

6 JUL 2022

To:

The Licensing department

Thurrock council

New Road

Grays

Essex

RM17 6SL

Date: 28<sup>th</sup> June 2022

Re: – Thurrock Rugby Club, notice to vary a premises licence

(Reference to notice given in the Thurrock Gazette June 23<sup>rd</sup> 2022 edition)

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to the above, we write to you to express our concerns with respect to this application

We can see the application goes some way to highlight the proposed changes which we feel, will have a very adverse effect to our residency in Long Lane and localised area, which could definitely and significantly affect our relatively peaceful current status, detailed below

We have been quite happy residents of Long Lane for approx. 8>9 years now and although we have had to experience some problematic nuisances through our time here, things are generally good

When we moved here, we quickly realised that this particular section of Long Lane was very quiet, especially during evenings and night time periods

The problems we can see with this particular application are as follows:

- 1) Significant increase in traffic and pedestrian movements, in particular the periods mentioned in the application (venue also stated as being able to accommodate >850 persons!)

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- 2) Potential noise and disruptive nuisance created by “late leavers” who will either walk or who will drive from the venue along this stretch of Long Lane back into Blackshots Lane and Stifford Clays estate; and once the toilet facilities are closed at the venue, what will be the result...
- 3) Serious audible nuisance from the numerous tannoy announcements and intermittent music being played over quite a long, significant duration. As the event is to be held in the open air, we believe we will definitely be exposed and subjected to this problem

These are our main observations and form the basis of our strong objections against this proposal

We suggest an open-air event of this nature and duration will not be particularly suitable for this venue, especially when on a long term, planned weekly/regular basis

Going further, if approved, we believe it will quickly become very unpopular with many local residents

Local facilities, such as the Civic Hall for example, could be much better suited and easily facilitate this type of show as a possible irregular or monthly event, and which might help make use of the venue whilst improving the popularity of the facilities that Thurrock could offer

We hope the above will be given due consideration with regards this application

Best regards

