

# Comments for Licensing Application 19/00882/LAPRE

## Application Summary

Application Number: 19/00882/LAPRE

Address: Priory Park Priory Lane Chichester West Sussex

Proposal: New Premises Licence

Case Officer: Helena Giudici

## Customer Details

Name: Mr Edward Milward-Oliver

Address: [REDACTED]

## Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Licensing Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment:6:37 PM on 29 May 2019 1: Gin in the Park. The organiser states that music is not the focal part of the event, confirming that the sale and consumption of gin is its focus and indeed its only purpose. This is a confined residential area. It should be evident to the organisers, the District Council licensing officers, and the local police, that it is totally unsuited for any alcohol-driven event in Priory Park.

2: The organiser states that adequate security will be in place on site. But as the fighting and assaults arising from last year's Oktoberfest in Priory Park demonstrate, the high risk of anti-social behaviour and criminal damage by attendees arises not within the Park but in the neighbouring streets. Where are the plans for robust policing of these streets?

3: The event's site manager is Mr Clint Stephenson, whom I recall participated in the organisation of last year's Oktoberfest. As I noted, that event resulted in fighting and assaults in streets neighbouring Priory Park that required police intervention and resulted in arrests. Mr Stephenson subsequently cancelled the Rum & Reggae festival in Priory Park, telling local residents that given the residential setting he thought the Park unsuitable for such events. We agree.