

REPRESENTATIONS RECEIVED

Cameo Fir Vale Road Bournemouth – Full Variation Application

Objection #1

To:

Cllr Jamie Martin

Jessica Toale MP,

Licensing Committee

David Sidwick, Police & Crime Commissioner

Adult Social Services

Subject: Representation regarding Cameo Nightclub Licence Variation

First, thank you, Jamie, for informing us about Cameo Nightclub's application for a full variation to its licence. I have shared your email with the residents of St Peter's Court, who regularly organise coffee mornings and gatherings. I hope they will invite you to one of these before the 11th September deadline. Typically, they meet on Tuesdays at 11am and Fridays at 2pm, and you can liaise with the St Peter's office for details.

To the Licensing Committee:

Please treat this letter as a formal representation for the upcoming hearing. For reasons of personal safety and fear of reprisals, I ask that no individual names of St Peter's Court residents be made public. Several residents have expressed real concerns that their windows could be smashed if they are identified.

Since the nightclub entrance was relocated, the gentleman I support has been severely affected. He is forced to keep his windows closed—even during the long heatwave—despite needing them open due to sleep apnoea. On club nights, particularly Thursdays, he is frequently unable to sleep before 4:30am because of:

- Loud music from the club,
- Groups gathering in the car park,
- Cars with modified exhausts revving and racing on Glen Fern Road, and
- Intoxicated individuals shouting and screaming.

This car park has long been associated with antisocial behaviour and the strain on the police makes the situation worse.

To Jessica Toale MP:

The impact of this disruption on health is significant. The gentleman I support has already experienced serious consequences:

- He has missed long-awaited NHS rehabilitation exercise classes at Bournemouth Hospital due to exhaustion.

- He has recently had a stent fitted, and exercise is crucial to avoid further medical interventions.
- His health showed clear improvement in April and May after surgery, but deteriorated again in June, July, and August, directly linked to chronic sleep deprivation caused by nightclub activity.

Sleep deprivation is not only damaging his physical and mental health but is also leading to unnecessary strain and cost for the NHS.

Broader concerns:

This is not an isolated case—other residents of St Peter's Court report similar experiences. The cycle of noise, disruption, and recovery leaves them unable to sustain good health and wellbeing.

I strongly urge the Licensing Committee to consider the wider impact of Cameo moving their entrance to Glen Fern Rd as well as the extended licensing hours many bars and nightclubs now operate.

Imposing a 2am closing time across Bournemouth would:

- Reduce sexual and violent crime, drug crime, and antisocial behaviour,
- Make the situation more manageable for local police, and
- Substantially reduce the huge cost to the NHS of alcohol- and drug-related incidents in the BCP area.

The reality is that the only beneficiaries of 4:30am licensing hours are nightclub and bar owners, while residents, the police, and the NHS continue to bear the consequences.

We ask that these concerns be taken seriously when considering Cameo Nightclub's application and future licensing policies more generally.

Objection #2

The noise from people waiting to enter and on leaving Cameo bar nightclub is affecting residents at St Peters Court (SPC). This is continuous throughout the night and can be up until 6am which is so loud, due to shouting, screaming, singing and at times fighting along either Glen Fern Road or St Peters Road. This has at times, spilled into the grounds of SPC complex, which is a residential building, and has also resulted in the grounds of SPC being used as a toilet and damage done to patio furniture.

How the Entrance/Exit door for Cameo nightclub got moved to Glen Fern Road right opposite residential properties is unbelievable, especially as the entrance/exit door used to be on Fir Vale Rd, where no residential properties are nearby.

Not only does the Shouting, screaming, singing and at times fighting disturb several residents at SPC which results in being woken from their sleep, but also a worry if any damage is going to be done to the Complex. This behaviour by night club users is totally unacceptable is also a Health & Safety issue for some residents at SPC, as they work the following days after the noise made throughout the night when Cameo is open, but is a massive worry as residents from SPC have to drive a vehicle to get to work the next day, which after a disturbed sleep is extremely concerning.

Objection #3

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| Premises Details (Please give as much information as possible) |
| Application Ref: <u>NEOS 99 LIMITED = CAMEO NIGHT CLUB</u> |
| Name of Premises: <u>CAMEO NIGHT CLUB</u> |
| Address of Premises: <u>CAMEO NIGHT CLUB</u> <u>FIR VALE ROAD</u> <u>BOURNEMOUTH</u> |

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| Reasons for Representation. Please, give information under the relevant Licensing Objective. (Please note you are not required to complete all the boxes unless you feel it is relevant.) |
| The Prevention of Crime and Disorder: <u>Disorderly Conduct after Club Closes, i.e. dispute about taxi's</u> <u>Fighting, People Shooting wheel after 3 pm</u> <u>general noise which is unacceptable</u> |
| The Prevention of Public Nuisance: <u>Cameo changing Entrance from FIR VALE ROAD To</u> <u>Glenfer Road has increased the noise level in Area</u> <u>by 50% More (Council will you help us)</u> |
| Public Safety: <u>It is becoming unsafe to go out from flat after</u> <u>9.30 pm because of noise from Glenfer Road</u> <u>Different Groups of People</u> |
| The Protection of Children from Harm: <u>Cars Racing at certain time after 9pm</u> <u>A Police Hub by Car Park In front of Our Building</u> <u>Would be a Plus (Police PRESENTS would stop this flat)</u> |
| I do not wish my details to be include in the Public Documents for the following reasons: <u>Afful Lot of Noise and Anti Social Behaviour</u> <u>In this Area (The Commissioner of Dorset Police is saying</u> <u>(Police Hubs) The Car Park In</u> <u>Front of St Peter's would be a great place (Put In to</u> <u>him</u> |
| I declare that the information I have provided is true and correct. |

Objection #4

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| Name of Premises: <u>CAMEO NIGHT CLUB</u> |
| Address of Premises: <u>FIR VALE ROAD</u> <u>BOURNMOUTH</u> |

Reasons for Representation. Please, give information under the relevant Licensing Objective.
(Please note you are not required to complete all the boxes unless you feel it is relevant.)

The Prevention of Crime and Disorder:

When Premises Closes the Noise with people leaving shouting and swearing at 3pm in the morning is unacceptable and the hassle for taxis causing fighting and public disorder

The Prevention of Public Nuisance:

St Peter's Court In a Retirement Building of 62 Flats, people here have had enough of noise from these night clubs, that have been given 3am to 5am licences without consideration for Residents

Public Safety:

Cameo's Night Club, has changed its Main Entrance from Fir Vale Road to Glenfern Road, when were residents advised of this?

The Protection of Children from Harm:

People are now Queuing in Glenfern Road, Instead of Previous Entrance, (which may I say was a more commercial are, By Switching the Entrance of)

I do not wish my details to be included in the Public Documents for the following reasons:

This club Cameo. They have increased noise levels to a ridiculous level
ie Taxi Rank = Now in Glenfern Road

Increasing Rowdy Behaviour when Club (Cameo) Closes

I declare that the information I have provided is true and correct.

Objection # 5

I have the following objection to the application being granted in its present form. I am optimistic that the applicants can adjust as appropriate.

Cameo application for variation of license including alteration of plan-objection

Crime and disorder

The license does not show either a maximum number of people allowed on the premises nor a ratio of staff to customers. Both of these would allow customers to be better monitored for intoxication including by non security staff collecting drinks, cloakroom attendants carrying out continuous cleaning during the period of opening and bar staff etc as well as security staff. Showing both of these would reduce the risk of crime and disorder including violent crime and sexual crime both inside the premises and in the vicinity. I don't have the benefit of any training in crime prevention, my only training in criminology being on the "other side" as it were of the criminal justice system. However, I am aware that chickens in close proximity in battery farming become aggressive towards each other so have to be medicated. I suspect that humans also crammed together are at risk of become aggressive. A thickly crowded area is also more difficult for staff to monitor illegal behaviour. I would suggest that as responsible employers then for the sake of staff safety a ratio of staff to customers should be provided.

The plan is inadequate as it needs to show all of the land used for running the business of Cameo, not just the area used for the licensable activities. The area used for queueing described as being fenced off with barriers is land used to run the business and as such should be on the plan, and evidence provided that the landowner consents to this use. I don't know who owns the pavement outside and it may not be possible to find out. However, Bournemouth is not a very old town so the likelihood is that BCP council owns the land used for queueing so that their consent should be sought. In addition, the pavement at this point, whoever owns it, is marked on the BCP Adopted Highway Map, so that it should be kept clear unless BCP council gives permission for it to be used in this way. I appreciate that this may not be common practice locally to give pavement licenses for nightclub or other queues, but I would respectfully suggest that consent for this should be sought. I am aware of one person who has been badly injured by another person whilst queueing for this nightclub some years ago. I firmly believe that providing a plan of the area to be used for the queue could contribute to reducing crime and disorder in this neighbourhood. The queue could stretch in one direction for people who have pre booked so have priority to enter and another direction for those who have not pre booked, thus incentivising pre booking which in turn could reduce the likelihood of crime and disorder. I have seen a picture of another nightclub entrance, not in Bournemouth, which clearly showed only a tiny strip of land left of an otherwise very wide safe pavement left after planters had been put out every night to appropriate an area for smoking and queueing. Leaving a narrow strip of pavement in a crowded area could push people into the path of cars compromising public safety and also squash people together resulting in jostling which could again trigger aggressive behaviour.

I appreciate that maximum numbers cannot be included as a condition for fire safety, but that doesn't prevent a maximum being stated for prevention of crime and disorder other than that caused by a fire, with suitable wording stating that in the event they are different the lower number will prevail.

Public Safety-above re jostling on pavements.

Protection of children-some prebooking will assist the operators in their already clear and effective efforts to reduce the chances of children gaining entry.

Public nuisance-again, jostling on pavements may be noisy so create a public nuisance. If there is to be a queue blocking access for the neighbouring properties eg the student laundrette and other premises, how is this to be managed? Likewise, how will a nightclub queue impact the regeneration of the area, including the nearby premises? A staggered entry system using prebooking as much as possible, like the National Trust, could dramatically reduce the need for a queuing system. I appreciate that there is a dispersal system in place but if arrival results in nuisance for neighbouring property users, current and potential then this needs to be addressed in the license conditions."

That concludes my objection. I am more than happy for my name and email address to be provided to the applicant with a view to discussing this. My motivation is to ensure that our renowned and long established economy which has in the past attracted so many people, including myself, doesn't just survive but thrives.

I am more than happy to provide any other information available to me to you as licensing officer, but whether or not I can do this I would still like this put before the licensing committee. It is not a frivolous objection, but a serious attempt to contribute to Bournemouth's night time economy.