

REPRESENTATIONS RECEIVED

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Objection to Premises Licence Application - Stirling House, 48-50 Poole Hill, Bournemouth BH2 5PS

To Bournemouth Council,

We are writing to formally object to the premises licence application made by Salah Sabir for Stirling House, 48-50 Poole Hill, Bournemouth BH2 5PS. As long-standing residents and business owners in this area, we are deeply concerned about the potential negative impact of an additional off-licence at this location. Our concerns stem from several key issues:

Firstly, the immediate vicinity is already well-served by existing off-licences. There is a Best One directly across the street, and we can identify at least five to six other off-licences within a 50 to 300-meter radius. This clearly demonstrates that there is no unmet demand for further alcohol retail outlets in our neighbourhood.

Secondly, and of significant concern, is the potential for increased public nuisance and anti-social behaviour. A proliferation of off-licences often leads to price discounting, which can encourage greater alcohol consumption and attract more individuals who may then engage in disruptive behaviour. We are already dealing with issues related to public drunkenness, and adding another off-licence will undoubtedly exacerbate these problems, leading to more disturbances for residents and businesses alike.

Finally, the close proximity of St. Michael's School directly across the street is a major worry. Increased visibility of alcohol retail and the potential rise in public drunkenness in the area could have a detrimental psychological impact on young students. It normalises alcohol consumption and exposes them to an environment that is not conducive to their well-being and development.

We urge you to consider the cumulative impact of granting this licence. It would not only undermine the quality of life for residents but also pose risks to the safety and well-being of our community, particularly our children. We trust that you will take our concerns seriously and make a decision that prioritises the welfare of the existing residents and businesses over the addition of another unnecessary alcohol outlet.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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DORSET POLICE

From: BUSFIELD Louise 8952

Sent: 05 August 2025 18:01

To:

Subject: FW: Application for Premises Licence Units 1 & 2 Stirling House, 48-50 Poole Hill, Bournemouth, BH2 5PS

Good afternoon,

Further to the application for a premises licence, please be advised that Dorset Police has significant concerns in relation to this application, in a location that is already recognised as a hotspot for alcohol-related anti-social behaviour and street drinking, as well as youth related ASB.

Given the well-documented challenges in this area, it is essential that the operator is fully aware of these issues and that Dorset Police is provided with assurances that the licensing objectives will be actively promoted. Without such assurances, there is a real risk that this premises could exacerbate an already entrenched problem, to the detriment of local residents, visitors, and the wider business community.

It is the expectation that any licensed premises should be an asset to the local community, and as such, it is necessary to mediate more robust and proportionate conditions than those currently offered. This is vital to mitigate the risks identified and ensure that the demand on local emergency services is minimised.

We would therefore be grateful for clarification on the following condition as currently drafted:

“No person under the age of 12 years, unless they are accompanied by a person over 18 years, shall be permitted on the premises after 22:00 whilst the premises are being used for the purposes of any licensable activity other than the supply of alcohol.”

Dorset Police would propose the following conditions to offer the assurances that the licensing objectives, specifically the Prevention of Crime and Disorder, Public Safety and the Protection of Children from Harm will be promoted;

Staff Training

All staff involved in the sale of alcohol shall be trained in accordance with an accredited training scheme. Training shall cover legislation on underage and prohibited sales, the age verification policy adopted by the premises, and all licence conditions. Refresher training must be provided at least every six months, with all training records signed by both the trainer and trainee. These records shall be retained for a minimum of 12 months and made available to police, licensing, or other authorised officers on request.

CCTV Log

A CCTV log shall be maintained and signed weekly by the DPS to confirm that the system is fully operational and footage is being retained in accordance with the conditions attached to the premises licence. .

Incident Log

An incident log shall be maintained at the premises and made available on request to authorised officers of the Council or Police. This shall include details of:

All complaints received

Incidents of disorder

Refusals of alcohol sales

Visits from relevant authorities or emergency services

All crimes reported to the venue

Staffing Levels

A minimum of three staff shall be on duty whenever the premises is open for licensable activities.

Security Provision:

SIA-licensed security staff shall be employed from 20:00 hours until close.

Underage

No person under the age of 12 shall be permitted on the premises after 20:00 hours unless accompanied by a bona fide parent or legal guardian.

High-Strength Alcohol Restrictions

No beer, cider, or lager with an ABV above 5.8% shall be sold.

No spirits shall be sold in containers smaller than 70cl.

CONDITIONS NOT AGREED AND SUBJECT TO THE REPRESENTATION MADE

Security Provision **(NOT AGREED)**

SIA-licensed security staff shall be employed from 20:00 hours until close.

Our clients premises is a small business there will be three members of staff whenever the premises is open for licensable activities. One member of staff will be present at the door from 20:00 hours until close.

High-Strength Alcohol Restrictions

No spirits shall be sold in containers smaller than 70cl. **(NOT AGREED)**