekend throughout the summer. There is very little parking and the disruption to local residence would be great. We have lived here for over 40 years and feel our opinions and comfort are ignored in these matters

110. I object this permission to turn the Elmstead Woods Sports Ground into a nightclub with music until 2 am. There would be a lot more noise and traffic in the middle of the night and a lot more rubbish. There would be vandalism and a lot more crime. I personally don't want my house devalued by that either. Elmstead wood is a residential area

111. The premises are too near residential areas and the noise will be intrusive.

112. Too noisy for a residential area

113. I am writing about the Premises Licence application below. I am emailing you directly because the online form would not let me submit my comments (error message kept occurring). Perhaps you should check whether other comments have been made due to this error.

I am a local resident and I strongly OBJECT to this Premises Licence, on the following grounds:

- the Elmstead Woods area of Chislehurst is a residential area and this Premises Licence would fundamentally disrupt this quiet area;

- the location of my house is the side of a hill and sound travels greatly from the Premises, as such, the noise at light would affect my family (2 young children) considerably, particularly given the late hours applied for and music outside the premises itself (see further below);

- of particular concern in the application is the fact that from May - Sept (5 months of the year) there would be live or recorded music outside the premises (on the patio, grass and balcony) (Sections E and F). This will cause great disturbance to the local area in any event, but in particular the hours applied for are completely anti-social. This would be every Friday and Saturday, plus 6 other dates throughout the year when the end time is 2am or even 3:30 (New Years Eve). Given that people would then be leaving the Premises this will cause huge noise and disruption to the local area and residents. Having moved from a noisy area of Chislehurst to this quiet area, I would not want my primary school-age children to have to endure this noise during the night;

- the sale of alcohol times is again completely inappropriate for a residential area. The times suggested - until 1am or 1:30am every Friday and Saturday (depending on time of the year) - is way beyond even pubs and bars in Chislehurst town centre can get licenses for. This is too near to a residential area (arguably it is within an residential area) to warrant a late alcohol licence (Section J).

- again there are 6 dates throughout the year which the sale of alcohol is extremely late, akin to a late night club. My particular concern is sale of alcohol until 2 or 3:30am in a residential area. Chislehurst and Elmstead Woods is not a destination for late night drinking and this licence should not be allowed to make it such a destination. As the music will be outside, the late night drinking will also be outside which would add to the noise levels for local residents.

In summary, I hope that the Licensing Committee can see that this Premises Licence is completely inappropriate for the area in which the Premises is located, and will greatly diminish the quality of life of the many residents in the area.

I should be grateful if you would acknowledge my comments as the website isn't working.

114. I can't believe this is even being considered.

1) noise would be unacceptable and highly disturbing, it is a family residential area

2) there has been a huge increase in problems in the area recently already (kids on scooters down the green chain walk which is next to this site, drugs canisters, dangerous driving along the already narrow road with too many cars parked on it etc) Why attract in more problems (which this clearly would)

I do not see how there could safely be any events held without it causing huge disruption to the area, especially those living next to it. Along with that, in light of recent increase in crime, drugs paraphernalia, burnout scooters etc all directly around the site or very close to, how is it suitable to suggest encouraging a huge increase in the numbers of people coming to the area.

Even if the noise wasn't a huge issue (which it is), or the desire to hold inappropriate events for this calm family area late at night wasn't completely inappropriate (which it is). How on earth could any event safely be run on that site. Its only road access is a reasonable narrow part of Elmstead Lane, with traffic already parking along it all day long. There are always accidents and road works along that road, how will there be any traffic and pedestrian safety with larger numbers of people entering and exiting? It seems a completely inappropriate site?

115. I would like to register my objections to the proposed changes for the sports club in Elmstead Lane for many reasons.

The noise would be unacceptable, this is a quite residential area with lots of families and older people to whom it would cause distress, every night, night after night.

The Parking,

The traffic,

The anti social behaviour these events always attract.

The policing of the crowds, every night, when they have better things to do.

There is a residential care home for the elderly not 100 yards away.

The mess these events always leave behind so extra work for the council and extra funds to be found from the tax payer for that.

It is a sports ground and should be used for sport, football, tennis cricket etc. We live about half a mile away and on the odd occasion there is an event there we hear the noise very clearly, It would also be very bad for the reputation of the area and would reflect on property prices in the whole of Chislehurst and Mottingham, it really is a ridiculous idea.

I hope that the committee has the good sense to refuse this application and also not to accept a "watered down " appeal when they are hopefully turned down

116. Objection to music being played outside this is a residential area and will disrupt many local residences.

117. This would be an absolute disaster. You cannot seriously be considering this. This place has held illegal "do's" last summer and the noise was awful. Music blaring on a Sunday at mini festival type things on a few weekends- with Bands / music playing Loudly - so many expletives- it was awful. I was quietly gardening and had to go in due to the foul language. I could hear every word it was so loud. No respect for neighbours or children at all. Their Evening w/e parties That they hold go on late into the night, with the music blaring too- I could literally sing along from my bed at when I'm in bed at midnight! totally unacceptable and is not what you want. They do not respect keeping music to a low level. Please do not allow this for all our sanity and sleep. I am 50 and party with the best of them but this is not acceptable - let alone the awful fireworks that go off sometimes. I don't expect to have to live with noise pollution like this. Let alone encouraging Younger groups gathering - fights and possibly drugs and helium canisters everywhere. Look what happened at the Gordon Arms - two stabbings and a murder- Younger men fighting etc etc - Are you trying to make us all move away???

Please, have mercy on us & say no!! This road has no pubs / clubs and therefore no trouble Now - one of the prime reasons for Moving here 17 years ago. Do not introduce these events here now.

118. I'm writing to object to the above licence application on the following grounds -

Noise disturbance

Crime and disorder

Parking

Traffic.

I am a local resident in an area that has a high number of bungalows and therefore a higher proportion of elderly residents, there is also a care home (Elmstead Care Home) very close to the above mentioned premises. I am extremely concerned about the noise nuisance, in particular the application for outside live music. Last year the Summer of Luv Festival was held there and the music was extremely loud, the sound seemed to travel really well and this is not something i wish to listen to every Saturday and Sunday from May to September.

I am also concerned about the late hours for supply of alcohol and the effect that will have on crime and disorder in the area.

I also understand that a nursery has just been approved in the same clubhouse with opening hours finishing at 18:30.

Elmstead Lane is already a busy, narrow road and i'm wondering where cars will be parking. Will they spill over into local residential streets, which creates more problems with noise nuisance, crime, disorder late at night. My street and surrounding streets are very pleasant and quiet areas to live and i would hate to see that all change

119. I strongly object any late night openings including live music, clubs, late nights opening until 11pm/12am or 3.30am. I live very close to this premise and have children at home. I believe its not appropriate to have such an establishment in residential area with drunk people causing chaos middle of the night. There are local primary schools in vicinity and I blv its not appropriate to have

such venues here. I strongly object any late night music, night clubs and such operations just a few doors from my house.

There have already been road traffic accidents on this road and this will add to further crime and accidents on this road and area. This road also has many families with little children and its not appropriate to have such business in this area. we chose to buy and live here because of the quiet and residential environment, we dont want drunk individuals on our doorstep middle of night and sounds of police and ambulance sirens middle of night as a result of it

120 My primary objection is to the extensive hours and dates this license is looking for, especially with regards to playing live and recorded music outside of the building within the grounds. This is a quiet location and I'm sure other residents, like myself, want to keep it this way. Music being played until 1am will disrupt people's sleep, especially as noise will be made by patrons leaving the venue for up to an hour afterwards, no matter the number of signs placed asking them to "leave quietly and respect the neighbours". There are no other venues like this in the vicinity and I don't believe there to be an appetite to add one now.

Furthermore, Elmstead Lane is already a busy thoroughfare with bus routes, commuters and local residents using the road to access their homes and local schools as well as the train station. With a single carriageway and extremely limited on street parking our concern is that an influx of visitors will clog up the local roads and cause obstructions with haphazard parking.

Finally it must be said that Elmstead Lane is sadly already a bit of a hotspot for opportunistic crimes such as searching parked cars for valuables (this has happened to us) as well as burglary. I believe that with the increased footfall that such a venue would bring will see crime rates increase. This is in addition to the usual trouble caused by drunk people such as fights (see the recent sad events at The Gordon Arms), drink driving (Old Hill in Chislehurst has seen the carnage caused by many a drunk driver) and general nuisances such as littering and street urination.

121. I wish to object to the application for a premises licence at this club. I strongly feel that this would be most inadvisable. This is a residential area and many people in the Lane have front bedrooms. There is a care home for the elderly very close to the club. I fear that the long opening hours and consequent noise, for a considerable part of the year would cause great disturbance. The volume of music, especially outside, would, I believe, be unacceptable. I contacted the council few months ago about a music festival at the same club. The deafening music and public address commentary could be clearly heard even in our road! I was told by an organiser that this sound level was permitted by Bromley Council. I emailed you to verify this, but received not even an automated reply! I feel that live music at the club continuing until the small hours, for instance at Christmas and New Year, should not be permitted. Apart from music noise, the disturbance from visitors arriving and departing would be considerable and I fear there would be drink driving incidents. Elmstead Lane is already dangerous enough!

122. Inappropriate to have this type of activity in a residential area. It would be very disturbing to local residents, and bring a lot of unwelcome extra traffic to the area. The noise and potential antisocial behaviour makes this an inappropriate use of the sports facilities

123. These premises are used for sports and occasional social events. Use as a venue for regular music/drinking is not welcomed

124. The Club has recently been approved for a Nursery between the hours of 07:30-18:30 therefore it would not be appropriate to use the premises for late night events, as it would require cleaning in readiness for the nursery opening hours.

The same grounds are used by the local school, Babington House for physical fitness activities, and any rubbish from late night use could affect these children.

As a local resident (34 years) I have concerns regarding the noise levels from outside events and customer leaving the location. There was excessive noise in May 2019.

The location is on a bus route which is also a main road into Bromley and Eltham.

There is a care home very close to the location and noise would impact the residents

125. I object to this application as this is a residential area and not suitable for 'nightclubs'. Approval of this application would obviously result in anti-social behaviour, additional impact on our Police force and excess parking in surrounding roads. Family life would be completely disrupted. Although I live a few hundred yards away from the site in Elmstead Lane, in the past there has been a high noise level when events have been held there.

126. I feel this type of venue would be very disturbing to local residents. Too much noise too late, drunken behaviour on the street and litter.

127. This a quiet residential area and allowing this sort of venue would be utterly unacceptable. Noise till this time in the evening would be a public nuisance

128. Crime and Disorder

- Noise Disturbance

- Parking

- Public Nuisance

- Traffic

129. This is a residential area and not a suitable venue for a club which is

licensed to stay open very late at night and playing loud music out of doors. It will be of little benefit to the local residents who would find the loud music and noise made by patrons who have been drinking alcohol for many hours intolerable.

Some may remember that many years ago there were problems caused by the noise and music coming from events in the Chislehurst caves which eventually had to be closed to such entertainments

130. This would cause chaos along Elmstead lane. The surrounding houses would be kept up with noise, the crime would be horrific due to drunk behaviour, also elderly residence would be afraid. Definitely not a good idea

131. Elmstead Lane is a residential area. To subject the residents to potentially 7 days of disturbance in one way and another is disgraceful. Most of the houses will have bedrooms to the front and they will be subject not just to music noise - and even worse in the summer as it will be outside - but the continual movement of cars and noisy and often drunken people however efficient the owners of the organisation are in trying to keep things under control. We know that Chislehurst has its problems and even serious crime as has happened recently, and has a small police presence; this venue will only increase the problems with many people coming from outside the area. I have ticked the box for child protection after realising there will be a new nursery at the venue which means, looking at the worse scenario, drugs and needles being left after an event

132. I object to the lateness of the hours requested and the fact that every weekend in December is requested. This is opposite residential housing and will cause sleep deprivation which will impact school age children and working people in particular. The noise from these events travels and I am able to hear it from my house.

133. We've been living here for the past 11 years and enjoyed the quietness of the area, especially now we're having two young children. With the proximity to this ground and even without opening the windows we can clearly hear very occasional events (loud music and shouting) being organised there (I think New Year or Bonfire). We're happy with these, as they're very, very rare and always end around 9pm.

Granting this licence will practically allow every evening being like that but for much longer into the night, making enjoying evenings in the garden quite impossible and tucking children to their beds rather difficult. I believe this will also, naturally, attract loud crowds to otherwise residential and family orientated area, having at the same time detrimental effect on the value of properties in the nearby streets incl. Downs Avenue.

We are strongly objecting to this licence being granted.

134. I would like to object to this application on the following grounds:

The is no mention in the application able the actual capacity the applicant is requesting.

The is no mention about search policy or security levels for events, nor prevention of drugs usage.

There is no mention of management of sound levels for amplified music for the outdoor space, nor for general noise of the attendees in said outdoor space.

The is no mention of how the dispersal of attendees will be managed late at night in a residential area.

There is no provision of late night public transport particularly near to the premises, therefore it will attract private vehicles into the area and addition taxis, the majority of whom will be leaving late at night at the same time. which will inevitably lead to noise pollution from honking of horns to banging of car doors to arguments over right of way.

The venue is located in a residential area with a large number of elderly residents, including a care home.

There is no mention in the proposal of the type of events the applicant is looking to host, nor any form of risk assessment of said events.

By allowing this application to go ahead, if the applicant applies a lack of due care to the type of events being hosted, it is a long drawn out procedure to remove the license. My suggestion would be to allow the applicant to apply for Temporary Events Notices to demonstrate their ability to host events safely and without impacting on the local residents. Measures should also be put in place in terms of what types of event and/or music genres are permitted at the venue.

I come from a live music venue management background and understand the impact a venue can have on local residents, particularly a venue in start up mode which is likely to have a more lenient approach in its choice of events to ensure cash flow.

135. We wish to object very strongly to the above proposed application for the following reasons:-

Previously we have experienced the very loud music being played into the early hours of the morning which leaves us unable to sleep especially in summer when windows need to be open because of the heat.

We feel with the added addition of longer drinking hours this will create even more nuisance than ever.

The additional cars parking outside the sports ground in a narrow section of Elmstead Lane would create dangerous traffic problems in an already very busy road. As a local resident we have already experienced problems with parking in our road and the noise people create when they come back to their cars in the early hours of the morning.

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We are also objecting to the above for the following reasons:-

Elmstead Lane is particularly bad with the amount of traffic which is always queueing at 7.30 am and 6.30 pm with commuters coming and going from Elmstead Woods station and surrounding areas.

Our experience of trying to cross the road even at the bollards in the centre of the road is almost impossible so to have even more cars trying to get to a nursery in the clubhouse would in our experience add danger to an already problematic road. Pedestrians need to be considered.

136. The noise will be a nuisance, the topography of Chislehurst ( a series of hills) means I will have a noise nuisance every weekend in the summer and all through december.

Every year when Chislehurst Rocks is on at the Rec I can hear it clearly all night until it is over.

Also the increased traffic will be a nuisance as will the potential for antisocial behaviour that always accompanies evening music venues.

137. Given the location of this premises being adjacent and neighboring of multiple residential properties, a licence as described must be rejected purely on the grounds of Noise disturbance. In addition Elmstead lane being a busy road could not handle up to 5000 cars parked on it. I appreciate there may be on-site parking, but I doubt they will be enough for 5000 cars. Many residents of Elmstead lane are elderly and this will cause stress and concern to these residents and their families

138. This will be very disruptive for local residents

139. This area is purely residential and includes a care home in very close proximity to the sports ground. My concerns are. Excessive noise, parking in local roads and potential risk of anti social behaviour. Also the proposed hours of business of this venue are outrageous.

There is also the probable impact to the value and saleability of properties in the surrounding roads. I have lived in this area for over thirty years and one of the main reasons for choosing Elmstead woods was because it was away from the busy pubs and bars. I am alarmed that this development would even be considered and object in the strongest possible way

140. Plse consider the following. I have checked the boxes above as there are many reasons why my family & I object.

This is a peaceful neighbourhood with very little disturbances, inviting large numbers of people in to an open space in the middle of a residential area causes huge concern. We can see from what is in place currently that the neighbourhood is impacted throughout the summer by hours of loud and anti social noise that is associated with a venue such as this. The police are often called to manage the time at which the music stops and as a result are net with anti social behaviour, we see this all the time.

The parking is hazardous, again we experience on road parking if there isn't sufficient space. I regularly walk the dog at times when events are taking place and I often have to navigate around the parked cars and in turn among the revellers who have spilled on to the streets and yes they are generally quite abusive.

I would say the biggest area of risk is public safety and whilst the noise is at times acceptable given everyone is entitled to party from time to time this will become a weekly thing and ultimately all families who live in close proximity will be affected. I strongly urge the council to consider all of the points noted and make the right decision on this.

141. I would like to place an objection to this application.

The granting of this licence would result in a major impact on this quiet residential area. Since we have moved into the area we have seen significant changes which have impacted our quality of life, and agreeing to this licence application will undoubtedly result in further disruption to our lives.

We enjoy living in a quiet residential area and by allowing late night drinking and music in this location, this could lead to even greater traffic and parking problems of which we have already seen a significant increase following both increased housing in the area, and the major expansion of Babbington House school.

Granting this license will also result in major noise nuisance by allowing outdoor music and drinking for a very high volume of patrons in some cases into the early hours of the morning.

I am also concerned that this will lead to even greater alcohol fuelled crime and disorder in our neighbourhood which could also have an impact on public safety.

142. ALREADY have noise pollution from events, very quite area.

Don't believe Elmstead Lane can cope with extra traffic and parking, which will overflow into adjacent roads.

With all the best will in the world there will be antisocial behaviour due to late night drinking and drug taking.

The venue is within 100yards of a bupa residential home, very inconsiderate to the elderly, having group's people leaving late.

143. I wish to notify the Council of my objection to the recent licence application submitted regarding Chislehurst Sports and Country Club (the "Club"), Elmstead Lane, Chislehurst.

In my view, the application to provide regular "Live Music" and "Supply of alcohol" on the stated business days and hours is entirely unnecessary, unwanted and inappropriate for the residential area where the Club happens to be located.

I'm sure the Council is well aware of the residential demographic in the immediate locality on Elmstead Lane, and the nearby streets, with a high density of families and retirees. In addition, a Bupa Care Home is located just 3 minutes walk from the Club (Google maps 3 minutes, 0.2 miles). I feel the demographic hardly represents a local community crying out for a live music venue with a bar open until the early hours! The Council must give very careful consideration not only to the wishes of the local community, but of the impact to, and wellbeing of those residents at the Care Home, I assume none of which will appreciate what the application proposes. Could the Council confirm if Bupa and/or families of those residing at the Care Home has been consulted and/or responded?

As a long-time local resident I would strongly argue that the local community is already well served with a variety of evening entertainment choices, whether bars and restaurants in Chislehurst High Street and/or Royal Parade, or The Gordon Arms, Green Lane, The Bickley Arms, Chislehurst Road, and Imperial Arms, Old Hill. These options blend traditional high street choices with established local pubs for local residents. In addition, the Beaverwood Club, Beaverwood Road, Chislehurst is a well-established venue already offering live music evenings for those that wish to seek it. It's worth noting that the Beaverwood Club is located in a far more secluded location than the Club, with the nearest single residential street - Hoblands End, approx. 15 houses - 5 minutes walk away (Google maps 5 minutes, 0.2 miles), or a 7 minute walk to houses/flats in Old Perry Street (Google maps). Given this far more secluded location for the Beaverwood Club I imagine the noise impact to those 15 houses to be far less than that posed by the said application. Can the Council please confirm how many houses are within 5 minutes walk of the Club, and then compare the residential demographic and likely impact with the houses at Hoblands End?

I feel the Council must very carefully consider the significant variety of detrimental impacts of the said application, given they all impact the local community, as opposed to the perceived benefits, which I'm sure will benefit only the proprietor, employed staff and/or taxi drivers dropping-off/picking-up - most of whom I suspect will not be local residents. The likely impacts include, but are not limited to:

- Potential for crime and/or disorder;
- Public safety;
- Public nuisance;
- Very regular noise until late evening / early morning;
- Environmental impact (incl. rubbish/glass etc.); and/or
- Traffic increase on Elmstead Lane and surrounding roads (waiting taxis, running engines etc.)

For this type of application, rather than considering residential locations, I would strongly encourage the Council to consider the numerous other and more appropriate venues within Bromley's commercial town centre, i.e. generate the town centre. I would hope and expect the Council to refuse the said application

144. I strongly object and oppose this application. At best this application creates yet another public house / drinking establishment which the local area has no need of being generously overly subscribed as it is, at worst, if permitted, you create a live music venue come nightclub which intends to hold external events during 5 months of the year slap bang in the middle of a highly residential area. Such a venue will certainly increase noise and light pollution levels to totally unacceptable and inappropriate levels in both the immediate and surrounding neighbourhood and that is before you factor in the inevitable increase in traffic, parking issues, pollution, drugs, crime and violence that come with such establishments. In addition the local area is already clearly inadequately policed (so clearly demonstrated within the past few weeks), the result of which is a steady but significant increase in violent crime throughout Chislehurst Village and the local area. I am also confused how they intend to open and run a new nursery within the same establishment between the hours of 0730 and 1830 five days a week fifty one weeks of the year - in my mind the two businesses are totally incompatible.

Finally from a quick search of the internet you can get a taste of what is already being proposed - please check the weblink

145. I would like to strongly object to this application. My children use these grounds as sports grounds whilst being at school. I am very concerned about the state of this the day after (drugs, rubbish, glass etc). It would make this location unsuitable to use for children afterwards.

This is a quiet and dense residential area with many elderly residence surrounding this thus this would be completely out of character. Some events will run until 3:30am with the inclusion of alcohol. Its bound to lead to immerse notice disturbance and possibly crime and disorder.

Furthermore, with covid-19 and no vaccine available yet. Events like these should be strongly discouraged to avoid a further local outbreaks and possibly a local lockdown which could have huge implications for Chislehurst.

For all the reasons listed above, I strongly object to this application.

146. It's a quiet neighbourhood that shouldn't have to be subjected to nightlife / events business in a residential area.

Totally unacceptable. Children especially live here in a peaceful safe environment.

Lastly was it not meant to be a children's nursery.

Surely doubling up as an late night venue isn't conducive to running a nursery by day.

147. We strongly object to the application.

We live about three houses down from the venue as the crow flies and the venue has had a few music events in recent years where it has clearly demonstrated that the sound cannot be controlled or contained.

Their property is in an elevated position, at the top of a hill on Elmstead Lane, so any music played is clearly audible throughout the normally quiet, pleasant, residential area.

There are many children and elderly in the area who need their rest, and previous events have clearly indicated this is not possible when any sort of music is played at their property as the sound permeates even closed double glazed windows.

148. In relation to the recent application for a license for live (and recorded) music and the sale of alcohol at Chislehurst Sports And Country Club, it is my view that such a licence would be wholly inappropriate in a residential area. I have no issues with events occurring from time to time (as have been taking place at this venue already) but late finishes every week and extensions during holiday periods would not be suitable for a non-commercial area such as this.

From a noise perspective, the application appears in my view to be vague in its definition of where music can be played and whether any degree of sound-proofing will be required. Consistent loud music all week would be a serious change to the nature of the neighbourhood.

Another concern (and probably primary in my opinion) relates to the impact on the surrounding neighbourhood in the period after the venue closes. The inevitable issues that accompany the sale of alcohol (particularly in a party style venue such as this) are a worry. There is a distinct lack of space for taxis to pull in to pick people up and the train and bus service would be inadequate at that time of night.

I urge you to reject this application based on the points outlined above

149. A nursery opens in September on the same premises as this licence application. Nursery finishes at 6.30pm and application is for drinking to start at 7pm. The mix of the two create a child protection issue as the grounds are also used for Babington House pupil school sport.

Live and recorded music create a serious noise issue. There is no natural barrier to prevent the sound of music spreading around the club area and residents have already experienced noise pollutions of the worst kind at recent one off events. Live music on outside areas until 11pm and until midnight on Friday and Saturday is a nuisance. The grassed area is a huge expanse and weekend events from May to September have been shown to be a nuisance to the local area.

Crime and disorder is a real concern. Traffic leaving and arriving another danger.

150. I wish to strongly oppose the request. The premises are located within a residential area. They have been complaints on the occasion(s) that music events have been held at the premise in the past.

The local area enjoys a peaceful and calm village perspective. The fact that this application supports what will essentially be a live Music venue will be detrimental to the peaceful character of the area. Local resident's right to enjoyment of their property will be impacted by noise pollution. We have experience of this already due to past events held at the premise.

The local area is not a nightclub or live music area. Its quiet residential. People choose to move here for these factors. I am especially concerned by the requirement to host events on bank holiday / religious holidays with music playing to very late / early AM. As it stands, the applicant is asking for permission to be allowed to host music late into the night on every day of the week. I'm pretty sure that you would not appreciate loud music up to 23:00 on a weekday / Sunday And later on Friday / Saturday. Additional noise will be made by the clearing of the premise post the any event. Lots of people tend to make lots of noise especially post consumption of alcohol and cars leaving.

As with most venues that offer a "party" experience with music and alcohol. You will inevitably end up with conflict. Resulting in physical / verbal abuse. This will be an additional drain on already stretched emergency services. Damage to the area and to resident's personal property is a real possibility.

Additional traffic and its associated pollution will be added at a time when environment concerns should already be under way to reduce such traffic and pollution.

My final point. I note that a children's nursery is due to open at the site in September of this year.

<https://pinkelephantsnursery.co.uk/new-nursery-opening/>

As a parent, how can I be assured that the venue is clean and safe for my young child post any event hosted prior? Glass breakage is common in these environments. Alas this style of venue and event(s) tends to attract users of illegal substances and the leaving behind thereafter of the paraphernalia of such use. I don't believe the two businesses hosted within the same venue offer the protection needed for a child's nursery. Would Ofsted have a view on this mixed use?

151. This is totally inappropriate to a residential area.

The proposed hours of operation are beyond belief and lacking any consideration for those living in the area.

Music outside travels a great distance; previous events at this site could be heard in Royal Parade at the other end of Chislehurst

Alcohol supply to such antisocial hours will, as in the past, lead to antisocial behaviour in the area.

Alcohol will also lessen any responsible attitude when people are leaving the premises.

The overall atmosphere produced by an event continuing to such late hours of the night/early morning will produce more noise from vehicles and people under some influence of alcohol as they exit the premises.

Previous events at this location have caused sleepless nights and caused much distress to many local residents (YOUR RATE PAYERS).

Proposals such as this consider only profit, with no social responsibility and a negative effect on the amenity of the area with no benefit whatsoever.

It has been noticeable that, since "events" have been permitted at this venue, the encroachment and devaluing of our lives been considerable, noise, parking, anti-social behaviour; our right to peace and quiet in our own home is lost

I am totally opposed to these proposals

152. This is totally impractical and would be of a high nuisance factor to local residents. Parking in local roads is not adequate for this sort of proposal. There has been anti social behaviour at events held at this venue in the past.

The same applicant held an event last summer that caused severe parking problems and an excessive noise impact on the residential houses located within earshot. Having a licence that was valid until the early hours of the morning as proposed is totally unfair on local residents.

The applicant runs a music & events company and boasts of having provided the "infamous 8ft volcano sound system to Notting Hill Carnival in 2019" as well as providing other festival equipment such as stages, lighting, flood beam spot lights, lighting rigs and festival lasers. How can an organisation of that nature be beneficial to those who live nearby to this

153. I strongly object to this sports venue being used as a music venue. Having experienced such an event here some time ago I can confidently state that it is unacceptable on noise grounds and certainly disruptive to normal life. For me personally music from this site until 2.30 AM would impact me as I am a shift worker, and for the record a key worker through this COVID crisis.

154. The noise will be unbearable. we have had it before. also they will be parking in our roads. this should be allowed to go on till 2am. i am going to see Bob Neill my mp to voice my objection. this should be a sports ground not a music venue

155. My house is not far from the sports club. Occasionally there is a party there and the music is very loud. It would be intolerable for this to happen on a regular basis.

Also it would lead to possible anti-social and drunken behaviour in a neighbourhood that is, at the moment, away from pubs, bars and restaurants.

Parking for the club would spill into the streets nearby so there would be noise and possible trouble from people returning to their cars after a night out.

The character of my street would change for the worse.

I strongly object to the proposed development

156. It is blatantly obvious that this will create unacceptable disturbance to a wide area around the ground and likely Police presence often. The area of the sports ground will allow huge crowds and create a noise level and parking problem that surely the Council can see will be a huge unnecessary burden on it even without considering the distress this will cause to local residents. Please disallow this selfish and uncaring application which is purely to enrich the applicants without even one small thought for local people; this isn't an appropriate venue and which if granted will prove a disaster of huge magnitude and will reflect very badly on the Council. Think long and hard on this and show your teeth.

157. I am writing to register my objection to the above.

In recent years this area has come under considerable pressure from increased levels of through traffic, parking, indiscriminate dropping of rubbish and some noise nuisance perpetrated by one off events staged at the above.

Specifically my objections are based on the follows.

- 1) If granted the lateness and frequency would be relentlessly overwhelming and distressing for local residents. Peace and quiet would be a thing of the past.
- 2) Off site antisocial behaviour (late night revving of vehicles, inconsiderate parking, dispensing of rubbish, excessive alcohol consumption and low grade drug consumption) will negatively impact on the whole area. This behaviour is intimidating especially for older residents. There appears to be no plan for preventing off site anti social behaviour.
- 3) Noise nuisance – music late into the night and early hours on occasion – very intrusive for local residents and irritating potentially leading to sleep deprivation and mental health problems.
- 4) It can be intimidating for the public to walk through large numbers of revellers.

It is noted the grounds are regularly used for sporting activities by Babington House School. Danger of glass or sharp objects causing harm to young children.

158. I do not feel that this is a suitable environment for a nightclub playing music until 2am.

Local residents can hear music from the venue in a wide surrounding area when occasional parties have been held; but to have them continually every week would be awful for residents.

I am really surprised there is even mention of music being played outside especially.

This is a purely residential area that is not set up for continual parties. And the increased amount of traffic, and potentially inebriated individuals all spilling out onto the road on the brow of a hill late at night is a potentially dangerous situation

159. I would like to express my very strong objections to granting a alcohol license to Chislehurst sport and country club. It seems completely unacceptable to allow a club with extended license in a residential road in Chislehurst

160. We live opposite to this establishment and over the years we have experienced high level of nuisance when such parties are organized at this venue. Adding alcohol and extended time to pay music will only make matters worse. We strongly object his application and would appreciate if this residential area can remain atleast as quite as it is now

161. I'm recommending that the application be rejected on the basis that the proposed use of the space will lead to increase traffic and noise in the area. The location is not a suitable venue for a club or a bar.

162. With the amount of anti social behaviour that seems to happening more regularly and the fact that residents and neighbours want to keep Elmstead as it is, I cannot support this application.

163. I would like to object against this application in the strongest terms, as it will cause significant noise, disruption and traffic to the Elmstead Lane area. There are plenty of bars in the locality. The purpose of the license seems excessive and could be abused.

164. The area in question is not able to hold large gatherings. We have had crowds spillover onto a busy road and witnessed a young person being hit by a car last year after an event.

During the day the location is a nursery and the grounds are used by a Primary School. Waste is a problem after events with Nitrous oxide waste being a particular issue.

Being a residential area the hours are not reasonable and noise levels will be of great concern.

Elmstead lane already has Traffic and parking issues and large events will only exacerbate the issues resulting in danger to road users and pedestrians.

165. I am concerned about the previous levels of noise when such events have been held and the unruly behaviour in the area. I don't bject to this license being granted as it will disturb the peaceful nature of this area which is the very reason we moved here.

If we wanted to live opposite a rave scene we would have chosen likewise.

Thanks in advance for taking our concerns into account.

166. We have just moved to the area to get some peace and quiet. If a licence is granted for this we will have drunken revellers spilling into Elmstead lane in the middle of the night causing disturbances. There are lots of venues that cater for late night music and drinking, and do not feel that it is appropriate for this country club in this area to cater for that. (although we wish the club prosperity and sucess in business, we do not feel that it should be at a detriment to the local residents).

Although Elmstead lane can be busy with traffic during the day, at night it is deserted, very peaceful and we would like to keep it this way.

167. I live a short proximity from the planned location and where there have been one off events the noise has been unbearable- my 3 year old can't sleep. If this goes ahead it will seriously affect him and also my 12 year old's chance at study. The regularity of music and lateness is unacceptable.

We also had people parked across our drive- which is likely to become a regular occurrence. We saw people openly drinking and driving. There is also the issue of traffic on the surrounding section of Elmstead lane- which is already narrow and dangerous. It can't be a good idea for the premises to be so close to the new nursery and it is irresponsible to put a live music venue into such a residential area.

168. I strongly object to this planning application for several reasons.

Music had been played at this venue before, causing disturbance and public nuisance through excessive noise across the area.

The area itself is a quiet residential area, and a venue such as this is wholly out of place and would be harmful to the wellbeing of local residents.

Within the local resident population is a care home, situated only a few metres away from this location.

It is manifestly dangerous to the health of the children in the nursery on the site to share it with a venue where alcohol will be consumed and drugs probably taken.

There are poor transport links to this location (one infrequent bus route) which would cause a strain on that service. There is a car park, but this would only serve to encourage drink driving.

Even if people were to travel on foot to the venue, Elmstead Lane to the south does not have a continuous pavement so people would be forced to walk on the road, at night, in a poorly lit area, whilst tired or under the influence. Elmstead Lane to the north would require people to walk through/alongside a secluded wooded area which would pose the risk of crime occurring - muggings, theft, sexual assaults, for example.

A nightclub would be fine in an active population hub such as a town centre where there is demand for it, where there would be little disruption or danger to local residents, and the infrastructure is sufficient to provide something safe and efficient. This application is none of those things, and so should be rejected.

169. We've been living here for the past 11 years and enjoyed the quietness of the area, especially now we're having two young children. With the proximity to this ground and even without opening the windows we can clearly hear very occasional events (loud music and shouting) being organised there (I think New Year or Bonfire). We're happy with these, as they're very, very rare and always end around 9pm.

Granting this licence will practically allow every evening being like that but for much longer into the night, making enjoying evenings in the garden quite impossible and tucking children to their beds rather difficult. I believe this will also, naturally, attract loud crowds to otherwise residential and family orientated area, having at the same time detrimental effect on the value of properties in the nearby streets incl. Downs Avenue.

We are strongly objecting to this licence being granted.

170. The proposed license poses a number of areas for objection in respect of excessive noise in the early hours of the morning, potentially additionally heavy traffic without any road improvements, the potential for alcohol abuse and drug misuse. The proposed location sits virtually opposite a Nursing Home for the Elderly and will inevitably cause distress for the residents. It is also probable that the proposed use of the location will attract non-residents from both outer London and wider Kent; there has been an increase in the type and number of crimes within Chislehurst of late and this could enhance further opportunities for crime. Somewhat strangely, approval has been granted for a Nursery during the day which could lead to safeguarding issues given the correlation between the opening hours of both activities.

171. I believe that this would be counterproductive for the us as neighbours, we have to consider our children and also the level of traffic and parking. Elmstead Lane is already heavily parked upon and dangerous.

The restrictions of parking on Elmstead Lane should be increased rather than adding additional risk such as late night events.

172. Totally opposed due to noise and disruption to residents. This is largely a retirement community that moved here for peace and quite, not be be next to a nightclub. All the things associated with this application go against why people choose to live here. The club on the sidcup bypass was closed due to regular trouble and disruption and that was in a non residential area.

173. The hours indicated are very antisocial for a residential area especially on Xmas Eve, New Years Eve - from my previous experience with events at this site loud music is very penetrative throughout adjacent areas in the summer/spring if played outside the extent that we have had to close our double glazed windows and the noise is still heard inside our bedrooms. This is not good for anyone's physical or mental health.

Events have often attracted a lot of cars which park on Elmstead `Lane and surrounding roads- this can cause a narrow main road to become more dangerous for pedestrians and other road users.

At some events I have seen customers who have appeared to be under the influence of alcohol +/- drugs ( tell tale sigs include small silver canisters used to store nitrous oxide littered on side of roads

174. This is a purely residential area and is entirely unsuitable for a licensed music venue, especially one that has outside music.

I cannot think of any venues that are allowed outside music, or even inside music allowed to be heard outside, let alone one in a solely residential area.

We have three children who would be disturbed by any loud music, especially in the heat of the summer months when the windows are open.

There has been the very occasional party at the venue before, and they have rattled the windows and ruined sitting in the garden on a summer evening.

Proposing every weekend throughout the summer and periodically throughout the year into the early morning is far too much.

There is also the concern of the spill out of hundreds of inebriated individuals into this residential area causing disruption and potential damage, as well as the fights that inevitably follow.

We wouldn't want our family (or property) getting caught in the fall out of anything from this, I want them to feel safe outside their own home. We wouldn't want them around a town centre in the evening for this very reason.

This isn't a town centre, where police are nearby and set up; this kind of establishment should not be expected as it is disruptive to all residents.

Late licences and music venues should be limited to busy, non-residential areas that are set up for this type of establishment; or in areas remote enough not to disturb; not in the middle of residential areas

175. We are writing to strongly object to the licence application.

The property that the licence is made on behalf of is in a built up residential area with many young families. There have been events in the past that have caused significant noise disturbance, with a large number of complaints from local residents due to antisocial & drunken behaviour creating public nuisance. It is not a suitable venue for late night parties & events given where it is.

In addition there is limited parking at the venue and therefore this will spill over into neighbouring roads given the limited public transport near the venue.

The venue is also being used as a day nursery from September this year and I can't see how these two uses work alongside each other.

Finally, despite numerous requests the owner of the site has refused to make good the perimeter fence, which is in a state of disrepair in many areas. This leads to the possibility of un-monitored entry to the venue, as well as gives access to Elmstead Woods and neighbouring properties for people at the event.

176. Several bases for serious objection:

1. Noise pollution. We live perhaps a quarter of a mile away, and previous concerts have been very intrusive in the summer when bedroom windows have to be open for ventilation. Our children could not sleep.

2. Local vandalism. Litter especially bottles, broken glass, cans, compressed gas tubes, takeaway food wrappings (from delivery drivers) etc was rife after previous events in Elmstead Lane but also in other roads. On several occasions, vomit was in many places en route to the station. I heard stories of cars being scratched, mirrors broken etc (I don't have evidence of this).

3. Risk of accidents. I cannot remember the date(s) but there was a serious motor vehicle/pedestrian accident on Elmstead Lane going down to the station after a live event. Alcohol or drugs may have been involved - please consult the Police and Ambulance Service.

4. Consumption of Police and Ambulance Service resources. I have seen on many occasions the excess call on such services for live events at this location.

Recommendations: Limit to just one or two outdoor events. Soundproof interior to a high standard. Limit opening to 10.30pm as it is a residential area. Close Bar at 10:00pm. Employ Police and Sniffer Dogs to drastically reduce drug offences.

177. The same building has approval for a nursery, young children arriving 7:30 am following night club activity and it's associated litter and discarded illegal items, are at severe risk of injury.

The proposed night club type use historically encourages local crime and disorder.

The noise from heavy music, car doors slamming and people arriving and leaving will be very much a disturbance to local residence, there are no late night transport links.

The proposed late opening hours will also encourage alcohol induced noise and disturbance to local residence.

Parking along Elmstead Lane is very limited encouraging dangerous late haphazard parking and associated accidents.

The building grounds are used as sports fields for local schools, see first item as noted above.

An event last summer left broken bottles and glass in residents front gardens and groups of youths skylarking on residents property.

The associated loud music and volume of people gathering in the Elmstead Lane area will be extremely disruptive to the residents especially the nearby care home.

I strongly oppose this application.

178. This would cause disruption to the local area

179. We are dismayed to see this application and urge you not to support it. The club is situated in a largely residential area of mixed housing in one of the few relatively peaceful parts of the locality, and many residents chose to live there for just that reason. When events are held at the club - and up to now they have thankfully been few and far between - we can hear not only the music loud and clear, but every detail of the DJs' patter as they go about their business. In addition, Elmstead Lane itself is always a busy road, often with tailbacks at the mini roundabouts, and adding large numbers of vehicles entering and leaving from a single exit point would only add to the congestion, as well as increase the risk of accidents.

Please do not approve this application, or if you must, then please restrict the number of events to be held to no more than six a year to minimise the disturbance to residents

180. This is a crazy idea. Not fair on the neighbours who will have to put up with rubbish, noise and possible violence that come with these sort events. We have to have windows open the summer to air the house and music will keep my children awake like in the past. The last big event held there last summer caused havoc with parking as festival goers parked on peoples drives, grass verges and ignored double yellow lines. The council have only this week put more double yellow lines down

Elmsted lane leaving even lesser park places. I find it hard that this could be given the go ahead with the police being as stretched as they are in crime ridden London

181. Existing music events at the site already cause noticeable noise pollution. If a licence is granted for the extended hours then this can only be expected to get worse. The proposals include Sunday events which will cause inconvenience and disruption to local children trying to get a good nights sleep before attending school.

With the limited indoor space, the majority of events are likely to be held outside which will exacerbate the noise pollution and will have a profound effect in residents immediately opposite as well as the nearby nursing home.

Finally, the venue is poorly served by transport links (trains stop running and the single bus route is not a night bus). The likelihood therefore is that people will drive or arrive / depart in taxis with limited parking facilities and a road which already experiences traffic safety issues when parking extends along Elmstead Lane. The location was originally intended as a sports club (with limited social functions) and is simply not an appropriate site for large outdoor live DJ music sets.

For the reasons above I therefore strongly object to the granting of any licence to hold music events

182. Over the course of last 4-5 years we've had very bad experience with pretty much any not sport-related event happening on these premises and sports grounds. We've seen weddings with music up to 2am, religious gatherings (prayers on loudspeakers until 11pm (complained several times to council with voice recoded proof), or just music festivals with loud live or DJ music until 1pm.

Each and every time we had people coming to our neighbourhood they did not care about the neighbours, the area, the cleanliness as they left behind their litter on our streets, woods and sport ground. Alcohol and drug usage are always pretty prominent while these events (apart from religious ones) are on, scores of youth can be seen drinking, smoking and using drugs in the woods or in nearby streets where we go for our family walks.

When events are happening on these premises, it never involves local residents but more people from other parts of London, they park on roads making local traffic and parking very difficult.

Babington house school is renting the sport grounds for their all year around PE education. How can an alcohol and drug linked licencing be allowed or even considered on school grounds?

In case of going ahead, this would massively devalue house prices and our area in general, also it would put a constant burden of someone is making profit while not helping local interests and local people

183. I feel that a licensed premise at this location is not necessary and not suitable. The road is already extremely busy, with parking up and down the road all day. In the two years that I have lived here, I have seen numerous accidents on the road. This is dangerous enough already and does not need considerable more levels of volume and the possibility of drunk drivers in the area causing accidents. The proximity of the school as well also does not lend itself to being suitable.

There have been a few weddings in the field recently, and I do not believe that the premises owner is able to control noise to a suitable level considering the premises.

The area is a residential area, and the reason we moved here is because the area is predominately residential. A licensed premises in the vicinity would be something that would definitely made us reconsider moving into the property that we chose.

I cannot stress enough how much I feel that this would be an awful thing to happen to the area, and the tightly knit local community

184. I strongly object to the granting of a licence to Chislehurst Sports And Country Club. Elmstead Lane is in a quiet residential area of Chislehurst totally unsuited to the sort of music venue envisaged and which is designed to attract up to five thousand young people. I would suggest it will attract crowds mainly from inner London who like to attend similar-sized inner London music venues such as at Finsbury Park, for example. Inevitably, the noise would be loud and at days and times that are wholly inappropriate and disturbing to residents.

Regrettably, my experience of past gatherings (at the sports ground, the local art college and home played football games) is not good. We have experienced crowd street rowdiness, anti social behaviour and damage to property by groups of rowdy young people leaving the venues and walking to/from Elmstead Woods train station, or waiting for the local bus.

Whether the Organisers attract 5,000 or 500 youngsters to the Sports Ground the point is that such a venue for such activities is totally inappropriate for Chislehurst and its residents

185. One hundred percent OBJECTION. We live in a quiet area and we want to keep it AS IT IS. Whatever the restrictions will be there will be NUISANCE there will be DISTURBANCE. DEFINITELY OBJECTED

186. Once again I must ask Bromley licencing Office to refuse the request for further extension of licencing hours be refused for Chislehurst Sports & Country Club turning the property into a night club for-which this metropolitan land granted for sports, social & leisure use only would make the land into a commercial venture. The grant of this land was that it has no commercial value and therefore should not be used for any commercial venture or profit plus would be totally unsuitable especially now that rights have just been granted by the committee for a children's day nursery to-be held on the same premises. Elmstead Lane has traffic problems at the best of times and the encouragement of alcohol drinking while driving in the area should not be made

187. Mass events will bring the overall area down. The overspill could be detrimental to the area.

188. I object to this licence application on the following grounds:

Traffic, parking and public safety:

Elmstead Lane is a busy commuting and local road carrying a popular bus route and close to Elmstead Woods Railway Station. Being relatively narrow for the traffic it carries, parking is a problem on this and on adjacent roads (currently subject to changes by Bromley Council) and the road suffers frequent road traffic collisions (fatal on occasion) especially at the two nearby mini roundabouts. The limited parking at the Club would exacerbate parking issues and access to and

from the site is potentially dangerous and would increase the chance of accidents. There is not likely to be any enforcement of parking restrictions/safe parking during the late hours requested in the application.

Noise disturbance, opening hours and public nuisance:

The area in question is peaceful and residential. Introducing an entertainment facility offering outdoor alcohol and music would present a widespread noise nuisance to local residents. The extensive and late opening hours would cause noise and disruption at otherwise quiet periods, with people leaving the premises and returning to cars parked on the surrounding roads.

The disruption and nuisance would be particularly pronounced every weekend between May and September and even worse on certain specified days. If a licence were to be granted, it should not permit music outside or late nights (after 11pm)

189. I wish to register our objection to the above license application for the following reasons:

- The impact on the local area and residents will be considerable.
- The opening hours are excessive for seven days a week and live music on previous events e.g. The Summer of Love event 2019, can be easily heard in the residential area as music easily carries way beyond the sports club.
- It seems totally inappropriate to have the sale of alcohol seven days a week in a setting made available for a nursery and school playing fields currently leased to Babbington school.
- Such events will have an impact on local traffic and residential parking areas.
- The Non standard timings for events such as Halloween weekend, Christmas Eve, Boxing Day, New Years Eve and Valentine's weekend and May Bank Holiday weekend are totally inappropriate for a residential area and will become a public nuisance.

We hope you give due consideration to our objection and concerns, even post Covid 19, this application is not appropriate for the local area.

190. I wish to object against this application. On previous occasions when there have been late night events at this location, the licensed time has always run over. We experience loud noise at a late hour, unacceptable in a 100% residential area.

Where I live we also experience motor vehicles badly parked across drives and urinating in the streets.

Local residents will not support this establishment.

Please reject this unwanted application

191. The request to play music outside from May to September until midnight on a Saturday and 11pm on a Sunday is inappropriate for a residential area where there are a number of families with small children. It is highly likely during the months requested, families will have windows opened to

cool their houses. As such, there is every chance that outside music will prevent children from going to sleep (or wake them up once they are asleep). I urge you strongly to reject the application

192. We strongly object to music events being held at a site so close to what is a densely populated residential area. The public address systems used at such events would be a nuisance which would significantly detract from our ability to utilise our outdoor spaces as the noise would be highly intrusive

193. I would object to this because having lived next to the club for 20 years I have experience in our these events cause considerable issues for our neighbourhood. The music noise travels all around the area, and with application for up to 3.30 in the morning on some nights, well it just doesn't sit right in this area. I also have issues with increased traffic, causing parking problems on nearby streets with the noise that , that brings. I am also really concerned that drunk people coming out late at night and early hours in the morning would wake up the whole neighbourhood. It just doesn't seem appropriate to hold these evenings. It is a sports ground not a music venue

194. The location is too close to local housing, predominantly the elderly. The increase noise not only from the venue itself but also from patrons leaving and entering the area. The area has limited transportation links i.e., no 24/7 Tube, infrequent busses, so it will encourage drink driving. The plans also do not accomodate for parking so there will be more cars parked on the already congested Elmstead Lane and Waldo Road

195. Granting the licence would change the character of the venue, and impose a regular place of public resort to an otherwise quiet residential area.

Previously, events have been organised at the venue on an infrequent basis, but those created excessive noise, inconsiderate parking within surrounding streets, litter discarded, and anti-social behaviour.

I am also curious as to who the services offered will be aimed to attract, as `I would be surprised if there were a demand from local residents. So I fear that it will draw elements from outside our neighbourhood

196. I would like to object to this license application we are a couple in our 50's recently moved into Downs Avenue and the location for events is totally inappropriate based yards from an old people's home and the road and neighbouring roads are not suitable for parking and through traffic.

It is also a peaceful and quiet neighbourhood so we can see no reason why anyone would approve such a license

197. We have enough anti-social behaviour in the vicinity without adding in more places. Additionally, there should be a noise evaluation done as noise from that area does carry as has been seen when events have been held there in the past.

198. The area in which the Sports Club is situated is predominantly residential. There is a wooded area to the West but there is a large residential area (Mottingham estate) beyond. Many families live in the area with school age children. The noise pollution will affect their sleep and their studies.

Previous music events at the club have been heard indoors even with doors and windows closed. From May to September we should be able to have our doors and windows open. Previous Events have led to parking problems on Elmstead lane which is a bus route, Walden road and Downs Avenue. I have seen persons using the alleyway between elmstead lane and Downs Avenue to smoke cannabis and also to urinate and on one occasion even have sex. I fear that if this licence is granted such incidents will become more frequent

199. As a resident of Elmstead Lane I am registering my OBJECTION to the licence application submitted by the Chislehurst Sports & Country Club (20/00311/LAPRE).

The basis for this objection is that granting this application for these premises will NOT promote the licensing objectives specifically the prevention of crime, disorder & anti social behaviour; and public safety.

The application is seeking extended opening hours for the sale of alcohol and the performance of live music both inside and outside of the premises. For some days the application is until 2 and 3.30am. For the months of July, August & December the application is until 1am.

Elmstead Lane is a residential road . The application is totally unsuitable for a residential area. The granting of the application will cause significant problems for the residents of Elmstead Lane AND the surrounding area. It would also lead to more traffic problems on what is already a busy road (and bus route) thereby affecting the wider community too. Specifically I make the following comments :

1) Public safety -

There is significant documented evidence between alcohol consumption and aggression. Extending licensing hours therefore significantly increases the risk of public safety issues such as antisocial, threatening behaviour. As the Sports club is situated on a residential road where many families with young children or elderly residents live the increased risk is not acceptable. During a previous event residents were subjected to various episodes of abuse by drunk (& on drugs) attendees at the event (see 2 below) and caused considerable distress.

There is nothing in the application which provides any comfort that the risks would be adequately managed.

Elmstead Lane is already a busy residential road and forms part of the 314 bus route. A number of accidents have occurred in the road which have resulted in very serious injury and, in two cases death. Increased traffic will arise if the licence is granted increasing the risk to public safety.

The Sports Club car park is small and insufficient to accommodate the numbers proposed in the licence. This will lead to increased parking in Elmstead Lane and surrounding roads increasing the risk to public safety.

Access to the Sports Club car park is limited to one gate and situated at a narrow part of Elmstead Lane just past the "blind" hill bend. Increased traffic and parking in the vicinity (that will arise if the application is granted) will therefore increase the risk to public safety.

The noise & disturbance caused by previous events displayed a lack of concern for residents' safety. There is nothing in the current application to suggest that the safety of local residents would be priority.

2) The prevention of public nuisance.

There have been other events held at the Sports Club which have resulted in acts of public nuisance by users of the club during the event. Examples include: the obstruction of traffic in Elmstead Lane; residents' drives being blocked by cars; damage to residents' property; significant noise & disturbance; threatening behaviour; obscene behaviour; drug taking; music louder than permitted levels; litter; people urinating & vomiting. Extended licensing hours increases the risk of this anti social behaviour. The licensee had inadequate provisions in place to prevent or stop these events previously and there is nothing in the new application to suggest that these issues would not reoccur.

3) The prevention of crime & disorder.

As mentioned above in (2) during previous events fights; drug taking; threatening and abusive behaviour; obscene behaviour; criminal damage by users of the club have affected local residents . Extended licensing hours increases the risk of this antisocial behaviour. The licensee had inadequate provisions in place previously and there is nothing in the application to adequately prevent them reoccurring.

4) Safety of children

The episodes mentioned in this email demonstrate that granting this licence application will pose significant risk to young people.

My personal experiences from an event held at the club was very upsetting. Attendance at the event was high. Cars were parked on both sides of the whole length of Elmstead Lane and surrounding roads causing serious risk and obstruction to all residents and other road users. The venue's car parking stewards did nothing to stop this. Illegal parking meant our driveway was blocked for long periods and requests of the vehicle owners and the stewards to move the vehicles were met with hostility.

The music exceeded permitted levels and requests to reduce the noise were met with hostility.

There were episodes of disgusting behaviour including drug taking (evidenced by a large number of silver capsules of nitrous oxide thrown into residents gardens and the road side. Attendees at the event were seen inhaling from these capsules within sight of the "security" guards at the venue (a couple of car park attendants) who did nothing to stop this happening); fights; people urinating and or vomiting in gardens; verbal abuse; threatening behaviour; foul language. The police had to get involved. Polite requests to be more considerate for residents were met with hostility and abuse. It was a most upsetting experience and one which I am concerned would be repeated on a frequent basis should this application be granted.

As a long standing Bromley resident & council tax payer I urge the committee to take my comments into account by rejecting the application

200. Elmstead Lane is a residential Street which is entirely unsuited to host a night club/music venue. The sports club has in the past hosted occasional events incl music which has resulted in highly unacceptable noise pollution, random street parking and litter. This application is focused on creating a venue that has a mix of live and recorded music, a licenced bar and some activities outside - some of which are intended to end at 3.30am. As a residential, family orientated road re-purposing the sports club and grounds to accommodate what is clearly intended to be a night club for the recreation of young people is wildly unsuitable for the area or the needs of the local residents. I object to this application in the strongest terms

201. Chislehurst is not a location for a night club it's a quite area and not a city of town centre

202. As we live in a residential area this would be very disruptive

203. Although the LBB website is not allowing us to view any other comments (it is understood there are over 100 objections), these are our comments.

1. Proposed hours totally unreasonable for a premises located in a residential area.

1.1 The Christmas/New Year proposed hours are completely unacceptable and unnecessarily late - there is no justification for such continued disruption over a holiday period.

2. The sound produced by previous outdoor events at this location have been detrimental to the area and very disturbing of a night, especially in the Summer when windows need to be open.

3. Access, parking, potential off-street parking - no arrangements - totally unacceptable. We have already seen "parking creep" into nearby roads.

4. Thin end of the wedge - if this goes through unchallenged, other celebratory events will follow with more disturbances.

204. I strongly object As we have already witnessed the below NOW without a license

Mass gathering during COVID 19

Noises we can't sleep , open windows

We can't watch TV it gets so bad .

We can't enjoy our gardens in summer months noise is so bad .

Anti social behaviour groups of people in walk ways with drinks looking intimidating to public

I can't get in and out of my drive way most time already had multiple incidents when Politely asked them to access my driveway .

Spoiling natural landscape driving on grass sometime with great speed

Littering

Urination public area

Traffic buses being delayed blocked road .

My concerns are all of the above with increase .

This will turn into a mass outdoor party and drug use and antisocial behaviour will spill into woods around club .

Rubbish left will be even worst drug related waste the grounds are used by nursery and schools.

I strongly object this is residential area . We have beautiful Valuable woods that families and elderly particularly in times of lockdown will not be able to be use.

EVEN NOW it's unbearable when they have events . Please consider the well being of our community

205. We would like to strongly object to this licence application as it will result in excessive noise, affecting the quality of life of our family and the surrounding occupants in what is a quite residential area.

This application is an infringement of our right for enjoyment of our own property and land which is protected under the Noise Act 1996.

For the many years that we have lived here, the club house has functioned as a polling station, sports grounds for Babington school, the occasional external tented events in the grounds during the day and now a daily day care -pink elephants-opening in September. The above is considered reasonable and appropriate for its proximity to an all residential street of family homes, consisting of young and elderly residents.

The proposal for the club to be turned into a licenced bar facility extending out into the external patio and grassed area, cannot be deemed acceptable in this residential area. This will bring with it the kind of behaviours that you get within a city / urban environment, resulting in the usual safety concerns, which would require policing not to mention litter, drunken behaviour and increased traffic.

For a facility that is meant to serve the local community, what is being proposed will have a detrimental impact on our wellbeing, safety and quite enjoyment of our homes, this is our right

206. I would like that my name and contact details do not appear in public.

I live locally and I want to object to the change of licence for this venue. They organised a music event last year during a week end and despite living 400 meter away this created a lot of noise pollution. I don't want to imagine this happening every week-end until 3am. This is a residential area that cannot accommodate a disco serving alcohol until 3am. This will create disturbance and potentially crime in a residential area. I hope the council would take my objection into account

207. I object to this application based on the noise and possible social/public nuisance that it may bring to the local residential area. Elmstead Woods is a quiet residential area and is surrounded by large areas of nature and woodland. The noise and public nuisance that may result from the hours of operation will severely impact this, and will cause potentially dangerous levels of traffic and parking on what is already a busy road (Elmstead Lane). Last year when events were held at this venue, houses in the nearby vicinity suffered from their windows vibrating and the noise could be heard even with windows closed, which means that gardens could not be enjoyed without disturbance.

There is also the impact on anyone with young children or animals as they will also be severely hampered. Finally, the sale of alcohol for the hours proposed causes obvious concern of drunk and disorderly behaviour occurring in an area that is peaceful and on a green chain walk/cycle route, as well as a main route to the local train station. Please note that whilst I don't mind my comments being made available, I do not permit my personal information to be shared.

208. We moved to this house 8 years ago and were attracted in particular by the beautiful garden in a quiet residential area. The character of the area will be completely changed (and in my view destroyed) if this licence were granted. We had some experience of live music events at this venue last year when temporary licences were granted for one-off events at the site. The noise on those occasions was horrendous. We could hear every word spoken over the tannoys and the music was incredibly loud. It was impossible to sit in and enjoy the garden (the events were on otherwise balmy summer evenings) and there was no point going to bed until the events finished at midnight as it was also impossible to sleep even with all the windows closed. As I read the application, if the licence were granted, we would be subjected to this potentially every day of the year, until 11 on weekdays and Sundays, midnight on Fridays and Saturdays and 1 a.m. at weekends in December and throughout July and August, with extensions until 2 a.m. or even 3.30 a.m. on holiday days. We would find this completely intolerable and I cannot think of anything more inappropriate for a quiet residential area. It would, we think, hugely devalue our house - I cannot imagine that anyone would want to move into an area affected by this type of noise nuisance. I am not familiar with the planning process for this sort of thing, but hope that noise impact assessments will be carried out which will confirm everything that I say above. I implore those dealing with this application to give due weight to its certain adverse impact on the character of our area and reject it accordingly

209. We are writing to express our concern with the latest licensing application for the above property. We live directly opposite the sports club.

We have been very supportive of functions and activities held at the club up until now. There have been festivals and weddings at weekends and occasional parties on Fridays and Saturdays all of which have not caused us major disturbance or disruption. The latest application however seems to create the potential to ramp up the level of noise and disturbance to seven days a week and to unreasonable hours. We see no good reason to increase them from those that already exist. (Which are often exceeded anyway).

The granting of the licence under the terms outlined will inevitably lead to a Public Health nuisance. The venue's surroundings are wholly residential and our concern is not the music necessarily but the people noise as patrons access and egress the venue. This will impact negatively on the amenities of us and nearby residents.

In summary the latest request will:

1. Create excessive noise in a residential area.
2. Have a significant impact on the amenity of local residents.
3. Have the potential for duration of events of up to 12 hours which is unreasonable.
4. Have the potential for increased antisocial behaviour.

5. Create a situation where the sale of alcohol hours are excessive.
6. Create the potential to play loud music up until 11pm on a Sunday night which is unreasonable.
7. Create parking problems.
8. Create significant traffic problems at drop off and pick up times.

The site is a small sports and social ground, suited for small events, not concerts and commercial enterprise. The licence terms should reflect this. The proposed times for music and alcohol leave it open to abuse. We would propose that the following would be considered reasonable by us and we think most people.

Music

Monday to Thursday 7.00pm to 9.00pm

Friday 12.00pm to 11.00pm

Saturday 12.00pm to 11.00pm

Sunday 12.00pm to 9.00pm

Alcohol as above but ending 30 minutes prior to the end of the event.

Finally there would seem no good reason why the six specific licence applications could not be made individually then the venue would need to prove itself to be responsible prior to the granting of special circumstance licences. Even then 3.30am would seem excessive we would think 1.30am sufficient for most cases with perhaps 2.00am on New Years Eve.

I hope that you take our comments into account as we have not been consulted by the owners of the club.

210. I don't want to have any mass events in our small and nice community where we have a lot of elderly people.

All streets around are with very little restrictions for parking. We already have reduced street maintenance but we all have high council tax. Selling alcohol is a big NO.

211. I strongly oppose this application. This area is characterised by residential property and a massive amount of noise disturbance will be created if this application is passed.

We have a 6-month-old baby who enjoys being in the garden and the noise created by this venue would be a major disturbance.

I recall last year that this operated as a live music venue and it was extremely loud and disturbed all surrounding neighbours significantly.

This will be a public nuisance and significantly raises the risk of criminal and disorderly behaviour

212. This is a quite residential area with many family houses and we have had many problems in the past with drugs and violence when functions have been held in this area

213. I object on the basis this is situated in a quiet residential area and already when they have occasional events it causes a huge noise impact particularly outdoor music. If the music is indoors only and it's properly sound insulated with restricted numbers this maybe more acceptable

214. I completely object to this application. As a local resident it would be extremely detrimental to the area. A lot of us local residents have young children. There has been events in the past that went on after the agreed hours and late into the night. Having a late licence in such a residential area is ludicrous and completely out of keeping. The site is also shared with a local school during the day , now has planning for a nursery and now wants permission for a late licence!!

215. We are writing to express our concern with this licensing application. We strongly object to this license being granted on grounds of outdoor noise, public nuisance and safety to local children.

We live close to this venue and we have already been impacted by high levels of noise from previous events conducted at this location. These events in the past have not maintained control over noise levels: The sports grounds are large and open, enough that any sufficient sound volume adequate for organising an event is assured to impact all residents on a number of nearby streets.

This would negatively affect us in two important ways:

First, we have a small child who is less than three years of age. She has difficulty falling asleep in the presence of noise and if this license application were approved it would impact her wellbeing, especially if the events continue into the late evening or into the night. It is unreasonable to expect us to sound proof our home to work around this as we often sleep with open windows due to the heat of the summer.

Second, both my wife and I have demanding jobs that require high levels of concentration. Regardless of the current coronavirus, we often work from home and need a quiet environment to do so and continuous noise levels would impact our livelihood and ability to work.

In addition to noise, we are also concerned about general safety caused by a venue selling alcohol given that these premises are also to be shared with a nursery that is due to open in September. We believe that having such a venue shared with a nursery with small babies and toddlers does not provide a safe environment for these children and would prevent us from being able to use this nursery's services

216. I would like to submit my objection to the above application.

The plans for this Live Music venue can only increase what is already a problem with regard to anti-social behaviour, drug taking & violence in this area.

This is a highly populated residential area & the operation of such a venue on a daily basis can only cause a major noise & traffic increase which would impact severely on local residents.

217. Further to our earlier letter, anti-social behaviour and public nuisance are currently an issue in the neighbourhood around this venue. Residents have recently been subjected to gang members descending on the area resulting in a large fight taking place together with reports of drug abuse.

Ward Sergeant Jamie Keen of Bromley Police advised local residents that a section 35 dispersal zone has been authorised from 14/08/20 till 16/08/20 to tackle recent and ongoing ASB issues in the area.

The eastern edge of the dispersal zone is less than 50 metres from the perimeter of the above venue.

The granting of an extended licence time with accompanying music seven days per week at this venue will only serve to make the public nuisance and crime and disorder situation in the area worse for residents and more demanding for the police

218. Re:- application for a new license for the sports club on Elmstead Lane. (20/00311/Lapre)

I am writing in response to a note to put through my door this week, dated the 22nd of July 2020. As a local resident in this area I am appalled by the thought that the London Borough of Bromley could even consider this application. It is totally inappropriate.

Elmstead Lane and its surrounding area is a quiet, residential area made up of young families and large proportions of the older generation. It would be totally unsuitable to have regular live music preventing people who have to work and children from sleeping, let alone the rest of the residents.

Where there is alcohol and loud music people become drunk and disorderly, and fights occur. The amount of rubbish will increase and quite probably bottles will be thrown into the neighbouring woods where people walk with their children and dogs. This will increase the risk of accidents. Where there are large numbers of people partying there is also the potential for drug abuse bringing more danger to our children and animals.

Parking in this area is already an issue. The sportsground has very limited parking. There is only one bus frequenting Elmstead Lane therefore transport becomes a problem. On the few occasions when there has been a function at the sportsground the music has kept me up and prevented me from enjoying my own garden and from sleeping. Cars have been parked in all the local roads causing residents problems. When it happens 2 / 3 times a year you can accept this but the application is suggesting that this would be on a regular basis, up to midnight on two nights of the week and 11pm during the weekdays. This is wholly inappropriate. At closing time all the local residents will be woken up by rowdy, drunken people leaving the premises and finding their cars and driving away. We moved into this area 9 years ago in May because it was a 'quiet residential area'.

In addition, the proposal that it should be permitted to stay open on 'certain dates' until 2 and 3am in the morning, in a residential area, is unconscionable. By the time the 'party goers' leave and get to their cars - parked outside the local residents houses – it will be far later and the residents will be woken up, again, and again. People leaving a good night out are not quiet.

The request to have live music – whether inside or out – will vibrate, destroying the peace and quiet of a beautiful area. It will prevent the local residents enjoying their gardens and prevent them from

sleeping. When the recreation ground has its yearly party, I can feel the vibrations a mile away. That's once a year and in the daytime. This is something entirely different and totally unacceptable.

Less 350 yards away, there is the 'Elmstead care home' an old peoples residence with sick and dying people. Part of this homes caters for people with dementia. Having live music will cause great upset, distress, confusion and possibly mayhem.

If this application is approved, the local people will see the value of their properties plummet and they will find it hard to sell, should they wish to move.

I also can't conceive how the same building can be made clean and safe to open and used as a nursery opening at 7.30am to 6.30pm and then opened half an hour later as a nightclub.

in summary, I totally object to the proposal and trust that the borough will not grant this application. I feel so strongly that I would consider taking further action should it be approved.

219. We purchased our home in March this year and what appealed to us when deciding on where to live was the quiet and peaceful environment. The introduction of a new license to sell alcohol and provision of live music and entertainment will have a profound impact on the local residents.

The proposed timings for live music will cause a noise disturbance very late at night. There was a function previously and we have been told by our neighbours that the music could be heard throughout the whole close we live in and that it was very loud until late at night. The proposal to have loud music until 2 or 3 am on public holidays will affect neighbours and local residents massively.

We are worried about an increase in crime and disorder which comes hand in hand with these types of functions. There will no doubt be lots of people trying to order transport once the function has finished and this just adds to the noise levels very late at night, not to mention potential for increased litter and anti social behaviour and crime.

We strongly oppose this application.

220. We object to this application for live music and the sale of alcohol as we have encountered disturbance in the past when events have been held here. Both our children and ourselves have been unable to sleep whilst banging base is going on, as the noise really travels and echos in this open area. It is particularly bad in Summer when you need the windows open.

We are also concerned that it is very difficult to turn out of the car park when cars are parked on the road and this could easily lead to an accident - we've often seen near misses as people drive too fast down this road

221. The last time the chislehurst sport and country club was used for a similar/same type of venue, we were blocked into our driveway due to over parking, The people going to the venue where bringing their own alcohol and food, leaving the bottles and litter over the road and pavements. Verbal abuse between the people going and fights breaking out. The Police were called eventually. This venue was not advertised in this area, so the people attending were all from elsewhere, causing havoc and upset to my children and our elderly neighbours. This venue finished at only 10pm,

cannot even imagine the proposed venues finishing later with loads of drunk people, driving and causing noise and damage, to our quiet family area. I STRONGLY OBJECT

222. I object on the basis of noise, both from the venue (which we already hear at night from time to time, and we (including our baby) struggle to sleep through), and more significantly of the increased noise, footfall and potential for antisocial behaviour in this quiet family residential area.

223. This proposal is outrageous. It's a small quiet residential community, opposite an old people's home in a quiet residential area!

I oppose this as it will increase antisocial behaviour, traffic, be a risk to our safety as residents and our property. It will be a cost to society and police presence will be more in need. This, alongside the noise in a residential family area is an unreasonable application and should be rejected.

224. Chislehurst is not an area where this would be appropriate, residents are professionals or retired, it would be more suitable in Bromley

225. The noise will affect my family, especially my young children. Also, the road I live in will be used for parking which is unfair on residents and will extend the noise way past the opening hours which are already unreasonable.

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227. Objecting on the grounds of noise, anti social behaviour (and both until the early hours), potential safety issues after people have been drinking over a long period ie violent/antisocial behaviour, accidents, potential drink driving etc

228. This is a residential area. We don't want our evenings, weekends etc ruined by loud music, extra traffic and disturbance. We pay a premium to live in this area and object to noise, parking, traffic, inevitable damage and violence, inevitable vandalism. Take this to a more industrial area. So many more suitable and non residential areas to put this! Strongly object.

229. I object to this going going ahead. I am a single mother of 2 and with such Venue being on my doorstep I would unsafe, this will bring noise and crime violence to the area which would make me not want to live at such address.

The venue itself is 50m from a care home and also of the same location of a nursery during the day which in itself would not be practical. This is a residential area

230. As a resident living in a road directly opposite the site, I'm surprised to have not heard anything from the council regarding this application. Surely the opinion of local people is relevant in the case of a noisy venue serving drinks into the early hours?

I wholeheartedly object to this application and implore the local authority to not accept it. Excessive noise, opening hours and additional crowds of people will affect the safety, enjoyment and comfort of local homes, not to mention the impact it will have on traffic and potential antisocial behaviour.

Elmstead Lane traffic/parking is chaos at the best of times and this application will only encourage more cars, pick up/drop off points, and hanging around in nearby quiet roads.

Many locals enjoy quiet homes in a relaxed neighbourhood. If anyone wished to live near a late night venue, they would have chosen to live in a more vibrant/active area. Whilst I accept that the most should be made of a venue/building/site which occupies such space, there are many other things it could be used for. A private events venue for weddings etc with restrictions on noise and operating hours for example would make more sense than opening it to the public until the early hours of the morning on the most active nights of the year.

Regardless of noise, potential anti-social behaviour and traffic, it is simply illogical and irresponsible to have a day nursery running on the same site. Can you honestly guarantee that every last speck of that venue will be scoured for anything inappropriate every single evening before children use the facilities the following day?

I am in support of new bars, small businesses and positive change in the Chislehurst area, but it should be done in the right areas and take into consideration it's surroundings.

231. This is a predominantly residential area and the volume of customers and hours of operation would constitute a noise disturbance.

232. Every time there is a function the music is on very loud and can't sleep also drunken people have urinate in my garden.

233. The sports club is a family friendly site by allowing a license to sell alcohol it would advertise to a different community and guests.

It could potentially bring loud music to the residents as well as unwanted and unruly behaviour to our doorstep given alcohol consumption. The area is a friendly and peaceful community by bringing an entertainment of this type here it would completely change the dynamic. I regularly use the road late at night when coming back from work where I have to use a train and I wouldn't feel comfortable passing a venue of this type where alcohol will likely be consumed in excess.

The permittance of this license is only beneficial to the owner it will bring no benefits to the local community what so ever

234. It's a residential area! The last time we had fights arguments etc outside our property at 10pm, as everyone drove they brought alcohol and obviously drink driving, it was a disgrace. They should have it in Lewisham where he lives. Traffic terrible on Elmstead Lane with their parking and all up roads surrounding. Buses and vehicles can't get through. Safety of residents. Noise is terrible and echoes everywhere in the area. How dare they think Sunday let alone Saturday until the morning, this is not fair on residents and you will get a lot of complaints. Why do we pay so much council tax for you to ignore residents concerns. This will be taken further

235. My mother lives adjacent to this club. The level of noise from previous events has been detrimental to her health and has kept her awake. It can only get worse if you allow functions to take place on a nightly basis and permitting such events on a SUNDAY Too at such a late hour. This is

a residential area. How on earth you can enable planning for a nursery school within a licensed drinking establishment I really do not know!

236. The Club has recently been approved for a Nursery between the hours of 07:30-18:30. The same grounds are used by the local school, Babington House for physical fitness activities, a lot of rubbish including Nitrous Oxide canisters were left behind last event so this is a concern for the safety and wellbeing of the children.

Planned opening hours for the Club means that it will affect local residents residing in the BUPA Residential Home opposite the Club. Noise travels during the evening, where there is not as much moving traffic on the main road (Elmstead Lane)

237. I have objected to the above application and wanted to email you as I feel very strongly that it shouldn't go ahead. I also feel if someone wants to give locals somewhere that adds value to our community there are other ways the club could be used.

I am strongly against this application.

1) It will significantly negatively impact the quality of life of local residents.

- A live event a while ago at that venue kept us awake until very late (noise travels outside!)
- we moved out of London so we didn't have noise until late on weekdays and very late on weekends and drunk people causing a nuisance by loitering or passing (I watched 3 separate men urinating in our front garden trees after an event there a while ago)
- transport isn't set up to deal with people leaving that venue late so people will noisily loiter
- disrupting locals peaceful environment on important family weekends (bank holiday/Boxing Day etc)

2) there is no local need for the licenses requested.

- Why doesn't he open a venue nearer where he lives in more central London?
- We have a greater need for somewhere safe for teenagers (still too young to go to music venues in London until 2am) to hang out with friends. A sports club with a hang out area with games/chill out and non-alcoholic drinks would be the sort of venue that serves locals needs

3) we have plenty of pubs in Chislehurst. If people want to socialise with alcohol until 11.30 on weekdays they can go to the pubs. Many local residents specifically chose to live on and around Elmstead lane to not have a licensed premise on their doorstep

I really hope that local government see that this proposal is to earn someone from outside the area a profit and to bring in large groups from outside the area at the expense of local residents.

238. I am objecting to the above application submitted to LB Bromley on the 22 July on the grounds listed below as specified by the application notification submitted to Bromley Council.

Additionally, it should be noted that the applicant has not provided any information about the nature of the entertainment to be provided (apart from music) nor has he engaged and consulted with the local community about his plans.

However, the following link below has been brought to my attention: [www.beamldn.co.uk](http://www.beamldn.co.uk) where it appears that the premises are already being advertised as available for functions.

We have not received any formal notification of this application and I feel that it is in the public interest that all residences within at least 2 miles of the premises receive a formal notification of the proposed licence request so that they can be consulted accordingly. It was only by chance that this application was drawn to my attention.

This application is of great concern to me and my neighbours given that previous events have caused extremely disturbing loud noises and music. If this were to occur at all the times specified by the applicant it would become intolerable. It should be noted the additional dates and times requested for even later events which will cause even more potential issues as there will be increased time for drinking more alcohol and creating further public nuisance due to noise going on even later in the night particularly disturbing the sleep of local children (amongst others); potential crime and disorderliness; and public safety as further explained below.

1. The Prevention of Crime and Order

In the past, large events at the above premises has always caused inconsiderate parking in our street and along Elmstead Lane as well as excessive littering. Additionally, a few years ago we found one man around our end of the street who claimed to be hiding from some people at the event who had threatened him. I do not know if the police were called. If more events of this type were allowed to occur, this will be most likely to lead to even more social disorder.

2. The Prevention of Public Nuisance

As there has already been noise nuisance from the premises from previous events if the premises were allowed to stay open for even more events (daily) and even later this would go on until unacceptably late antisocial times and even later during some major public/ celebratory holidays (a request has been made to continue to between 1:30am to 3:30am on some dates).

3. Protecting Children from harm

- As the proposed premises will also be running as a nursery during the daytime, children may be exposed to residual smoke and possibly drug usage from the night before which will affect their health and welfare.

- In addition, the children at the nursery may be exposed to excessive noise and disturbance as the evening bar service and live entertainment is being set up, all of which will adversely affect their wellbeing and ability to learn.

- As the premises above will also be running as a nursery during the daytime, children may be exposed to strangers around the nursery setting up preparing for the evening event which is a child protection issue.

4. The Impact on local area and residents

- Increased sales of alcohol proposed by the applicant all year round (until 23:00 or midnight every day of the week and some public/celebratory holidays) as well extended alcohol sales after closing time every Friday and Saturday in December until 1.30am and July and August until 1am, would lead to more disorderliness and criminal activities in what is essentially a quiet residential neighbourhood where there are many families with children and vulnerable elderly. It should be noted that there is an Elderly Care Home with up to 49 residents within a hundred metres of the premises who will no doubt be adversely affected by the effects of all of the above concerns.
- The extended opening times would cause noise nuisance until the early hours and currently the music from previous events can still be heard clearly through our closed double glazed windows. This will be particularly an issue in summer when windows need to be kept open. Noise will also be present until late preventing sufficient sleep for people who may need to work early shifts which includes my family.
- The extended hours for live music and unspecified entertainment and particular until even later hours during public/celebratory holidays will adversely affect our peace and quiet and disturb family time together.
- I am aware of a neighbour who is even closer to the premises who has a young child who is particularly sensitive to noise (as we he had been asked to not start any loud garden noise until after she has woken up and left for school) and no doubt this will be highly disruptive of this child's wellbeing. As this is a residential neighbourhood, this may well apply to many more children who live near to the premises but have not been notified of this application.

5. Any Issues with previous events on the sports field

Two events which I recall (stated below) caused excessive noise at the weekend, littering and inconsiderate parking.

- Summer Luv Festival – Chislehurst - Sun 26th May 2019 at 11:30am - Sun 26th May 2019 at 9:30pm
- Sun Fest end of Summer Extravagansa. Saturday 27 September 2014, 12 noon to 8 pm

In view of the above, I would urge you to refuse the application above.

239. I object to the above application for licence from sports club.

For the following;

Prevention of crime and disorder

Public safety

Prevention of public nuisance

For the impact on the local area and residents

For issues with previous events on the sports field

I strongly object against this application

240. I am writing on behalf and with express permission of ..... She does not have access to email so has asked me on her behalf to write and lodge her objection to the proposed application from the Chislehurst Sports and Country Club.

She has been a resident since the 1950's. She objects wholeheartedly on the grounds of noise pollution, alcohol being served, increased traffic.

On behalf of her (she called to submit via telephone but was told this had to be done in writing) If you need a scanned copy of her signature, please let me know and I can arrange for it to be done.

241. Please REFUSE this licence application:

It is an egregious plan to make noise for all the months of the year when nearby neighbours might want to be outside, - it also includes a licence to make noise extremely late into the small hours on CHRISTMAS EVE and Boxing Day and various other holidays

-We've already had noise problems coming from this venue before. I live some way down Elmstead Lane and the noise carries down very easily to the roads all around as the noise comes straight down over the woods to our neighbourhoods.

- This is a highly insensitive and selfish application by someone who obviously wants to take it over for a much younger demographic, in the midst of a leafy suburban neighbourhood - there are even houses directly across the street from the venue. People have to pay a premium to live in these houses, they don't want to have every evening or holiday ruined by loud noise from a venue which doesn't fit the area at all - the venue is also a sports ground for a local school, and advertises a new children's nursery opening there soon - hardly compatible with what damage the late night music and mess will cause.

- If there is more alcohol consumption and noise, there is likely to be an increase in local criminal behaviour as well - as it is, the Elmstead Woods next to the venue have often been a no-go area due to crime and this will make it worse

- Not to mention, the fact is is near to Elmstead Woods - protected woods - an area for wildlife - the animals and birds living in the woods will be massively disturbed by noise from this venue, as well as the people. This is hardly an appropriate proposal to put next to an important wooded area in Bromley.

- I am not putting up with any more noise nuisance nearby - already Bromley is APPALLING at enforcing noise nuisance provisions, with the late night phone lines totally useless. And when the noise is bad and amps and microphones booming, there is no earplug or white noise machine or music that will take away the noise or stop the vibrations in the house. This application must be stopped.

- you should also not be encouraging more drink and noisy use of this venue during Covid when people will not social distance properly, and will spill out onto Elmstead Lane making it more dangerous for other road and pavement users. - assuming that users of the venue won't drink and drive - there are also extremely noisy motor uses in the middle of the night up and down Elmstead Lane in middle of the night like it's

being used as a racing track already, and this is likely to get worse with a major late night noise and drinking establishment on the Lane

- there will also likely be increased litter on Elmstead Lane, and decreased safety on trains to from the nearby station as result of a venue like this.

- Bromley Council needs to get a grip on the liveability of this borough in Kent supposedly the garden of England - Bromley is already extremely poor at policing noise nuisance, and doesn't even pick up litter on Elmstead Lane and surrounding roads anymore, having removed most of the litter bins. Bromley does nothing to deal with other nuisances either, such as I've had to put up with from neighbouring building sites, smoke from which has made me ill for several months and Bromley does nothing about it

- We are paying a fortune in Council tax to Bromley, and i am sick of doing it so you can run down all our services and the feeling of our neighbourhoods and just make the whole place a race to the bottom.

- You also have a responsibility to residents for health and safety. That includes all types of health, especially when people are isolating or shielding, so they can't even get away from noise when it happens.

- PLEASE will you do the right thing and reject this Totally Inappropriate application, from this youth company based in Lewisham. It is the wrong project for the wrong area. Kindly make sure Bromley is doing at least one thing to prevent damage to local health (mental as well as physical) by rejecting this application, and actually servicing local residents from whom the Council collects so much money.

242. Having taken the time to consider this application after I was alerted to it by a neighbour, I would like to object on the grounds of public nuisance and the impact on residents within 500m of the clubhouse. The applicant is advertising on its business website that "Down here in Chislehurst we offer large piece of land used for outdoor festivals and events such as weddings and day festivals. On the north side we have a two floor club house with two bars, balcony space and an upstairs function room." The licence application is asking to have live and recorded music possible in all areas of the site for 5 months every weekend, May to September, which are the traditional festival months in the events calendar. There is nothing in the application to show that the applicant will ensure appropriate noise levels and I believe that permitting the application as it stands will lead to noise pollution throughout the festival season and impact negatively on the surrounding area and its residents, as well the public's enjoyment of the woods adjacent to the sports ground. Glastonbury Festival happens once a year over one long weekend and yet the residents have the protection within the licence of a maximum of 65 dBA offsite. Festivals on Clapham Common have to comply with a maximum of 70 dBA at the boundary. I would strongly recommend, as an audio engineer myself, that a maximum number of days each year for outdoor music are detailed in any licence approval, rather than the blanket approval being applied for on this occasion. I would say a maximum of 6 days of outdoor music festivals each year would be reasonable given the residential nature of the immediate surrounding area (over the past few years we have seen one or two festivals occurring on the site each year) and that the boundary sound levels should never exceed 70 dBA during the day and a cutoff time of 2300, which is the accepted cutoff time for most outdoor live events In the UK. I also hope that noise limits will be inserted in any licence terms for sound generated by amplified means from within the clubhouse, particularly during hot weather when doors and windows will be open at the club and after 2300.

243. I would like to raise an objection to the proposed application for a new licence for the sports club on Elmstead lane.

20/00311/LAPRE - premises licence at Chislehurst Sports and Country Club, Elmstead Lane  
Chislehurst BR75EL

When events have been held at this venue in the past, the noise reaches the other end of Grange Drive where we live. We object to the effect a new licence will have on our quality of life in a currently quiet suburban location. We feel this is not a commercial location and therefore the application for a new licence would be detrimental to the peace of the area on for the following reasons:

1. increase in noise due to live music and recorded music regularly at weekends until 1.30am or extended til 3.30am: (noise pollution)
2. increase in noise pollution due to people leaving the area after events in the early hours
3. the increase in parking and car pollution along Elmstead lane and the adjacent roads
4. public safety due to drunk and disorderly behaviour/public nuisance and strong confrontational possibilities resulting in criminal behaviour
5. Increased litter and damage to the local area including unpleasant urination and vomiting on communal/public and potentially private land
6. public safety when cars leave the event onto a busy thoroughfare

The entire area adjacent to the field and sports club is residential, not commercial

Often there is a lack of consideration by the events holders currently and this is on an odd occasion rather than on a regular and extended timetable.

We already have experience of the location being used as an indoor and outdoor venue for events with increased amounts of people and music. The odd occasion can be tolerated, but the regularity of events proposed by a new extended licence would be intolerable.

We oppose the planning.

244. I am a resident of Bromley in the locality of the Chislehurst Sports and Country Club. I am objecting to the proposed application for an alcohol and music license. The basis of objection is centred round the following areas:

- prevention of crime and disorder
- public safety
- prevention of public nuisance
- impact on the local area / local residents

There has previously been a lot of noise caused by events at the venue. Music can clearly be heard late in to the night. In the summer we are forced to close all windows and doors in order to sleep. It would be detrimental to the area for loud music every Friday and Saturday in July, August and December. This is a wholly residential area and there is no benefit to the community to have loud music blasting every weekend until 1am and gone.

The road becomes incredibly congested when there are events at the Country Club as people park both sides of the road. This is extremely dangerous given cars cannot pass easily, let alone the emergency services. Patrons of the venue also park down the side roads close to the venue again blocking the roads. They also park on pavements and grass verges causing damage.

We do not need drunk people trying to find their cars late at night. The amount of disruption would be horrendous and not suitable for a quiet residential area. We do not need any drunk people on the streets late at night at all! This will only increase crime and disorder in the locality.

I am happy to be contacted re my objection to the application. I do not want my personal details published or shared with the applicant.

245. I would like to comment on this application because I have a concern about its impact on the local area and residents.

We're particularly concerned at the likely noise nuisance which will be caused by the playing of music outdoors late into the night on the dates which are being proposed. Although our home is approx. from these premises we're well aware from our experience of other outside local events in the past, e.g. at Chislehurst Recreation ground, of how far sound can travel. This would particularly be the case when music is played in the middle of the night and we consider that granting approval to this application would have a detrimental effect on the local area - primarily of course impacting those residents in Elmstead Lane and neighbouring roads but also affecting residents further afield.

I therefore hope that you will not agree that this proposal should be granted.

246. I'd like to raise an objection to the license application for Chislehurst Sports Ground, BR7 5EL.

Public nuisance and noise disturbance :

Living locally, I object to the potential noise disruption from late night bars 7 days per week. I live beside a bus stop which would serve the route to the venue and I would not appreciate any increase alcohol induced disturbances.

Child Protection:

As there is a nursery in the building I question how safe this is for the children who will be there during the day - danger from broken glass and passive smoke.

Traffic and parking:

An already busy and narrow road, I question parking and dangerous driving with alcohol served until midnight 7 days per week.

Thank you for considering my views.

247. I object to the recent application to LB Bromley for a new licence for the sports club on Elmstead Lane. My reasons are as follows:

For the prevention of crime and disorder

For public safety

For the prevention of public nuisance

For the impact on the local area and residents

For issues with previous events on the sports field

I strongly object.

248. As residents we are concerned about the impact this will have on the local area, particularly in relation to noise, potential crime and traffic disruption. We were horrified to learn that the venue would provide entertainment with music both inside and outside for up to 5,000 people until late into the evening and, on occasions, until the early hours of the morning. This is bound to cause massive disturbance to local residents.

The Elmstead Woods area is currently a quiet, pleasant residential area and we are extremely concerned that the provision of alcohol at the venue to such a large number of party goers would result in some irresponsible behaviour and possibly drug taking. It should be noted that Chislehurst does not have a police station to deal promptly with any criminal or disruptive behaviour.

Furthermore, the parking for such vast numbers of people would also extend beyond Elmstead Lane into neighbouring roads. Some of our roads are narrow and people do not always park in a considerate manner during the day which leads us to believe that we could experience considerable inconvenience - particularly when people spill out from the venue late at night.

There have been fatalities in Elmstead Lane which have led to the Council imposing a 30 mile an hour limit. Sadly, this is not always observed and cars often speed along this road with no respect for safety. The thought of large numbers of people, some potentially "over the alcohol limit" emanating from the venue late at night fuelled by alcohol does not bear thinking about.

We would urge the Council to consider the heartfelt concerns of local residents and reject this application.

249. I'm writing to you in reference to the licensing application (ref 20/00311/LAPRE)

I live on Elmstead Lane and have some objections based on the following grounds.

#### Child Protection

The events are due to take place on grounds shared by a nursery surrounded by woodland. Normally these grounds are only for use for school events and for the nursery. There is an entry system to prevent unauthorised access. What is in place to prevent people from entering these woods during an event and leaving once the events are over?

There is a proposal for alcohol to be used at these events and as an outside event I assume smoking will be permitted. How is the licence holder going to make sure that all broken glass is removed from the area after an event which could otherwise harm the nursery children who use this area and who is going to ensure that all cigarettes are disposed of to prevent curious children from picking them up?

Public nuisance, Noise disturbance, Crime and disorder Elmstead Lane is a residential area with few local amenities but people choose to live here and pay for that privilege because it is a picturesque, fairly quiet community. Events like this will cause noise and large gatherings of people, many of whom are likely to have been drinking heavily and therefore

bring the associated anti-social and criminal behaviours that people have paid to live in this area to avoid.

#### Opening hours

As a key worker who looks after 30 children on a daily basis, I value my sleep highly. To allow venues to stay open and create noise within Government set 'night hours' between 23:00 - 07:00 directly impacts upon my ability to perform my job well. Even on weekends I go to bed and wake up at set hours to make sure that my sleep patterns are not disturbed so that I can teach to the best of my ability. There are also many people with young children in the area, including myself, and the argument that we can simply go to bed later and wake up later does not hold when you have young children who will wake up early regardless and need adult care and supervision. There is only 1 bus that serves Elmstead Lane and there is a stop directly outside our property. This is not normally a busy bus stop and it is therefore not a problem, however events like this could make it very busy and noisy.

#### Traffic

Elmstead Lane is a busy narrow road with limited parking even for some residents. Extra double yellow lines have recently been put in near the station as there is so much traffic already that there was a constant bottleneck of people trying to move in both directions. While I am extremely pleased this has been done, it means that there is even less parking available. This means people are more likely to not only park further up the road, taking up already limited spaces for residents, but they are also more likely to park illegally, in spaces that block access and exits from people's homes or in potentially dangerous spaces. As mentioned earlier there is only 1 bus that serves Elmstead Lane therefore it is likely that bus stops will be very busy. There is already lots of traffic outside our property at the top of Elmstead Lane where it meets Whitehorse hill and this will be made worse by events.

Thank you for your time in reading this email and I hope to hear your thoughts on these issues I have raised.

250. I wish to object in the strongest terms to the proposed application. As a resident of Elmstead lane I believe that the licence application would fail all 4 of the guidelines set out. From the previous uses of the grounds during the summer of 2019 it is evident that the site is not suitable for use as a late night venue.

- The prevention of crime and disorder

During the last year the summer festival attracted huge numbers of visitors to the area, there were several public order violations including assault and areas of the local community were vandalised which has still not been removed. Huge numbers of gas canisters were left in the wooded area for the volunteers to remove. There was significant evidence of drug use on the site as well as getting to and from the event.

- The protection of public safety

The access to the site is not conducive to easy entry and exit during the night and as one of several arterial roads for Chislehurst large numbers of people leaving at the end of the day would cause a significant increase in the number of RTA in the area, the parking situation at the upper end of Elmstead lane has caused at least 3 major accidents in the last 3 years and the use of this establishment to serve alcohol late in the evening would without doubt increase this number.

- The prevention of public nuisance

The summer event caused a severe noise nuisance and this was petitioned by the resident opposite the field. The sound levels were within agreed times but started early afternoon and continued for 8-10 hours

- The protection of children from harm

The noise from the summer event interrupted the revision of local A level students, the increased drug use and footfall through the wooded area and the increased number of people from outside of the local area would expose the children of the quiet residential area to significant risk of potential harm, in addition the licence has just been granted for the building to be used as a day nursery, looking at the damage and litter that was left from a small number of events I do not have faith in the licensee to maintain the surrounding areas safe for the pre school children or having sufficient civic responsibility to maintain the surrounding areas

251. Living near to the above Country Club I wish to object strongly to this application for these reasons

Whenever there is an event there the noise level is horrendous even though we are a few roads away There is bound to be an increase in crime when there is alcohol and drugs and antisocial behaviour I cannot believe that a nursery can operate there when it doesn't finish until 6.30pm The impact on the area will be disastrous and property prices will be affected

This application should be totally rejected

I am aware that the Chislehurst Society and our local Councillors are involved with helping the residents to oppose this application

Please do keep us all informed of any progress on this application and do hope and pray it will be rejected

252. I wish to oppose the changes which have been applied for by the above

Notably the extended hours which are unacceptable in a pleasant suburban area with houses close by. The noise and disruption to residents would be unacceptable.

253. My husband and I have lived a couple of minutes' walk from the Chislehurst Sports and Country Club for over 30 years and strongly object to the application for the new licence for extended times for the sale of retail alcohol and the provision of regulated/live music entertainment.

The club is situated in a quiet residential area which includes a care home for the elderly. The noise therefore from people talking/shouting at one another, plus car doors banging, will be disturbing for those trying to sleep, and especially for those who have young children. Such noise is magnified especially late at night.

The noise of an event held there last year which went on until late at night was so loud, that it could be heard several streets away. At the end of the event, it was most upsetting to have people urinating and defecating not only on the public footpath, but also in private gardens.

Sadly, crime and disorder offences have increased in the area over the past few years, and allowing alcohol to be sold until the early hours of the morning will only cause these numbers to increase dramatically.

As has been seen on many occasions recently at such venues, events may very well have an initial ticketed number, but sadly, social media makes this an almost impossible task to maintain when large numbers of uninvited 'guests' arrive and gate-crash events. If the police are unable to keep order in such circumstances, how on earth does Mr Franklin think his staff will be in a position to do so?

Parking is an absolute nightmare along Elmstead Lane and the surrounding roads at the best of times, let alone when an event is being held at this establishment with many hundreds, if not thousands, of people attending. In addition, at the closing times stated on the application form, there will be little, if any, public transport available for use by those attending. The only way to get home would be by car which would therefore greatly increase the risk of drink driving.

In view of the above issues, we would kindly request that those responsible for making the decision refuse permission accordingly.

254. My concerns, are based upon direct experience of social events held at the site over the last 10 years. Using the headings listed in the consultation notice these are:

Impact on the local area and residents & issues with previous events on the sports field

Chislehurst Sports And Country Club is on the brow of the hill on Elmstead Lane surrounded by open ground. This means that sound travels readily to the surrounding area.

Previous events of a modest size held outside on the site with announcements and music could be heard clearly, and unadulterated, from our home. There are no natural, or man-made structures, in place at the site to mitigate the noise emanating.

Public Safety

The exit from the Chislehurst Sports And Country Club, particularly turning right into Elmstead Lane is dangerous. Visibility for vehicles exiting the site to traffic approaching from the right is poor. This risk arises due the location of the car park exit and the substantial number of vehicles parking on the west side of Elmstead Lane due to the proximity of Elmstead Woods train station.

There will be a significant volume of vehicles leaving the site during the course of an event. In my opinion, the likelihood of a vehicle accident resulting in injuries at the conclusion of such an event at the Chislehurst Sports And Country Club is high.

The Prevention of Public Nuisance

The amount of vehicles that can be accommodated on the car park of the Chislehurst Sports And Country Club is relatively low, perhaps 30. In the past, events have been held on the sports field attended by many hundreds of participants. The attendees have parked their vehicles recklessly on Elmstead Lane and surrounding roads (Walden Road, Downs Avenue, etc).

- 1.1 255. The purpose of this document is to register our opposition to the licence application which has been submitted in connection with Chislehurst Sports and Country Club (the "Application").
- 1.2 I set out below detailed representations in support of our position. Whilst this is an individual submission, I confirm that our sentiments are reflected by every other resident on Downs Avenue (and beyond) who we have spoken to about the Application. It is clear that the local residents unanimously oppose the Application and that there will be an appetite to take collective action in the event it is approved in its current form. Our position is endorsed by the Chislehurst Society and local MPs.
- 1.3 Downs Avenue is an extremely quiet and peaceful no through road with a series of equally tranquil cul de sacs leading off it. It consists exclusively of residential properties and the residents are predominantly young families or elderly/retired citizens. Many of the residents have lived on the street in excess of 40 years whilst more recent residents have chosen to move here because of the safe and peaceful environment.
- 1.4 There is a very similar demographic on Elmstead Lane which runs parallel with Downs Avenue, separating it from the premises which are the subject of the Application. There is an elderly care home situated on Elmstead Lane, no more than 50 metres from the premises.
- 1.5 Our deeds specify that we live on parish grounds and include restrictive covenants which prohibit the sale of alcohol and use of properties as 'dance venues'.
- 1.6 The Application proposes using the premises for the sale of alcohol and live music entertainment 7 days' per week until Midnight on Fridays and Saturday (1.30am in December and 1am in July August) and 11pm on other nights. It is intended that music will be played indoors and outdoors and later finish times are proposed on specified days throughout the year.
- 1.7 The applicant runs an events company which is aimed at youths. On his website, he promotes the quality of the lighting and lasers used at his events and, under the heading of Audio Solutions, he advertises "Big Sound...for massive parties and anyone who's looking to make a bang".
- 1.8 The Application in its current form is wholly incompatible with the peaceful area and residential demographic described above.
- 1.9 We set out further representations below using some of the points you suggest we consider as sub-headings.

## **2. THE PREVENTION OF CRIME & DISORDER**

- 2.1 We consider that the measures proposed in the Application will not be sufficient to prevent crime and disorder.
- 2.2 If the Application is approved in its current form, the neighbourhood will face the prospect of 100's of youths descending on a single site in a residential area where they will be served alcohol and played loud music until the early hours of the morning. It is inconceivable to think that this will not lead to an increase in crime and disorder in the area.
- 2.3 There is likely to be large gatherings of people (mostly youths) waiting for taxis or buses or walking to Elmstead Woods at closing times. The CCTV proposed by the Applicant will not capture these areas and the possibility of crime, disorder and public nuisance seems high.
- 2.4 As recently as 14 August, the police had to put a dispersal order in place due to "drill rap" music videos and gang fights just off Walden Road.
- 2.5 The premises back on to Elmstead Woods, Marvels Wood and the Green Chain Walk. Notwithstanding the inevitable disruption to this natural environment, the secluded nature of those areas lend themselves to crime and anti-social behaviour – there is a reputation for drug-dealing in those areas and, just in the last few months, there have been reports of a stolen moped being set alight on the Green Chain Walk and a car being set on fire in Marvels Wood.

**3. PUBLIC SAFETY**

- 3.1 Attendees will inevitably use Downs Avenue to park their cars. This may cause parking issues for residents and create accessibility problems. There is a number of elderly residents who receive care worker support and it is vital that there is uninhibited access for this support and the emergency services.
- 3.2 There are already issues with the volume and speed of traffic along Elmstead Lane. The road is narrow for the volume of traffic and there are no speed restrictions. Further increases to the volume of traffic will impact on public safety which is a material issue given that there is both a care home and a nursery on the road and schools within a quarter of a mile radius.
- 3.3 As stated above, there is likely to be large gatherings of people (mostly youths) waiting for taxis or buses or walking to Elmstead Woods at closing times. Given the proposed alcohol licence times, it is likely that many of these people will be intoxicated and in this environment the risk of injury to themselves or others (drivers, residents etc) will be high.

**4. THE PREVENTION OF PUBLIC NUISANCE/THE IMPACT ON THE LOCAL AREA AND RESIDENTS**

- 4.1 As set out in the summary section above, the Application proposes using the premises for the sale of alcohol and live music entertainment 7 days' per week until Midnight on Fridays and Saturday (1.30am in December and 1am in July August) and 11pm on other nights. It is intended that music will be played indoors and outdoors and later finish times are proposed on specified days throughout the year. The applicant runs an events company which is aimed at youths. On his website, he promotes the quality of the lighting and lasers used at his events and, under the heading of Audio Solutions, he advertises "Big Sound...for massive parties and anyone who's looking to make a bang".
- 4.2 This will clearly cause a public nuisance and have huge impact on the local area and its residents. The sound will travel across to our garden and enter our property and this will seriously impact our enjoyment of our home. In the Application, it is suggested that public nuisance and impact on the local area concerns can be addressed by putting up signs asking customers to be quiet when they leave at the end of the night. It is inconceivable to expect youths who have been listening to live music and drinking alcohol for several hours to adhere to such benign direction.
- 4.3 The Application in its current form is wholly incompatible with the peaceful area and residential demographic described above.
- 4.4 In July 2020, a large bonfire was lit on the grounds of the venue. The owner of the premises (or his workers) were throwing all manner of materials on to the bonfire without any consideration as to its impact to local residents. The fire created a thick smog which drifted across Elmstead Lane and on to Downs Avenue. This type of behaviour does not suggest that the applicant will show consideration to the neighbourhood if he is given license to proceed with his venture.

**5. ISSUES WITH PREVIOUS EVENTS ON THE SPORTS FIELD**

- 5.1 The sports field has been used for approximately two events per year in the last few years. The infrequency of these events has made the disruption they cause bearable but it still must be noted that considerable disruption is caused by the holding of youth-focused music events. In particular:
  - 5.1.1 The music can be clearly heard both inside and outside our residence on Downs Avenue.
  - 5.1.2 Attendees have parked on Downs Avenue and litter has been dropped as youths walk up and down the road.
  - 5.1.3 Late at night, intoxicated people have walked up our road (despite it being a no through road) shouting and swearing.

**6. CONCLUSION**

We rigorously oppose the Application in its current form. We consider that any sort of music/alcohol venue on the site in question would have a negative impact on crime and disorder, public safety, public nuisance and could cause harm to children. As such, we would oppose any form of licence being granted but, if one is to be granted, we submit that it should be subject to some very stringent conditions which should be discussed and agreed following a period of consultation with local residents.

256. We write to oppose the licensing of this venue.

This is a residential area. To open a nightclub here would attract a clientele of number and intent that would severely disrupt our family life.

The crime and disorder associated with venues of this description is completely inappropriate for this residential neighbourhood. We do not welcome tens and hundreds of inebriated, disorderly folk on our residential streets where we and our children to this day, sleep soundly. We do not welcome loitering after hours (or before) in our neighbourhood which sets the scene, especially where alcohol and partying is involved, for disruption, possibly unrest/violence, trespassing on private property. A recipe for disaster, unsafe for myself and my children, and great community upset.

The noise pollution from partying with music both indoors and outdoors of a venue in a residential zone would be completely unacceptable to, I am sure, 100% of our local community made up families with children to a greater percentage, and elderly folk. It would certainly disturb our sleep on every single occasion, therefore our quality of life. We do not need to think about worrying about drunken individuals on our way from our quiet street to the train station only minutes away. This is for me completely unsafe and raises fear. It would stop me, and my disabled husband who also has Parkinsons Disease, from using our train station for fear of being accosted or having to run alongside drunk people. Needless to say I would never expose my children to that and as they now grow into their teens their social lives would be greatly hindered by the associated fear and dangers of having a nightclub around the corner.

The very idea of using a nightclub for a childrens Nursery is nauseating. How could anyone expose children to that environment every day as they are trying to learn and prosper? Alcohol stained floors, cigarette butts on the property and local area, who knows what other deposits or equipment - needles, condoms, vomit.. ? I certainly likewise do not welcome these material or the behaviour and clientele associated with them, in my front garden on on my neighbourhood streets.

Please let common sense prevail and keep your nightclubs in the city areas, where they can be tolerated without ruining the family life of your community

257. I refer to the premises licence application submitted by Mr Joshua Johnston-Franklin for Chislehurst Sports and Country Club Elmstead Lane Chislehurst BR7 5EL, reference 20/00311/LAPRE.

I want to object to this because:

I am a local resident .....and the application and his proposed use of the venue and the operating hours are very very unreasonable – 7 days a week and bank holidays until 2am some weekends, and 3.30am new years eve.

This is a residential area, and it is nice and quiet. Events will cause lots of noise disturbance and noise pollution which will be very disturbing for everyone who lives nearby in all roads and the nursing home on Elmstead Lane.

I have read on social media that the Sports Club will be used as a children's day nursery and any weekend events or festivals would be dangerous to children if they found any drugs or weapons dropped or hidden by party-goers in the field. This is very concerning. A children's nursery is better for the community than a late-night party venue.

I worry about the level of anti-social behaviour and crime that will be caused by late night parties and live music events including any theft or damage caused by people being drunk. There have been gangs on the estate by Walden Road and the police were called. Late night music festivals will cause more trouble in the area.

There are parking restrictions in all roads and there will be issues with parking. There was a festival event a few years ago and people attending were parking in front of people's driveways and causing all sorts of problems. There were also groups of youths hanging about in the streets arguing and shouting in the middle of the night. My elderly neighbours said that it woke them up and they were worried.

The sports club also had a bonfire there a few weeks ago and I didn't think that bonfires were allowed in Bromley. This caused thick smoke and I don't think it was responsible for the venue to have a fire when there is a global health pandemic going on at the moment.

258. Elmstead Lane is a quiet residential area and the introduction of bar and live music 7 nights per week with extended opening on Fri and Sat and on the selected dates mentioned in the application will have a highly detrimental impact on local residents. On several occasions when live or recorded music has been permitted to be played at the sports club I have had to vacate my property for a number of hours because of the loud bass notes. My house which is situated approx 100 yds from the clubhouse vibrates. I have had to collect beer bottles and cans from my garden the following morning, some of the bottles broken. Noise disturbance has continued into the early hours of the morning. The lane and side roads have become heavily congested with parked vehicles, creating safety concerns for motorists, cyclists and pedestrians. The provision of a nursery until 18.30 and a bar opening at 19.00 is incongruent and will potentially create safety issues. This location is not appropriate for a bar/pub/live music venue of any description, apart from a small bar serving local sports club members such as tennis players and cricketers which was the original function of the clubhouse. Having many people from outside the area descending on the clubhouse, consuming alcohol and then vacating the area late at night and into the early hours of some mornings will very likely increase crime and disorder and will certainly increase the incidence of public nuisance.

259. I believe this application should be denied. The area is residential.

Parking will be a problem. The hours in operation upto 11pm is unreasonable for noise disturbance and public nuisance/safety.

The site itself is used as a school playing field for children...how can it also then sell alcohol

260. Elderly unwell residents do not need drunken youths making noise, littering the front garden and displaying anti social behaviour. We are immediate residents, asking for views if those who do not live close by is ridiculous and irrelevant and you will be reducing the privileged purpose of living in an affluent area. People work hard to live here because it is free of trouble, noise and antisocial behaviour, by allowing this you will be introducing trouble and devalue the surrounding houses and desire of people wanting to live here!

261. I understand that the above premises has applied for a licence for extended times for the sale of alcohol and for live music. Please consider the following points:

- Elmstead Lane is a narrow two way traffic lane and with parking allowed in the evenings (in the stipulated times of 7pm - 11pm) visibility coming in and out of car park is extremely restricted and therefore extremely dangerous and likely to result in traffic accidents. Particularly as with the alcohol licence, drivers may be over the limit.
- Public safety will be compromised as live music and late night alcohol consumption in a public premises is not conducive to family life in a residential area.
- Public nuisance cannot be prevented as once the licence is provided people are likely to gather and create a nuisance. It is a residential area with many young children living here. Sleep of whole families will be disturbed especially in the summer when nights are fairly short as it is.
- We moved to Chislehurst 34 years ago and at that time very few cars used Elmstead Lane, but now even in the middle of the night the traffic is relentless. If this licence is granted the impact is bound to be harmful and not conducive to family life, not to mention the increase in crime and disorder.
- A children's nursery and a licence for loud music with alcohol is a lethal combination on the same premises.

We ..... are strongly opposed to the granting of this licence.

262. I am writing to object to the above application submitted to LB Bromley on the 22 July on the grounds listed below as specified by the application notification submitted to Bromley Council.

Additionally, it should be noted that the applicant had not provided any information about the nature of the entertainment to be provided (apart from music) nor has he engaged and consulted with the local community about his plans.

We have not received any formal notification of this application and I feel that it is in the public interest that all residences within at least 1 mile of the premises receive a formal notification of the proposed licence request so that they can be consulted accordingly. It was only by chance that this application was drawn to my attention.

This is of great concern to me and my neighbours given that previous events have caused extremely disturbing loud noises and music. If this were to occur at all the times specified by the applicant it would become intolerable. It should be noted the additional dates and times requested for even later events.

263. 1. The Prevention of Crime and Order

In the past, large events at the above premises has always caused inconsiderate parking in our street and along Elmstead Lane as well as excessive littering. Additionally, a few years ago we found one man around our end of the street who claimed to be hiding from some people at the event who had threatened him. I do not know if the police were called. If more events of this type were allowed to occur, this will be most likely to lead to even more social disorder.

2. The Prevention of Public Nuisance

As there have already been noise nuisance from the premises from previous events if the premises were allowed to stay open for even more events (daily) and even later this would go on until unacceptably late antisocial times and even during some major public/celebratory holidays (a request has been made to continue to between 1:30am to 3:30am on some dates).

3. Protecting Children from harm

- As the proposed premises will also be running as a nursery during the daytime, children may be exposed to residual smoke and possibly drug usage from the night before which will affect their health and welfare.
- In addition, the children at the nursery may be exposed to excessive noise and disturbance as the evening bar service and live entertainment is being set up, all of which will adversely affect their wellbeing and ability to learn.
- As the premises above will also be running as a nursery during the daytime, children may be exposed to strangers around the nursery setting up preparing for the evening event which is a child protection issue.

4. The Impact on local area and residents

- Increased sales of alcohol proposed by the applicant all year round (until 2300 or midnight every day of the week and some public/celebratory holidays) as well extended alcohol sales after closing time every Friday and Saturday in December until 1.30am and July and August until 1am, would lead to more disorderliness and criminal activities in what is essentially a quiet residential neighbourhood where there are many families with children and vulnerable elderly. It should be noted that there is an Elderly Care Home with up to 49 residents within a hundred metres of the premises who will no doubt be adversely affected by the effects of all of the above concerns.
- The extended opening times would cause noise nuisance until the early hours and currently the music from previous events can still be heard clearly through our closed double glazed windows. This will be particularly an issue in summer when windows need to be kept open. Noise will also be present until late preventing sufficient sleep for people who may need to work early shifts which includes my family.
- The extended hours for live music and unspecified entertainment and particular until even later hours during public/celebratory holidays will adversely affect our peace and quiet and disturb family time together.

- I am aware of a neighbour who is even closer to the premises who has a young child who is particularly sensitive to noise (as we he had been asked to not start any loud garden noise until after she has woken up and left for school) and no doubt this will be highly disruptive of this child's wellbeing. As this is a residential neighbourhood, this may well apply to many more children who live near to the premises but have not been notified of this application.

5. Any Issues with previous events on the sports field

Two events which I recall (stated below) caused excessive noise at the weekend, littering and inconsiderate parking.

- Summer Luv Festival – Chislehurst - Sun 26th May 2019 at 11:30am - Sun 26th May 2019 at 9:30pm

- Sun Fest end of Summer Extravagansa. Saturday 27 September 2014, 12 noon to 8 pm

In view of the above, I would urge you to refuse the application above.

264. We wish to object to these proposals in the strongest terms possible. We believe that permission for any of these proposals should be refused on the grounds of increased crime and disorder, personal safety for residents and clients, unsocial behavior due to alcohol and drugs use, public nuisance, and protection of children from harm.

We have lived here for 14 years.

The site, which is located in the centre of a quite residential area, is basically two football pitches with a clubhouse. There are refreshment facilities for clients attending for those sports, primarily on a Sunday morning. Sadly it has not been used for that purpose for many years.

We have endured many events that clearly have no connection to those purposes and are run with no concern or respect for the local community. Activities on the site have meant that we been blighted by outrageous noise, rubbish, inconsiderate parking on our streets, cars racing up and down, shouting and screaming – all from people attending events on the site.

The owners now advertise the site for live music festival events on the field. These events have variously lasted for two days and ten hours each day, and have resulted in car parking restrictions for a week to set up the festivals. The site is adjacent to woodland and us but please don't think that the trees provide any sound reduction against the volume and the bass sounds that make our house shake.

School children use the sports field and there will be a nursery on the site. There is a residential home for older people adjacent to us and the site.

The site owners clearly have no interest in the views and genuine upset of the local community. They have not engaged at all with local residents and they have not properly displayed details of this application, presumably hoping no-one will notice the application.

The application states that they will use CCTV to monitor and will put up notices asking clients to leave the site quietly which is both ridiculous and offensive and shows their lack of care to us. The owners' actions so far clearly show they have no interest in their neighbours.

The proposed opening hours for playing music on the field and in the clubhouse and for selling alcohol beyond 3.30am are unbelievable.

Please, we urge you, please do not approve this application.

265. Representations in response to Premises Licence Application submitted in connection with Chislehurst Sports and Country Club (Reference: 20/00311/LAPRE).

The below is a personal submission but the sentiments are reflective of other neighbours in the area, as well as the Chislehurst Society and local MP's. There have been mention of collective action in the event that this application is approved in its current form.

I set out my reasons for my objections below:

**Nature of events**

The applicant runs an events business aimed at youths, and according to his website, discusses the use of high-quality lighting and lasers used at his events. He also advertises "Big Sound...for massive parties and anyone who's looking to make a bang" under the heading 'Audio Solutions'.

The nature of these events is out of keeping with the residents and local area, leading to an assumption that hundreds of youths from other areas will descend on Elmstead Woods to attend such "Big bang events" causing a host of issues and anti-social behaviours that many other local councils are trying to reduce.

**Operating hours**

The applicant has applied for operating hours until 11pm and midnight 7 days a week. This is excessive for a venue on a residential street in a residential area. But that's not all, the applicant has also applied for extended non-standard times, including: Halloween weekend until 2am, Christmas Eve until 2am, Boxing Day until 2am, New Years Eve until 3:30am, Valentines weekend until 2am and May bank holiday until 1:30am!

These operating hours are excessive, unreasonable and frankly disrespectful for a residential area such as Elmstead Woods that contains a retirement home less than 50m from the site. The applicant and nature of this application shows complete disregard for the local area, local residents, and the care home residents who require supervision and medical care 24/7.

This premises license goes against Bromley Council's licensing objective in respect of "The prevention of public nuisance".

**Anti-social behaviour**

This application will cause an increase in anti-social behaviour, excessive alcohol consumption, fights, drug use and drug taking, and street crime in the local area, especially in surrounding woodland and pathways (Marvels Wood 100m from the venue, Green Chain Walk, 550m from the venue, and Chislehurst Rec 750m from the venue) – areas that the applicant will not be reasonable for.

I have recently witnessed an increase in such anti-social behaviour in the local area, including drug dealing/drug taking on Green Chain Walk as well as a stolen moped set alight on Green Chain Walk in July of this year resulting in the fire brigade being called. This is a pathway regularly used by

school children, young families as they take their young children to/from the local park playground, and retirees on daily walks.

The areas mentioned contain vast woodland and will be very difficult to police for an already stretched local police force already trying to police many late-night venues in Bromley town centre, not to mention the strain on the NHS and local ambulance resources (during a global pandemic) in attended to unnecessary alcohol or drug related overdoses, fights and stabbings.

Any increase in drug use/drug dealing and consumption of alcohol will result in increased trouble, gang tensions (from Eltham, Lewisham, Croydon etc), fights, damage to personal property, and an increase in theft/burglaries.

I wish to draw your attention to a recent Section 35 Police dispersal order (CAD Ref: 2202/14AUG20) that was put in place in the same area due to anti-social behaviour in Chislehurst West due to the filming of "drill rap" videos and fights between gang members. It would appear that the local Police force already have concerns with certain roads/estates that are within close proximity to this venue, and this application will make issues worse.

This premises license goes against all of Bromley Council's licensing objectives: "The prevention of crime and disorder", "The protection of public safety", "prevention of public nuisance" and "The protection of children from harm", not to mention is detrimental to the council and local police force's efforts to keep this borough safe.

#### **Road safety & parking**

The surrounding area has parking restrictions and double yellow lines because this is a thoroughly residential area that has close proximity to Elmstead Woods train station. There are already issues with vehicles travelling at excessive speed along Elmstead Lane and Walden Road.

There is also a school within close proximity of the venue, as well as local nurseries where school children are regularly seen walking to/from school.

This licence will result in the surrounding residential roads being used for parking, drop off and collection that will not only increase road congestion by taxi's and Uber drivers flouting parking restrictions, but also increasing the risk of incidents - especially after hundreds of intoxicated youths have endured 8 hours of a light and laser show.

Elmstead Lane already experiences heavy traffic congestion without any such event taking place, and a further increase in congestion will restrict accessibility for emergency vehicles - such as ambulances - which are regularly seen in the area attending to medical emergencies at the local care home and other local elderly residents off Walden Road.

This premises license goes against Bromley Council's licensing objectives: "The protection of public safety" and "The protection of children from harm".

#### **Age & wellbeing of local residents**

Many residents in and around the local area are retired senior citizens and/or elderly, and an increase in crowds, music, traffic and crime would cause them significant stress and be detrimental to their health and wellbeing. The elderly will fear to leave their home.

Many of the elderly also have carers attend numerous times a day, and an increase in traffic, congestion, and parked cars will cause accessibility issues.

As mentioned above, an increase in road congestion will restrict accessibility for emergency vehicles - such as ambulances – which are regularly seen in the area attending to medical emergencies at the local care home and other local elderly residents.

This premises license goes against Bromley Council’s licensing objective: “The protection of public safety”.

**Noise pollution**

The application mentions that live and recorded music will be played at the venue, including the bar, function room, communal areas, patio and outside grass from anywhere between 11pm until 3:30am. As previously mentioned, the applicant boasts of laser shows and ‘big sound’ events. This will cause significant noise pollution to all surrounding areas beyond what’s reasonable acceptable, not to mention those that choose to ‘hang around’ in the streets afterwards.

I chose to live here because it is safe, quiet and peaceful, and because of this, music being played either during the day or at night at the venue will travel more than normal and will cause an increased level of noise pollution for all residents beyond what is actually acceptable.

This premises license goes against Bromley Council’s licensing objective: “The prevention of public nuisance”.

**Past events**

There was a loud outdoor music event held at this site last summer that went on until late, and this resulted in there being a gang of approximately 25 youths congregating on Downs Avenue until the early hours of the morning, drinking alcohol, shouting/swearing, playing loud music from their parked cars, and disposing of their litter and smashed bottles until being moved along. Should this application be granted, then this will increase causing further disturbance to local residents and a drain on local Police and council resources.

I also have concerns re: current use of the venue. A large bonfire was held at the venue a few weeks back causing thick choking smoke to drift into Elmstead Lane (including the retirement home), Walden Road, Downs Avenue, and others. I don’t believe the venue acted respectfully and responsibly considering we are currently in the middle of a global pandemic known for its lasting effect on the lungs.

This premises license goes against all of Bromley Council’s licensing objectives: “The prevention of crime and disorder”, “The protection of public safety”, “prevention of public nuisance” and “The protection of children from harm”.

**Litter**

Previous events, like the one mentioned above, caused an increase in litter such as alcohol tins and smashed bottles. The latter of which can cause injury to young children to/from school, elderly residents, and harm local pets and nature.

This premises license goes against Bromley Council's licensing objectives: "The protection of public safety" and "The prevention of public nuisance".

**Restrictive covenants governing the land**

Lastly, a lot of the land in Elmstead Woods and Chislehurst is built upon Religious ground once owned by 'The Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes' and there are historic Restrictive Convents that govern said land.

There are restrictive covenants in our deeds that state that "premises shall not be used for the manufacture, distribution, sale or supply of intoxicating liquors nor for use as a public dance hall". I believe that this application is in contravention of these religious covenants. I have already made The Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes aware of this Premises License Application this matter has been referred to their legal team.

I confirm that I rigorously oppose this application in its current form, and I have set out my points that state why any such music/alcohol venue on the site in question would have a negative impact on crime and disorder, public safety, public nuisance and could cause harm to children, and I trust that this application will be refused in its current form.

266. I am writing on behalf of a number of named residents from the Elmstead Woods area who, like myself, wish to express their disappointment and strong opposition to the further mentioned licence application. Named residents are currently on holiday and as such, they might not be able to write themselves to LBB, however they have entrusted me with this task and therefore I would urge you to count them in and add these residents' names to the already existing list of residents' who raised objections (online) against the said licence.

To be specific, the application we object to, has just been submitted to LB Bromley for a new licence for the sports club on Elmstead Lane. It is for extended times for the sale of retail alcohol and provision of live music entertainment: 20/00311/LAPRE | Premises Licence | Open for Consultation | Chislehurst Sports and Country Club Elmstead Lane Chislehurst BR7 5EL

WE ARE STRONGLY OPPOSED TO THIS APPLICATION ON THE FOLLOWING BASIS:

1. Concerns about crime and disorder and public safety
2. Concerns about noise levels
3. The prevention of public nuisance
4. Safeguarding vulnerable adults and children
5. The overall impact on the local area and residents

Detailed:

In the proximity of this venue, we have a school, a brand-new nursery and a BUPA care home in addition to many families with tens of all ages children. The nature of this business is not compatible with this type of area, this type of environment being far from the ideal for creating a late night and/or weekend events venue.

The area has poor access and it is already overwhelmed by vehicle and pedestrian traffic going to local school/s and Elmstead Woods train station. The area does not have sufficient parking and pavements are not generous being at the minimum standard at best; most sections of the pavement

are less than 1m wide and only on one side of the road. These constraints have made the area unsafe and many road traffic accidents have already taken place on Elmstead Lane under normal traffic conditions. This venue would increase both pedestrian and traffic levels and maximise the risks.

There are no natural barriers; the noise levels, adult music and unacceptable offensive language can and will be heard in an unpleasant manner right across Robin Hill Drive, Wood Drive, Duggan Drive, Bennetts Copse streets.

Google searches would easily reveal that the above streets surrounding the venue, consist of small fairly private and quiet neighbourhoods of residents of various ages and various health vulnerabilities, separated from the venue by only a small and very quiet park-like wooden area; this is in fact, the only natural obstacle.

It is important to note that in direct line, the distance between the venue and residential dwellings on these streets varies from 10 meters to approximately 100 meters. This means that everything that takes place on the sports ground is easily seen and/or heard. It also means that in order to get home or to the only local park residents have no choice but pass by the venue.

Several incidents and complaints have been reported by the residents of Elmstead Woods whenever previous events took place on the sports field, including anti-social behaviour, drugs, drinking, paraphernalia, urinating in public, fighting and at least one car accident; police had often been involved.

It seems that the current licence application, in the name of maximising the profit, does not take into account all of the above concerns, including and especially the safe-guarding of vulnerable adults from the care home and the safe-guarding of local resident children who have to pass by the area every day on the way to local park or their school. Also children who will attend the new nursery and indeed children from the local Babington school (which is practically across the street from the venue).

Furthermore, regarding the safeguarding of children. We suggest that it is impossible to clean up a sports field after events effectively enough to guarantee that children are protected from broken glass or paraphernalia – the new nursery is located on the same grounds and in addition Babington school children are also using the sports ground on a regular basis for a variety of activities.

Just a reminder that the nursery that has just been approved is located in the **same clubhouse** and is being actively marketed with opening times of 7.30AM to 6.30PM.

267. I write to object to the granting of the above application for a license in the terms applied for.

I do so as the locality is a quiet residential area where it would be inappropriate to allow the activities proposed as it is believed that they would constitute a public nuisance and detract from the quiet enjoyment of their homes that local residents are entitled to.

If granted, Bromley's noise pollution officers would, undoubtedly, be required to investigate complaints arising from the playing of music outside until the early hours. What is their response to the application?

The premises are sited on a playing field used by a local school which use could be prejudiced.

Elmstead Lane is ill-served by public transport at the closing times requested and the temptation for some to drive whilst under the influence of alcohol at these times may be hard for them to resist. Perhaps the police could be asked of their views on this?

Chislehurst is well served by licensed premises that are restricted to more reasonable hours of opening. These businesses must have been severely impacted by the response to Covid 19 and it would seem unfair for Bromley to sanction such unrestricted competition to their livelihoods.

In conclusion I believe that the activities proposed to be licensed would have a detrimental impact on the local area and could lead to the committing of crime and the endangering of the public. I ask Bromley to refuse the application

268. We would like to make the following OBJECTION to the above application. Although this submission is from our household, we can confirm that our views are widely held amongst neighbours we have spoken to in Downs Avenue and the surrounding roads.

Downs Avenue is a quiet and peaceful residential road inhabited by a mixture of young families and elderly citizens. The residents have chosen to live here largely because of the safe and peaceful environment.

Our deeds even state that we live on parish grounds and include restrictive covenants which prohibit the sale of alcohol and use of properties as 'dance venues'.

The nature of the above application is completely incompatible with the quiet, peaceful area and its inhabitants, for the following reasons.

#### **Prevent crime & disorder**

The application proposes CCTV on the entrance and exit doors to prevent crime. There are likely to be large gatherings of attendees along Walden Road waiting for taxis, particularly at closing times. Groups are also likely to be walking to and from Elmstead Woods train station (the most likely transport choice, along with taxi). Both of these likely scenarios allow potential for crime and disorder to take place, uncaptured by CCTV, particularly when people are drunk/intoxicated. The likelihood of crime and disorder seems high.

Elmstead Woods, Marvels Wood and the Green Chain Walk are all close by. These are secluded areas which lend themselves to crime and anti-social behaviour, including drug dealing.

#### **Prevent public nuisance**

Music and loud voices emanating from the venue can be clearly heard inside and outside of our property. This was demonstrated during the one-day festivals that have been held over recent years.

Whether the music is played inside or outside it will be clearly heard by those living in surrounding roads and we would consider it a nuisance at all times of the day, even more so at night.

Following these festivals, attendees who were clearly intoxicated have walked up our road (even though it is a no through road) shouting and swearing.

On the assumption and expectation that these were only annual events we have accepted the disturbance without complaint, however we strongly object to this becoming a regular occurrence.

There is a sizable population of elderly residents and a care home close by as well. We would also be particularly concerned about the distress that increased crowds and loud, frequent music would have on their lives.

During the recent one-day events we also saw an increase in littering around Elmstead Lane and Walden Road (predominantly empty bottles and cans) and it is not unreasonable to assume there would be an increase in littering with more regular visitors.

Recently (in July) a large bonfire was lit in the grounds of the venue which created thick, choking smoke that drifted across gardens and into houses in Walden Road and Downs Avenue. This is a demonstration of a lack of consideration shown to local residents by those at the venue. We registered a complaint with the council on the day however we received no response.

### **Protect public safety**

We are concerned about safety from a road traffic perspective. Taxis are likely to be a popular transport choice and it is not unreasonable to assume that the majority of them would drop off and collect by stopping on Elmstead Lane, creating an obstruction on a narrow road, close to a bend. Although nursery customers are likely to use the car park during the day, the same cannot be said for taxi drivers who are not connected to the venue and have no incentive to do so, particularly at busy times.

If driving, attendees are also highly likely to park their cars in the surrounding streets such as Downs Avenue, creating access problems for residents, many of whom are elderly and receive care worker support.

In summary, we strongly object to a licence being granted for music and the sale of alcohol, due to the negative effect on the surrounding area and residents.

269. I would like to object to this license application we are a couple recently moved into .....and the location for events is totally inappropriate based yards from an old people's home and the road and neighbouring roads are not suitable for parking and through traffic. It is also a peaceful and quiet neighbourhood so we can see no reason why anyone would approve such a license

270. I am registering my OBJECTION to the licence application submitted by the Chislehurst Sports & Country Club ([20/00311/LAPRE](#)).

The basis for this objection is that granting this application for these premises will NOT promote the licensing objectives specifically the prevention of crime, disorder & anti social behaviour; and public safety.

The application is seeking extended opening hours for the sale of alcohol and the performance of live music both inside and outside of the premises. For some days the application is until 2 and 3.30am. For the months of July, August & December the application is until 1am.

Elmstead Lane and surrounding area (including Beaconsfield road and other roads on the Mottingham estate) is a residential area. Many residents have young families. The application is totally unsuitable for a residential area. The granting of the application will cause significant problems for the residents of Elmstead Lane and the surrounding areas. It would also lead to more traffic problems on what is already a busy road (and bus route) thereby affecting the wider community too.

Specifically I make the following comments :

1) Public safety -

There is significant documented evidence between alcohol consumption and aggression. Extending licensing hours therefore significantly increases the risk of public safety issues such as antisocial, threatening behaviour. As the Sports club is situated on a residential road where many families with young children or elderly residents live the increased risk is not acceptable.

There is nothing in the application which provides any comfort that the risks would be adequately managed.

Elmstead Lane is already a busy residential road and forms part of the 314 bus route. A number of accidents have occurred in the road which have resulted in very serious injury and, in two cases death. Increased traffic will arise if the licence is granted increasing the risk to public safety.

The Sports Club car park is small and insufficient to accommodate the numbers proposed in the licence. This will lead to increased parking in Elmstead Lane and surrounding roads increasing the risk to public safety.

Access to the Sports Club car park is limited to one gate and situated at a narrow part of Elmstead Lane just past the "blind" hill bend. Increased traffic and parking in the vicinity (that will arise if the application is granted) will therefore increase the risk to public safety.

The noise & disturbance caused by previous events displayed a lack of concern for residents' safety. There is nothing in the current application to suggest that the safety of local residents would be priority.

2) The prevention of public nuisance.

There have been other events held at the Sports Club which have resulted in acts of public nuisance by users of the club during the event. Examples include: the obstruction of traffic in Elmstead Lane; residents' drives being blocked by cars; damage to residents' property; significant noise & disturbance; threatening behaviour; obscene behaviour; drug taking; music louder than permitted levels; litter; people urinating & vomiting. Extended licensing hours increases the risk of this anti social behaviour. The licensee had inadequate provisions in place to prevent or stop these events previously and there is nothing in the new application to suggest that these issues would not reoccur.

3) The prevention of crime & disorder.

As mentioned above in (2) during previous events fights; drug taking; threatening and abusive behaviour; obscene behaviour; criminal damage by users of the club have affected local residents . Extended licensing hours increases the risk of this antisocial behaviour. The licensee had inadequate provisions in place previously and there is nothing in the application to adequately prevent them reoccurring.

My personal experiences from an event held at the club was not pleasant. Attendance at the event was high. Cars were parked on both sides of the whole length of Elmstead Lane and surrounding roads ( including Beaconsfield road & other roads on the Mottingham estate) causing serious risk and obstruction to all residents and other road users. The venue's car parking stewards did nothing to stop this. Illegal parking meant our driveway was blocked for long periods and requests of the vehicle owners and the stewards to move the vehicles were met with hostility.

The music exceeded permitted levels and disturbed residents not only in the immediate vicinity but also in Beaconsfield road some distance away. Requests to reduce the noise were met with hostility.

There were episodes of disgusting behaviour including drug taking (evidenced by a large number of silver capsules of nitrous oxide thrown into residents gardens and the road side); fights; people urinating and or vomiting in gardens; verbal abuse; threatening behaviour; foul language. The police had to get involved. Polite requests to be more considerate for residents were met with hostility and abuse. It was an upsetting experience and one which I am concerned would be repeated on a frequent basis should this application be granted.

As a long standing Bromley resident & council tax payer I urge the committee to take my comments into account by rejecting the application

271. I wish to object to the Council giving their approval to the Above Application.

I hope the Council will take a long, hard look at the above Application for a change in Licensing at the above location.

The location of the Club house is adjacent to Elmstead Lane, a busy and narrow road, already accommodating both cars and bus route on both sides of the road.

The houses opposite are close to the club house and any extra noise late at night will have a detrimental effect on the neighbourhood. Live Music in the Open Air Travels much further than just over the road - and can be heard as far away as for example: The Recreation Ground in Walden Road.

All of the above plus the small car park area within the grounds would mean an overflow of cars onto the road. during late night hours and It is already a dangerous entry and exit to/and from the car park.

Points: 2, 3 and 5 should be carefully examined when considering approval for this Application.

272. I am writing with regards to the application that has been submitted for a licence for the sports club on Elmstead Lane.

I have read the application in detail online and I object to this being approved.

This is a peaceful, residential area and I cannot understand why this application is even being considered.

My elderly parents live directly opposite this sports club. My father has medical conditions and has had a stroke. Stroke victims simply cannot cope with loud noise and disruption like this. This is not fair on my parents who have lived in this house for many, many years now and are feeling like they are going to be forced out of the area because of what is happening with this sports club.

The timings set out in this application for the licence are absurd with music events on the grass and patio from May to September every weekend both Saturdays and Sundays with additional days included meaning that on these days the music can continue up to 2:00am and even 3:30am on New Years Eve. Elmstead Lane has predominantly elderly residents, this cannot be deemed acceptable. There is even a nursing home on this road!

The application is basically seeking to turn the venue into a bar/club is it not?

The applicant says he will report any incidents to the police and install CCTV, this does not prevent any criminal activity from occurring and the fact that there is a request for an alcohol licence (on many occasions serving until the early hours of the morning) just provides more opportunity for fights, loud noise and disruption to the neighbouring houses.

In regards to prevention of public nuisance the applicant suggests that all customers will be asked to leave quietly and notices will be put up. Again this will be pointless. Drunk customers will not always leave quietly and will no doubt pay absolutely no attention to these requests and signs. Especially if they have been drinking in the premises until the early hours.

In terms of protecting children from harm - the applicant mentions using Connexions cards as a proof of ID. A Connexions card is not a valid, official form of ID and should in no way be relied upon as a proof of age or identity.

The impact on the local area and residents will be disastrous. My parents will not be the only people who feel they will need to move out of the area if this application is accepted and quite frankly I do not believe that my father is even well enough to be able to cope with moving! You have the possibility of mess and destruction to property and local natural beauty from drunk people leaving the area and littering or loitering after closing time.

There have been issues with past events at this venue, people parking up on grass verges, blocking driveways and causing congestion. People leaving the premises in an extremely noisy, intimidating, drunk manner. Drunk and disorderly people vomiting and littering after events. It was only last summer that there was a sea of drunk people stumbling around after an event that was supposedly a daytime event aimed at families! The noise was so loud that my parents' windows were shaking and I had to go and collect them to get them out of the area because my father was becoming so distressed by it all. How is this fair? I am also a local resident living in Walden Avenue and on this particular occasion mentioned above I could even hear the music from my house! Previous events at this venue have not been successful in not causing disruption to neighbouring residents so how can this be any different ?!

You only have to look at the likes of places like Metro Bar that was in Sidcup to know the types of crowds a place like this will attract and if I'm not mistaken there were stabbings and a murder of a teenager at Metro Bar!

The venue has already had an application for a nursery approved. How can the area be kept safe and suitable for children if there is a bar serving alcohol until all hours on the premises. This makes no sense.

I plead with you that you do not approve this application for the reasons mentioned above.

273. We object in the strongest terms to this application. Less than 0.1% of the site by area comprises indoor accommodation. This is almost wholly an application for licence to play live and recorded music and serve alcohol outdoors on a huge site 7 days a week at hours from midday to 3.30am at times. This would be wholly inappropriate in this quiet, residential suburb at any time.

Our objections relate to the following " Licensing objectives":

- **CRIME AND DISORDER**

1. As stated in LBB Statement of Licensing Policy 2016-2021, "Licensed premises, especially those offering late night/ early morning entertainment, alcohol and refreshment, can be a source of crime and disorder, " eg drug-taking and dealing, aggressive and anti-social behaviour, violence, criminal damage to neighbouring properties. This application offers late night/early morning entertainment and alcohol on a 10 acre outdoor site –big enough to accommodate huge numbers of people.

2. Access and dispersal issues. The site does not have easy transport links:

- a)Train access-the nearest train service does not operate late enough to transport customers at the end of many of the proposed evenings.

b)Car access/parking -Elmstead Lane is a busy and congested road already . The car park only advertises 31 spaces with limited on road parking. This will increase congestion and traffic.

c)Pedestrian access-Elmstead Lane does not even have a pavement on both sides for much of its length

Large congregations of people will be unavoidable resulting in increased likelihood of disorder issues eg those listed in 1. above.

- PUBLIC NUISANCE

1. Noise disturbance. Any level of noise audible to people outside the site is unacceptable. Noise must not cause or be likely to cause a statutory or public nuisance. The application requests permission to play live or recorded music outside, in the “communal areas on the site” ie 10 acres of it. Opening hours will be every evening 7-11pm or later and at weekends all day from midday. In particular, there will be the right to play audible music outside every single Saturday and Sunday in May, June, July, August and September potentially affecting enjoyment of our gardens in peace and quiet at the weekend for 5 months of the year to say nothing of the impact on the sleep of 100s of adults and children alike! In addition, there are 6 planned dates when the noise will not stop until 1.30am, 2am and even 3.30am!

2. Neighbourhood-There are 100s of “sensitive” properties in the vicinity of the site: residential dwellings, 2 schools (Babington House and Castlecombe), a place of worship (Elmstead Woods Baptist Church on Elmstead Lane) and a residential care home (Elmstead Care Home at 104 Elmstead Lane). There will even be a nursery in the tiny part of the site occupied by a building.

3. Nature of venue-less than 0.1% of this site comprises a building. Outside areas including marquees should never be used for noise-producing activities by patrons after dark. Even in daylight hours, the impact of noise is intolerable.

4. Dispersal issues-see above (Crime and Disorder)

- PROTECTION OF CHILDREN FROM HARM

Pink Elephants Nursery website states:” Opening September 2020, our Ofsted approved Chislehurst site is based on Elmstead Lane, in the lovely Chislehurst Sports and Country Club. We will be offering full wrap around care from 7.30am-6.30pm, 51 weeks of the year. Set in several acres of land, the setting will be split over two floors providing care for ages 3 months to 5 years. Children will have the opportunity to explore and enjoy these fantastic grounds and a forest school will be coming in 2021 to enhance the children’s learning experience. Also, nearby school, Babington House, claims the sports fields as theirs.

The licence application intends that the nursery will operate in a nightclub-premises environment with the nursery children arriving sometimes within 4 hours of the end of the previous night’s alcohol and music event and departing ½ hour before the customers arrive for the next and the school children arriving to use the site thereafter. This allows 4 hours of darkness to check a 10 acre site for debris or other items creating child protection issues eg glass, alcohol, drugs etc.

- OTHER MATTERS

i)The impact on the local area and residents: This site used to be the Granby Sports Club which was maintained for use by corporate staff of United Friendly and then Royal London. Any use of the club house was ancillary to use of the sports facilities and the resident groundsman was very conscious of the need to maintain good relationships with neighbours. Following sale of the site, licence and planning applications still respected the location within a quiet suburb eg a 2004 application which expressly stated that there would be no evening and weekend events. This application would have a huge impact on the local area and residents-see above re Crime and Disorder, Public nuisance including noise and Protection of Children.

ii)The LBB Statement of Licensing Policy 2016-2021 requires “accurate and transparent descriptions.” Although the application describes the site as incorporating 10 acres of sports playing fields and tennis courts for private use, the sports playing fields are now stated on Babington House School’s website to be theirs and the tennis courts are in ruins. It also omits reference to the day nursery.

## CONCLUSION

The grant of this application would have an unacceptable direct impact on members of the public living, working or engaged in normal activity in this area. I urge you to perform your legal duties to reducing crime and disorder and the fear of crime and protect and maintain our environment so that residents, visitors and other businesses can enjoy the opportunities for living, visiting and working within this part of the borough safely and free from nuisance. Reject this application in order to secure our safety and the amenity of the quiet suburb in which we have chosen to live; to recognise and protect the need of the residents for a safe and healthy environment.

There is a place and a demand for venues for drinking and enjoyment of music but locating these in the middle of a residential area where 100s if not 1000s of people have to suffer the effects of alcohol, noise, resultant crime etc in entirely inappropriate.

274. We are very concerned about the impact of this application should it be successful.

We have experienced issues with the club and both loud music and antisocial behaviour since 2017. We are certain this license should it be granted would have an extremely detrimental impact on local neighbourhood and surrounding roads. We have previously raised the issues with both Noise Abatement and the Public Nuisance Health teams.

We have set out our objections in relation to two categories below:

### **Prevention of public nuisance: hours of operation, noise emanating from the premises, vibrations, lighting and litter.**

In the past years the events have been extremely loud and could be heard from the front and back gardens of our house, and inside with the windows closed. The venue is in the middle of a quiet residential area and its purpose is to provide sporting facilities including football pitches (and also now a nursery). The music played at events contained swearing which could be heard by young children and was completely unacceptable.

I am able to provide specific dates and examples of previous issues with noise, hours of operation and litter in relation to events by this applicant. They have also been recorded by the Public Health Nuisance Team.

Notwithstanding our past experiences of the sports club it is totally unreasonable for events to be held, both inside and outside, playing music and providing alcohol every day of the week until 11pm, all day Saturday and Sunday, and until 1am, 2am and 3:30am on other days. The applicant essentially intends to open a night club in a quiet residential area, with two care homes (Elmstead Care Home and Helping Hands Bromley) in close proximity. I cannot stress how detrimental and unpleasant this will make living in the surrounding roads.

**The prevention of crime and disorder. This relates to any crime, disorder or anti-social behaviour at the premises or related to the management of the premises.**

We are also very worried about the public nuisance aspect of these events, and the health and safety of the local residents. Previously people attending the event were heard shouting and drinking alcohol in the street. I refer again to the music played with excessive swearing which could be heard in my garden both inside and outside of my house.

I am able to provide specific dates and examples of previous issues with disorder and antisocial behaviour in relation to events by this applicant.

The venue and the organisers have proven that they are unwilling to listen to the local residents and take their feelings and living environment into consideration despite past complaints.

In addition to the above I want to raise the problem of traffic issues in connection with the events/venue. We already have heavy traffic congestion on the very busy Elmstead Lane with Elmstead Woods train station, the main route from Bromley to the A20, Babington House School and now a nursery at the same site as the Sports Club.

There is no appetite or demand in this part of Chislehurst for what is being proposed.

275. I wish to object to the extension of licensing hours and provision of live music.

I see no reason for them to be extended at all.

The reasons for this are as follows:

1. Prevention of crime & disorder

Increasing opening hours will attract people to consume excessive amounts of alcohol past normal licensing hours. Public transport does not run after midnight. So visitors to venue will either be left to walk home or wait outside for taxis. This will in variable lead to disorder, noise disturbance and public nuisance. As well as having drunken people wandering outside with no public toilet facilities in the nearby area.

Local policing is stretched. Chislehurst police station closed a number of years ago. Will policing resources be be able to cope with extra demand from this venue? How will this venue assist police to keep residents safe from public nuisance?

## 2. Public safety

Will venue be able to offer sufficient parking? Small capacity at present will lead to parking on Elmstead Lane. Elmstead lane parking is dangerous at best. Cars parked on road regularly lose wing mirrors as drivers misjudged space and speed they are travelling at. There are no adequate road calming measures or pedestrian road crossing facilities. Which makes crossing road very dangerous. Multiple fatalities have occurred on this road involving pedestrians.

## 3. The prevention of public nuisance

Noise - The large open space of the playing fields amplifies the music generated from the venue. The noise from the venue at present is exceptionally loud.

Many of the residents around the venue are working families. Extending the licensing hours during the working and school week will affect the residents ability to sleep. Especially schoolchildren. Music and noise generated from the venue during the day events is excessive. This would cause even greater stress on residents / families if it was extended into the late evening / morning.

Light nuisance - Residents could be effected by excessive levels of light coming from the venue. Such as flashing lights and laser shows. How will this be restricted and/or managed?

Litter - No litter facilities on either side of road adjacent or at venue. This will lead to anti social behaviour and extra work for residents having to clear up after events.

Drunks - Wandering outside the venue after it has closed. How will residents be protected from public nuisance by the venue. What assurance or commitment can the venue or licencing authority give us?

## 4. Protection of children from harm

Already mentioned but will reiterate - excessive noise generated from open space venue will effect children's sleep. The noise generated at present is incredible loud. An extension to the time this could go on for would not be welcomed at all.

## 5. The impact on the local area and residents

Consultation - It appears that only residents adjoining the venue are being consulted.

Residents who will be affected by the noise in the immediate area e.g. Downs Avenue have not received consultation paperwork or been offered a chance to comment.

Pavements - pavements and facilities (barriers) in a poor state of repair around venue.

Potholes, poor paving work, inadequate pedestrian crossing facilities and barriers not fit for purpose. Increase in footfall will degrade further. Are facilities safe for a venue?

## 6. Any other issues

How can a nursery be combined with an events venue? Presumably there will be alcohol and smoking taking place at the venue. How would the venue clean and prep before nursery starts at 07:30 in the morning. How will the outside of the venue, which children will have to walk through, be deep cleaned? This would have to take place between 12:00 and 07:30 which will, for the most part, be in the complete dark.

How can this clean be guaranteed especially in light of the existing issues with covid-19?

276. It is with disbelief to find that Chislehurst Sport and Country Club has applied for a licence for live music and alcohol for every night until late.

The area is purely residential, with young families and older residents including a care home opposite the venue.

Noise pollution would be unacceptable. The increase in cars would cause noise, pollution and traffic problems with disturbance to residents.

A nursery is set to open - how are a nursery and nightclub compatible. The litter will be hazardous to the children, with the possibility of bottles and needles scattered in the car park.

Please take the residents objections seriously when looking at this applications. It simply isn't acceptable

277. I am writing to you with respect to the planning application that has been brought in order to turn the clubhouse at the playing fields on Elmstead Lane into a licensed premises. I will make my position clear from the outset and then set out the reasons for this in the remainder of the letter but **myself any my husband are strongly opposed to the application and would like for it to be rejected.**

There are many reasons for my strong view on this application and I will touch on all of them in this letter but the primary reason is simply that Elmstead Lane and it's surrounding roads are a quiet residential area that does not require nor want licensed premises (this should be clear from the fact that there is not a single licensed premises within 1 mile of the sports ground where the application has been made). In fact one of the closest licensed premises (I exclude restaurants from this definition) serving alcohol primarily is the Gordon Arms pub just behind Chislehurst High St where we have seen just this weekend the unsavoury events that took place with multiple stabbings and a young gentleman needlessly killed by the alleged perpetrators trying to flee the scene. The thought of increasing the risk of this sort of behaviour in a residential area populated by families is nothing short of frightening. Crime and disorder as whole would be a far greater risk for local residents as a result of this application but it is the violent elements of crime that concern me greatly and I would hope the council would not knowingly expose it residents to such increased risk.

As a consequence of the lack of desire or need of local residents wanting a licensed premises in the area this will most likely mean that the users of the premises, should it be granted, would be coming from outside the local vicinity and probably goes someway to explaining why the application has been made by Mr Franklin who does not even reside in the borough. This brings with it a fresh set of challenges and further questions and concerns as to the type of individual who would be frequenting the premises as it will not be local residents and just as important how those individuals will get to and from the premises. Elmstead Lane is a busy road at all times of the day as it provides the main link to and from the station and is one of the main connecting points for Chislehurst, Bromley and Mottingham as well being the main route to the A20 for a large number of people. The road just above the mini roundabout is already somewhat of a slalom run on the best of days with cars parked either side and when buses are on either side of the road is nearly impassable so to exacerbate this problem late into the evening is naïve at best and at worst negligent.

When you add alcohol into the above mix then that recipe becomes even more combustible as you will have people leaving the premises late in the evening and based on the opening hours in the application (I will come to that later) the early hours of the morning and it's fair to say a number of these will not be in full use of their senses which puts the risk to both themselves and drivers on this busy road at a significant risk and in my opinion is not a risk that should be taken. I also worry greatly that people will be severely tempted to drive home after a

“couple of drinks” due to the fact they don’t live locally, Elmstead Woods does not operate trains beyond Midnight on most days, Burlington cars who are the local taxi company at the station do not operate beyond Midnight most nights, I could go on.

I also take note that the application makes reference to music events on the grounds which is only going to add further to the noise disturbance the premises will cause but more worrying for myself is the types of activity that can occur at such events. I am referring here to the use of recreational drugs, smoking and littering all of which are at far greater risk of happening at an outside venue which is far harder to police and control. Aside from the illegality and the damage this will do to the grounds themselves what is fundamentally important is that these grounds are used as the playing fields for Babington House school and as of Sep this year a nursery will open on the same site. These grounds will have children openly running round having fun (in-keeping with the very fabric of the area) and despite all the assurances that the applicant will no doubt be making there is a huge risk (in my opinion) that one of these children falls over and is cut by stray rubbish not picked up or god forbid is pricked by a needle left behind by a recreational drug user who attended an event. I appreciate this might sound alarmist but we can’t bury our heads in the sand and say this isn’t a risk because it is and it is a very real risk and it is one that cannot be taken lightly. Protecting the youngest and most vulnerable (there is a BUPA care home pretty much opposite the playing fields) in society is an obligation in my opinion that should be bestowed upon everyone.

Finally the opening hours that have been requested are simply unacceptable for the location even without all of the issues I have listed above. Midnight every Fri & Sat save for Jul & Aug where it would be 1am and Dec 1:30am, 11pm every Sun, Bank Holidays until 1:30-2am and other specific dates throughout the year until the early hours of the morning. This is a playing fields bordering residential streets and a care home not a nightclub in the heart of Bromley and I simply cannot see how opening hours such as this are befitting of the location it occupies.

My family and I have spent 40 happy years as residents of Elmstead Lane and have always supported local businesses in that time such as the shops on Walden Road, Burlington Cars at the station and our children even went to Babington House school so the area is very much part of us and that is why I feel so strongly that this application is not appropriate for the area and should therefore be rejected.

If this application is still to be considered despite local objections then I would expect a public meeting to be held in much the same way as it was for the Bullers Wood Boys School whereby councillors got to hear directly from local residents as to why they object so strongly.

I thank you for your time and allowing me to share my thoughts and would be more than willing to discuss in detail directly with you or your colleagues any of the points raised

278. We are against the issue of a Premises Licence at the above address for the following reasons:

1. Public Safety: during events at the Premises, too many cars park along Elmstead Lane causing a narrowing of the road making passing in vehicles & pedestrian crossing difficult & dangerous.

2. Prevention of Public Nuisance: we are already frequently disturbed by loud music during events at the Premises & events are sometimes concluded with fireworks later at night that cause further disturbance of peace. The surrounding roads, in which we reside, suffer from nuisance parking by those attending the events. Further nuisance is caused when the people return to their cars in high spirits late at night.

3. Impact on Local Area Residents: see 1 and 2.

4. Issues With Previous Events: see 1 and 2.

Loud music will be a nuisance for extended times, every weekend & when one is most likely to want to enjoy the peace in their garden or when they have their windows open to cool down whilst attempting to sleep at night

279. You will no doubt be aware of the license application at Chislehurst Sports & Country Club in Elmstead Lane.

My family and I are really concerned about this - this venue is right in the heart of our purely residential area (including a care home) and will make life here unbearable. We have already experienced the unpleasant impact of occasional events at this venue which include profound noise pollution, late night anti-social behaviour as revellers leave and make their way to either the train station or their cars - many of which have been parked inappropriately along Elmstead Lane overhanging driveways and reducing the width of the road and pavements for both cars and pedestrians.

There has always been empty alcohol bottles and cans as well as small silver canisters left strewn along our road, along with other associated rubbish.

In the past there has been a combination of live and recorded music played at the venue which has made it impossible for us to sit in our garden, open any windows or even sit indoors to watch TV. We have had to leave our home to escape the incessant loud music only to return later in the evening and then not be able to sleep as a result of very loud music and shouting and screaming from party goers outside our home.

Elmstead Lane is entirely unsuitable for this type of venue - even on an occasional basis, but I understand that the current application is to make this a permanent fixture which I wish to register my objection to with you in the strongest possible terms please

280. As local residents we are strongly opposed to the above application, on the following grounds

2. Drug traffickers operating in the local area will be drawn to this site, creating violence and law and order issues as has been the case in many local pubs and clubs in the past. (viz recent stabbings and murder Gordon Arms, Green Lane Chislehurst)
7. Threat to public safety,
8. Noise nuisance throughout the local area
9. Disruption to children's sleep
10. Alcohol-fuelled, undesirable characters will be drawn to the area, wandering around the area late at night – risk of increase to burglaries/ sexual assaults

11. Loud music from past events at this site carries to our home, even through closed windows causing considerable nuisance. We object to this disruption to our family and invited guests particularly during Public holidays when family gathering take place

Chislehurst is recognised as a safe, quiet and peaceful suburban locality, which are the principal reasons that have attracted families to the area.

This type of activity runs contrary to those values, and would have a direct and immediate negative impact on our enjoyment and sense of security and well-being.

If Bromley Council do not reject this application, it would be a betrayal both to the council tax-paying, good people of the area and to the very reasons they have chosen to live here in the first place.

281. I am writing to you to object about the licencing application ref: 20/00311/LAPRE at the Chislehurst Sports & Country Club on Elmstead Lane.

Our objections are as follows:

#### Noise Disturbance

Live and recorded music outside will cause a noise disturbance in a residential area. Previous events on the site e.g. "Summer Luv", resulted in residents enduring high base noise throughout the days leading up to the event and the event itself.

The application is for outside music, from May to September from 12:00 to midnight on Saturdays and to 23:00 on Sundays, which will result in significant noise disturbance during summer evenings, especially when residents' windows are likely to be open.

In addition, music played indoors during the summer, which can be played until 23:00 is likely to have an impact (albeit much lower than outdoor events) when patio doors/windows at the venue are likely to be open.

#### Parking and traffic

There is limited parking on site and parking on Elmstead Lane is already limited. Before the lockdown, on most working days the limited on street parking is already being fully utilised by residents.

This is stretched further by people using Elmstead Woods station which is used after the parking restrictions in the afternoon.

Elmstead Lane is not wide enough for parked cars and traffic to flow in both directions. During evenings until 8pm, before the lockdown, traffic regularly tailed back down from the traffic lights between Elmstead Lane and William Barefoot Drive, past the sports club to Elmstead Woods station. This could extend further back, especially when raining, to Sundridge Avenue and the junction with Romney Drive.

#### Public Nuisance:

There is limited public transport late at night. The last train into London on a Saturday from Elmstead Woods is 23:58.

The last 314 bus, which has limited capacity, is at 00:38. The nearest bus stop is a request stop outside residential houses and would normally only have a handful of people waiting for the bus. Larger crowds are likely to encroach on private property or onto the road.

Any opening beyond 23:30 will most likely require the provision of taxis/cabs, creating a lot of noise and traffic. This will be particularly relevant for applications for the non-standard opening times, which extend openings to 01:50am-3:50am

#### Opening Hours

The extended opening hours - this is a sport club not a bar - lead to further concerns about impact of noise both music and pedestrian at very late hours of the night and early hours of the morning these are not conducive to the residential neighbourhood that the Sports club is located. If openings were restricted to 23.00 as the latest time with a music cut off at 22.30 implemented, this would greatly reduce the risk of noise pollution to the residents.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss the above further, please do let me know. I did try to submit my comments online however there seems to be some issues with the system.

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283. I am a resident of Chislehurst. It has come to my attention that an application for a new license for the sports club on Elmstead Lane for extended times for the sale of retail alcohol and the provision of regulated/live music entertainment, has been made.

I would like to inform- you that I strongly object to this application on many levels of which I will explain:

Crime and disorder I believe will rise due to many people frequenting these premises, bringing with it anti-social behavior fueled by drinks and drugs. There is an alleyway that leads from Elmstead Lane into Downs Ave and a green chain walk way behind my property, where it could possibly become a urinal and possible selling point for drugs as well as other anti-social behavior like fighting and increased noise pollution from people using the alleyway and green chain walk as an exit home.

Public safety will be a risk, not just from anti-social behavior, but from increased traffic congestion from people driving to the resort or using taxis etc...increasing the likelihood of traffic accidents.

Public nuisance from anti-social behavior, increased levels in noise pollution in the surrounding residential area and due to the influx of more people intoxicated could lead to harmful effects to the young people (and children) that live in the surrounding area.

These issues alone will impact on the local area and residents like myself would be greatly affected and at a time where we have a national pandemic that could spike and rise at any time in the Chislehurst/Bromley area - to now invite possibly hundreds of people to come into the area for drinking and the lack of social distancing that would emanate from this would be a recipe for disaster to the local area, so again I strongly object to this application

284. Please note that we, residents of ..... would like to object to provision of licence to Chislehurst Sports Club (CSC) to play live music and sell alcoholic drinks. Elmstead Lane and nearby area is populated by elderly residents and families with children who go to nearby schools. We have two school age children, the youngest of them is 10 years old and needs to be in bed by 20:00. So, having live music until 23:00 will cause noise pollution. This is probably a similar concern for the care home for the elderly on Elmstead Lane just across the street from CSC.

There are no sufficient public spaces in the area adjacent to the CSC and inevitably the visitors to the entertainment place will find themselves in the nearest woods and the residence area. This will cause

public nuisance to the residents across the street and has a potential of negatively affecting the safety and security of the nearby residents and property.

The woods next door to CSC is used by residents for walks with children and dogs. There are no CCTV cameras there and this could turn into a breeding ground for crime and substance abuse at night time.

Please do not grant a requested license to CSC for the reasons above.

285. I am writing to oppose the application for a new licence for the sports club on Elmstead Lane.

1. The sports club lies in the middle of a peaceful residential area. Extended drinking hours will attract more guests to the club and increase the likelihood of both disorderly and criminal behaviour especially in the weeks before Christmas. Allowing guests to drink until 2.00am or 3.30am is reckless and completely unnecessary. Chislehurst High Street already has a good range of pubs and bars to choose from and are better suited to cater for live music and extended drinking hours. These places are in safer areas and are known to police.
2. As is well-known, Elmstead Lane is a dangerous road. It is relatively narrow and carries a high volume of traffic. Sadly, there have been serious accidents very close to the sports centre as a result of vehicles being driven too fast in the evening and night. The traffic calming measures are not effective. Additional numbers of people using the sports centre at night will simply add to the traffic problems on Elmstead Lane. There is also a very real danger of revellers getting into cars late at night and in no fit state to drive.

There is also a proposed provision for outside live music from May through to September. This is completely unacceptable. This part of Chislehurst is residential, it is completely wrong to subject local residents to live music every weekend for 5 months of the year. Furthermore, the sound of the music will carry at night and will be heard by residents as far away as Yester Road and Lodge Hill. This happened a few years ago when there was an event at the sports club in the summer. We could hear the music as well as the guests singing and shouting until 3am

286. I write to strongly object to the promised License request for Chislehurst Sports and Country Club of Elmstead Lane.

Our objection is based on concern of the likelihood of a significant increase in public nuisance, crime and disorder and hence out of concern for public safety.

The premise is located on a large school playing field and it is entirely unrealistic to think that those attending the premise will confine themselves to the building and proposed patio area given the open nature of the site. Moreover local residents, including ourselves, can confirm that this openness of the site will also mean that any noise coming from the premise will impact all of the surrounding area given the contour of the area.

We are fortunate to have excellent schools in the area and hence the neighbourhood is full of young

families - the proposal of premise serving alcohol with live music both indoors and outdoors is totally at odds with the pre-existing user of commercial or residential properties anywhere close to the site.

As you will I am sure be aware the highest concentration of Anti Social Behavior and Violent offences in the Mottingham and Chislehurst North boundary area is concentrated to the south in the Kimmeridge Road to Castlecombe Road area.

Providing a premise that vends alcohol and likely a focal point would seem to be ad direct odds with the Licensing Act objectives of prevention of crime and nuisance and prevention of crime and disorder specifically given it is focused on operating between 1900 and 2300 weekdays and 1900 and 0000 at weekends.

If the premise was truly to be operating as a Sports and Country Club given that it sits on a very large sports field it would seem more appropriate that it invested in the sport element and that any license to vend alcohol only be granted after a period of demonstration that it was providing a public good of a genuine recreational facility in a purely residential location.

287. We wish to object to the above mentioned application for a change in licensing please.

Elmstead Lane is a busy and narrow road with a history of car accidents. There are cars and busses travelling on the road at a significant frequency, often at quite a speed. To increase this traffic late at night would have an impact on public safety, particularly in an area inhabited by children and over 60s.

This is a quiet family friendly area- it is not the centre of a town or somewhere with pubs or many shops in the locality. It is largely residential, with a school for young children. It is not appropriate to have a sports club serving alcohol and playing loud music on a busy road in this area regularly until midnight and sometimes 2am. It will likely result in an increase of crime/public nuisance in the area and will jeopardise the safety of children and the general public in the area.

Additionally, if music is played it will carry. This will have a serious detrimental impact on the local residents which are primarily families and over 60s. We understand that this is known to residents from previous experience.

Finally, the car park is small with a single entrance and exit. There would be an overflow of cars onto the road during late night hours. We are all aware that this road has a dangerous history- please do not allow this to be exacerbated/increased.

We urge you to reject this application and strongly object to the same

288. I would like to object to the following licensing application:

20/00311/LAPRE | Premises Licence | Open for Consultation | Chislehurst Sports And Country Club Elmstead Lane Chislehurst BR7 5EL

This application requests alcohol and music licensing (outdoors and indoors) until late hours and I believe the hours that this will be available will cause considerable disruption and harm to the neighbourhood that I live in.

This is a residential area with no other alcohol or music venues and past events on this site have resulted in very loud music outside until late hours resulting in my children and other neighbouring children being unable to sleep. I believe that this happening every weekend during the summer months will cause harm to all the children in the area from noise pollution and lack of sleep.

The provision of regular alcohol and loud music will result in a public nuisance with additional litter and vomit in the area with the risk of glass being left in the surrounding streets causing an additional risk to children. The fact that there is a children's nursery in the same building could risk harm to those children that are frequenting the premises and playing on the field.

There has recently been an issue with anti-social behaviour with gang members frequenting the area and filming drill videos resulting the police issuing a section 35 dispersal zone to tackle the recent issues of crime and disorder. CAD Ref - 2202/14AUG20

The addition of a late-night alcohol and music venue in the area could encourage more gang members to the area and could increase the crime and disorder that is currently being experienced in this residential area.

I request that you don't make my details public

289. This application is for a premises licence to permit the playing of live music and recorded music, and for the supply of alcohol. It is proposed that the performance of live music and of recorded music may take place both indoors and outdoors (in the bar, function room and communal areas on the site).

The application is accompanied by plans of the 'Clubhouse' building that are not helpful in assessing where the performance of indoors music might be played. Moreover, what is missing is an up-to-date acoustic survey of the building to ensure that the fabric of the building is suitably sound-proofed to prevent unreasonable levels of noise to spill out from the building to cause a nuisance to surrounding residential areas. The 'age' of the club house building suggests that a detailed programme of sound proofing would be required.

Also, there is no clear description of where outdoors the live or recorded music is intended to be played. What does 'communal areas of the site' mean? It is difficult to envisage an acoustic survey and soundproofing for outside venues! Therefore the prospect of loud music being a public nuisance should be considered

It is noted the applicant is seeking a licence for the performance of live and recorded music (indoors and outdoors) for specified *standard time periods* and *seasonable variations*: summarised below

***Standard time periods***

Mon/Tue/Wed/Thurs: from 19.00 to 23.00hrs

Fri: 19.00 to 00.00hrs (midnight)

Sat: 12.00hrs noon to 00.00hrs (midnight)

Sun: 12hrs noon to 23.00hrs.

During the period ***May to September*** the performance of **live music** would take place **on the patio and grass area.**

**Additional late-night extensions** are sought for the Halloween weekend, Christmas Eve, Boxing Day, New Years' Eve, Valentines weekend and the May Bank Holiday weekend. It appears that the applicant is seeking various late-night extensions ranging from 01.30am to 03.30am.

### **Assessment of proposed licence**

The application provides no assurance that the existing building is appropriately soundproof to ensure that musical performances, whether live or recorded, would not cause unacceptable levels of noise that would adversely impact on the character and amenity of the surrounding residential area and nearby woodlands.

The application provides no assurance as to how the noise of outdoor live/recorded music would be attenuated. Given the information within the application, the amenity of residents in the surrounding housing community appears not have been considered. In the absence of such assurance the application for outdoor music should be refused.

This application is for a premises licence under the Licensing Act 2003 that would start 15 August 2020 and would appear to be valid for an unlimited period. This **cannot be appropriate** given the scale of the proposed programme and the **significant number of live or recorded musical events, inside or outside, that may finish between 01.30am and 03.30am**.

The scale of the potential music programme may be appropriate for a commercial music venue located in a commercial area. **But it is not appropriate for a sports and country club in suburbia**.

If the Council was minded to grant a licence we strongly argue that it be for one year only and conditional that within the first year of operation the disturbance and noise nuisance caused for residents in the local area be formally monitored and researched.

The specification and management of the research should be submitted by the applicant to the Council for agreement prior to the commencement of the licence. Views of residents should be part of the evaluation.

### **Traffic implications**

The application does not consider the traffic implications of expanding the music/alcohol attraction within the Sports Club.

The site is suburban. There is a nearby railway station and bus services along Elmstead Lane. Public transport is unlikely to be the principal mode of transport to the Sports Club activities. Private cars or cabs would prevail.

The existing carpark is modest. Additional on-site parking may be available by using the adjoining grass playing fields; but this is not considered within the application?

There is only one entrance/exit to the site located at the north end of the carpark. It is unlikely that two cars could use the entrance at the same time, i.e. one leaving at the same time as another is entering. At busy times it is probable that there will be some queuing in the car park waiting to leave, while other cars are queuing in Elmstead Lane waiting to turn in to the carpark entrance.

Currently, for cars leaving the carpark the sightlines to both the south and north are poor. To the south, visibility is interrupted by transmitter equipment and cabinets along the grass verge between the road and pavement. A high monopole and new large cabinets are installed on the grass verge immediately to the north of the carpark entrance. This would exacerbate the existing poor sightlines to the north arising from the curve in the road at the point where the pavement (incorporating a cycle path) becomes higher than the road, and existing shrubs along the grass verge.

Elmstead Lane is a busy thoroughfare and a bus route. Recent events held in the grounds of The Sports Club resulted in a substantial increase in roadside car parking along Elmstead Lane causing disruption to the flow of traffic. Surrounding roads were also heavily used for car parking, some blocking driveways.

### **Impact on local residents**

Noise generally from live/recorded music performances within the Club building and in the open grounds:

- Noise particularly at the weekend - during Saturdays (until midnight) and Sundays (until 23.00hrs)
- Noise from outside Live music on the patio and grass area on Saturdays and Sundays during the summer months May to September
- Noise from the late music events that are scheduled to finish between 01.30am/02.00am/03.30am.

Promoting such late finishing activities creates two types of disturbance for nearby residents. First, the loud music heard into the early hours of the morning; and second, the anti-social noise from people leaving the venue in the early hours of the morning.

**The premises licence under the Licensing Act 2003 sought in this application should not be granted.**

Could you please ensure that the views of The Society are drawn to the attention of the committee responsible for considering this application.

290. We wish to object in the strongest terms to this application. Less than 0.1% of the site by area comprises indoor accommodation. This is almost wholly an application for licence to play live and recorded music and serve alcohol outdoors on a huge site 7 days a week at hours from midday to 3.30am at times. This would be wholly inappropriate in this quiet, residential suburb at any time.

Our objections relate to the following "Licensing objectives":

- **CRIME AND DISORDER**

1. As stated in LBB Statement of Licensing Policy 2016-2021, "Licensed premises, especially those offering late night/ early morning entertainment, alcohol and refreshment, can be a source of crime and disorder, " eg drug-taking and dealing, aggressive and anti-social behaviour, violence, criminal damage to neighbouring properties. This application offers late night/early morning entertainment and alcohol on a 10 acre outdoor site –big enough to accommodate huge numbers of people.
2. Access and dispersal issues. The site does not have easy transport links:
  - a)Train access-the nearest train service does not operate late enough to transport customers at the end of many of the proposed evenings.
  - b)Car access/**parking** -Elmstead Lane is a busy and congested road already . The car park only advertises 31 spaces with limited on road parking. This will increase congestion and **traffic**.
  - c)Pedestrian access-Elmstead Lane does not even have a pavement on both sides for much of its lengthLarge congregations of people will be unavoidable resulting in increased likelihood of disorder issues eg those listed in 1. above.

- **PUBLIC NUISANCE**

1. **Noise disturbance.** Any level of noise audible to people outside the site is unacceptable. Noise must not cause or be likely to cause a statutory or public nuisance. The application requests permission to play live or recorded music **outside**, in the "communal areas on the

site" ie 10 acres of it. **Opening hours** will be **every** evening 7-11pm or later and at weekends **all day** from midday. In particular, there will be the right to play audible music outside every single Saturday and Sunday in May, June, July, August and September potentially affecting enjoyment of our gardens in peace and quiet at the weekend for 5 months of the year to say nothing of the impact on the sleep of 100s of adults and children alike! In addition, there are 6 planned dates when the noise will not stop until 1.30am, 2am and even 3.30am!

2. Neighbourhood-There are 100s of "sensitive" properties in the vicinity of the site: residential dwellings, 2 schools (Babington House and Castlecombe), a place of worship (Elmstead Woods Baptist Church on Elmstead Lane) and a residential care home (Elmstead Care Home at 104 Elmstead Lane). There will even be a nursery in the tiny part of the site occupied by a building.
3. Nature of venue-less than 0.1% of this site comprises a building. Outside areas including marquees should never be used for noise-producing activities by patrons after dark. Even in daylight hours, the impact of noise is intolerable.
4. Dispersal issues-see above (Crime and Disorder)

- PROTECTION OF CHILDREN FROM HARM

Pink Elephants Nursery website states:" Opening September 2020, our Ofsted approved Chislehurst site is based on Elmstead Lane, in the lovely Chislehurst Sports and Country Club. We will be offering full wrap around care from 7.30am-6.30pm, 51 weeks of the year. Set in several acres of land, the setting will be split over two floors providing care for ages 3 months to 5 years. Children will have the opportunity to explore and enjoy these fantastic grounds and a forest school will be coming in 2021 to enhance the children's learning experience. Also, nearby school, Babington House, claims the sports fields as theirs.

The licence application intends that the nursery will operate in a nightclub-premises environment with the nursery children arriving sometimes within 4 hours of the end of the previous night's alcohol and music event and departing ½ hour before the customers arrive for the next and the school children arriving to use the site thereafter. This allows 4 hours of darkness to check a 10 acre site for debris or other items creating **child protection** issues eg glass, alcohol, drugs etc.

- OTHER MATTERS

i)The impact on the local area and residents: This site used to be the Granby Sports Club which was maintained for use by corporate staff of United Friendly and then Royal London. Any use of the club house was ancillary to use of the sports facilities and the resident groundsman was very conscious of the need to maintain good relationships with neighbours. Following sale of the site, licence and planning applications still respected the location within a quiet suburb eg a 2004 application which expressly stated that there would be no evening and weekend events. This application would have a huge impact on the local area and residents-see above re Crime and Disorder, Public nuisance including noise and Protection of Children.

ii)The LBB Statement of Licensing Policy 2016-2021 requires "accurate and transparent descriptions." Although the application describes the site as incorporating 10 acres of sports playing fields and tennis courts for private use, the sports playing fields are now stated on Babington House

School's website to be theirs and the tennis courts are in ruins. It also omits reference to the day nursery.

## CONCLUSION

The grant of this application would have an unacceptable direct impact on members of the public living, working or engaged in normal activity in this area. I urge you to perform your legal duties to reducing crime and disorder and the fear of crime and protect and maintain our environment so that residents, visitors and other businesses can enjoy the opportunities for living, visiting and working within this part of the borough safely and free from nuisance. Reject this application in order to secure our safety and the amenity of the quiet suburb in which we have chosen to live; to recognise and protect the need of the residents for a safe and healthy environment.

There is a place and a demand for venues for drinking and enjoyment of music but locating these in the middle of a residential area where 100s if not 1000s of people have to suffer the effects of alcohol, noise, resultant crime etc in entirely inappropriate.

291. We write to oppose the above application for extended times for music and alcohol licences for Chislehurst Sports and Country Club.

We particularly oppose the extension of hours beyond 11pm on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays from August to September, December and on the specific occasions listed in the application.

You will be aware of the amount of noise and general disturbance caused by events of this type. We would particularly draw attention to an event on the site in 2019. Parking was effectively uncontrolled causing traffic jams (Elmstead Lane is a bus route) and some of it was across residents' driveways. Rubbish was discarded all over the place, and some local residents found their gardens being used as toilets. Even in Grange Drive the noise was intolerable. Gatherings such as these can so easily get out of control, despite the assurance of the organiser, and he has no control over the customers before they come on site or after they leave. There is the unfortunate example of the recent murder near Chislehurst Gordon Arms.

The sports ground is used during the day by Babington House School, and there could be a risk to the children from hazardous waste left lying around. We understand that a new nursery is seeking to use the site, and their children could also be at risk.

The Covid pandemic seems likely to continue for a while yet, so we are also concerned at the possible spread of infection from an influx of people to the area who may be careless of maintaining anti-viral precautions.

For these reasons we hope that this application will be refused

292. My wife and I strongly object to a licence being given for this property to be used as a canned and live music venue. The late times music will be played is totally unacceptable. This is a residential area and these premises should not be used for the requested purpose. Very many houses in the surrounding area would be detrimentally affected with noise pollution and possible parking problems

293. As local resident I am against the venue.

I think the idea of having the venue of this type in Elmstead Woods area is absolutely wrong.

- 1) This is a residential area with a care home nearby. The noise and drunk people here are inappropriate.
- 2) As far as I know on the premises nearby we are expecting an opening of the new nursery in September. The safety of little children and their parents will be endangered.
- 3) There are more than enough pubs and restaurants in Chislehurst High Street. Recent crime incident in Slades Drive proves that alcohol selling places do not contribute to the peace and safety on our streets.
- 4) If the venue will open, then drunk people might walk in the night from the High Street to this venue through the residential area, causing troubles for local people. It will definitely worsen the crime situation here.

Please consider the above stated information

294. These premises were used a few years ago for the same activities which are being proposed now. At that time, the nearby residents were subjected to regular loud music which went on until very late in the evening, extensive parking in nearby roads and noisy alcohol fuelled late night revellers - and yes this also affected people in Walden Road. At that time, common sense prevailed and this was stopped. Now this new proposal is causing so much stress and anxiety to everyone who now worry that they may be subjected again to this totally unacceptable use of these premises in a residential area. I sincerely hope that once again common sense prevails and this disastrous proposal will be declined.

295. **We object on grounds of public nuisance.** Outside music events on the field with all the associated equipment, amplifiers, generators, microphones, marquees with cooking facilities means it is impossible to have peaceful enjoyment of our home. If there is excessive bass, then our entire house vibrates. Therefore, the prospect of outside live music for every weekend over the summer is dreadful for the whole local community and reflected by the high number of comments submitted to this application. The applicant, who is the events manager for the owner, and the owner are fully aware of this due to our (and other neighbours) extensive attempts at reasoning with them both over the years.

Even when the music license ends, we then endure the noise of the clearing up afterwards. In some occasions this occurred into the early hours. The setting up, sound checks and dismantling of equipment also causes noise pollution and it is only reasonable that both the applicant and LB Bromley provides us with relevant times and/or any restrictions. We shouldn't be told that its none of our business or met with silence as previously happened.

We also ask that the use of fireworks and paper lanterns are prohibited as well as the use of drone photography. This is in keeping with the T & C's at the Beaverwood Club, Chislehurst (the other main venue in this area). We have put up with fireworks being set off unannounced late in the night mid-week and kites getting stuck in our trees. If the owner wants to turn this into a wedding/party venue, then we do not want any additional nuisance.

I would also like to highlight that there is a BUPA care home across the road from the field. The residents deserve a degree of peace and quiet.

**Previous events.** Over the last 2 years, every summer from May until September there has been both licensed and unlicensed events. The noise pollution has been unbearable. These unlicensed events have occurred without any warning. We have an extensive email paper trail with the licensing team and ward councillors which reinforces this.

Summer Luv 2019. This event caused us considerable distress: -

- 1. Booming sound checks occurred on the prior Saturday without warning.
- 2. The event organiser told me that "Bromley has allowed us to do what we want" and I might as well leave the site.
- 3. I asked to speak to their noise consultant but was told that due to the Data Protection Act, I was unable to do so.
- 4. During the licensing committee meeting, the organiser promised to repair the dilapidated perimeter fencing prior to the event. This did not happen.
- 5. Before the event, I repeatedly asked the public protection team at Bromley what sound levels had been set so that we could measure for ourselves during the event. Had no reply.
- 6. The event organiser did not provide us or our neighbour with any written notification.
- 7. No sound level readings taken from our house being the nearest adjacent property.
- 8. Excessive parking in Walden Road even though parking had been suspended.
- 9. No evidence of the promised road stewards along Elmstead Lane.
- 10. Litter everywhere after the event.

Matters came to a head last August with yet another loud unlicensed festival, my neighbour and I went onto the field to ask for the music to be turned down. We were surrounded by several men and the owner shouted at us to leave. We do not want any more days ruined by extreme noise from the field and the apparent lack of understanding of the applicant and owner as to the impact it has on our local community.

We have never received any written notification from the applicant for his previous events nor has any noise consultant ever measured sound levels from our property. When we recently saw a social media post from someone associated with the new nursery stating that the owners have always been respectful to the neighbours, we were furious at such an ill-informed statement. In submitting this application, we assume the applicant is fully aware of his legal obligations and that LB Bromley will ensure that he abides by them.

**Dilapidated site.** Both our neighbour and ourselves have also been trying to get the owner to secure all the perimeter fencing as it is not a safe site. We have tried to discuss all these issues with both the applicant, the owner and his son. These have proved completely useless and in fact, we have now been banned by Mr Patel from entering the field.

**We object on the grounds of prevention of crime and disorder.** If this venue has extended hours, then there will be a high number of people coming into the area later in the night on peak days. Recent events have proved that many use the train and there have been high numbers walking back along Elmstead Lane and without the promised road stewards. The litter and noise have been horrendous.

**We object on the grounds of public safety.** We do not understand how the premises can have a dual use as a day nursery for 51 weeks in the year, Monday to Friday 7.30am until 6.30pm then a premises licence serving alcohol in the same building starting from 7pm mid-week and finishing at certain times into the early hours. Surely there are issues over safeguarding and infection control measures? The nursery is actively marketing the fact it is OFSTED approved. This application does not even mention the nursery in its description section on the application form and likewise, the LBB planning officer Gill Lambert states in her report for the nursery (11<sup>th</sup> June 2020), that clubhouse will only be used at weekends for “recreational purposes and private functions”. This application proves this is incorrect.

I have already emailed our ward councillors and made the point that the whole reasoning for the planning dept approving the nursery application was due to this being a growing residential area with a high number of young families. Yet these are the precise families who will be detrimentally impacted by the noise pollution from these proposed timings and outside events. This application is incompatible with the aims of the nursery. We are amazed and shocked in equal measure that both these conflicting applications have been submitted for the same site within weeks of each other. Both have not provided a full picture as to the true intended use of the premises.

**The increase in traffic.** Elmstead Lane is already an extremely busy road. There are not enough parking spaces in the clubhouse and Walden Road becomes the overflow car park. While it is noted that Gill Lambert stated in her delegated report of 11<sup>th</sup> June that the field could have widened gates to facilitate for crossover for the nursery (not mentioned in the initial planning application), this will do little to elevate traffic flows but will merely ensure that lorries delivering the sound equipment can have ease of access rather than having to suspend parking on Elmstead Lane. Additionally, Babington House School still lease the field for sporting events, the forest school and staff parking. Sometimes there are still staff vehicles on site at 7.30pm in the weekdays.

Finally, in terms of public safety, if approved, can you confirm that the applicant/owner has public liability insurance and where will this be displayed? We have asked to see this before and never had an answer. If an incident occurs and we are not told if there is such insurance in place, then we assume that LB Bromley will take on the liability.

296. Object to noise disturbance , and disruption to a quiet neighbourhood.

297. Noise disturbance unsociable hours for locals living nearby

298. I would like to raise with you my very strong objections to the proposals for the above venue, and enlist your support in opposing them.

Last summer when they held an outdoor event I was horrified to be able to hear their music from my house, even inside with the windows closed. To think that this could happen every weekend next summer until late into the night is extremely upsetting.

I am also deeply concerned about the potential for antisocial behaviour to spike around the venue, particularly if alcohol is to be served from 7pm until very late. This is especially true on the calendar dates that the licensee has specified will be running, such as Halloween, when families with young children are likely to be outdoors.

In addition, the noise, traffic and parking disruption from revellers arriving and leaving the venue (until as late as 3.30 am) will be very difficult to manage with consideration for local residents or safely, on such a narrow road and bus route which is already frequently congested. I am also concerned that the police will not have the resources to adequately monitor and manage the influx of vehicles and people to the area.

After this weekend's fatal events at the Gordon Arms in Chislehurst, I am also very worried about the potential for crime and disorder increasing in the neighbourhood when this venue effectively becomes a nightclub, with all the attendant concerns of alcohol abuse and drugs use and dealing. I am very concerned that local teenagers will become drawn in to such activity happening on their doorstep, and that it would draw crime and disorder into what is currently a peaceful area.

It would be a spectacularly irresponsible move for the council to approve the opening of a nightclub in the middle of a quiet residential area which is not equipped to deal with the resulting noise pollution, traffic disruption, parking issues, public nuisance and crime and disorder issues which will ensue.

Please let me know your thoughts on the application, which I am concerned have not been adequately publicised in a timely manner to allow proper public scrutiny or comments to be submitted. I would also be grateful if you would represent my objections to the Council.

299. I object to this club. This is a residential area. With a larger proportion of elderly. The car park is adequate for about 20 cars and the adjacent roads are residential with a lot of the residents in their 70s. We must as residents have some respite. This establishment has been closed for many years and only been used for private function. This has worked extremely well. With the rise in crime in this area I am extremely worried this club will attract crime. Chislehurst had a murder last friday. this club used to be a social club for families Owned by the co-op. I am sure there must be a clause in the sale that would prevent it being turned into a nightclub. i am extremely concerned that this will increase noise pollution and crime. Please refuse this extensive licence

300. We are writing to object to the proposed opening times for the Chislehurst Sports & Country Club on the following grounds:

There is no need to have such long opening hours in such a residential area. An end time of 12pm midnight should be enforced on all days with the exception of New Years Eve where 1am would be acceptable. Opening until 3.30am on some days is ridiculous, how are local residents meant to sleep when there will be noise from the venue together with increased traffic and noise from people leaving the venue. We have no objection the the children's nursery.

301. This application if not rejected would cause a severe detriment to not only the residents of Elmstead Lane and its neighbourhood but also to wider public who travel via this single lane. We strongly object this application on the grounds stated above.

302. Issuing this licence will bring crime and anti-social behaviour to the area. Previous events at this venue have caused an increase in litter, noise, traffic, anti-social behaviour, excessive alcohol consumption and taking illegal substances by attendees. These types of behaviours pose a very real risk if such a licence was granted. This is a quiet and safe area with lots of young families. Such a licence would see a huge increase in litter on the streets and surrounding nature areas (the venue is surrounded by the woods and green chain walks) The road which is a hot-spot for speeding would become even busier, more congested and even more dangerous thus increasing road traffic incidents. The level of traffic in the area would increase due to cars going to and from the venue and parking on the road. The level of road noise would increase due to an increase in traffic especially during unsociable hours - disturbing the peace of the

residents. The peace would also be disturbed by the loud music at late hours and the comings and goings of drunken revellers. This has been our experience from previous events. There is a real risk to public safety for reasons already mentioned and many more. Objections are due to the fact there will be an increase in traffic and road congestion - parking facilities are inadequate but we strongly object on the grounds that it will bring anti-social behaviour and crime to the area and the inevitable noise disturbance. A club of this nature is totally unsuitable in any residential area. If the application is not rejected it will contribute to the decline of a safe, nice area and have an immense negative impact on the local residents. For the reasons set out above we strongly object to the application

303. Having a license to have music and sell alcohol will have an adverse effect on the area and people living in the area.

There will be noise and disturbance every night, weekends until 1am and until 3am on special occasions. This is a quiet neighbourhood and there is no need for another pub when we have some in the village. By having this it will cause crime, disorder, public safety, safety of the local area and residents. People parking outside the residents house and not being able to park. The road is already yellow lines, it should be red lines as Elmstead Lane is not wide enough for parking and for people to drive down it. Now this person is being allowed to do exactly what we was not allowed to do. I am a resident and do not want the noise of being kept awake due to noise levels of people and music, also sirens from the police being called.

304. We are sending this email to object against the above planning request for the reasons below

1. Prevention of Crime & Disorder - Having a premises selling alcohol and live music will not only cause a disorder but the possibility of fights and the police being called
2. Public Safety - There is a high risk of safety to the public walking past or driving past these premises, with people coming out and crossing the road
3. Prevention of public nuisance - We do not want any public nuisance caused in our quiet neighbourhood
4. The protection of children and harm
5. The impact on the local area and residents, it will have a big impact on the residents who live in the area. We will be kept awake at all hours with the noise from the music both in the premises and out in the field.
5. Any issues with previous events on the sports field - There has only been the odd event on site and that was during the day and was cleared by early evening.
6. Noise disturbance - Continuous noise levels of people and cars, cabs will be turning up at all hours to pick people up
7. Opening hours - These are totally unacceptable, you cannot expect the neighbouring residents to put up with the noise levels every night. Some of the residents are elderly and go to bed early, they do not want to be kept awake all night.

8. Parking - There is not a lot of parking on site so this means people will use the already narrow elmstead lane and the neighbouring roads. As we live directly behind elmstead lane our road will be used, so we will have trouble parking at our own house and have the possibility of people blocking us in. This means we will have to call the police to get the cars moved from our road.

305. I am writing to you as my local ward councillors to express my strong concern for and object to the licensing application that has been submitted for Chislehurst Sports and Country Club.

This impacts hugely on a residential area, how it can even consider these operating hours and outside live music when it is in the middle of a built up area including being located close to a care home is frankly ridiculous.

The request for live music and or recorded music to be played outside every weekend from May to September is simply unacceptable on the grounds of a noise disturbance. I was able to hear, quite loudly, the music festival event that was held last summer, from indoors and in my garden. This event was a one off and finished by 10pm which was perfectly adequate and I had no objection to this, I also could have opted to attend and there was great feedback from this family event. However live music until midnight every weekend for 4-5 months impacting sleep patterns and therefore the mental and physical health of residents is outrageous and inconsiderate.

Even the pubs in Chislehurst High Street, which do to have the number of local neighbours as this venue, do not open as late as this or have music outside.

The transport links are not sufficient for the increased flow of traffic and the road is already congested with resident parking which narrows the road. The trains do to operate consistently to enable any attending to use theses as a route home leaving only the night bus- a away to white horse hill- meaning additional disturbance to neighbours or they will drive or get cabs.

The potential increase in anti social behaviour is a huge concern with people drinking until the early hours of the morning and while CCTV is being recommenced this will out prevent or deter any such behaviour except to perhaps postpone the issues until the guests have left the venue and then will be a nuisance for residents and not for the license holder.

I am hugely concerned as to this application and have been unable to make my comments known on the portal due to an error, this will also likely mean that others are unable to comment and I can see this may be the case (unless you are unable to comment on licensing applications) as there are 0 comments on the system. I would like to know if on this basis that the consultation will be extended to allow all those who neighbour and will be impacted by the application to engage, Furthermore I urge the council to contact residents either by leaflet or letter to ensure that they are made aware of this huge issue

306. We wish to comment on the above application for premises licence at Chislehurst sports and country club Elmstead Lane Chislehurst BR7 5EL

We have recently moved and have been speaking to our neighbours about our concerns with the above application.

We were aware of the Sports and country club before we moved here but had no idea it would want to have outdoor live music and Alcohol sales throughout the summer and until 1.00am. This we vigorously object to. In fact any dates throughout the year should not be serving alcohol beyond 12.00 For the prevention of crime and disorder and public nuisance and for the impact on local residents we feel this application needs to be severely reduced.

307. This premises is situated in a residential area.

Live music going on until 2300 or in some cases 2am is completely inappropriate and unacceptable. It will cause a nuisance and disrupt the normal quiet environment of this area.

Parking could well be an issue in surrounding roads, as it has been in the past for one-off events.

There is a high likelihood of crime and disorder; this adverse behaviour is well documented to be associated with increased alcohol consumption.

I would imagine that such a venue could have a detrimental effect on the value of house prices and the desirability of the area.

308. We object to this application for live music and the sale of alcohol as we have encountered disturbance in the past when events have been held here. Both our children and ourselves have been unable to sleep whilst banging base is going on, as the noise really travels and echos in this open area. It is particularly bad in Summer when you need the windows open.

We are also concerned that it is very difficult to turn out of the car park when cars are parked on the road and this could easily lead to an accident - we've often seen near misses as people drive too fast down this road.

309. I wish to object to the licence application on the following grounds:

#### Traffic, Parking and Public Safety

The Sports Club is located on Elmstead Lane, a busy thoroughfare from Bromley to Chislehurst, Sidcup, Lewisham and New Eltham and Eltham. Elmstead Lane is on a bus route and also gives access to Elmstead Woods Station. The road is relatively narrow and if cars are parked on both sides of the road then traffic tailbacks result. This happens on a regular basis. There have been several fatal accidents on this road. After a recent Traffic and Parking Review, LBB has decided to restrict parking along this road further to ease this problem. There is very little parking on site at the Club. Therefore there would be an overflow of cars on the road at all hours on what is already a dangerous entry and exit from the car park. There would be a considerable increase of cars in an area which can already become very congested with traffic.

#### Noise disturbance and opening hours

The application asks for permission to sell alcohol and play music every day of the week with considerably extended hours on certain days of the year, including Christmas and New Year. In addition, music will be played outside every weekend from May to September. The Club is located in a quiet residential area. The proposal would impact considerably on the houses opposite the Club House and would also have a significant

impact on a lot of the surrounding residential area. In particular, live music in the open air travels a long way. On Walden Road, where I live, we can hear music from the Recreation ground when events take place there. Live music played at the location for this application will also be heard from our house. Very late opening hours would impact significantly on a lot of the area around these premises.

310. We wish to register our objection to this application for a premises licence.

This large scale use of the premises for late night live music and the sale of alcohol can only have a detrimental impact on local residents.

Recent events at this property have resulted in a huge increase in littering, the use of controlled substances and noise intrusion. That was upsetting and intrusive for the local residents but at least it was limited to a few weekends instead of a prolonged period.

The upsurge in violent incidents locally, all associated with alcohol and the mis-use of drugs is evidence that once quiet, leafy Chislehurst is on a downward trend. Please do not let this application succeed and add further dangers and risks to the law-abiding local community whilst further draining the emergency services' already overloaded resources.

311. This application for a music venue running into the early hours would be a source of noise and disturbance, and is proposed for a long period of time. The run-up to Christmas seems particularly disturbing apart from noise from loudspeakers during the summer months when doors and windows are open. Parking for large numbers of cars in Elmstead Lane would be an inconvenience to residents

312. Although there is mention of a Sports Club, the application does not seem to be music ancillary to a sports use but appears to be just for live and recorded music outside and inside and licensing hours requests until early in the morning. Elmstead Lane is a residential area, adjacent to woods which are quiet, bordering a cemetery and a place of contemplation for many paying their respects to loved ones as well as walkers and dog walkers using the Green Chain Walk, whose peace is likely to be affected during daytime and evening daylight hours. The property is used as a sports ground for a local school and a proposed nursery, both in keeping with the area and the volume of traffic, whereas a music venue is likely to create a high amount of traffic and noise when people are departing in the early hours. The noise created by, especially, outdoor musical events will affect the enjoyment of residents. There is a live music venue off Perry St so the justification for an additional venue is also questionable.

313. We would like to register the following comments and observations against the above application.

This is an established residential area, a late night venue with music and extended opening hours would be totally inappropriate and unnecessary for residents. We already have an excellent facility in Chislehurst at the Beaverwood Club which hosts regular live music, offers bar facilities, and has the ability to host large functions together with ample parking.

Allowing the performance of live music both indoors and outdoors seven days per week until 23:00 and 00:00 over a duration of 12 hours on Saturday will cause relentless disturbance and distress to residents. Christmas and May Bank Holidays will be disrupted

through till 02:00 and 03:30 at New Year. Overflow parking will spill onto Elmstead Lane which will cause obstruction to traffic as well as the 314 bus service and emergency services.

The neighbouring area has on occasion been adversely affected by noise and road congestion as a result of functions at this venue. The site is on the brow of a hill and sound propagates without difficulty across the homes of many residents in the surrounding area, which includes a residential care home within 200m of the perimeter of the site.

It is proposed to serve alcohol every day and on certain days until 01:30 this will inevitably result in alcohol induced anti social behaviour into the early hours of the morning. This venue is also likely to provide yet another location to consume Nitrous Oxide (already evident throughout Chislehurst) which combined with alcohol will only encourage irrational behaviour.

There is no mention of the maximum number of people that will be permitted on the premises at one time. The local residents need to feel safe in their environment. Can the local police provide the resources to safeguard potentially hundreds of people on and around these premises throughout its opening hours?

314. This is a residential area and the noise pollution from events held was unacceptable. This is a change of direction - it should be a sports club not a night club - cabs double parking k. Elmstead lane - litter - arguments banging on at 2am no thanks - I have children and don't need them being up at 3 am because they can't sleep and drink revellers pissing on my drive as before - it is not on.

315. I am writing on behalf of myself and my family to express our deep concerns and objections regarding the above application.

Since the siting of the bus stop just feet from our property we already experience untold disturbances, anti social behaviour, damage to our property, dumping of rubbish and arson! We have witnessed patrons leaving Chislehurst Country Club on previous occasions using our private woodland as a public toilet and to take drugs. Inconsiderate and illegal parking has prevented us from being able to use our cars.

Considering the ever increasing drug and alcohol abuse problems being experienced in Chislehurst my family are very worried that these late night events will exasperate the problems, bring them to our doorstep and seriously adversely affect our quality of life.

Surely Elmstead Lane, Chislehurst is not an area that would welcome what equates to a nightclub with all the youth culture, antisocial behaviour and disturbances that this will bring. I'm sure the impact on the Elmstead Lane Care Home would be devastating.

We also feel that in these times with the danger of Covid 19, this is not an environment where social distancing will be adhered to.

We have only just become aware of this application, having not seen any public notices. I understand that this is a matter of concern to the many local residents that I have now spoken to. I would be grateful to hear from you regarding any actions you may be taking to prevent the granting of this licence and if there is any further action that, as local residents, we can take to add strength to our objection.

316. As a resident of Elmstead Lane I am registering my OBJECTION to the licence application submitted by the Chislehurst Sports & Country Club (20/00311/LAPRE).

The basis for this objection is that granting this application for these premises will NOT promote the licensing objectives specifically the prevention of crime, disorder & anti social behaviour; and public safety.

The application is seeking extended opening hours for the sale of alcohol and the performance of live music both inside and outside of the premises. For some days the application is until 2 and 3.30am. For the months of July, August & December the application is until 1am.

Elmstead Lane is a residential road . The application is totally unsuitable for a residential area. The granting of the application will cause significant problems for the residents of Elmstead Lane and the surrounding area. It would also lead to more traffic problems on what is already a busy road (and bus route) thereby affecting the wider community too.

Specifically I make the following comments :

1) Public safety -

There is significant documented evidence between alcohol consumption and aggression. Extending licensing hours therefore significantly increases the risk of public safety issues such as antisocial, threatening behaviour. As the Sports club is situated on a residential road where many families with young children or elderly residents live the increased risk is not acceptable.

There is nothing in the application which provides any comfort that the risks would be adequately managed.

Elmstead Lane is already a busy residential road and forms part of the 314 bus route. A number of accidents have occurred in the road which have resulted in very serious injury and, in two cases death. Increased traffic will arise if the licence is granted increasing the risk to public safety.

The Sports Club car park is small and insufficient to accommodate the numbers proposed in the licence. This will lead to increased parking in Elmstead Lane and surrounding roads increasing the risk to public safety.

Access to the Sports Club car park is limited to one gate and situated at a narrow part of Elmstead Lane just past the "blind" hill bend. Increased traffic and parking in the vicinity (that will arise if the application is granted) will therefore increase the risk to public safety.

The noise & disturbance caused by previous events displayed a lack of concern for residents' safety. There is nothing in the current application to suggest that the safety of local residents would be priority.

2) The prevention of public nuisance.

There have been other events held at the Sports Club which have resulted in acts of public nuisance by users of the club during the event. Examples include: the obstruction of traffic in Elmstead Lane; residents' drives being blocked by cars; damage to residents' property; significant noise &

disturbance; threatening behaviour; obscene behaviour; drug taking; music louder than permitted levels; litter; people urinating & vomiting. Extended licensing hours increases the risk of this anti social behaviour. The licensee had inadequate provisions in place to prevent or stop these events previously and there is nothing in the new application to suggest that these issues would not reoccur.

3) The prevention of crime & disorder.

As mentioned above in (2) during previous events fights; drug taking; threatening and abusive behaviour; obscene behaviour; criminal damage by users of the club have affected local residents . Extended licensing hours increases the risk of this antisocial behaviour. The licensee had inadequate provisions in place previously and there is nothing in the application to adequately prevent them reoccurring.

My personal experiences from an event held at the club was very upsetting. Attendance at the event was high. Cars were parked on both sides of the whole length of Elmstead Lane and surrounding roads causing serious risk and obstruction to all residents and other road users. The venue's car parking stewards did nothing to stop this. Illegal parking meant our driveway was blocked for long periods and requests of the vehicle owners and the stewards to move the vehicles were met with hostility.

The music exceeded permitted levels and requests to reduce the noise were met with hostility.

There were episodes of disgusting behaviour including drug taking (evidenced by a large number of silver capsules of nitrous oxide thrown into residents gardens and the road side); fights; people urinating and or vomiting in gardens; verbal abuse; threatening behaviour; foul language. The police had to get involved. Polite requests to be more considerate for residents were met with hostility and abuse. It was a most upsetting experience and one which I am concerned would be repeated on a frequent basis should this application be granted.

As a long standing Bromley resident & council tax payer I urge the committee to take my comments into account and respect my human rights by rejecting the application.

317. I cannot express how strongly I object to this application. It will have a tremendous adverse effect on the quality of my family's life. Since the siting of the bus stop outside our bedroom window we already experience regular disturbances. I have witnessed our private woodland being used as a toilet and an area for taking drugs.

The suggestion that notices requesting that patrons "do not disturb local residents" would have anything other than a cosmetic use is quite frankly absurd.

I would be grateful to be kept advised of the process of this application.

318. This is a very bad idea and should not be allowed for the following reasons

This is a school playing field and Broken Glass ,sharps ,cigarette butts .will be left on grass area .and a child will be injured

This is a residential area the noise will be horrible ,and disruption to local residents would be massive .

Parking is always a problem and the local streets will be filled with noisy

Drunk people moving around side streets late at night

Old person home just opposite proposed site

Lighting is not good and traffic would be dangerous to proposed clients

Right next door and back of park is area of natural beauty green chain walk

The effect on wildlife .

The list could go on forever in regard to protection of children

Prevention of crime and public nuisance.and impact on local residents

Every body can see this is a very bad idea.

319. I object to the applicants proposal in the strongest possible terms. To open a music and drinking venue of the nature proposed in what is a purely residential area is, in my view, completely inappropriate. This is not a city location or remote industrial estate, but a highly residential area. My objections are as follows:

Noise Pollution - Measures suggested to address this in my opinion are generic and only pay lip service to this issue. Drunk people do not routinely read notices or adhere to requests to leave quietly. Unfortunately unlike other venues of this nature, when patrons leave this location they will immediately be outside of people's homes and any resulting noise will impact considerably on those who are trying to sleep. In addition, the applicant has made a glaring omission on this subject and makes absolutely no mention of the noise nuisance caused by the events themselves. The intention is to play live and recorded music, in all areas, both inside and out. How will the applicant address this obvious significant disruption? Surely it must be acknowledged that the issue of noise pollution is relevant for the entire hours of operation, and not just at the point when people leave?

In the last couple of years the venue has hosted other music events of the nature proposed in the application. On those occasions we have had to endure loud music, heavy base and PA system for prolonged periods. This has led to my family being unable to make use of our garden, having to keep all windows closed and being unable to sleep until well after the event has ended and noise has abated from those leaving. This has been intolerable and had neighbours had any prior warning of the applications for these licences, we, along with many others would have objected. Unfortunately unlike on this occasion word of mouth did not reach very many people and therefore the opportunity for those living within the community to air their views was greatly reduced.

Public nuisance - In addition to the obvious noise nuisance as outlined above, on the precious occasions these events have been held there has been significant public nuisance. This includes patrons shouting and swearing in the street, dangerous parking, overhanging private drive-ways and on top of junctions, rubbish being strewn the length of the road, particularly between the venue and

train station and a significant increase of traffic. Other neighbours have found individuals urinating in their front garden and have also suffered verbal abuse. If this licence is granted I believe that this type of public nuisance will be depressingly common.

Crime and Disorder - club venues of this nature are notorious hot -spots for crime, including acts of violence, sexual offending, drug dealing and anti social behaviour, exacerbated by drunkenness. I base this on personal knowledge of other venues, including the club that previously operated at Flamingo Park on the A20 and also on crime stats published online. The measures suggested to address this issue, I believe are basic and are less crime prevention and more lines of enquiry for police to follow once a crime has been committed.

The applicant makes no attempt to address the crime and disorder that will inevitably occur outside of the venue and in the surrounding area. How will residents and others in the neighbourhood be kept safe? Our local police are already significantly stretched. This venue will inevitably draw police away from the borough's various High Streets, which is where they are currently routinely required during the evenings.

Parking/Traffic - This is already a very busy road, at times making it very difficult to cross safely. Holding events for what could be up to 5,000 people is completely inappropriate in this highly residential area. The impact on residents will be considerable. The risk to patrons in leaving the venue, after drinking for the evening and trying to negotiate what is a very busy road is considerable. Coupled with the speeds that are encountered on this road, this also includes the prospect for fatalities. Whilst the venue has some parking, this is limited. For individual's wishing to leave the venue promptly or wishing to avoid any parking cost the surrounding roads will be used. On previous occasions this has included the inappropriate use of a retirement home car park and packing out nearby closes.

Opening Hours - where to start? It would have been easier for the applicant to publish details of the days when residents will not be subjected to disruption. The application allows events to be held just about any day on which the applicant chooses. Again the hours of operation are completely inappropriate for a residential area. Asking residents to endure the significant noise disruption on what could be a daily basis and to regular times of 1am, but on occasions to 2am or 3:30am is intolerable and seemingly those who are seeking this licence have no regard whatsoever for those who live in the vicinity. The applicant has just about covered every special day in the calendar on which he proposes to hold events.

In addition, to propose opening hours which exceed the availability of public transport forces more people onto the road, leading to an increase of dangerous/problem parking, slamming car doors, engines from taxi's idling etc. For those forced to use taxis after the club has closed, they will be left to wait on the street with all of the obvious problems this brings including noise, anti social behaviour, people urinating etc.

Child Protection - In addition I am concerned as to how a club of this nature can co-exist with a children's nursery and the use of its grounds by students from a local school. The obvious potential conflict in terms of broken glass, discarded drug paraphernalia, vomit/blood and other unsavoury waste etc brings significant risk to large numbers of children.

320. I absolutely object - this would only encourage anti-social behaviour on Elmstead Lane and in the woods next door as well as a massive noise disturbance for all local residents.

There was a party on the site a few weeks ago which kept us up at night and we discovered bottles of alcohol on our front wall. If they start allowing thousands of people there regularly it would be a nightmare. There are a lot of families and elderly households nearby who would be scared to leave their front doors.

The council recently approved a nursery application on the same site - who in their right mind would take their child to a nursery that turned into an outdoor live music venue! This area is not suitable for this type of venue

321. I should like to register my concerns and objections to the proposed change of licence to include live music and extended opening hours.

Our concerns relate to the following:

1. This is a residential area including a care home in close proximity and is not in keeping with the local area.

2. The club house is close to the road and houses with no barriers to reduce the sound. We have experienced in the past with previous events held at the club the noise to be intrusive and affecting our quality of life. If licence granted this would be an almost daily event.

3. Parking - there is already an issue with parking in Elmstead Lane and the car park at the club is insufficient. This raises concerns re safety and there is limited public transport to support the hours requested. Elmstead Lane has a limited width. From past events we have been affected by people parking in front of our drive way and therefore not being able to get in or out

4. The hours requested seem excessive as previously stated this is a residential area for families with young children and also vulnerable elderly people both in the care home and houses. Due to the lateness of hours and potential for alcohol abuse we see the potential for an increase in crime and unruly behaviour.

5. People leaving the club will create further noise disturbance with slamming of car doors and loud voices.

322. We wish to register our strong opposition to the above application for the reasons outlined below.

1. We have lived on Walden Road for almost 50 years and have experienced a number of events at the sports ground. When loudspeakers are amplified we can hear the sounds clearly even though we have our double glazed windows closed.

2. Elmstead Lane is as the name implies is a narrow road & a bus route the thought of large numbers of cars parked on the lane is dangerous 3. This area has always been a quiet residential area and the idea of young people having had alcoholic drinks wandering around the streets late at night does make us uncomfortable.

We have no objection to a venue of this sort in Bromley but genuinely feel that this location is totally wrong and trust the licensing authority will reject this application.

323. I object for 3 main reasons

1) the pressure put on all surrounding families with growing babies and children, especially those who live immediately across the road in this what is meant to be a 'residential' area. I am a qualified teacher and SRN., RSCN., and as I am sure you are well aware, growing children should at least have the opportunity every evening to get at least 8 to 10 hours sleep each night essential especially during school terms.

2) for pressure and stress this planned entertainment might put on those who are ill, elderly, and everyone just trying to sleep. This concern includes the pressure on the Bupa Care Home for the elderly whose residents are of course frail and liable to illnesses of various kinds.

3) The amount of traffic this alcohol availability and all-night entertainment will attract every evening.

The sports field already attracts many cars rendering Elmstead Lane, supposed to be a main thoroughfare from Bromley to Eltham to a single lane due to cars parked along the outside of this field and cars parked to near to the island near the entrance to the sports field. Residents park in their drives, but tradesmen's' vans also need somewhere to park. The 314 bus and other large vehicles are constantly help up trying to get past parked cars forcing them to the middle of the road facing heavy traffic. Those who do park in the field itself have to also emerge into this situation.

There have been many accidents here outside the sports club for all the reasons mentioned above, three of which I actually seen myself last year.

324. I would like to object to this going ahead because of the loud music that will be coming from the venue patio. The noise will go on to 11pm Mon-Sun with Fridays and Saturdays even later.

When this venue has had previous events held at weekends the music has been extremely loud disturbing the quiet neighbourhood and the surrounding areas.

There are also certain weekends when the music outside will go on longer in to the early hours of the morning.

Many of the surrounding homes in the neighbourhood are family homes with young families and sleep will be disturbed.

The surrounding roads will be parked on by the venue users as Elmstead Lane is not suitable to park on. (new double yellow lines have just been installed along the lane). These quiet streets will then have the noise of car doors slamming and most probably people who will not be respectful and leave the venue in a timely and quiet manner and this may result in public nuisance. this will also result in loss of sleep for the residents. Any parking on Elmstead Lane may be hazardous due to the nature of this busy road. Elmstead Woods trains do not run late at the weekends meaning heavy traffic will be on Elmstead Lane late at night/early morning.

As alcohol will be used, this may attract further noise and crime and anti-social behaviour which will impact the surrounding neighbourhood.

In the evenings this area is quiet and peaceful as there are no other venues or pubs or restaurants to disturb the peace. If this proposal were to go ahead, the nature of the area will change and spoil the quality of life for a lot of residents in my opinion. It is not an area where a nightclub is a viable option because of the family nature of the area.

325 I strongly appose above application because of the following reasons:

1. Last summer, evening events were held at this venue and after the revellers had left the event, loud arguments and scuffles occurred at the junction of Wood Drive and Elmstead Lane.
2. During last year's events double parking on Elmstead Lane in the vicinity of the venue was extremely dangerous and also caused traffic congestion on Elmstead Lane at both sides of the entrance to the club. The club car park was full and cars were even parked on the field in the grounds of the club and still this was not adequate for the amount of people attending the venue, causing the revellers to park on Elmstead Lane and other residential roads.
3. The noise from the loud base music and the crowd after midnight on the evenings of the functions was intolerable even with the bedroom windows closed (double glazed too!). This kept me awake for hours
4. Unfortunately, drugs and alcohol are always present at large organised partying events. The drug presence attracting dealers and their kind to the area. Drug users are infamous for discarding their drug paraphernalia, syringes, empty cocaine/crack baggies, butts of smoked cannabis/weed on the ground. If I still had children, I would certainly not want them put at risk with this happening at the end of my road.
5. I live in Bennetts Copse which is not directly next to the club (700/800 metres) and as mentioned above the noise during the events was intolerable. If I lived opposite or within 200 meters the of club, I really don't know how I would cope with this intrusion.

In my opinion it would be totally irresponsible for the council to grant any such licence to the Chislehurst Sports and Country Club. The misery and disruption inflicted upon the residents would be an injustice. Please don't allow this to happen!

326. Alcohol fuelled music activities will destroy the lives of local people. We endured late night music at the site before and the noise carries across several roads. We have grandchildren staying at night time and when windows need to be kept open for them...they could not sleep and neither could we. The proposed licence in an entirely residential area where people have invested large sums to maintain and stay in their properties is a very worrying development. Please do not let it spoil the lives of ourselves (pensioners) and our grandchildren.

327. Having a late night music venue selling alcohol so close to residential houses and a nursing home is ridiculous. There would be parking issues which would overflow into the surrounding streets. We already have the Beaverwood club in Chislehurst

328. I am unable to support this application as since my home was built in 1987 there have been many instances of noise & parking problems caused by weddings, parties & other events. It can be impossible to sleep with windows open during an event and the increased parking in the cul de sac would make it difficult for a fire engine to get past the cars!

I suggest better soundproofing of the venue, modernisation of facilities and an awareness of the needs of families living around the venue needs to be taken into consideration.

329. I am disappointed to learn that an application has been submitted to you for a licence for the Sports Club on Elmstead Lane. I am sure this licence isn't even going to be considered by the Council, but, if it is, I am strongly objecting to granting this licence for many reasons, some of which are outlined below:

This is a residential area and as such it is not appropriate for the sale of alcohol on these premises to be permitted.

This also applies to the request for regulated/live music entertainment.

How can you possibly think it is ok to sell alcohol and play loud music late into the night (up to 3.30am) in a residential area?

I contacted the Council last summer after events were held on the premises with absolutely no consideration for local people - music was blaring late into the night, parking was an issue and there were far too many people in one area.

We do not want to be blighted by regular events at the Sports Club that will obviously have a detrimental effect on our lives and properties.

I'm sure you'll take these points on board when considering your decision - thank you.

330. I am writing with regards to the application (20/00311/LAPRE) for a new licence in order to sell retail alcohol and to provide live/regulated music at Chislehurst Sports and Country Club.

I would like to oppose this application for the following reasons:

- 1) Public safety - Elmstead Lane is a busy road with a lack of pavements in many places. Inebriated individuals leaving the premises may end up walking in the road causing accidents/death
- 2) The prevention of crime and disorder - a lot of drug dealing already occurs on the playing field and this could provide the dealers with a ready made clientele
- 3) The prevention of public nuisance notably, noise pollution on a very regular basis
- 4) The protection of children from harm/disturbance - I have small children and would not appreciate their sleep being affected
- 5) The detrimental impact on the local area and its residents - again I do not wish to be disturbed by loud music and drunken people leaving the premise on a regular basis.

331. I think that changing the status on the Sports club will be a disaster for the local area and would just encourage more antisocial behaviour, noise and more cars racing up and down Elmstead Lane. Why would you put a venue opening late in a residential area?

332. We are Neighbours to the ground and in the past when events are held the road in our culdesac is parked full of cars obstructing our car from pulling out, crowded with people, loud music and voices till late and in some cases fights and litter. I have two young children and I fear for their safety at events as this especially if this is to be a permanent arrangement. I object to this arrangement. I have a tree in my back garden that is protected and cannot be trimmed or cut even though it is causing damage. The council should not put us even more at risk by granting this approval and losing our peace in our own home

333. I add my objection to this application as I believe that it would be extremely unfair to the residence and the members of the public if this application granted permission by the licencing authority

334. I am against the planning permission due to the noise disturbance, there was live music at this site a couple of years ago and it could be heard clearly from my home, this is not something that we want every day/week. Also it is a concern that the crime levels will rise, people tend to do silly things when they have had a drink and I for one do not wish for more vandalism/crime in the area

335. I write to you having received a consultation note in relation to the sports club on Elmstead Lane.

We are very concerned about the impact of this application should it be successful.

We have experienced issues with the club and both loud music and antisocial behaviour since 2017. We are certain this license should it be granted would have an extremely detrimental impact on local neighbourhood and surrounding roads. We have previously raised the issues with both Noise Abatement and the Public Nuisance Health teams. I am happy to send these emails to you if that would be helpful.

We were told that the complaint was logged on the system so that the Public Health Nuisance Team would be able to see that there was a complaint about this venue if there are future TEN applications of this nature at the premises.

We have set out our objections in relation to two categories below:

**Prevention of public nuisance: hours of operation, noise emanating from the premises, vibrations, lighting and litter.**

In the past years the events have been extremely loud and could be heard from the front and back gardens of our house, and inside with the windows closed. The venue is in the middle of a quiet residential area and its purpose is to provide sporting facilities including football pitches (and also now a nursery). The music played at events contained swearing which could be heard by young children and was completely unacceptable.

I am able to provide specific dates and examples of previous issues with noise, hours of operation and litter in relation to events by this applicant. They have also been recorded by the Public Health Nuisance Team.

Notwithstanding our past experiences of the sports club it is totally unreasonable for events to be held, both inside and outside, playing music and providing alcohol every day of the week until 11pm, all day Saturday and Sunday, and until 1am, 2am and 3:30am on other days. Joshua Johnston-Franklin essentially intends to open a night club in a quiet residential area. I cannot stress how detrimental and unpleasant this will make living in the surrounding roads.

**The prevention of crime and disorder. This relates to any crime, disorder or anti-social behaviour at the premises or related to the management of the premises.**

We are also very worried about the public nuisance aspect of these events, and the health and safety of the local residents. Previously people attending the event were heard shouting in the street, seen smoking marijuana and drinking on the street. I refer again to the music played with excessive swearing which could be heard in my garden both inside and outside of my house.

I am able to provide specific dates and examples of previous issues with disorder and antisocial behaviour in relation to events by this applicant.

The venue and the organisers have proven that they are unwilling to listen to the local residents and take their feelings and living environment into consideration despite past complaints. The name 'sports club' is entirely misleading – the application refers to tennis courts which are completely overgrown and unusable, and very little if no sports take place at the venue or its grounds.

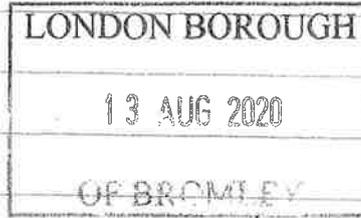
In addition to the above I want to raise the problem of traffic issues in connection with the events/venue. We already have heavy traffic congestion on the very busy Elmstead Lane with Elmstead Woods train station, the main route from Bromley to the A20, Babington House School and now a nursery at the same site as the Sports Club.

With thanks in advance for your consideration and assistance. Please do contact me if you require any further information.

336. I am against the Chislehurst Sports & Country Club in Elmstead Lane being used as a nightclub due to the loud music in a residential area and young people leaving the venue will have been drinking so may cause unruly behaviour. The Sports Club holds a summer love festival every year and the music is extremely loud and carries. Once or twice a year is fine but not regularly as is proposed.

August 10, 2020

The Manager,  
Environmental Health & Trading Standards,  
Licensing & Business Support,  
L.B. Bromley, Stockwell Close,  
Bromley, BR1 3UH.



Re: Chislehurst Sports and Country Club, BR7 5EL.

Sir / Madam,

I am writing to object against the application for sale of retail alcohol and live music by the above named club. I am afraid, this will result in crime and disorder to increase in the area. Car parking will increase congestion and therefore number of accidents in the area. At closing times there will be arguments and fights among drunken customers. Public safety is my concern. Loud music will make it almost impossible for the elderly residents to sleep and the students to study for their examinations.

Yours faithfully,

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Environmental Health & Trading  
Standards,

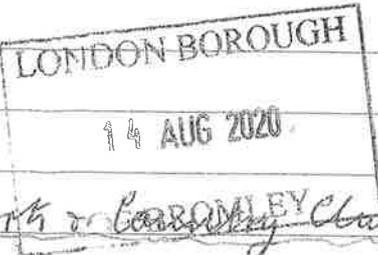
Licensing & Business Support,

L. B. Bromley,

Stockwell Close,

BROMLEY BR1 3UH,

13th August 2020



Dear Sir,

Chislehurst Sports & Leisure Club

We refer to the application for a new licence for the sports club on Almstead Lane.

We feel that the establishment of extended times for the sale and consumption of alcohol will inevitably lead to an increase in crime and unsocial behaviour in a large area of our lovely village - affecting public safety and other issues of concern such as the playing of loud music until the early hours on most days of the week.

You are strongly urged to deny this application

Yours sincerely

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Date 14<sup>th</sup> August 2020

Licensing Department  
London Borough of Bromley  
Civic Centre  
Stockwell Close  
BR1 3UH

**Representations in response to Premises Licence Application submitted in connection with Chislehurst Sports and Country Club (Reference: 20/00311/LAPRE)**

We would like to make the following OBJECTION to the above application. Although this submission is from our household, we can confirm that our views are widely held amongst neighbours we have spoken to in Downs Avenue and the surrounding roads.

Downs Avenue is a quiet and peaceful residential road inhabited by a mixture of young families and elderly citizens. The residents have chosen to live here largely because of the safe and peaceful environment.

Our deeds even state that we live on parish grounds and include restrictive covenants which prohibit the sale of alcohol and use of properties as 'dance venues'.

The nature of the above application is completely incompatible with the quiet, peaceful area and its inhabitants, for the following reasons.

**Prevent crime & disorder**

The application proposes CCTV on the entrance and exit doors to prevent crime. There are likely to be large gatherings of attendees along Walden Road waiting for taxis, particularly at closing times. Groups are also likely to be walking to and from Elmstead Woods train station (the most likely transport choice, along with taxi). Both of these likely scenarios allow potential for crime and disorder to take place, uncaptured by CCTV, particularly when people are drunk/intoxicated. The likelihood of crime and disorder seems high.

Elmstead Woods, Marvels Wood and the Green Chain Walk are all close by. These are secluded areas which lend themselves to crime and anti-social behaviour, including drug dealing.

**Prevent public nuisance**

Music and loud voices emanating from the venue can be clearly heard inside and outside of our property. This was demonstrated during the one-day festivals that have been held over recent years.

Whether the music is played inside or outside it will be clearly heard by those living in surrounding roads and we would consider it a nuisance at all times of the day, even more so at night.

Following these festivals, attendees who were clearly intoxicated have walked up our road (even though it is a no through road) shouting and swearing.

On the assumption and expectation that these were only annual events we have accepted the disturbance without complaint, however we strongly object to this becoming a regular occurrence.



LONDON BOROUGH  
29 JUL 2020  
OF BROMLEY

Dear Mr. Cartwright,

I have attempted 3 times to register an objection to a licensing request on the web site but unfortunately there appears to be a problem and it will not register. Hence the letter.

RE: property license 100022900540 ref: 20/003111Lapres

As a resident of Elmstead Lane I would like to register my objection to the above license request. Whilst an occasional event at the site finishing at a reasonable time i.e 23.00hrs would be acceptable the remit in this license request, is totally unacceptable. The request itself shows a blatant disregard for the consideration and respect of local residents.

#### NOISE

From past experience of events, the noise reverberates and carries a long way around the area. If the events are to go on to the early hours of the morning people and children in particular are going to find it very difficult/Impossible to sleep, which if occurring on a regular basis is damaging to health and unacceptable. In addition, the BUPA care home is virtually opposite and residents should be able to expect a quiet, peaceful environment, which they will certainly not have if the license is granted.

#### PARKING

Elmstead Lane is fairly narrow and also a bus route. Even without an event, traffic parked by the station and up the lane at times in the week and

weekend , often causes queues and delays. So the addition of increased traffic will only exacerbate this problem and the potential for accidents.

**PUBLIC SAFETY AND TRAFFIC**

Due to excess traffic and lack of vision due to parking causes potential hazards for pedestrians attempting to cross the road and is another potential hazard for accidents.

If the events are likely to finish in the early hours of the morning when there is little if any public transport the noise of people walking down the roads is likely to be very disruptive .

Anyone thinking of buying property in the vicinity is going to be very reluctant to embark on buying if they know they are going to be exposed to noise and disruption on a regular basis.

I do hope you will take the concerns of the local residents into account when considering this licence as we are the council tax payers in this area.

As previously stated an occasional event finishing at a civilised time is acceptable, but not the extent to which this licence request stretches.

Please consider the residents above potential financial gain.

Yours sincerely,



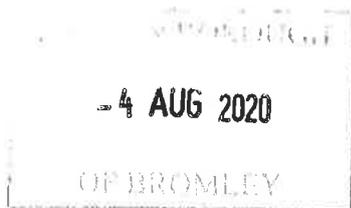


**SIR ROBERT NEILL MP**

Bromley & Chislehurst

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Tim Horsman  
Assistant Director (Planning)  
London Borough of Bromley  
Civic Centre  
Stockwell Close  
Bromley BR1 3UH



31 July 2020

Dear Mr Horsman,

**20/00311/LAPRE | Chislehurst Sports and Country Club Elmstead Lane Chislehurst BR7 5EL**

I write to place on record my objection to the above licensing application, which seeks to significantly alter the current operating hours of Chislehurst Sports and Country Club. I am aware that these changes are also unanimously opposed by both the three Chislehurst ward councillors and the two Mottingham and Chislehurst North ward councillors, whose views on the application reflect the considerable concern felt by local residents - evidenced through the large number of objections I know have been submitted against the proposals.

Elmstead Lane leads on to a series of quiet residential roads, two nearby schools, Elmstead Woods train station, and significantly, in light of the nature of this application, two care homes: Elmstead Care Home and Helping Hands Bromley. The plans, if approved, would see the playing of live and recorded music and the selling of alcohol until 11pm five days a week, and to midnight on Fridays and Saturdays. These lengthened hours, which themselves risk a significant infringement on the amenity of neighbouring properties, would be extended further during December, throughout the summer months, and on special occasions, like New Year's Eve, when the applicant seeks to open the premises until 3.30am. Taken with the fact that through the months of May to September music is proposed to be played outside on the patio and grass areas of the site where few measures, if any, can be taken to adequately prevent noise nuisance, there can be no doubt that these amended hours would have a detrimental impact on those living in the vicinity.

I do not believe the steps set out to prevent crime, disorder and public nuisance in section M of the application provide any comprehensive plan to mitigate disturbance and, as you can imagine, offer little reassurance to local residents. Further consideration should be given to the impact lengthened operating hours will have on traffic and parking along Elmstead Lane, which at times can be a busy thoroughfare. It is also easy to envisage that the selling of alcohol until late, immediately adjacent to a fast and well-used road, could create safety risks.

There is little appetite or demand in this part of Chislehurst for what is being proposed, and for the reasons I outline above, I would strongly urge the Council to reject this application.

Yours sincerely,

**Sir Bob Neill MP**

Constituency Office: 020 8295 2639



Environmental Health & Trading Standards  
Licensing and Business Support  
London Borough of Bromley  
Civic Centre  
Bromley BR1 3UH

31<sup>st</sup> July 2020

Dear Sirs

Chislehurst Sports and Country Club  
Application number20/00311/LAPRE

We write to oppose the above application for extended times for music and alcohol licences for Chislehurst Sports and Country Club.

We particularly oppose the extension of hours beyond 11pm on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays from August to September, December and on the specific occasions listed in the application.

You will be aware of the amount of noise and general disturbance caused by events of this type. We would particularly draw attention to an event on the site in 2019. Parking was effectively uncontrolled causing traffic jams (Elmstead Lane is a bus route) and some of it was across residents' driveways. Rubbish was discarded all over the place, and some local residents found their gardens being used as toilets. Even in Grange Drive the noise was intolerable. Gatherings such as these can so easily get out of control, despite the assurance of the organiser, and he has no control over the customers before they come on site or after they leave. There is the unfortunate example of the recent murder near Chislehurst Gordon Arms.

The sports ground is used during the day by Babington House School, and there could be a risk to the children from hazardous waste left lying around. We understand that a new nursery is seeking to use the site, and their children could also be at risk.

The Covid pandemic seems likely to continue for a while yet, so we are also concerned at the possible spread of infection from an influx of people to the area who may be careless of maintaining anti-viral precautions.

For these reasons we hope that this application will be refused.

Yours faithfully





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27th July 2020

The Planning Department  
London Borough of Bromley  
Stockwell Close  
Bromley BR1

Dear Sir/Madam

**Planning Application 20/00311/:APRE Chislehurst Spots Ground and Country Club Elmstead Lane  
BR7 5EL Premises Licence**

I am writing to register a formal objection to the above planning application. I did attempt to register this objection online but after wasting an endless amount of time attempting to do so, I have now abandoned that and am writing this letter in lieu thereof.

I strongly object to this application on the grounds of noise disturbance as it is proposed that this 'club' will be open every evening with alcohol available and music playing till late in the evening. Additionally there will be an increased number of vehicles parked around the area and possibly even my own street if the drivers cannot find a parking place near to the 'club'.

Furthermore has no one at all considered the Bupa care home which is situated in close proximity to this venue. The elderly residents will be disturbed by the music and also vehicles arriving and leaving from the venue.

I am very surprised that Bromley even accepted such an application.

For your information I give my details which were required on the online objection



Ref. 20/00311/LAPRE1 PREMISES LICENCE OPEN FOR CONSULTATION | CHISLEHURST SPORTS AND COUNTRY CLUB. ELMSTEAD LANE

LONDON BOROUGH

CHISLEHURST. BR7 5EL

11 AUG 2020

10-8-2020.

To, The <sup>OF BROMLEY</sup> ~~Environment~~ Health and Trading Standards Licensing & Business Support at L.B. Bromley.

From

We wish to object to the extension of licensing hours and provision of live music in the building and also outside on the playing fields at the Sports and Country Club.

my points are

1/ Prevention of crime and disorder.

Allowing people to drink alcohol until late into the night and also until the early hours of the morning will inevitably lead to bad behaviour and noise, also anti-social behaviour. Will the venue be monitored at all by Bromley Council and will the event organizers be using security staff inside and outside of the venue? Also will the police be informed each time an event is taking place?

2/ Public Safety.

Will the venue be able to offer sufficient parking? Elmstead Lane has had many accidents & deaths over the past years and more people parking in the lane will increase the chances of more accidents happening, especially people crossing the road at night.

3/ The prevention of public nuisance.

Noise. The noise generated by events on previous occasions has been excessively loud, it is not just the music but people singing and talking on microphones also the base music makes the house shake. The residents who live in the surrounding areas cannot relax at all and this can lead to mental health problems. Litter. In past events bottles and food wrappers have been left in residents' gardens, will the events organizers be prepared to clear up the road & surrounding areas after the events happening?

4/ Protection of children from harm.

If these events are going to take place on a regular basis, the children who live in the surrounding areas will have their sleep disrupted because of the noise.

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5/ The impact on the local area & Residents.

It appears that not all the residents in surrounding areas have been informed of the application by the Sports club and they are affected by it, because the noise & disruption by cars and people will carry on in many roads in the surrounding areas.

6/ Any other issues.

Is this really needed in this area? There are enough Pubs, clubs and Restaurants to serve the people that want them in Chislehurst & Bromley, which also have ample parking and are also in a good situation for taxis & late night buses & trains.

and the surrounding areas have always been a nice place to live, it is a residential area with many good green spaces and many good events happening that most residents are happy with because the events are well organized and kept within a good time frame, please don't let them spoil it for everyone that lives here.

yours sincerely





LONDON BOROUGH  
10 AUG 2020  
OF BROMLEY

3/8/20

Environmental Health  
& Trading Standards.  
Licensing & Business Support.  
L.B. Bromley, Stockwell  
Close.  
Bromley BR1 3UH.

Dear Sir,

I am writing to you to express my concern regarding the recent application for new licence at the Christchurch Sports + Country Club.

In essence, several immediate problems are already evident.

Residents are always subjected to Noise but the proposals re: live events will obviously increase the level.

2/ The volume of music will increase especially later at night.

- 3 The proposed increase in capacity will result in extensive litter and need for crowd control + policing with possible mis-use of illegal substances.
- 4 Certain Bank Holiday Dates are being extended if the proposal goes ahead.

On a personal note, I have lived here for over 25 years and have seen many changes. The "lane" has become a busy thoroughfare and there is little concern for the precious wildlife who after all were here long before the residents.

The impact of this application would be, in my opinion, devastating both environmentally & socially. I hope you will consider these points with responsibility. Yours faithfully,



3 AUG 2020



Dear Environmental Health & Trading Standards  
Borough of Bromley

I am writing to register my opposition to the granting of a licence to the Chislehurst Sports and Country Club in Elmstead Lane, Chislehurst, BR7 5EL to sell alcohol and provide regulated entertainment during the hours specified in the application dated 17 July 2020.

I am a local resident having lived in the near vicinity of the venue for just over 20 years. I oppose the application for the following reasons:

- In general terms, I see no benefit to local residents or the wider local community which are already well served by a plethora of entertainment/hospitality venues in Chislehurst and within the borough. To be honest, it feels like a saturated market and in all my time living in the area I've never heard anyone advocating for similar additional venues in our neighbourhood.
- The immediate vicinity around the venue in Elmstead Lane is almost exclusively residential and is very attractive and popular with families, many with younger children. This is what attracted us to the area. I do not imagine that many, indeed any, would welcome another entertainment/hospitality venue right on their doorstep. I know that I don't.
- There is limited parking space at the venue and there is limited parking in the near vicinity. Our road does not have parking restrictions and parking is enough of an issue as it is. I can only see an increase in the volume of traffic and subsequent problems arising from additional parking which will be required.
- I also foresee problems for the local community in the additional volume of traffic on Elmstead Lane (EL) as a result of the licence being granted. EL is already a dangerous narrow road – with much speeding and accidents and in some cases deaths that have occurred as a result. Having much more traffic in the area on a sustained basis – including accessing and departing the venue at odd hours - will naturally put an increased strain on the thoroughfare and result in further problems. And, of course, the number of taxis and ubers that will be waiting to drop off and pick up customers.
- I also foresee potential problems for the local community in terms of the potential increase in anti-social behaviour that will naturally occur with this type of venue being on residents' doorstep. I'm sure that the authorities have their work cut out in dealing with the current levels without having more to contend with.
- I also envisage there will be a natural increase in litter that will result and the ongoing harm to local habitats – with Elmstead Woods to the rear of the property – and to the wider environment.
- Noise levels in the immediate vicinity will naturally be a consequence of a successful application. Both in terms of that coming from an increase in footfall in the area but also from music/live music. When the venue has held events in the past this has been a definite problem with my children being unable to get to sleep as a result of both.

- There will be no positive knock-on effects to the local economy. No other established business will see any economic effects of a successful application – particularly since there are no other businesses in the immediate vicinity to benefit. If anything, other established local businesses will likely suffer as a result.
- Lastly, for a venue that purports to be a sports club there has been a distinct lack of sporting activity taking place there. I would be more sympathetic to an application from a club that was utilising the venue for its members and visitors eg Football, Rugby, Hockey, Cricket etc but there has never been any evidence supporting that case.

I am grateful if you could consider these points. I am not against businesses making money especially where a clear demand exists and particularly during these challenging times but for the reasons given above I feel that granting the licence will be to the detriment of and harmful to the local area and will not benefit the local community.

Yours sincerely

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LEICESTER BOROUGH  
11 AUG 2020

7<sup>th</sup> August

I have ~~received~~ enclosed copy of a notice for an application for a alcohol licence and also the playing of music inside and outside. I would like to express my very strong objection to this. This is a most unsuitable place for this. The noise etc would cause an awful lot of disturbance to the local area as it is a most unsuitable place for this to be granted.

I OBJECT VERY STRONGLY.

I also find it very odd that permission is given for a Nursery School to be held on the same site considering the very busy

tragic in Elmhurst Lane and then  
for music and the scale of alcohol  
to take place on the same site is  
unbelievable.

James J. Jolly





**Environmental Health & Trading Standards**  
Licensing & Business Support  
LB Bromley  
Stockwell Close  
Bromley BR1 3UH



12 August 2020

Consultation Ref: 20/00311/LAPRE

Dear Sir/Madam,

**Subject: Objection to the proposed premises licence for the sports club on Elmstead Lane**

We write regarding the above application to extend times for the sale of retail alcohol and provision of regulated / live music entertainment at the sports club on Elmstead Lane. We would like to raise the following objections to this proposal:

**i) Issues with previous events on the sports field.**

We have lived in the local area for the past 15 years, and during this time the sports club has held many events, particularly in recent years. These events have brought increasing levels of disruption to the local area, which has already given us cause for concern. The level of noise that these events create is sustained over long periods of time at weekends and given that sound/music travels well through the air, we have been able to hear the events from both outside and when inside our property. The noise, particularly the thumping of base, has continued into the early hours of the morning on many occasions. We feel that this therefore already presents a violation to our right as residents to enjoy our property.

The events hosted in prior years at the sports club has also seen an increase in vehicles in the local area, with vehicles parking along the main road, Elmstead Lane, just outside of the entrance to the club. This increases the levels of traffic and general busyness of the local area.

**ii) Impact on the local area and residents**

Having set out the concerns that we already have about the events that are already permissible at the club under the existing premises licenses, we believe this proposal would see an increased detrimental effect on the local area and its residents. The level of noise already created and sustained at the events is significant, and with extended hours for the sale of alcohol and provision of music entertainment, we see this impact only getting worse if this proposal were granted.

The area is populated with both young families and elderly residents, both of which are attracted to the local community because of the safety and tranquility that the area offers. Should the sports club be permitted the extension that it seeks and is able to supply alcohol and provide entertainment over weekends and Bank Holidays for a substantial part of the year, this quality will be substantially eroded, preventing residents from enjoying their properties and the surrounding area as they do today.

**iii) The prevention of public nuisance**

We believe that the extension of the time that the club can sell alcohol and provide live music entertainment will cause a public nuisance. The proposal seeks to grant the sports club rights to play music throughout Saturday and Sunday for five months of the year, with additional extended hours every Bank Holiday until as late as 03:30am, including allowing for the sale of alcohol for these extended hours. The noise generated at the club can already be heard by residents living in the surrounding areas; if this were to be allowed to go on regularly until the early hours, this will impact on the ability for residents to get to sleep.

While it is unclear from the proposal what restrictions for the number of visitors to site at any one time will be, given the size of the site, it is likely that there could be a significant number of individuals attending the site at any one event. This will mean that the dispersal of the event will bring about large volumes of private and public vehicles into the area, increasing levels of local pollution, traffic and associated noise to residents. The Council should seriously consider the effects that the noise and traffic pollution will have on residents and their day-to-day quality of life.

**iv) Public safety and the protection of children from harm**

There is limited public transport within the area, particularly after 23:00 in the evening. There will be an increase, as discussed above, in the number of vehicles in the area because of this proposal therefore. The increased level of traffic that would be introduced into an already busy area would ultimately lead to a further public safety risk, as well as saturating the local roads with vehicles. Elmstead Lane is already a very busy and difficult road to cross, and there have sadly been pedestrian fatalities in the past which have resulted when individuals have tried to cross the road. This risk will be only increased by introducing further traffic.

In addition, we are aware that within our road there are many neighboring families where their children play in the street on their bikes, particularly over Saturday and Sunday. This is encouraging to see and is a positive reflection of the safe community feeling that we currently have in this area, and we do not believe it is justified for these children to be put at further risk of harm from increased traffic volumes resulting from this proposal.

**v) Prevention of crime & disorder**

There are no public houses in the immediate area, and therefore that alcohol is on sale at the sports club for such long durations has the potential to see an increase in disturbances to the area by intoxicated individuals dispersing from the venue on foot, including the potential for increased littering, loitering and vandalism to properties and vehicles. We believe this to be an unacceptable risk to introduce to the local area which has a low crime rate that residents wish to protect from rising.

**Summary position**

We object to the proposal to grant a new license for the sports club on Elmstead Lane. We believe that the premises licenses already held by the sports club are adequate and that the events currently hosted at the club are already disruptive to the local community.

The extension to the times that the club can sell alcohol and provide music entertainment will result in public nuisance as a result of the additional noise and traffic introduced into the area, as well as increasing the risk of road traffic accidents and local crime.

If this proposal is granted, there will be a strong likelihood that every Friday, weekend and Bank Holiday for a substantial part of the year will be taken up by an extended event, and the only way of getting a respite would be to move out of the area. The quality of life of residents should be valued and we would respectfully request this, and the points outlined above, are taken into account when considering this application.





3 August 2020

Steve Phillips Planning Officer  
London Borough of Bromley  
Civic Centre Bromley

re. Planning application for Granby Sports Centre Ground  
Elmstead Lane Chislehurst

Dear Mr Phillips ,

We have just become aware of the application by a resident of an adjoining borough in respect of the above sports ground and wish to register our very strong objection to the planning application and its alarming contents .

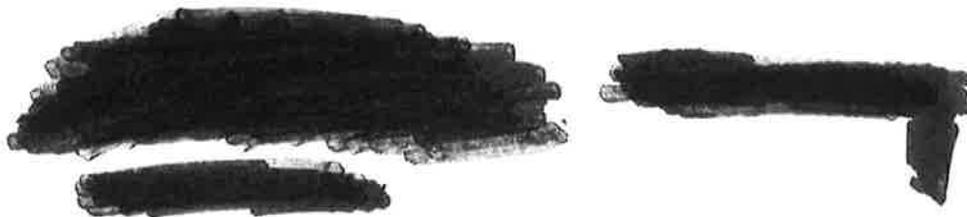
The sports ground is situated in a totally residential area and is a valued open green space currently used by a nearby school as a sports facility which is seen as so important these days .

The whole area surrounding the sports ground has in the past experienced the noise and disruption which events held there have caused. Music and loud speaker announcements have been incredibly loud and heard from very long distances away from the ground . People attending events held there have been known to leave too late to catch their train home and ended late at night wandering nearby streets causing alarm to residents . Sadly we no longer have a Police Station in Chislehurst so that any problems occurring at or after events have to rely on Officers travelling from Bromley to control.

Elmstead Lane is very busy at most times of the day and additional traffic to access the sports ground or parking around the area would cause a very considerable problem to residents and to emergency services such as Police , Fire and Ambulance . There is a Residential Care Home a short distance from the ground .

We hope very much that this totally unacceptable application will be refused . A licensed entertainment facility open seven days a week ,with additional extensions, would bring nothing but trouble for the whole area .

Yours sincerely

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LONDON BOROUGH  
14 AUG 2020  
OF BROMLEY



12 August 2020

Environmental Health & Trading Standards  
Licensing & Business Support  
London Borough of Bromley  
Stockwell Close  
Bromley BR1 3UH

**20/00311 LAPRE : PREMISES LICENCE : Chislehurst Sports and Country Club,  
Elmstead Lane, Chislehurst, BR7 5EL**

I write to object to the granting of the above application for a license in the terms applied for.

I do so as the locality is a quiet residential area where it would be inappropriate to allow the activities proposed as it is believed that they would constitute a public nuisance and detract from the quiet enjoyment of their homes that local residents are entitled to.

If granted, Bromley's noise pollution officers would, undoubtedly, be required to investigate complaints arising from the playing of music outside until the early hours. What is their response to the application?

The premises are sited on a playing field used by a local school which use could be prejudiced.

Elmstead Lane is ill-served by public transport at the closing times requested and the temptation for some to drive whilst under the influence of alcohol at these times may be hard for them to resist. Perhaps the police could be asked of their views on this?

Chislehurst is well served by licensed premises that are restricted to more reasonable hours of opening. These businesses must have been severely impacted by the response to Covid 19 and it would seem unfair for Bromley to sanction such unrestricted competition to their livelihoods.

In conclusion I believe that the activities proposed to be licensed would have a detrimental impact on the local area and could lead to the committing of crime and the endangering of the public. I ask Bromley to refuse the application.

Yours faithfully





LONDON BOROUGH  
10 AUG 2020  
OF BROMLEY

Mr Tim Horsman  
Assistant Director of Planning  
London Borough of Bromley  
Civic Centre  
Stockwell Close  
Bromley BR1 3UH

7ty August 2020

Dear Sir/Madam

**Application 20/00911/LAPRE Chislehurst Sports Ground & Country Club , Elmstead Lane,  
Chislehurst BR7 5EL**

Further to my previous recent letter wherein I lodged objection to the above planning application and to which I received no response nor acknowledgement. Therefore, I am writing again, as this is very important and objections need to be recorded in your Planning Department. I attach hereto a copy of my previous letter for ease of reference.

This proposal is not in keeping with the area, which is residential, and would certainly have a detrimental impact on residents living in the vicinity, particularly the elderly residents of the Bupa Care Home. A nightclub in a residential area is totally unacceptable and one would hope that common sense prevails and this application is firmly rejected.

Whenever there have been previous events at this Sports Club the loud music can be heard very clearly in Broadheath Drive, where the writer lives. These previous events have been infrequent and I made no complaint. However, the current planning application is for a virtual nightclub with alcohol and music until midnight 7 nights were week. Apart from the music, there will be many vehicles going to and leaving the venue at all hours, creating noise and disturbance. As parking for these vehicles will be limited, the vehicle drivers will simply park wherever they please, blocking driveways and parking in nearby roads causing disturbance and gross inconvenience to the Council Tax paying residents. As alcohol will be available, this will no doubt cause many other problems.

This Planning Application MUST be rejected.



LONDON BOROUGH  
17 AUG 2020  
OF BROMLEY

[Redacted]  
[Redacted]  
13th August 2020

Dear Planners,

re 20/0031/LAPRE - Premises Licence

Chislehurst Sports & Country Club

I wish to object to the above application on the following grounds:

- 1. The increased intrusion into the rights of local residents to the peaceful occupation of their homes
- 2. The increased traffic flow, parking and footfall and the possible increase in crime and public disorder
- 3. The inappropriate use, in the same premises, as a nursery with a very short time lapse between its closure and the clubs proposed opening of 7pm.

Yours faithfully,

[Redacted Signature]  
[Redacted Name]  
[Redacted Address]

London Borough of Bromley  
Environmental Health & Trading Standards  
Licensing & Business Support  
Stackwell Close  
Bromley BR1 3UH

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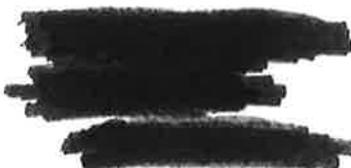


Chislehurst Sports and Country Club.  
Kilnhead Lane. BR7.5 2LW.  
20/08/2015

Re the above I object to change of use on the following grounds.

- (1) Excessive hours and dates.
- (2) Not suitable for this residential area.
- (3) Dangerous sight lines on leaving or entering the site entrance. Deep dip in drive and telecommunication pole and junction boxes obscure vision.
- (4) 8 buses are now pass the spot.
- (5) Fire Escape. Locking.
- (6) Interior and exterior stairs are very deep, grinding and of stone. A death trap.
- (7) Grounds usually Bubbington House School. as a playing field. Do broken glasses and other rubbish really mix with young children?
- (8) Tadler Nursery also using building and the above remarks apply. <sup>use</sup>  
This is not the right ~~site~~ for the area.





Environmental Health

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& Trading Standards

Licensing & Business Support

L. B. Bromley

Stockwell Close

Bromley BR1 3UH.

LONDON  
-3 AUG 2020

Dear Sir,

Premises Licence, Christchurch Sports and  
Country Club, Elmstead Lane, Christchurch BA75Ez

I am writing to add my disapproval to the possible granting of a new licence to the establishment set out above.

I have a number of reasons why I consider that a new licence should not be

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granted. They are as follows:-

1. The impact and noise level on the local area and residents.
2. The possible increase of crime and disorder.
3. The possibility of public nuisance.
4. The adverse impact on Public Safety.
5. The impact on the BUA can come which is nearby.
6. The parking of visitors to the Club and the impact of the parking on local residents.
7. The increase of litter.

I hope you will consider the above points when making your decision regarding the licence.

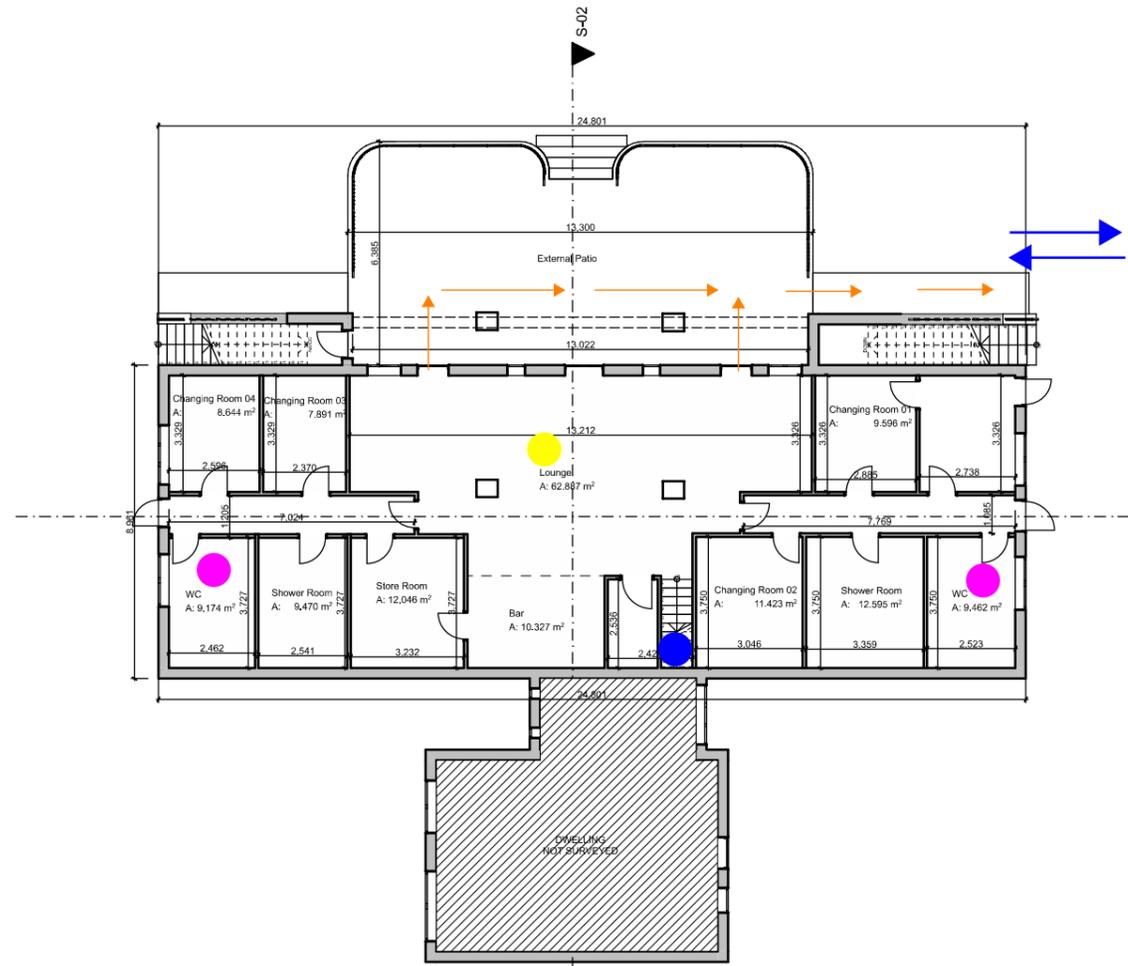
Yours faithfully



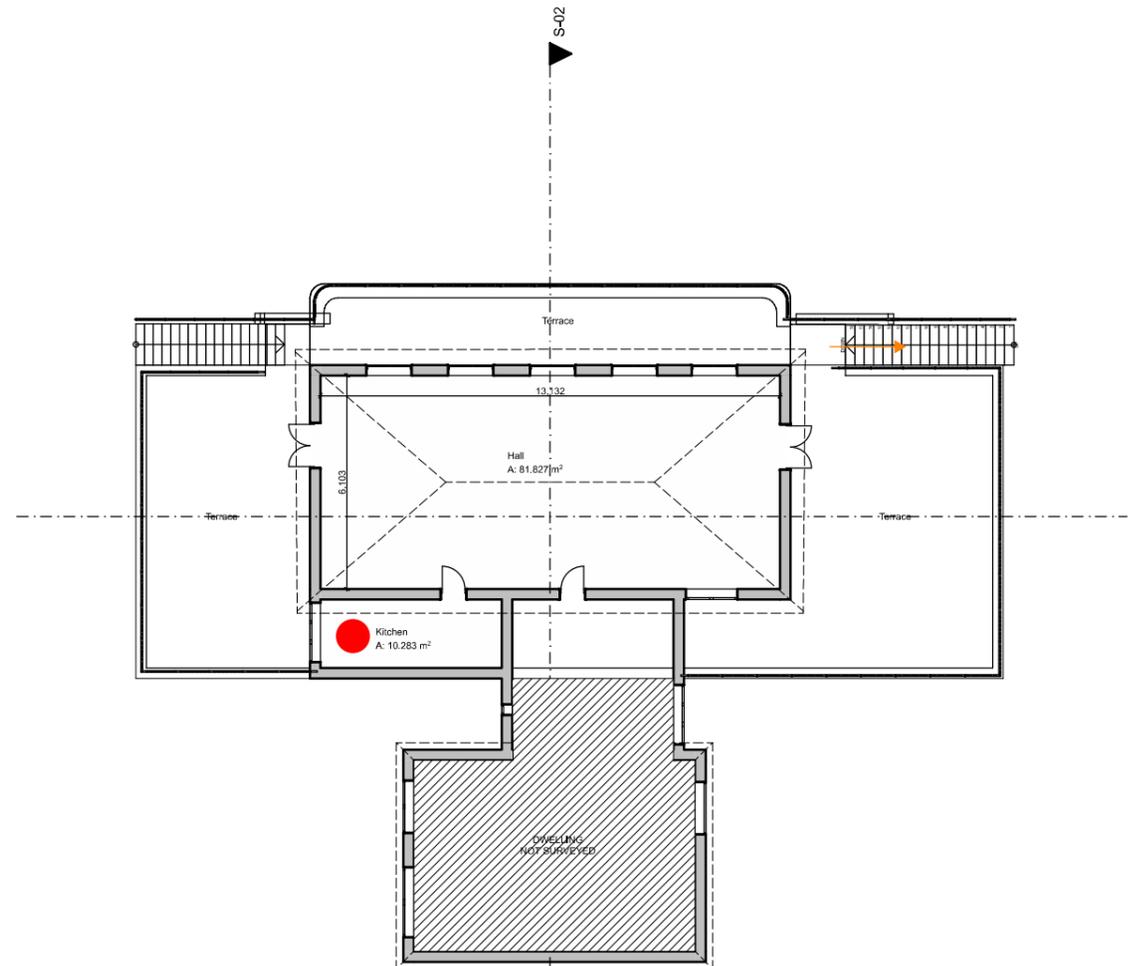
## Appendix 3

### Maps and photos

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	Main Access/Egress
	Toilets
	Stairs to First Floor
	Reception Area Ground floor
	Kitchenette Located 1st Floor
Fire extinguishers and fire alarm system located within club house	



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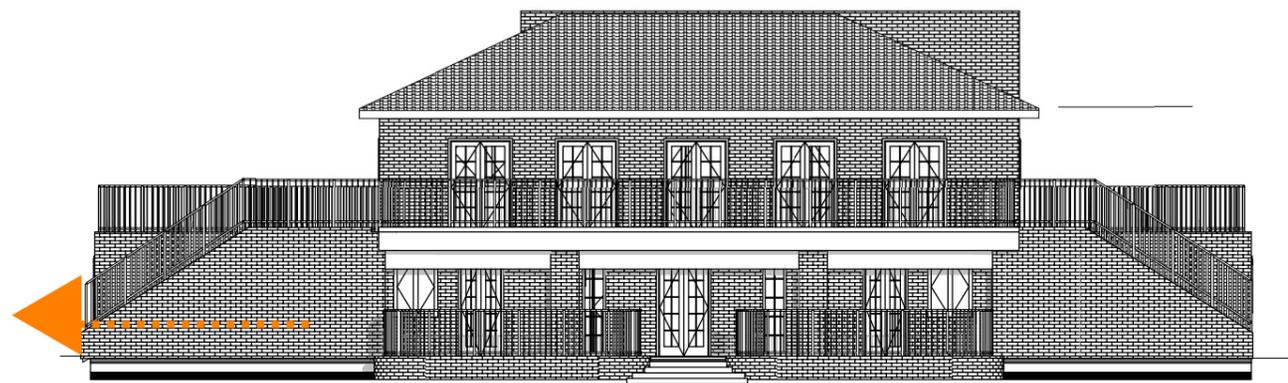
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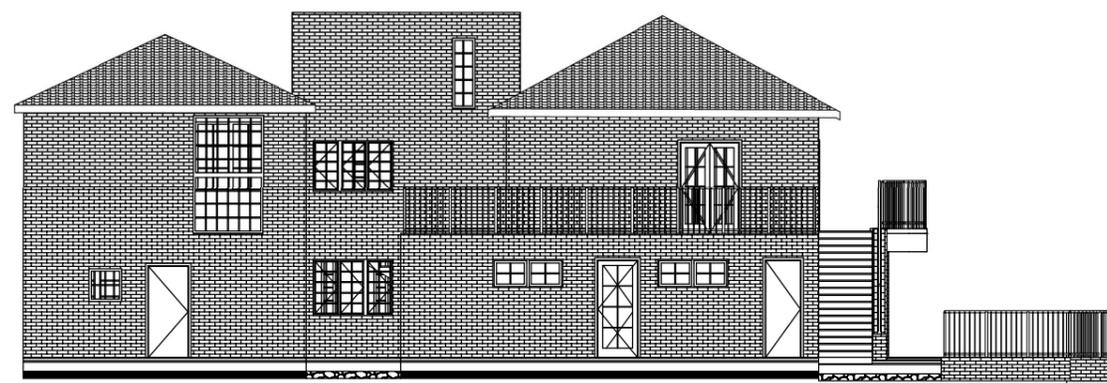


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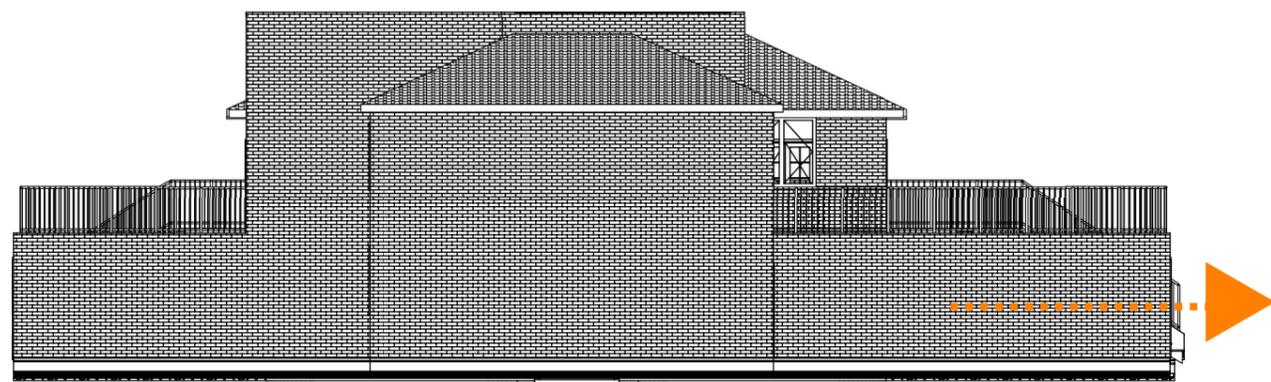
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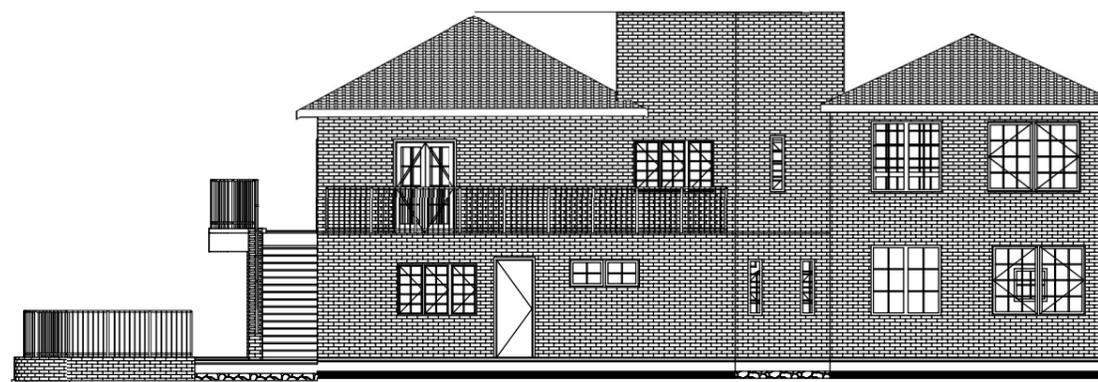


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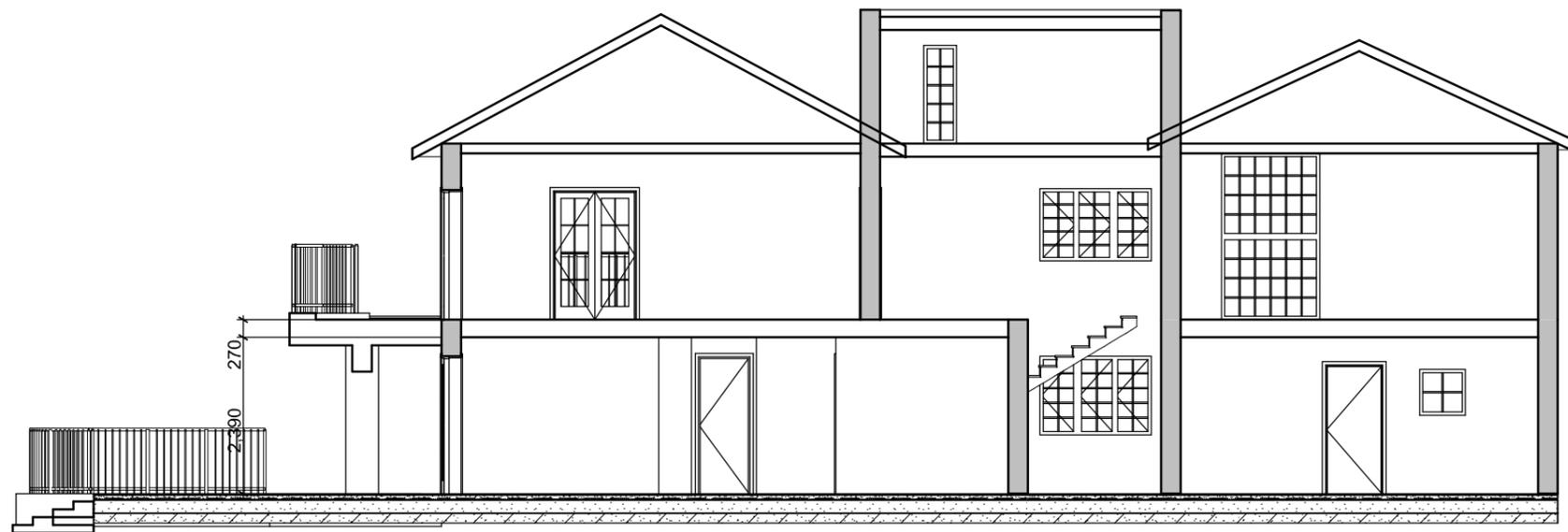


North Elevation

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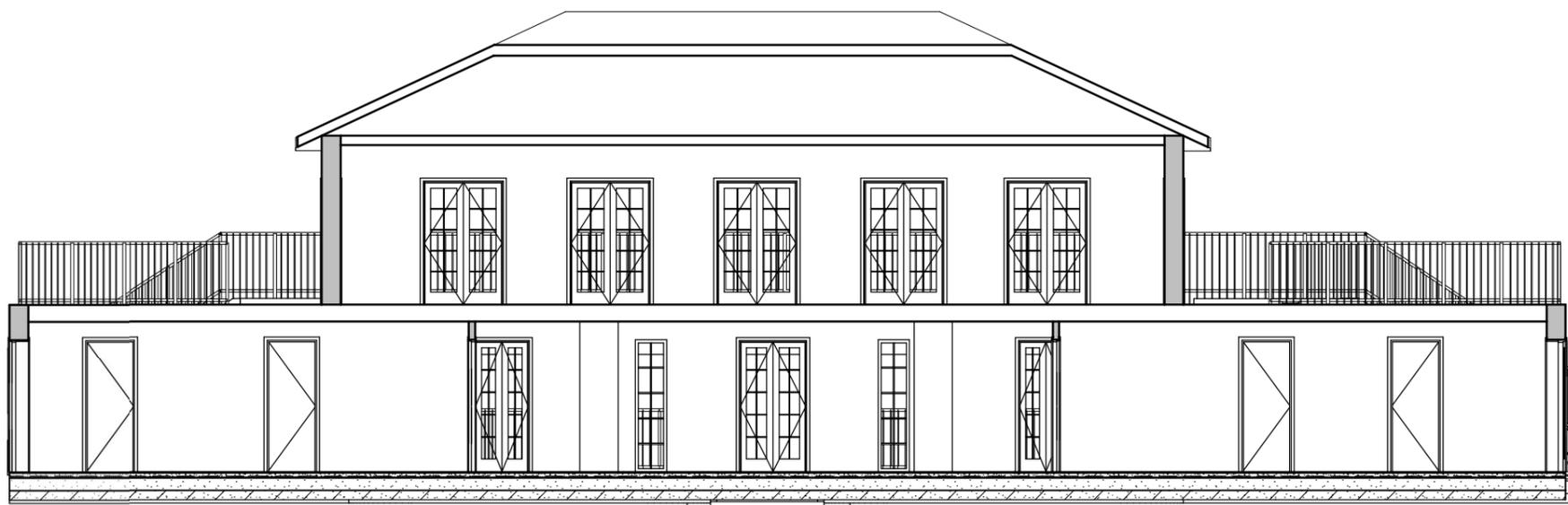
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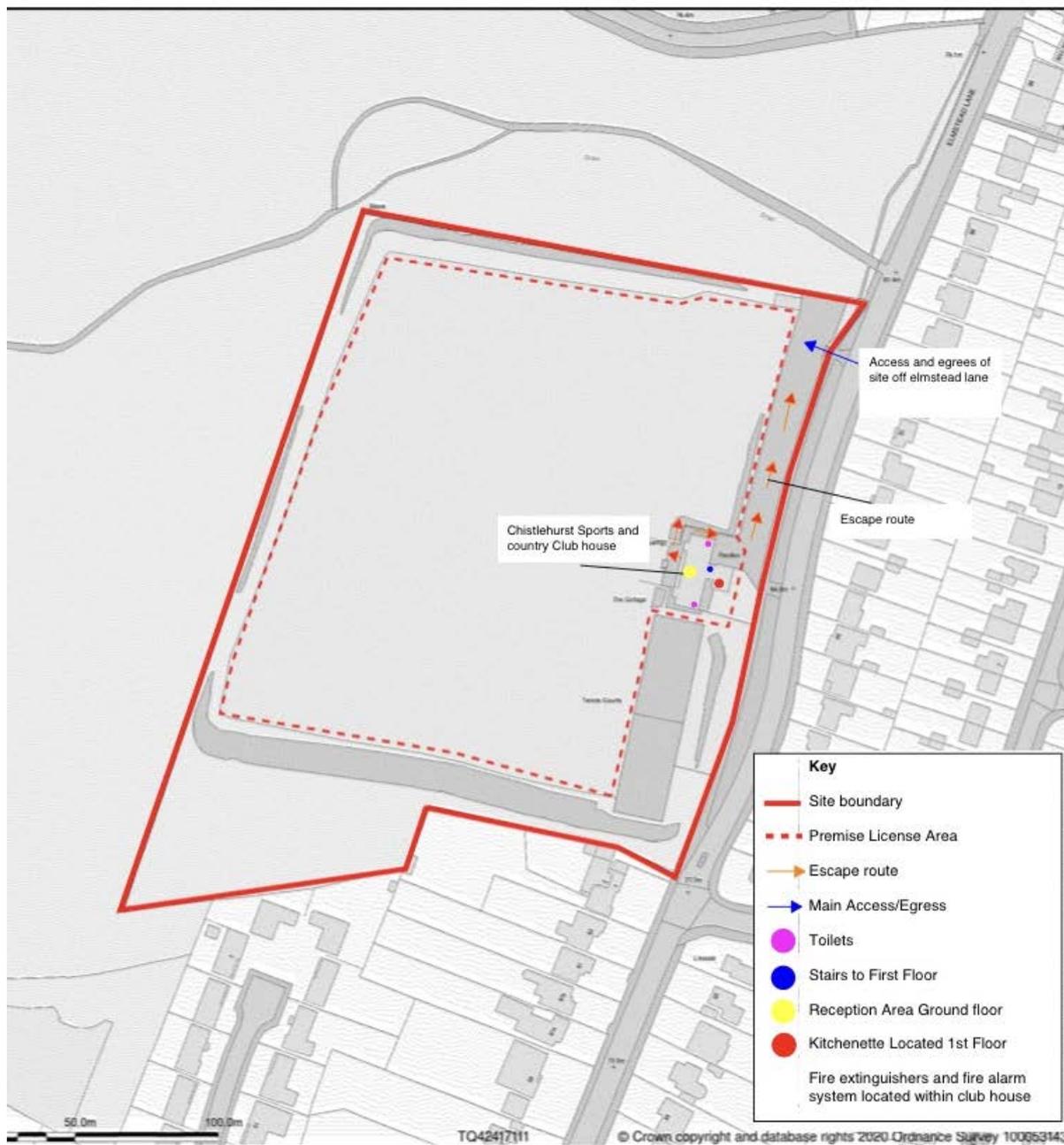
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