

## Tania Jardim

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**From:** Michael Callaghan  
**Sent:** 25 June 2020 13:16  
**To:** Tania Jardim  
**Cc:** Ian  
**Subject:** Bournemouth Electric Club  
**Attachments:** Hearing.docx; letter to residents.docx; mail to councillors.docx; second mail to Cllr Borthwick.docx

Good afternoon Tania

Attached is the signed notice relating to the hearing on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2020. Ian has also asked me to attach information relating to communications with residents and representatives

1. Letter sent by email to residents or hand delivered if no email address
2. Mail to Cllr Borthwick, Cllr Lisa Northover and Cllr Kieran Wilson including Cllr Borthwick's response. The other two councillors have not responded
3. 2<sup>nd</sup> email to Cllr Borthwick

I have to date had 5 people meet on site to discuss the application and 2 residents who did not want to meet but wanted clarification of the conditions attached to the licence. All the meetings I had face to face went well and they said they were prepared to withdraw their objection. I will advise if Cllr Borthwick responds to my second mail

Regards

Mick

Good evening

My name is Michael Callaghan and I am the service provider at Bournemouth Electric. As you are aware we are applying for a premises licence for the Club. I am aware that you have concerns and I would ask if you could take a few minutes to read this letter that will hopefully give you a little more understanding of what we our intentions are for the club going forward

Having read the letters of objection, I would like to apologise if the application caused concern or anxiety. Although the licence states that we are to be open to 11pm with live music and until 1am with recorded music it is not our intention to operate until these times. In fact, under the current licence, we are permitted to have live music until 12am and drinking until 2am. In our time as operators here, we have not used this late licence and do not intend to going forward, hence the application to reduce trading hours.

I have spoken with Environmental Health and the Police and we have worked together to add a number of conditions attached to the licence that ensures we operate in a way that is sympathetic to the needs of the community and local residents.

As you may be aware the venue currently operates under a club licence. A premises licence ensures the operator is much more accountable to the licencing team, environmental health and the police. I want to be more accountable as we would prefer to operate the venue in a professional manner and work with the aforementioned departments and residents alike. One of the key conditions we have discussed with environmental health is that we communicate with residents through a hub where we can inform people of our intentions and can hear from the residents of any concerns. We will have a hotline for residents to contact the manager on site directly. Unfortunately I believe that communication may have been lacking in the past and this is something we intend to ensure we have in place going forward.

I am aware that in the past there has been issues relating to the operating of the venue. My company has only been on board since last Autumn and I would hope that you have seen an improvement in the management of the venue and the upkeep of the premises.

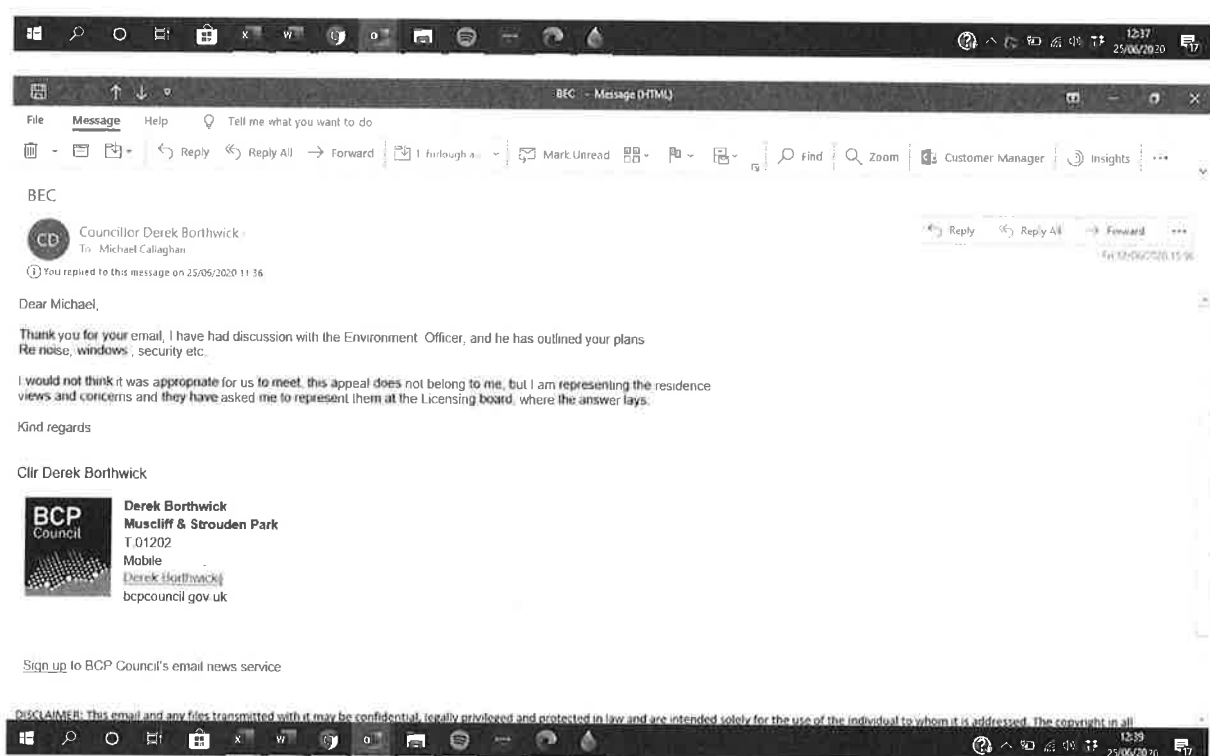
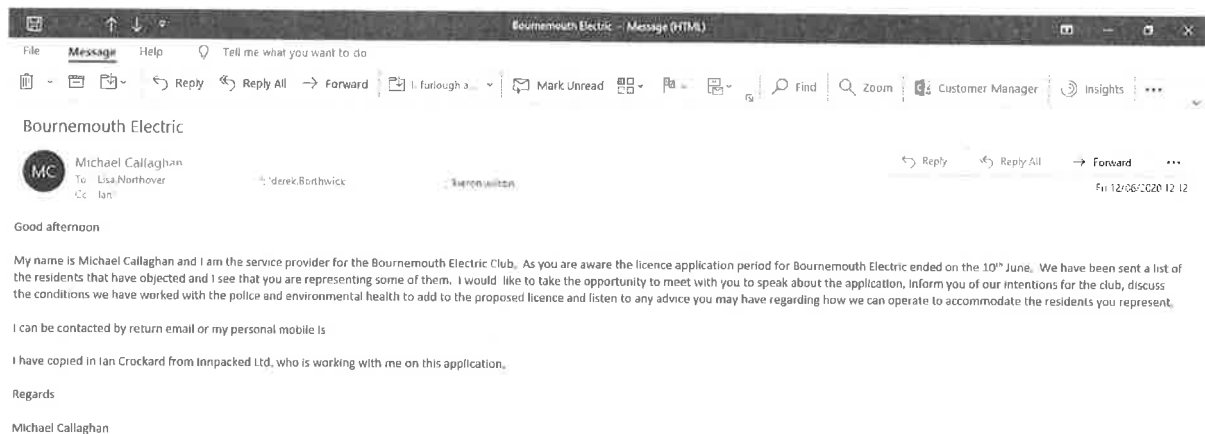
I would like to take the opportunity to meet with you to discuss the application, inform you of our intentions for the club, show you the list of conditions we have worked with the police and environmental health to add to the proposed licence and listen to any advice you may have regarding how we can operate to accommodate you and fellow residents. As you are probably aware Bournemouth Electric has been operating for 85 years as a family and community club. We wish to continue this for the next 85 years with your support

It would be good to meet you on site to chat if you could be available. I would like to also take the opportunity to show you the changes we have made on site during the lockdown.

I can be contacted by return email or 01202 515440

Regards

Michael Callaghan



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Michael Callaghan

To: Councillor Derek Borthwick  
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Dear Cllr Borthwick

I am a little disappointed that you have chosen not to take up our offer to discuss the application. As a business within the ward you represent I would hope you would be keen to ensure that you balance the needs of local residents and local business as per local government association guidance. Since my previous mail we have met with the police and we have added a number of further conditions and they are now happy and have removed their objection.

In these days of council revenue deficits and the struggles for time and resources caused by the pandemic, I fail to understand why you would wish to take the application to hearing if it can be avoided. Hearings are expensive and time consuming for the licensing authority, objectors and applicants and whilst I accept that we may have to go to hearing I would suggest that if it can be avoided by a short meeting then this would be better for all concerned.

The licensing act was designed to avoid hearings by discussion, arbitration and negotiation so I again would like to invite you to the site to allow me to explain exactly what we are doing and why. It may be of interest to you that every one of the objectors who have taken up my offer to discuss our plans have withdrawn or are withdrawing their application.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Regards

Michael Callaghan

From: Councillor Derek Borthwick <  
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To: Michael Callaghan <  
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