From: Emma Burle on behalf of Licensing

Sent: 12 Oct 2020 08:20:23 +0000

To: Emma Burle

Subject: Fw: Woodies - Case Reference 20/01201/LAPRE OBJECTION

From: Roland Jervis

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To: Licensing <Licensing@chichester.gov.uk>
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Subject: RE: Woodies - Case Reference 20/01201/LAPRE OBJECTION

Dear Sir/Madam,

Case Reference: 20/01201/LAPRE

We are writing to object to the above application by Woodies to vary their licence to allow for the provision of alcohol sales, refreshments, live and recorded music until midnight 5 days a week and until 1am on Friday and Saturday nights. This application effectively changes Woodies, from being a restaurant, into a nightclub. Our reasons for objecting are as follows:

1. The immediate area backing on to these premises is one of residential properties which forms part of a development that borders our City's heritage, namely the City Walls. This is in the centre of our historic town and is also within a designated conservation area. The proposed licence extension, which will effectively create a nightclub in the heart of a sensitive residential area, is surely completely at odds with the environment we are trying to maintain and foster. Moreover, in simple practical terms, customers leaving the premises as late as 2am in the morning, will pour out into the car park behind and are likely to create significant noise,

- which will amplify around the square, disrupting local residents trying to sleep at night, which will most certainly be detrimental to their health and wellbeing, as well as constituting a public nuisance.
- 2. To grant such an extension would be even more irresponsible during the current pandemic, given the risk that venues, such as nightclubs, currently pose to the spread of Covid -19, as we have seen in other towns and cities around the country.
- 3. When management have a poor record of adhering to the current licencing rules, it would again appear irresponsible to grant any further extension.

In these circumstances, we would strongly urge the Licencing Committee to refuse such a licence extension to Woodies as the 'public nuisance' effects of this extension would be both inappropriate to the sensitive surrounding residential area and irresponsible towards the wellbeing of local residents.

Yours faithfully Roland Jervis, Christine Jervis Owner of 23 New Park Rd

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