



To licensing@bcpcouncil.gov.uk

We wish to object to the application for the grant of a new premises licence for the proposed Dancing Jug at 2 Southbourne Grove on the grounds that each of the four licensing objectives would be undermined.

The application site is a former Lloyds Bank on the junction of Beresford Road and Southbourne Grove which has stood empty for some two years. This is a predominately residential area (including flats immediately above the proposed premises). The shops and other outlets in the locality predominantly close much earlier than the proposed hours. We are also aware of other outlets operated by the applicant and the proposed DPS elsewhere in Bournemouth and our objection is in part based on the assumption that these premises will operate in a similar manner and give rise to similar issues.

The prevention of crime and disorder

There are already issues of crime and disorder in the locality. For example, the alleyway to the rear of the premises (behind the garages that we understand are to be demolished) is used by local residents to access their homes. It is unlit and is already frequented by drug users and street drinkers.

The premises are relatively large but there is no dedicated parking for either customers or staff.

Given the predominantly residential nature of the locality, the proposed operating hours are excessive and likely to lead to excessive alcohol consumption, leading in turn to this establishment becoming a "destination" for customers who might have been drinking elsewhere earlier.

The plan includes tables and chairs on the large pavement area on Southbourne Grove on what appears to be a (maximum) 200mm high decking area. There appears to be nothing to prevent customers from drinking/smoking elsewhere on the pavement (even after 11 p.m.) and this is likely to lead to conflict with pedestrians passing by at all times of the day. There is no condition requiring that this area (nor Beresford Road) will be monitored by CCTV cameras nor on occasions when SIA staff are not deployed.

We note that the "new door" leading to this area is (according to the plan) to be closed at 11 p.m. but no condition to that effect is offered. Assuming even that this door is closed, there is nothing to prevent customers from smoking and drinking outside the front of the premises, even after the same have closed.

The fact that the applicant is proposing SIA door staff from 9 p.m. on Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays before Bank Holidays and on New Year's Eve clearly suggests that the applicant anticipates that the operation of the premises will likely lead to issues of crime and disorder.

The Prevention of Public Nuisance

Other premises operated by the applicant provide loud music which have led to complaints. Although both live and recorded music is to be provided "indoors only" the effect of the Live Music Act is such that there would be nothing to prevent the playing of (loud) music in the beer garden until 11 p.m. Similarly, we note that conditions relating to the use of a noise limiter shall only be of effect after 11 p.m.

This is likely to result in noise nuisance to not only occupiers of residential properties but other businesses in the locality. Note in particular that there is a residential property immediately adjacent to the proposed beer garden.

If the sub-committee is minded to grant a licence, we would ask as a minimum that conditions are attached requiring a full noise assessment to be undertaken before the premises open and that measures identified be fully implemented before opening and that all doors and windows be kept closed whenever regulated entertainment is provided. We would also ask that all doors be fitted with a double lobby and that one of each door shall be kept closed whenever entertainment is provided.

Given the absence of parking provision, the lack of public transport into the early hours and the likelihood that this establishment will attract customers from outside the immediate locality or from patrons "migrating" from elsewhere, we are concerned about noise from persons not only departing the premises late at night or arriving late – either on foot or by taxi.

We note that the restriction of use of external areas after 11 p.m. does not include the smoking area shown on the plan which itself would not by definition have a roof. The use of this area until the early hours is likely to cause a nuisance to local residents..

Public Safety

The applicant makes reference to addressing "any overcrowding issue". The premises are relatively large but there is no assessment as to its safe overall capacity nor what measures are to be taken to ensure that the safe capacity is not exceeded. The plan does not show any fixed seating within the main bar area which in turn means that the premises could be used as a "vertical drinking establishment". Quite apart from the safety issues that this gives rise to, it also raises issues about the prevention of crime and disorder.

The Protection of Children from Harm

Given what is known about other venues operated by the applicant, it is of great concern that there is no restriction on children being permitted in the venue late at night, even if they are accompanied by an adult.

Conclusion


Although the applicant has offered a host of conditions, the reality is that if this application is granted, the premises could quite legitimately operate as a night club, a "vertical drinking establishment" or a Sports Bar, none of which would be appropriate to the locality.

Even though the plans include a substantial kitchen, there is nothing that requires that food be made available to customers at any time.

The application as it stands is wholly inappropriate for this specific location and we ask that it be refused.

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**Petition to Object to the License Application for 2 Southbourne Grove,
Southbourne**

To:

The Licensing Committee,
Bournemouth Christchurch and Poole Council

BCP COUNCIL

30 JUL 2024

Digital Mail Room

Subject: Objection to License Application for 2 Southbourne Grove, Southbourne

We, the undersigned residents of Southbourne, hereby object to the recent license application for the premises located at 2 Southbourne Grove, Southbourne.

The application requests permission to operate with a closing time of 1:30 a.m., and we believe this poses significant concerns that are contrary to the licensing objectives as set out in the Licensing Act 2003.

The key reasons for our objection are as follows:

1. Prevention of Crime and Disorder

Operating until 1:30 a.m. increases the risk of crime and disorder in the neighbourhood. Extended opening hours often lead to a higher likelihood of alcohol-related incidents, including vandalism, public disturbances, and anti-social behaviour. We already have issues with drug dealing and street drinkers and the fact that the SIA to be employed by the venue will only start at 9pm, causes us concern. This operator is known for their bottomless brunches and cheap drink deals available all day.

2. Public Safety

The proposed closing time poses a risk to public safety, particularly for residents and visitors in the early morning hours.

Increased foot traffic and potential intoxication can lead to accidents and injuries. The premises in question is located on a dangerous street corner, which is notorious locally for being difficult to navigate when crossing the road on foot, and for vehicles to navigate. We are concerned that there is sufficient risk to intoxicated people leaving the premises in the early hours of the morning from road traffic so as to undermine this licensing objective.

In addition to the rear of the premises there is a public right of way used by residents as their only access to their homes. This alleyway is open and can be accessed by the general public. Currently issues have been experienced by residents whereby intoxicated people have been sleeping in the alleyway, there has been drug dealing and antisocial behaviour. This is already intimidating for residents and if the application for this licence is passed, will inevitably become more so given the proximity of the accessway to the proposed beer garden and smoking area. will be looking onto that

alleyway increasing the chances of residents encountering intoxicated persons late at night, and increasing the risk of anti social behaviours and crime taking place in the alleyway.

Additionally, late-night disturbances are a significant concern for families with children, as well as many elderly residents who live nearby and already feel unsafe in their own neighbourhood.

3. Prevention of Public Nuisance

The noise and disruption associated with late-night operations are a major concern for us. Currently there are several late night hospitality venues in the location with late closing times. There is already noise pollution from patrons leaving the premises, loud music and increased traffic. This premises back directly onto residential premises and is immediately adjacent, and the proposed beer garden and smoking areas overlooked by residential properties. With a closing time of 1:30 am, although the beer garden will shut at 11pm the fact that there will not be a fixed roof over this will mean that there will inevitably be noise. In addition the use of the smoking area is not time limited- this is directly overlooked by residents and will be open until 1:30am. This will further negatively impact the quality of life for residents, disrupting sleep and overall peace in the area.

4. Protection of Children from Harm

Many families with young children reside in the area surrounding 2 Southbourne Grove. The potential for late-night disturbances and increased crime poses a risk to the welfare and safety of children. The proposed hours of operation are unsuitable for a residential area and undermine efforts to provide a safe and secure environment for children.

Conclusion

For the reasons outlined above, we strongly urge the Licensing Committee to reject the application for a late-night license at 2 Southbourne Grove, Southbourne, or any licence at all. We believe that preserving the safety, security, and well-being of our community should be the highest priority.

Southbourne is a family orientated area, with a high proportion of elderly residents and young families. The granting of this licence in such a prominent, built up part of Southbourne, surrounded by residents in very close proximity is not appropriate.

The granting of late licences such as this, effectively a vertical drinking establishment, is not in keeping with the character of Southbourne and will be detrimental to the area as a whole.

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