

Representations against the application

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Dorset Council Licence Planning Application No:167692 I object to the granting of Licence for the following reasons:-

1. The Prevention of Public Nuisance. I frequently visit a relative who lives on the Bloor Estate close by the application premises. I have heard the noise from live music, recorded music, general noise (customer noise from talking outside) and traffic noise going to and from the site. This can all be clearly heard from the garden and makes it very difficult to enjoy a peaceful and relaxing time outside mainly at weekends in the garden. I consider this not to be just a noise issue but a nuisance issue. It is not simply a question of turning the volume down on any live or recorded music and you cannot control the volume of a mass of people talking in a social group outside. The site is an old agricultural building which has no sound insulation and the doors are left open for live music, recorded music and noise to drift outside. This building is totally unsuitable for its current use and is not in the right place for drinking and entertainment (live music) next to a residential development. The other old existing agricultural buildings are used for Industrial uses (weekdays only). There needs to be some clarification relating to the Licence Application as there appear to be two alcohol related businesses occupying two different parts of the same building. Namely, Brewers Folly Brewery Ltd at Unit 2A and The Rum Life at Unit B for which this application (167692) relates. I do not know from which business the live music has come from as according to the Premises Licence 14785 for Brewers Folly Brewery Ltd it does not specifically state live music on the licence (14785-start date 24/11/2025) and in the initial application (163124). In the initial Planning Application (P/FUL/2025/01596) for Brewers Folly Brewery there are restrictions on opening times and this does not include Sundays on which live music has been played. There is another Planning Application (P/VOC/2026/03439) submitted which is in the consultation period by Brewers Folly Brewery Ltd for a change to the operating hours to align with the Premises Licence. I do not know if these two businesses have any connection. There has already been local objection to the noise from live music from the premises.
2. Public Safety The site is accessed by a single track public right of way and is within reasonable walking distance from areas of Wimborne. However there does seem to be a lot of vehicles accessing the site and parking down the lane. Vehicle traffic is also increased by people using the Sauna next to the site. This raises issues of Public Safety for people using the public right of way. This also increases the risk from drink/driving and other alcohol related issues in the area. In view of the above points I feel there is no justification for seeking a licence for the supply of alcohol and recorded music starting at 9:00 in the morning seven days a week and the ability to provide live music from 12:00 weekdays and from 11:00 at weekends. There are already nuisance problems and complaints as I have mentioned above. There is no need for both businesses occupying the same building to have a need to play live music.

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Given the proximity to residential housing, noise impact should be given due consideration. The premises should not operate during unsociable hours, and appropriate measures should be in place to prevent anti-social behaviour, including issues arising from intoxicated customers.