

Representation 1

I wish to provide my **FULL SUPPORT** of the request and application made by Mr John and Mrs Jane Cordner of [REDACTED], as like them, we too as a family/household are **VERY** negatively impacted by the Corfe Mullen British Legion, and current licencing hours, noise, customers and cars, as well as other issues.

We are aware that [REDACTED] are also impacted badly and agree with the application, yet are too worried to comment for fear of attack / retaliation and harrassment.

My [REDACTED] are also impacted by the noise.

The music is way too loud.

Often myself and my family will be trying to sleep and the music is so loud, we can't sleep, and can hear the lyrics!! it's ridiculous the volume that they play music / lets DJs play music / allow singers to set their microphones ... the customer's ears must be ringing! The volume is unnecessary and too loud. It impacts us on a weekly, and on the weekends, a daily basis. In the summer, we can't have our windows open due to the volume!

We support a request to enforce volume reduction / reduce the hours that loud music can be played until... to 10pm limit.

Despite the licensing hours, and the feedback from the Legion that they stop playing music by 11pm: The legion are definitely NOT obeying the current license and operate outside of what they are licensed to do.

Car parking is dangerous, often with cars parked carelessly and with no regard to traffic / pedestrians / neighbouring homes. Cars are parked all along the roadside, up on the curbs / pavements, and many times parking over residents driveways, preventing us/them from entering or leaving our drive. The cars also are a hazard to the school children walking (**especially wednesdays when slimming world are there**) , and the cars pose a real danger as they obscure view and restrict traffic flow. We have requested double-yellow-lines numerous times to the council, yet to no avail. The inconsiderate parking and the volume of cars is an accident waiting to happen, as well as an obstruction to us as residents (blocking our driveways), an obstruction to pedestrians and to traffic. The legion shows no care or regard when we ask for cars to be moved, and we are subjected to rudeness, insult and threat!!

We also worry about drink driving, as often observe customers leaving, who appear to be under the influence, get in the cars and drive!

We also experience noise nuisance from Legion customers revving engines and cars very late at night - another reason we support the opening hours to be reduced.

Beer barrel deliveries also take place at 6am Fridays - causing huge noise and we request consideration to adjust this delivery time to 7am the earliest as neighbours are being woken by the lorries / barrel noise / shouting every single week at 6am Friday!

Concern re Under-age drinking and drug-taking in the legion. Often alcohol is said to be served to under-age patrons who then leave the legion, and take the alcohol / glasses over to the cemetery to drink!

A recent example of this was on carnival day - myself and other residents then needing to clear up the dangerous smashed glasses and drug-taking paraphernalia from people's graves!!

There was also a fight in the car-park involving drunken customers... and general shouting, swearing and antisocial behaviour.

More governance by the management is needed!

The recent rental of car park space by [REDACTED] MK Kitchen, resulted in him having to move location, as he was bullied, victimised, harassed and forced out. The legion initially charged him a lot of money to serve food on the carpark site, yet as soon as they themselves started to provide food (not run properly and legally either!)...the legion management and staff, and 'customers / drinkers club' made [REDACTED] life a living hell: he was threatened, attacked and he too worried about the safety of his food truck, and worried about the safety and wellbeing of his (Indian) family. He was forced to leave. A [REDACTED] (customer and husband of the now [REDACTED] ([REDACTED])), physically attacked [REDACTED] of MK Kitchen. So the relocation of MK Kitchen had nothing to do with Mr & Mrs Cordner of [REDACTED]... this was due to Bullying by the legion manager / staff and 'loyal' customers.

Please seek comment from [REDACTED] who may wish to comment on the application to review the licensing.

A simple reduction in volume allowance, a request to maintain closed windows on live music / dj / live act nights, a reduction in licensing & opening hours to 10pm, and a restriction of on road parking, and the request that customers do not use the car park for smoking, drinking / socialising (causing noise and fighting & litter), would make a huge difference to the quality of our lives, which currently is so low due to a few unkind, aggressive, inconsiderate people.

For homeowners to have to consider selling their home to escape this seems unfair... yet that is the reality.

Representation 2

I wish to make a representation in relation to the premises licence for the Corfe Mullen Royal British Legion Club. My concerns relate primarily to the prevention of public nuisance and prevention of crime and disorder licensing objectives.

Since summer 2022 I have supported Mr and Mrs Cordner, who have experienced significant and sustained disturbance from noise at the premises, particularly at weekends and late at night. Despite their reasonable attempts to resolve these issues directly with the club, little progress appears to have been made, and they have been left feeling distressed and isolated.

I have personally witnessed the ongoing impact on their wellbeing, including loss of sleep and anxiety, which are consistent with the nuisance described. More broadly, I am concerned that the handling of this issue has contributed to wider community tension and undermined confidence in local leadership. The recent incident of assault reported by Mr Cordner in November 2024 raises additional concerns about public safety and the potential for disorder associated with the premises.

While I recognise the value of the club to the community, I believe conditions are needed to ensure proper control of noise and behaviour, and to rebuild community trust.

Representation 3

During a stay as a guest in the area, I experienced significant disruption caused by noise and behaviour from individuals outside the premises, particularly during the early hours of the morning.

This included:

- Groups of people congregating outside, talking loudly and using inappropriate language.
- The sound of bottles and other disturbances very early in the morning.
- Arguments among those who appeared to be drinking and smoking outside.
- Loud thudding noises and music continuing late into the night.

These issues made it extremely difficult to get to sleep. The combination of loud noise, aggressive language, and ongoing disturbances created an uncomfortable and unpleasant environment, especially at times when one would expect quiet.

I believe these disturbances are relevant to the review of the premises' licence, as they have a direct impact on the peace and wellbeing of nearby residents and guests.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my comments and please let me know if you require any further details.