

Appendix 5 – Support for the Review

1. -

Dear Sir/Madam

I am acting as POA for the landlord of the block of property forming Weymouth Angling Centre (2 St Edmunds Street) and the residential properties above (53 St Mary Street) am writing in support of this review.

We receive frequent complaints about the night time noise levels and disturbances via the managing agencies from the tenants in the two residential flats. They have grown more and more frequent in recent times. Tenants generally choose to move on and we have to re-let yet again.

With the changing face of the town centre, we need to move towards making it a more acceptable place to live or the upper floors of buildings throughout the town centre will continue to decay. People living in the town centre also have a right to a decent quality of life - of which a good nights sleep is a critical part, and no one business should be allowed to overwhelm and impact so negatively on its neighbours.

I do not subscribe to the reasoning that the pub has been there for hundreds of years and people need to just put up with the current situation. Our residential property has been in our family for four generations. It is listed so we are limited to the adaptations we can make but the amplification equipment and hours The Duke of Cornwall chooses to operate has grown and grown to the point it is now causing continual difficulties for anyone trying to live in it.

We would fully support restrictions on the sound levels, and earlier finish times for any performances.

Yours sincerely

2. -

Hello

With response to the review of music license for the above public house in St Edmund Street Weymouth as printed in the Dorset Echo.

I live in St Edmond Street at [REDACTED] which is the opposite end to the Duke of Cornwall.

I fully expect living in the town centre to be surrounded by noise even into the night. On a Friday and Saturday the Noise generally is crazy but to be expected. But recently the Duke of Cornwall has had live bands even mid week playing into the early hours at rock concert volumes. Even last night on a Wednesday night with the license up for review they had live band music until almost midnight! The noise was so bad the first time they held a midweek band bash, that I got up and dressed and went to see what was happening at the golden lion as they often have live music and sometimes bands practise there midweek but always at volumes that are acceptable (given the location) only to find it was actually a band playing to perhaps a dozen customers in the early hours of the morning at the

Duke of Cornwall. To be clear I did not complain but when I see an article in the paper where the landlord claims victimisation. While disregarding the impact of changing the days and times music is played at his venue to those who live around him. And with a total disregard of the suspension of his licence, I had to lend a voice to whoever has brought this to your attention. I in no way want the business crippled in any way but a reasonable time for live music to stop would be 11pm as has always been the case at the Duke of Cornwall please

Thank you

3. -

Dear Sir/Madam

I wholeheartedly agree with removing the license for the above pub.

The pub is poorly managed, and I've witnessed customers being dealt with in a rude and verbally abusive manner by the landlady and her staff.

They broke Covid regulations before lockdown was completely eased, and I reported it to the police at the time of the incident.

Whilst it does host very good local bands, there is excessive noise and unruly behaviour in and outside the venue.

Since the current management have been in situ, my friends and I have stopped going to this pub because of the these occurrences.

Ordinarily we would be happy to support a venue that provides great music but definitely not this one.

Kind regards

4. -

Good evening. After seeing the signs up tonight in the duke of cornwall about complaints about their music being loud I feel the need to write a brief email to you tonight and unfortunately this is not to support them. There was a live band on tonight which for such a small venue was ridiculously loud and personally I feel the noise was at a level that wouldn't be fair to surrounding venues and accommodation etc. It actually gave me a headache which was really awkward as we were only there to play darts. When the background music was on this was at a sensible level it was just the live band, although this was only on from 9 till around 10.30ish I understand if there has been complaints why these would need investigating and just wanted to let you know how I felt personally as I'm sure they could be a little more sensible about the levels of noise coming from that particular venue if it was addressed with them.

Thankyou