

## REPRESENTATIONS

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### RESIDENT A

I am e-mailing you in response to an application to vary the licence for the Vale sports Arena. I would like to object to this licence being granted, I live in Llandough (Church View Close) and as it is we can hear a lot of noise traveling up the hill from near the Porsche garage and the Vale arena during the evening which can go on to early hours of the morning with (Noises of cars racing and Music being played really high in the empty industrial estates)

Noise seems to travel up the bank on to our street alot, which means we can hear the music / commotion really loudly. It is not acceptable to give such a late licence to a venue, so close to a residential area. Do they really need a licence till 3 am near a residential area (where as I say the noise Travels up the hill– as I say we are pretty much Directly up the bank from this, and the volume of noise would NOT be acceptable.

I have a little girl, who's bedroom window looks down on the Porsche garage, so as you can imagine, any noise can be heard in her bedroom.

Many thanks

### COUNCILLOR G CARROLL

I would like to make the following observations regarding the application.

I feel there could be the potential for public nuisance if the extension is granted, owing to the excessive noise serving alcohol at the premises at the given times may cause.

In particular, this is likely to occur later at night, as a result of the proposed new hours. There have been issues of disturbance in nearby areas in the past, and this may very well be exacerbated as a result of the extension.

There are also issues with public safety, particularly given the fact there are no pavements on Llandough Hill, a route people using the facility may use. Cogan Pill Road, another possible route, is also not lit.

If permission is granted, I would urge the council to insist that the premises is soundproofed, while I would also agree with the suggestions of the Community Council and other residents that it should be conditional and on a temporary basis, with the opportunity to review or revoke if further issues arise.

All the best,

George Carroll

Elected Member

Llandough ward

COUNCILLOR G CARROLL (on behalf of residents)

Dear all

I have forwarded you a number of objections I have received regarding the above application.

As you will see - these repeat a number of the points I made in my own submission - while a number of additional concerns have been raised too.

It is quite clear there is considerable and justifiable concern on the impacts extending the licence will have - and I therefore repeat my view that the application should be rejected.

All the best,

Cllr George Carroll

Elected Member

Llandough ward

## RESIDENT B

I am grateful to you for previous correspondence regarding the above and for your kind offer to forward to the Licencing Committee with your support. My formal comments are set out below. They are made in the context of events already held under temporary licencing arrangements with interval of several weeks. The consequence of this is that I thought that these were very rare private parties that were over enthusiastic and therefore I did not think to contact the council due to unreasonable noise. My neighbour did contact the council and has been in regular communication. Secondly, I think that most residents thought similarly and are not aware of the application for licence variation.

The sports arena licence approved in 2016 was for the provision of health related activities such as gym and running etc. It was welcomed by the community as an asset. The current application changes the business almost entirely. I would say it is hardly a variation but a new licence. It is dramatically different and gives cause of concern to normal residential life and the health and wellbeing of the community. They wish to provide a multi entertainment venue which includes (as I am told advertised on Facebook) "raves". The warehouse I understand can take up to and possibly over 1000 people. The hours and potential volumes of people are entirely unreasonable in a residential area **9am to 4am** seven days a week to including an alcohol licence. Church view Close and Willowmere are less than **145 metres from the venue**. A council officer attended Willowmere and Church View Close during one of the events made this assessment and heard unacceptable noise coming from the venue at 01.47am causing a public nuisance. It is well known that noise pollution is detrimental to health. This is a quiet and peaceful area and it is likely that there will be an increase in disorder and possibly crime given the numbers aligned to the provision of alcohol and hours of opening.

The prospect of this development is already causing high levels of anxiety. It is possible that the applicant feels that it is a commercial area and far enough away due to the outlook from Penarth Road but that is certainly not the case. I politely ask the Licencing Committee to consider this application very closely and take into account the welfare of the local residents bearing in mind that this application allows the applicant almost 24hr /7day opportunity for a range of entertainment much of which is known to be noisy and disruptive to reasonable life.

Yours sincerely

Church View Close

## RESIDENT C

Dear sir

I am writing to object to the notification placed in the Penarth times by Peter Griffiths in respect of the application for a variation of a premises licence at Penarth Rd known as the Vale Sports Arena aka Vale Warehouse.

I am basing my objection on the grounds of "Prevention of public nuisance " ie noise.

As a resident of Llandough I have already raised my concerns regarding this venue with the vale of Glamorgan neighbourhood services officer, and I have been in correspondence with her regarding noise disturbance from the premises on various occasions since June 2018. The actual disturbances caused have however been going on periodically prior to and after this date.

I have not previously made an official complaint for fear of repercussions however as a formal notice has now been placed with the inference for late opening hours on every day of the week it appears that this is to become a regular and permanent thing and as such I feel I have no option but to now make a formal objection to the variation of premises licence applied for.

I am objecting on the grounds that the noise levels in general from these premises are loud but particularly the music and especially drum and base nights which go on into the early hours of the morning. This is both unreasonable and unacceptable for the residents of Llandough who have had to endure this in the past and will no doubt have to endure it on a regular basis if this licence application is to be granted as requested.

Social media and various websites have advertised drum and base events , warehouse raves etc at these premises and I understand so far temporary licences have been granted for these past late night events. On these nights the bass levels have been extremely loud and can be heard at my residence well into the early hours of the morning. It is hard to sleep with the constant thud of the music. In addition cars, voices, shouting and shrieking can be heard from the venue visitors when they are leaving the events.

I have even on occasions heard announcers at boxing matches between rounds, the volume levels are so high.

The noise from this venue is already impacting on my right to quiet enjoyment of my property and I fear it will get worse if the variation application is approved.

The fact that a request to open til 3:00 am Monday to Sunday has been submitted is worrying to say the least especially as there are events already planned and being advertised for weekdays and weekends. I also understand that some events are scheduled to go on til 4:00 am.

Llandough is primarily a residential area, the venue premises in question are only a couple of hundred metres away from housing and are not fit to hold such events unless the building is soundproofed appropriately and doors and shutters are kept shut when events are on to prevent the noise travelling.

If the variation licence is to be granted the owner should be made aware and forced to take appropriate action to mitigate the disturbance to residents. Actually even if the variation licence isn't granted the last point should be considered.

Please take account of this objection before agreeing the extended hours and granting the licence. If you would like anymore information please let me know as I was not sure how much information to include in this objection letter.

I am submitting this objection on 14 September 2018 which I believe to be in time to be taken into consideration. Please could you acknowledge that this is acceptable in email form.

Many thanks

Church View Close  
Llandough

#### RESIDENT D

I am a resident of Church View Close and I have just become aware of the change in the licensing application made by the Vale Sports Arena.

Because it would create more noise and activity on Penarth Road into the early hours of the morning I am strongly opposed to the likely impact it would have on this area.

I would appreciate it if you would add my name to the growing list of complainants.

Thank you for your concern on our behalf.

Llandough

#### RESIDENT E

I have just received information concerning the application to vary the licence to the Vale Sports Arena on Penarth Road.

As a resident of Llandough and Church View Close I would add our objection to the proposal based on the potential noise but also on the impact on the area due to the length of opening hours and the effect of alcohol being served until 3 in the morning Monday to Sunday.

Could you forward the objection to the Vale Committee on our behalf,

Regards,

RESIDENT F

I have been made aware of the application to change the terms of the licence at the Vale Sports Arena on Penarth Road.

I live at Church View Close, Llandough and our back garden overlooks Penarth Road and the A4232, Grangetown viaduct.

We already experience a great deal of road noise and would be very concerned if, in addition, we were to have music and other noisy activities extending through the night. The application, if allowed, would be totally inappropriate for the area allowing "rave" and other inappropriate events to take place without restriction.

Please convey my strongest objection to this proposal to the Licensing committee.

Best regards

RESIDENT G

My name is church view close, I've seen the application to vary the licence for the vale sports arena and this should never happen this is directly under our property and the noise travels. I never bought the property to live above a night club etc. This is a quiet street and at one of those events which passed 1 am my young girl couldn't sleep in her own room (her room faces the back).

This would be totally unacceptable to have constant noise from various events. Also that night my daughter couldn't sleep in her own room we could hear the noise from the back of our property with the windows shut.

Regards

LLANDOUGH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

I have assumed that this is the same application that was sent to me earlier in the month with a closing date of 26 August, 2018.

On that basis, I would inform you that the comments of the Council are as follows:-

- a. The application, if granted COULD allow 'disturbance' every night of the week, all year round which is unacceptable and could adversely impact on the lives those living on Leckwith Road, Llandough Hill , Willowmere and possibly the flats at Corinthian Close and Tuscan Close.
- b. The Council has had complaints from residents of Llandough Hill about the noise made by revellers walking home in the past. This could be a much more frequent matter and on the grounds public nuisance , the Council wishes to express some reservation about this application and would encourage you to seek a reduction in the days/hours of operation of the licence. For example, leaving aside holidays like Christmas/New year, does it have to be granted for 52 Sunday nights until 03:30hrs with revellers then making their way home? Furthermore, the Council considers that the sale of alcohol from 9.00am is unacceptable and a later start time such as 11.30am would be more appropriate.
- c. The location is (was) an industrial estate where trading would be expected on most days (less in Sundays) but little in the evenings. The use of the warehouse as the license suggest will alter things considerably.
- d. In terms of public safety, it is necessary for account to be given to the fact that Llandough Hill does not have a pavement and safety for those returning to Llandough by foot could be an issue.
- e. If the application is approved, the premises would need to be adequately sound-proofed and occasional checks on sound levels undertaken to ensure compliance with noise pollution standards. Without adequate sound proofing there could be nuisance caused to those living on Leckwith Road and on Llandough Hill.
- f. If permission is granted, the Council would urge you to consider a temporary licence for one year during which time the concerns detailed above could be monitored and the licence withdrawn or amended in the event that issues of public nuisance arise.

Yours sincerely,

Clerk to Llandough Community Council,

## RESIDENT H

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to register my objection to the recently submitted premises license application for the Vale Sports Arena on Penarth Road.

As a resident of Cwrt Dochdwy on Dochdwy Road (opposite and up the hill from Vale Sports Arena), I am hugely concerned that Mr. Peter Griffiths' wish to vary his

current license will cause significant noise nuisance for ourselves and the 18+ residents in our block of flats. Dochdwy Road is currently a quiet location, but if this application is accepted, it will result in loud music being played not only Monday to Sunday, but also until 4am! Both I and my wife have full-time jobs and have to be up at 7am – having music being played until 4am at any time of the week is not acceptable.

On several occasions, we have experienced noise nuisance from the Vale Sports Arena due to temporary licenses. I refer to my telephone call on August 22nd with from the neighborhood service about our experience on August 19th. It was this night that myself and my wife were kept up until 3am due to music playing from the Vale Sports Arena. Even with the windows closed, it was still very clear to hear.

I would also like to refer to my telephone conversation with the owner of the Vale Sports Area on the night of August 19th. Although the owner seemed very understanding of our noise complaint and offered to ask the DJ to turn down the base, this made little difference to the noise levels we were experiencing. Worryingly, the owner also informed us that he had walked up the road towards Cardiff Trade Sales and said he could not hear any music. This type of noise test isn't reliable when vibrations and music tend to travel upwards (we live on a hill).

In addition, we have driven past the venue several times when events and parties are being held and witnessed first-hand the amount of people spilling into the main road from the venue. This goes without saying that it's hugely dangerous and safety precautions need to be considered.

With this in mind, we ask that the noise issue, safety of venue users and the disruption to resident's lives is taken into account when considering this application. Such hours of use simply should not be permitted in this location.

Thank you for your time,

#### RESIDENT I

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express my concern about the premises licence application submitted for the Vale Sports Arena.

As a resident of Llandough, I have encountered several noisy and sleepless nights due to music being played at the Vale Sports Arena. I accept that a sports venue will have a license to hold events, but believe it should be restricted to reasonable hours in which is primarily a residential area. The provision of longer opening hours and late night music until 3am (and even 4.30am for 10 events) will cause significant nuisance and disruption to residents in this area.



I ask that you object this premise license application and take measures to prevent any future noise issues.

Thank you for your time,