Good Afternoon,

I have been viewing your premises license application for 102, Commercial Road, Bournemouth.

You have specified that the business will possibly be providing Live Music and/or Recorded Music between the hours of 23:00 and 02:00 and that the intended opening hours are 11:00 – 02:00.

Intended use of the site is an:
up-market cocktail bar providing limited entertainment.

I note that you have provided the following conditions:

No noise generated on the premises, or by its associated plant or equipment, shall emanate from the premises nor vibration be transmitted through the structure of the premises which gives rise to a nuisance. Notices shall be prominently displayed at all exits requesting patrons to respect the needs of local residents and businesses and leave the area quietly.
No waste or recyclable materials, including bottles, shall be moved, removed from or placed in outside areas between 20:00 hours and 08:00 hours on the following day.
No collections of waste or recycling materials (including bottles) from the premises shall take place between 20:00 and 08:00 on the following day.
No deliveries to the premises shall take place between 20:00 and 08:00 on the following day.

I am happy with the above conditions, however I recommend adding the below conditions as well, I recommend the following wording:

* Patrons permitted to temporarily leave and then re-enter the premises, e.g. to smoke, shall not be permitted to take drinks or glass containers with them.
* The premises licence holder shall ensure that any patrons smoking outside the premises do so in an orderly manner and are supervised by staff so as to ensure that there is no public nuisance.
* A noise limiter must be fitted to the in house musical amplification system and set so as to ensure that the noise levels from the premises are kept at such levels as to be barely audible at the façade of any residential property. The operational panel of the noise limiter shall then be secured by key or password and access shall only be by persons authorised by the Premises Licence Holder. No additional sound generating equipment shall be used on the premises without being routed through the sound limiter device.
* All windows and external doors shall be kept closed after 23:00 hours, or at any time when regulated entertainment takes place, except for the immediate access and egress of persons.

I hope you are happy with the above wording, if you are not please feel free to let me know, I am happy to amend the wording if the amended wording offers the same protection for local residents.
I am currently objecting to your application so that we can organise the conditions for this premises licence. Once we have organised the final set of conditions I will remove my objection.

Kind Regards

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To the relevant BCP Licensing Officer,

**RE: Representation re Licensing Application ref: 184291 for address Unit 1, 102 Commercial Road, Bournemouth BH2 5LR.**

I wish to register my objections to the above application. I object both to the nature of the proposed licensable activities (Live Music, Recorded Music, Late Night Refreshment and Supply of Alcohol) and timings, i.e. Monday to Sunday 11:00 to 02:00.

I have lived in the Nova Building since 2009. When first I moved in there was only one drinking establishment in the immediate area (The Bakers Arms – now The Four Horsemen) i.e. from the corner of St Michael’s Road and Commercial Road to the start of the pedestrianised area in Commercial Road. There are now 4 licensed premises in this area (as well as The Four Horsemen there are Smoking Aces, Lola’s and Ojo Rojo). In addition there is currently a proposed social gym on the site of what was previously Ponti’s (that formerly held a licence).

It should be noted that because of potential noise disturbance issues, there is already in place a requirement for The Four Horsemen to close their front windows when they have live music. I have in the past had to approach the venue to ensure that this condition was maintained.

From my experience none of the existing venues open until 2am (although I am unaware of their exact licencing conditions).

My objection is based on late night noise issues – the built environment is such (high buildings with no vegetation to absorb any sound) that even small groups of people around a venue creates a disturbance. It is a regular occurrence that people (many of whom have been drinking and are less inclined to moderate their voices) gather to smoke and chat on the pavements or else leave premises unaware that they are in a residential area. The Nova
Building alone includes 60 flats. There are also flats up Tregonwell Road, Terrace Road and above shops in Commercial Road – all of which are affected. Of a summer evening the noise is such that it is impossible to sleep with an open window. It only takes one loud individual to disturb the peace – either singing or calling after a friend up the road – as the sound echoes around the buildings.

At a minimum I ask that the music licence be restricted to midnight (in line with the ‘midnight noise curfew’ that seems to be maintained by the existing premises).

I also request that the closing time is brought back to an earlier hour to prevent a possible extension to the existing disturbances.

Yours sincerely,
To Trudi Barlow (BCP Licensing Officer),

**RE: Representation in relation to Licensing Application (Ref: 184291) for Unit 1, 102 Commercial Road, Bournemouth BH2 5LR.**

I hereby register my objection to the above application on grounds of the proposed licensable activities (Live Music, Recorded Music, Late Night Refreshment and Supply of Alcohol) and timings (Monday to Sunday 11:00 to 02:00).

The area is of mixed use: licensed premises alongside retail and residential. Reflecting this, whatever their official closing times, existing venues do not have music after 24.00 or at the latest 1.00. Some venues has specific noise reduction requirements within their licence conditions.

I live in The Nova Building and have experienced previous disturbances from the existing venues. I therefore object to this new venue being allowed in any way to extend the present opening hours or music playing times within the area.

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