

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE: 16 October 2020

Report of the Head of Regulatory Services

Application for Premises Licence - Grant

Application No: 054643

Name of Premises: The Corporation, Cowbridge Road East, Canton, Cardiff, CF5 1GW

Ward: Cathays

1. Application

1.1 An application for the Grant of a Premises Licence has been received from Christopher John Rowlands in respect of The Corporation, Cowbridge Road East, Canton, Cardiff, CF5 1GW.

1.2 The applicant has applied for the following:

(1) In respect of the following licensable activities:

- (i) The sale by retail of alcohol for consumption on and off the premises
- (ii) The provision of regulated entertainment in the form of plays, films, live music, recorded music, performance of dance and entertainment of a similar description (indoors and outdoors)
- (iii) The provision of regulated entertainment in the form of indoor sports
- (iv) The provision of late night refreshment (indoors and outdoors)

(2) Description of Premises (as stated by applicant):

“Traditional public house with courtyard to the rear that will also be part of the licensable area”

(3) Unless otherwise indicated the premises may be open to the public during the following hours and for any hours consequential to the non standard timings:

Monday to Sunday: 08:00 to 00:00 hours

(4) To provide licensable activities during the following hours:

i) The sale by retail of alcohol for consumption on the premises:

Monday to Sunday: 09:00 to 23:30 hours

ii) The provision of regulated entertainment in the form of plays, films, live music, recorded music, performance of dance and entertainment of a similar description (indoors and outdoors):

Monday to Sunday: 09:00 to 23:00 hours

iii) The provision of regulated entertainment in the form of indoor sports:

Monday to Sunday: 09:00 to 23:00 hours

iv) The provision of late night refreshment (indoors and outdoors):

Monday to Sunday: 23:00 to 00:00 hours

- v) All licensed activity and opening hours to be subject to the following non-standard timings:

One extra hour permitted on the following days:

Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Years Eve, Spring & August Bank Holidays, Good Friday, Easter Saturday, Easter Sunday, Easter Monday, St Patrick's Day, St David's Day, The day proceeding and preceding the day before a bank holiday and any other holiday.

Any sporting event (i.e. World Cup) of national importance which are televised outside the hours of which licensable activities are allowed by the premises license will be notified to the police and licensing authority 14 days prior to the event. In this instance we would wish to permit the activity commencing one hour before the start of the event and ending one hour after the end of the event. The event will not proceed if the police serve 7 days prior to the event written notice upon the DPS.

No more than 12 extensions per year (excluding applications made under TENS) shall be allowed. An operating plan covering the additional measures that will be taken to manage crime and disorder on these occasions to be completed and submitted to the police 14 days before the event. There will be an absolute veto for police in respect to these occasions by notifying the DPS in writing within 7 days of the event.

- 1.3 A site map showing the premises and a plan of that premises can be found in **Appendix A**.

2. Promotion of Licensing Objectives

- 2.1 The additional conditions proposed by the applicant to meet the licensing objectives are attached to the report and can be found in **Appendix B**.

3. Relevant Representations

- 3.1 A number of representations have been received from other persons and these can be found in **Appendix C**.

4. Legal Considerations

- 4.1 In respect of the application the decision must be taken following consideration of the representations received with a view to promoting the licensing objectives which are:

Prevention of crime and disorder
Public Safety
Prevention of Public Nuisance
Protection of Children from Harm

- 4.2 In each case the Sub-Committee may make the following determination

- a) To grant the application.
- b) To modify the conditions of the licence, by altering, omitting or adding to them, where relevant.
- c) Reject the whole or part of the application.

- 4.3 All decisions taken by the Sub-Committee must (a) be within the legal powers of the Council and its Committees; (b) comply with any procedural requirement imposed by law; (c) be undertaken in accordance with the procedural requirements imposed by the Council e.g. standing orders and financial regulations; (d) be fully and properly informed; (e) be properly motivated; (f) be taken having regard to the Council's fiduciary duty to its taxpayers; and (g) be reasonable and proper in all the circumstances.

5. Issues for Discussion

- 5.1 The application should be determined and the appropriateness of any conditions on the licence needs to be discussed.

**Dave Holland
Regulatory Services**

30 September 2020



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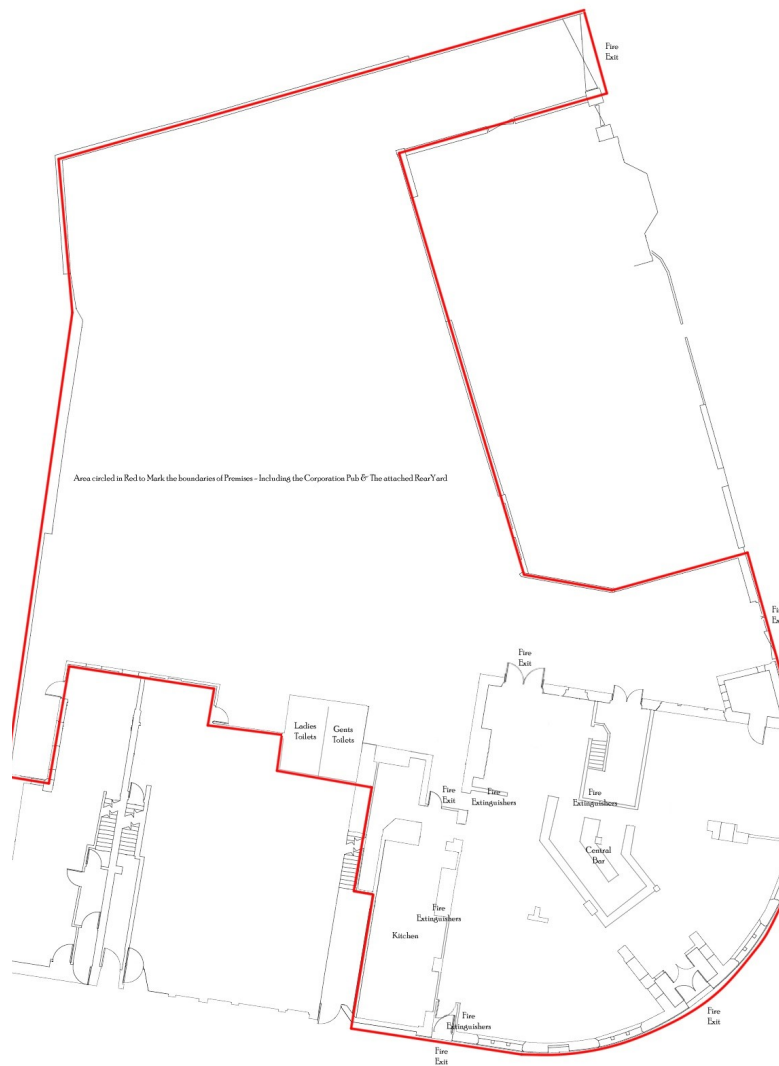
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Describe the steps you intend to take to promote the four licensing objectives:

a) General – all four licensing objectives (b, c, d and e) (please read guidance note 10)

See Below.

This license will not take force until the previous licence number CCCP00683 has been surrendered.

b) The prevention of crime and disorder

A CCTV system shall be installed to a standard agreed with the South Wales Police. The system shall be maintained and operated at all times the premises are open to the public. The system shall cover all parts of the licensable areas to which the public have access (excluding toilets) and exits and entrances used by customers. Images shall be kept for a minimum of 31 days. The images shall be produced to a police employee immediately upon request when the premises are open and at all other times as soon as is reasonably practical. There will be sufficient staff training to facilitate the above.

When there is an event taking place in the rear courtyard on Fridays or Saturdays an SIA registered member of staff will be on duty in the courtyard from 17:00 until the end of the event. The ratio will be a minimum of one SIA registered Member of Staff per 100 patrons. When numbers of patrons exceed 100 additional SIA staff will be employed at one per additional 100 customers

All off sales of alcohol shall be in sealed containers

c) Public safety

On days consisting of high risk category “C” football games at the Cardiff City Stadium, all drinks will be dispensed in plastic vessels from 2 hours before kick off and up to 2 hours after the game has finished.

d) The prevention of public nuisance

Customer use of the external area shall terminate at 23:30 hours.
There will be no amplified music played in the rear courtyard after 21:00 hours.
Customers will not be allowed to use the pavement area to the front of the premises.
There will be clear signage requesting customers to leave the premises quietly.

e) The protection of children from harm

Children will be accompanied by a responsible adult at all times

Checklist:

Please tick to indicate agreement

- I have made or enclosed payment of the fee. ☒
- I have enclosed the plan of the premises. ☒
- I have sent copies of this application and the plan to responsible authorities and others where applicable. ☒
- I have enclosed the consent form completed by the individual I wish to be designated premises supervisor, if applicable. ☒
- I understand that I must now advertise my application. ☒
- I understand that if I do not comply with the above requirements my application will be rejected. ☒
- [Applicable to all individual applicants, including those in a partnership which is not a limited liability partnership, but not companies or limited liability partnerships] I have included documents demonstrating my entitlement to work in the United Kingdom or my share code issued by the Home Office online right to work checking service (please read note 15). ☐

IT IS AN OFFENCE, UNDER SECTION 158 OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003, TO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT IN OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS APPLICATION. THOSE WHO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT MAY BE LIABLE ON SUMMARY CONVICTION TO A FINE OF ANY AMOUNT.

Licensing (Licensing Regulatory) / Trwyddedu (Rheoleiddio Trwyddedu)

From:
Sent: 26 September 2020 13:42
To: Licensing (Licensing Regulatory) / Trwyddedu (Rheoleiddio Trwyddedu)
Subject: Fwd: Opposing Corporation alcohol licensing request.

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ALLANOL: Daw'r e-bost hwn o'r tu allan i Gyngor Caerdydd, cymerwch ofal wrth glicio ar ddolenni.

Hi there,

I'd like to retract my opposition in the email below, as long as the music is kept to a reasonable level and the number of people is limited.

Kind Regards

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From:
Date: 22 September 2020 at 11:01:42 BST
To: licensing@cardiff.gov.uk
Subject: Opposing Corporation alcohol licensing request.

Dear sir/madam,

I live on Library st, with my two young children. I am strongly opposing this licensing request, particularly for outdoors entertainment, combined with alcohol sales. This would be incredibly disruptive not only on the weekend, but during the working week.

To have music, entertainment and people drinking, getting drunk, getting louder in outdoor space every night of the week, including weekends is completely unacceptable. The garden of the Corporation is in a residential area, with young families And working adults. Like I said, it would be incredibly disruptive.

Inside the Corporation is ok. Outside, I have to say, no way!!!

Additionally, applying for this license now, in the midsts of a global pandemic, encouraging socialisation, with alcohol, which reduces inhibitions, is irresponsible to say the least. To put financial and commercial opportunities, above Social responsibility and public welfare is unacceptable.

Thank you for taking the time to read this and for your consideration with regard to this matter.

From:
Sent: 21 September 2020 23:49
To: Licensing (Licensing Regulatory) / Trwyddedu (Rheoleiddio Trwyddedu)
Subject: Opposition to Application of Premises Licence for The Corporation, Canton from 9 Llandaff Road

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To whom it may concern,

We are writing to show opposition to the recent plans submitted, Licensing Act 2003 - Public notice of application: Application for premises licence (under section 17) to turn the rear loading area of The Corporation Pub, Cowbridge Road East, Canton into a continuous event from its humble start as a food market.

Along with other residence in the local area we are worried about the constant footfall and noise that the recently named "YARD" at The Corporation Pub will bring if able to run every night of the week until mid night. We are already finding it hard sleeping with the noise when the event is on till late as it is.

Every day that a market/ food and drinks are on there is continual loading of goods and deliveries by vehicles on double yellow lines, loading in a restricted zone while clearly marked. I personally have made efforts to vocalise their fault by addressing the issue of loading to owners of stalls as there is parking on the opposite side of the street that the event is located, (event entrance to pub rear/ side entrance off of Llandaff Road) minimal though it is. The organisers made no effort to inform or make logistics plans with their invited stall owners who are parking where is most convenient, not where is legal which is obstructing the already busy junction from Llandaff Road that leads onto Cowbridge Road. We believe this is a hazardous risk, they are using the lands/businesses loading area with their markets and seating and having to use the pavement and road right outside of our living room window, where the road bottlenecks into a traffic slowing area where clearly marked that there is no loading at any time with double yellow lines.

As they have began to diversify their events, they recently put on a quiz of sorts and the MC speaking was almost double the decibels of any music they play, even music played in their busy evening rush period which is already excessive. We were hoping that this was a very temporary sort of affair which is intended to now go on all hours and all days. While working from home and needing feel comfortable and rested while working, this will become a stress and disruption in day to day life that should not go on in a residential area. If this sort of noise was made by a house of students, the party would have been shut down instantly and is far greater than anything that normal pub activity would create. Is very distressing to think about the music and disruption that accepting this licence would bring to the residents of Llandaff Road and Library Street.

Very worried about what negative implications this will have on the well-being of Harley, Glenn and I who live in the property.

We hope you consider not allowing this for our benefit.

Many thanks,

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From:
Sent: 22 September 2020 15:14
To: Licensing (Licensing Regulatory) / Trwyddedu (Rheoleiddio Trwyddedu)
Subject: Application for premises licence - The Corporation, Cowbridge Road East CF5 1GW

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to express my concerns with regards to the application of The Corporation's extended licensing application.

I am the homeowner of _____ and my garden backs onto the car park/rear outdoor space of the property described above.

Although I have enjoyed the recent addition of the weekend markets stalls, I find that the noise generated from the events held in the evenings street food market highly disruptive. Particularly the events mid week. Although the event handlers abide by the current licensing timeframes, the noise levels are still highly disruptive.

My fear is that extending the licensing hours will only increase these noise levels and the concern that these hours will be extended to a time that would affect my sleep. The evening noise is notably louder than the day market and can be heard in the bedrooms and kitchen.

I am very concerned as to the note relating to the provision of regulated entertainment in the form of plays, films, live music etc. I was unfortunate enough to experience the noise generated by the outdoor Pub Quiz that was run by the venue on the 15th of September. The noise levels were unexceptable and I had to complain to the venue, since the announcements could be heard through closed windows/doors and even at rooms in the front of the house.

Having Chapter, Iceland and The Butchers Arms all within the close vicinity of the front of the house, my garden is the only place of true peace and quiet. Allowing the addition of outdoor entertainment will only add to the noise levels, increasing the number of intoxicated people surrounding my property.

Finally, the parking surrounding my property is very limited and although there are 'permit only' on library street, there is not enough bays for the number of properties. This means I have to park on Market Pl road which is not permitted. There has been a considerable increase in the amount of traffic and parked cars meaning that the non-permit area on Market Pl is constantly full. I am therefore not able to park anywhere near my property. If you are going to allow for The Corporation rear parking space to be used as an area for street food/market stalls then you need to consider the impact of the local parking. Please could you consider permitting the Market Pl road to ensure the residents can park near their homes.

In light of the above points I therefore oppose the current proposal of extending the licensing hours for the outdoors of The Corporation as well as the provision of regulated entertainment and sale by retail of alcohol between the hours of 20:00 and 23:30. I also request that you review the current licensing hours of the outdoor space between Monday - Thursday and inhibit any entertainment and noise associated.

I have some videos/recordings of the noise that could be heard from my garden from the pub quiz held but the venue on 15th of September. I'd be happy to provide as evidence if required.

Many thanks,

From:
Sent: 20 September 2020 09:32
To: Licensing (Licensing Regulatory) / Trwyddedu (Rheoleiddio Trwyddedu)
Subject: Objection to premises licence for The Corporation, CF5 1GW

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Good morning,

I own and reside at Llandaff Road, Canton, CF11 9NF with my husband and children and write to raise my objections to the premises licence application of Christopher Rowlands in relation to The Corporation, Cowbridge Road East, Canton, CF5 1GW.

The application is for, *inter alia*, live music indoors and outdoors until 11pm, sale of alcohol indoors and outdoors until 11:30pm and provision of late night refreshment indoors and outdoors until midnight for every night of the week.

The Corporation pub is on the corner of Llandaff Road and adjacent to Library Street in the midst of a residential area. Whilst Cowbridge Road East itself is predominantly a commercial area there are also a number of houses and flats opposite The Corporation on Cowbridge Road East which would be affected.

To grant a licence in the terms requested would have a severely detrimental effect on the ability of the residential owner/occupiers in the proximity of the establishment to enjoy their property peacefully without interruption. Since the Corporation closed some time ago there have been a number of pop up/street activities over certain weekends in their grounds and you can clearly hear music and noise from the same from our residential property. Luckily most of these seem to quieten down by 9/9:30pm but even so I have taken to putting up noise cancelling measures in my toddlers bedroom as you could hear the noise on those weekends.

The noise disruption must be significantly worse for those properties closer to The Corporation and at the moment that is only on the odd weekend and not till particularly late in the evening so has not caused too much disruption.

The licence proposed by The Corporation would have alcohol consumption and entertainment (including outside of the premises) until 11:30pm/midnight every night of the week and would be extremely disruptive for those with children (younger babies and those who are of school age) and residents generally especially those like myself who have work the next day and wish to retire before midnight.

There is also the matter of having such a late and unrestricted licenced public house so close to residential premises bringing down property prices and making those properties less desirable as well as making the already sparse parking in the area even more so.

In summary I object to the licence proposed on the following grounds;

1. Noise and disruption by allowing such a late and open licence would substantially impact on the residents ability and right to enjoy their homes
2. It would cause unfair disruption to children in the nearby area affecting their education and health generally if they were unable to sleep 7 nights a week

3. It would cause unfair disruption to adults in the nearby area affecting their working life/life and health generally if their sleep was disturbed 7 nights a week
4. It would have a detrimental effect on house prices
5. There would be a higher demand for parking in the area which is already in high demand

Whilst I appreciate The Corporation was previously a public house they never had any outside entertainment and the only entertainment from inside the premises (where they would also have closed doors) was the odd karaoke night. I am not sure what the alcohol licence was exactly but as they did not have a usable outdoor space all noise was contained within the premises until closing time and I do not think they were even open after 11pm even on the weekend.

I trust you will take the above into consideration when considering the above application.

Yours sincerely,

Barker, Kirstie

From:
Sent: 18 September 2020 14:26
To: Licensing (Licensing Regulatory) / Trwyddedu (Rheoleiddio Trwyddedu); Patel, Ramesh (Cllr); Cunnah, Stephen (Cllr); Elsmore, Susan (Cllr)
Subject: Representation form Re: Application for a premises licence at The Corporation, Cowbridge Road East, Canton, Cardiff, CF5 1GW
Attachments: Making representations form 18 Sept 2020.docx

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Dear Licensing

Attached is a representation form relating to the application for a premises licence at The Corporation, Cowbridge Road East, Canton, Cardiff, CF5 1GW

With regards

CITY OF CARDIFF COUNCIL

Representation Submission Form

Licensing Act 2003 - Representation in
respect of Premises Licence Applications



Details of person or body making representation

Your Name:

Your Address: , Canton, Cardiff. CF5 1QD

Phone No:

Email:

Details of premises representation is about

Name of
Premises: The Corporation

Address of
premises: 188 Cowbridge Road East, Canton, Cardiff, CF5 1GW.

Application No.
(if known)

Please tick one or more of the licensing objectives that your representation relates to:

Prevention of crime and disorder ✓ yes

Public Safety ✓ yes

Prevention of public nuisance ✓ yes

Protection of children from harm ✓ yes

Please summarise your concerns about this application

Our concerns about the application relate to our belief that granting of the application in its current form would not allow the local authority to fulfil any of the four licensing objectives as outlined in the Licensing Act 2003.

Our concerns relate to the proposed hours of operation and the proposed types of activity, as detailed in the box below.

Please give further details of why you believe this application will have an adverse effect on the licensing objectives

Prevention of crime and disorder

The proposed extended hours for the sale of alcohol for consumption on and off the premises to a period from 9.00 am to 11.30pm, seven days a week and sale of general refreshment until midnight, seven days a week is not something we feel is compatible with the Licensing Authority's aim to reduce crime and promote public safety. We feel that a temporary license permitting shorter hours of operation than have been proposed will help prevent drunken and disorderly behaviour and the incidence of crime in our residential area.

Prevention of public nuisance

The premise's outdoor activities have historically been a source of public nuisance through unreasonable noise disturbance for local residents, during Summer 2019 and Summer/Autumn 2020. Neighbourhood Services officers visited the Corporation's outdoor site in August 2019 and warned organisers of a month-long outdoor event, with regard to the volume of amplified music. They advised organisers to keep amplified music levels lower, as officers felt the volume was not at a reasonable level. In August 2020, officers visited the site to warn organisers of a street food, alcohol and market event to keep amplified music at reasonable levels and to abide by Covid-19 guidelines, having received concerns from local residents. A two-hour quiz on 15/09/20 had high levels of amplification. The quiz master's voice could be heard loudly inside neighbouring residents' homes, in bedrooms and living spaces, as well as in gardens. The 15/09/20 event is being followed up by Neighbourhood Services. Further outdoor quizzes are proposed on the site, and the license application proposes outdoor films, live music, recorded music, and dance performance. Local residents feel that a temporary licence permitting outdoor activities, requiring amplification through a public address system, will not allow the Licensing Authority to meet its objectives in terms of promoting the comfort, welfare, health and well-being of the public- represented in this case by local residents living in the many households adjoining the Corporation's outdoor yard.

Public safety

Health and safety concerns are utmost in the minds of local residents living immediately alongside the Corporation, particularly at this challenging time where we are all working together to combat Covid-19. We understand that aerosol transmission of Covid-19 is a real issue and so any premises or event in our local area which involves larger groups of people gathering together is of some concern. During the Corporation's events over Summer/Autumn 2020, significant numbers of people attending were not following the 2-metre guidance for the safest space between themselves and others or wearing face coverings, whilst amplified sound required them to use louder voices. This is of concern with regards to public safety and the transmission of Covid-19 in our local area. Residents would like to request, then that any license granted be of a temporary nature, to allow the Licensing Authority to review the license regularly in relation to the Licensing objectives and

the Covid-19 situation.

Protection of children from harm

Having had significant disruption to their education this year, children and education staff in our residential area have now returned to nurseries and schools. Noise disturbance at the Corporation premises in 2020 as outlined has had a detrimental effect on children in the area in terms of their ability to study, play and sleep in their homes, where disturbed by loud amplified noise. Residents including teachers and university lecturers working from home and on educational sites, have also had their ability to do their job effectively compromised by ongoing noise disturbance on the Corporation site.

We feel that the longer proposed hours of outdoor activity on the site and the proposed extension of use to include adult-orientated activities including outdoor films of varying classification levels, as well as outdoor adult-themed quizzes such as the recent 'Smart Bastards Exam' (15 & 22 Sept 2020) all involving amplification will not allow the Licensing Authority to effectively fulfil the objective of protecting children from harm. Residents would like to request, then, that any license granted does not involve an extension to permit the types of activities outlined in the application

To summarise

As a community, we are relieved to see the slow re-opening of local businesses and would seek to support these ourselves in the future. Indeed, several establishments serving drinks and food in our residential area have re-opened in compliance with local authority guidelines and are proving to be respectful of community concerns and welfare. The Corporation's outdoor space is adjacent to a densely populated residential area and so we thank the licensing committee and licensing officers for considering our points of view with regard to issues raised on this particular licensing application.

The authority deals with all representations received in an open and transparent manner. By law the authority must provide the details of any representation to the applicant. The authority will also provide full details to the Licensing Committee to ensure that members have the full information when determining any application at a hearing. Details of any hearing must be made publically available and will be available on the Council website. By submitting this form you are giving permission for the authority to make the information supplied publically available.

Return your completed form to:

By Post:

Licensing Section
City of Cardiff Council
Room 206, City Hall
Cardiff CF10 3ND

By Email:

licensing@cardiff

Barker, Kirstie

From:
Sent: 21 September 2020 21:29
To: Licensing (Licensing Regulatory) / Trwyddedu (Rheoleiddio Trwyddedu)
Subject: The Corporation, Cowbridge Road East, Canton, Cardiff, CF5 1GW - Response to public notice of application

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Good evening,

I am writing to voice my concerns over the recent premises licence application for the Corporation pub in Canton, Cardiff.

As a local resident (address below), I feel that the requested hours of operation for the outside element of the venue are excessive. I don't feel it's reasonable for an outside venue to have opening hours well into the night any or every day of the week when it is surrounded by residential homes, primarily made up of families.

I would however be supportive of the application for outdoor events if the hours of operation were reduced from 9am to 10pm - I feel this would be reasonable hours for social event to take place outdoors while in such close proximity to family homes . I would like to request that the council considers this when making their decision.

For the avoidance of doubt, I am very happy that the Corporation pub is making plans to improve and re-open as I think it will have a positive impact on the neighbourhood. It is purely the late hours of the outside event application that I am challenging.

Regards

Barker, Kirstie

From:
Sent: 16 September 2020 19:27
To: Licensing (Licensing Regulatory) / Trwyddedu (Rheoleiddio Trwyddedu); Patel, Ramesh (Cllr)
Subject: Representation in respect of Premises Licence Application (sect. 17)

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NAME OF PETITIONERS -
ADDRESS -
PHONE -

PREMISES - The Corporation, Cowbridge Rd. E. Canton Cardiff CF5 1QD
APPLICANT - Christopher Rowlands
Representation relates to - Prevention of Public Nuisance + Safety Issues

SUMMARY OF CONCERNS ABOUT THIS APPLICATION :-

1. The late hours of serving food and alcoholic liquor outside and in.
2. The provision of films, music, dancing and other potentially noisy entertainments outside and the potential disturbance generated thereby to neighbouring residents, as this outside area is adjacent to an open area of back gardens and windows of 22 residential properties in Library St.(2 - 18, even no`s) + Llandaff Rd. (1 - 27, odd no`s).

WHY THIS APPLICATION WILL HAVE AN ADVERSE EFFECT ON LICENSING OBJECTIVES :-

This Licence would allow operation of these hours on any day of the week and encourage possible noisy and drunken behaviour until 12.00pm to disturb 40 to 50 residents in the area mentioned above, as well as other residents in Library St. and Llandaff Rd. and beyond.

The events mentioned, with music and/or voice amplified and other noise, would add to this likelihood and encourage substantial numbers to use the outdoor facility and add to the noise and numbers, on the premises and vacating the premises late at night, into the neighbouring streets, up to and after 12pm. This could create safety issues near traffic and narrow pavements(as in Llandaff Rd.) This outside space is too close and totally open to residents houses and gardens to allow such noise generating entertainments and activities of any type, at any time, let alone to make it possible, potentially on every day of the week at any time from 9am until 11pm.

Recently in August, Noise Pollution Control visited these premises after a complaint from residents about loud music but on Tues. Sept. 15th Quiz Night, amplified mikes were far too loud, resulting in another complaint,

both personally at the scene and through Noise Pollution.

This shows a lack of control and care and thought for others by the Licensee that should not be indulged. We hope the Licensing Committee will take all this into account and not grant this license in its present form.

From:
Sent: 14 September 2020 13:26
To: Licensing (Licensing Regulatory) / Trwyddedu (Rheoleiddio Trwyddedu)
Subject: Representations in relation to the Corporation's licence application
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Dear Sirs

Please find my representations in relation to the Corporation's licence application attached.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards

CARDIFF COUNCIL

Representation Submission Form

Licensing Act 2003 - Representation in
respect of Premises Licence Applications



Details of person or body making representation	
Your Name:	
Your Address:	Cardiff CF11 9NF
Phone No:	Email:

Details of premises representation is about	
Name of Premises:	The Corporation
Address of premises:	Cowbridge Road East, Canton, Cardiff, CF5 1GW
Application No. (if known)	

Please tick one or more of the licensing objectives that your representation relates to:	
Prevention of crime and disorder	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes
Public Safety	<input type="checkbox"/> yes
Prevention of public nuisance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes
Protection of children from harm	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes

Please summarise your concerns about this application:
<p>The concern principally relates to music and/or drinking outside at night, especially, but not limited to weekends.</p> <p>Obviously I have no concerns or objections in relation to the Corporation re-opening as a pub; however, it should be recognised that the pub is on the corner of a residential street which houses families, many of whom (including myself) have young children.</p> <p>The Corporation's outside area is currently hosting events on weekends and the music from this can be heard from my child's bedroom. The issue will, of course, be more pronounced in homes which are closer to the pub.</p> <p>Under the circumstances I would be grateful if the licensing committee would kindly consider these concerns and implement the necessary restrictions</p>

Please give further details of why you believe this application will have an adverse effect on the licensing objectives

- Late night drinking is generally associated with anti-social behaviour and other crimes (e.g. fighting); and
- Music (be that live or otherwise), especially late at night, is likely to have a negative effect on surrounding households, many of whom have young children

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From:
Sent: 21 September 2020 23:04
To: Licensing (Licensing Regulatory) / Trwyddedu (Rheoleiddio Trwyddedu)
Subject: Opposition to premises licence for the Corporation, Canton

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ALLANOL: Daw'r e-bost hwn o'r tu allan i Gyngor Caerdydd, cymerwch ofal wrth glicio ar ddolenni.

Good evening,

I write to you in regards to the application made for a premises licence made by Mr Christopher Rowlands for the site of the Corporation, Cowbridge Road East, Canton, CF5 1GW.

Section 3.1 of the Statement of Licensing Act Policy issued by Cardiff council notes that applicants should, among a number of actions, proactively seek the views of local residents. At no point whatsoever has Christopher Rowlands, or any other individual representing the Corporation Yard, or any of the associated activities currently taking place at the location, made a single attempt to proactively seek our views as local residents. In fact, the only way in which I became aware of this licence application was following one of my neighbours informing me. This failure in itself, coupled with the disruption already faced by the relentless number of activities on the site, gives me no confidence that the applicant has any intention of acting with sensitivity and consideration to local residents.

I have little opposition to the internal space of the Corporation Yard being issued with a licence to operate as applied for, however I absolutely oppose the licensing sought for any aspect of the external space. The external space has historically never been used for such a purpose, and the licensing, should it be granted, would be completely at odds to the licence restrictions placed on other pubs/venues in the immediate vicinity including The Canton, Crafty Devil, Chapter and St Canna's Alehouse, all of which operate with very little disruption to us as residents. More importantly, this is a predominantly residential neighbourhood, which would be severely impacted by activities that would be better placed for St Mary Street in the city centre.

Some of my main reasons for opposing the licence are outlined below.

The prevention of public nuisance

The Corporation Yard site is located within a block of properties that is enclosed by Llandaff Road, Cowbridge Road East, Library Street and Market Place. This block is predominantly occupied by a minimum of 20 residential properties, my property included, with each private garden in effect sharing a large open space that until recently has been peaceful and secluded from the busy urban environment in which we live. Over the summer we have been subjected to constant noise and disruption with constant back-to-back events running at the site. This has ranged from craft markets taking place in the morning, evolving into a streetfood / outdoor bar running late into the night.

There is a substantial sound system and a DJ with loud music playing from early morning throughout the day and into the night, which causes a relentless annoyance with music emanating into properties, impacting my ability to enjoy my property as well as impacting my ability to concentrate while working from home. The noise is such that it emanates into the house even when windows and doors are closed, and is particularly unbearable on warm days where I have to decide between opening a window or trying to reduce the noise. Additionally, as heard in the short video attached (Pub Quiz.mov) this has even included a quiz nights, which late on a weekday we were subjected to the quizmaster reading out the questions at such a volume that we could hear it from the front room of our property despite windows and doors being closed. I also object to the swearing that was

taking place by the quizmaster over the speaker, given the several young children living in the immediate properties. Given the restrictions we are living under at the moment due to covid-19, this is highly disruptive to our wellbeing when trying to relax in our home. Even when disregarding the noise of the music being played on the sound system, there is nuisance caused to residents through large crowds of customers drinking and loudly talking at the location, the noise of which inevitably carries across the block in a continuous drone every day and night.

During both the day and in particular the evenings, there are a number of food vendors operating from catering trailers on the site. Due to the enclosed nature of the properties across the block, there is a continuous sickly smell being emitted from the various sweet/rich foods being cooked lasting late into the evening, along with smells of flame grilling of food etc, which again emanates into homes when windows are open, impacts on our right to enjoy our private gardens, and also ruins washed clothing hanging on the line. The image below shows one such flume, which just protrudes above the fencing level immediately into the length of residential gardens next door.



The nature of the catering activities along with the nature of the site gives me concern that we will see an increase in vermin and pests in the local area, which would again significantly impact residential properties.

Immediately backing up to the Corporation Yard site is the Canton Public Library. Due to having been closed as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic, I presume the library will have thus far been mostly unaffected from the activities taking place, but on the basis of the sounds that have been regularly emanating into my property throughout the day from approximately 26 meters away, I am certain that a similar noise pollution will adversely impact on the quiet and relaxing environment that should be expected at the public resource of the library.

There has been a significant marked increase in anti-social behaviour following the commencement of events at the Corporation Yard, which has been accentuated by the scheduling of large groups arriving or departing the venue at set times. The pavement outside the row of residential properties has inevitably turned into a taxi rank of sorts, with large groups of intoxicated people loudly shouting, singing and messing about while waiting for lifts, along with regular aggravated drivers beeping horns and revving engines in frustration at vehicles causing obstructions and undertaking questionable manoeuvres such as three-point turns.

Public safety & the protection of children from harm

It is my view that the location of Corporation Yard is unsuitable for the activities currently being undertaken there and which are subject to this licence application. The main entrance used for the Corporation Yard is a vehicular access way that is located very tightly to the immensely busy intersection between Cowbridge Road East and Llandaff Road, with a blind corner where vehicles are prone to regularly breaking speed limits. Thus far, each event held at the location has involved large numbers of customers, often arriving/leaving by taxi or other vehicle drop offs, causing heavy congestion in this area. More concerningly, the inherent nature of the events that are being run at the corporation yard are activities such as craft fairs or food festivals, which always have a number of different vendors operating from the site. The impact of this is that at multiple points every day there are swaths of vehicles attempting to unload large volumes of bulky items to the site, such as stock and catering trailers, and due to a lack of appropriate access are mounting the curbs to park in front of the residential properties (mine included). Due to the busy and narrow nature of Llandaff Road, these vehicles usually take up the majority of the pavement in order to allow other vehicles to pass, causing a complete obstruction for pedestrians.

Being that Llandaff Road is a busy yet narrow primary route through Canton, the vehicles tend to completely block the pavement in order to allow room on the carriageway. This causes substantial obstruction to pedestrians, who have to step into a busy road where people are prone to speeding in order to pass. One of my neighbours on Llandaff Road is registered as being blind, and has informed me that she has already suffered multiple incidents of her guide dog inadvertently taking her into the carriageway due to the pedestrian right of way being blocked. There are several images attached to this email evidencing this pattern of vehicle obstructions. I draw your attention in particular to image IMG_0371.JPG which shows a elderly pedestrian on a mobility scooter driving on the road due to the pavement being blocked. While many of these vehicles are unloading, many remain parked in these locations for considerable timescales, with several instances having been of vans remaining parked in such locations throughout the day while work is being undertaken to the Corporation Yard site.

There has seemingly been no attempt to actively manage the congestion, and in fact the promotional literature issued by the promoters even incorrectly pinned the event as being directly outside my front door, causing increased chaos that could have been avoided.

After every event there are drunk patrons who spend prolonged periods of time loitering outside the residential properties after the event has finished, which inevitably causes a public nuisance of large rowdy groups, regularly shouting loudly at unsociable hours, including weekdays, which also again affects my ability and right to enjoy my property in peace.

Temporary Event Notices

Being that the location is currently not licensed on a permanent basis, I would like confirmation of the current licensing arrangements that are being operated, along with details of the extent compliance to these are being checked/enforced. Presumably, current events are being undertaken through a series of temporary event notices, however given the volume of consecutive events that have been held at the location thus far and which are still being advertised for the foreseeable future, along with the semi-permanent nature of the set-up that has been put in place, I have significant concerns that the current disruptions being faced will continue irrespective of the outcome of this licence application.

Many thanks,

Barker, Kirstie

From:
Sent: 21 September 2020 17:47
To: Licensing (Licensing Regulatory) / Trwyddedu (Rheoleiddio Trwyddedu)
Subject: objection for the Corporation
Attachments: Making Representations Form July 2010.pdf

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Hello

We strongly object to the licences for The Corporation on Cowbridge Road East.

Please see attached form. If there is any further information you require from us please let me know.

Kind regards

CARDIFF COUNCIL

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Details of person or body making representation	
Your Name:	
Your Address:	Canton Cardiff CF5 1QD
Phone No:	Email:

Details of premises representation is about	
Name of Premises:	the corporation/ christopher rowlands
Address of premises:	the corporation Cowbridge Road East Canton Cardiff CF5 1 GW
Application No. (if known)	

Please tick one or more of the licensing objectives that your representation relates to:	
Prevention of crime and disorder	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes
Public Safety	<input type="checkbox"/> yes
Prevention of public nuisance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes
Protection of children from harm	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes

Please summarise your concerns about this application:
<p>The Corporation backs on to a residential street and granting a licence, especially an outdoor licence will have a negative impact on the residents.</p> <p>Last year they had a street market in the outdoor space and the noise was awful. My mother who was disabled had to walk around and make a complaint and eventually the music was turned down. Last week they had a loud speaker in the back of the Corportaion and this was very noisy until gone 8pm. Luckily it stopped as it would have disturbed my daughter.</p> <p>There are children who live in the surrounding areas and the noise and light from a lit outdoor area would interfere with their sleep and well being. My daughter sleeps in a back bedroom and I would not want her to be disturbed or have to listen to the loud adult convserations that could take place from intoxicated people.</p> <p>The residents would not be able to have their windows open as there would be a smell from food and smoking which happened when the street food market was on.</p> <p>Outdoor entertainment should not be allowed in a residential area.</p>

Please give further details of why you believe this application will have an adverse effect on the licensing objectives

there would be a lot of noise from an outdoor area
people would be leaving and very late and making lots of noise very late at night
there would be light pollution from an outdoor area
there would be food smells coming in to residents houses.

we strongly object to any outdoor licence

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Details of person or body making representation	
Your Name:	
Your Address:	CANTON, CARDIFF CF5 1QD
Phone No:	Email:

Details of premises representation is about	
Name of Premises:	THE CORPORATION
Address of premises:	Cowbridge road east Canton, Cardiff. CF5 1GW
Application No. (if known)	

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Protection of children from harm	<input type="checkbox"/> yes

Please summarise your concerns about this application:
<p>This is immediately adjacent to residential properties & as such completely unsuitable for such an enterprise. The noise level from people especially when alcohol is served & music would be unbearable. The smells from outdoor cooking would permeate the whole area. It would attract an unmanageable group of people especially at the late hours & in a small enclosed space where social distancing would not happen & the behaviour could not be managed leading to more difficulties & disturbance for residents.</p>

Please give further details of why you believe this application will have an adverse effect on the licensing objectives

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From:
Sent: 16 September 2020 11:08
To: Licensing (Licensing Regulatory) / Trwyddedu (Rheoleiddio Trwyddedu)
Subject: license application - the corporation pub

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ALLANOL: Daw'r e-bost hwn o'r tu allan i Gyngor Caerdydd, cymerwch ofal wrth glicio ar ddolenni.

i write in regard to the application made by christopher rolands for the corporation pub. i have been a resident on llandaff road for twenty years, during this time the corporation pub has been open and in use, and generated noise that has been in the main tolerable. however, since last year events have been taking place in the yard, which include amplification of loud music all day and late into the evening. this activity has increased over the past month and has become invasive. the proposed licence would allow activity outdoors seven days a week from 9.00am until 11.30pm. this would cause a huge problem to myself and fellow residents. the architecture surrounding the yard causes a greater amplification of sounds. i am deeply concerned about the disturbance which can be heard inside my property with doors and windows closed. please take my comments into consideration when assessing this application. please acknowledge receipt of this email.

sincerely



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From:

21 September 2020 21:25

To: Licensing (Licensing Regulatory) / Trwyddedu (Rheoleiddio Trwyddedu)

Subject: License application for Chris Rowlands / The Corporation

I'm writing to raise my objection to the current licensing application for the Corporation pub.

I'm a resident, living at Llandaff Road. I have no problem with the pub seeking an extended licence to the activity that's taken place at the location over the last two summers but I have concern regarding the request for a licence until midnight, seven days a week for the outside.

The rear of the pub sits among domestic properties. The rear, to my knowledge, was never used by the Corporation. The potential disturbance to the houses and flats nearby and backing directly onto this land is high.

The "street food circus" and "corporation yard" activities that have taken place over the last two years (whilst the pub hasn't been operational) have operated at weekends and with licensing that hasn't stretched until midnight and has been well observed and contractors quickly and quietly off site.

The recent appearance of a "quiz" that's been taking place on the land on a mid week night in the last two weeks has been noisy (microphone and amplification) has been disturbing and invasive to myself and my neighbours.

I strongly hope that the authority considers the external license to be too disruptive to local residents. 11pm cleared for a weekend appears to work and there really should be no or minimal activity on "school nights" in the external areas to avoid disturbance to residents.

Thank you for your attention and I hope a sensible decision can be made, allowing for a successful opening of the pub but a resident considerate approach to the external area.

Thanks,

Barker, Kirstie

From:
Sent: 13 September 2020 20:20
To: Licensing (Licensing Regulatory) / Trwyddedu (Rheoleiddio Trwyddedu)
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ALLANOL: Daw'r e-bost hwn o'r tu allan i Gyngor Caerdydd, cymerwch ofal wrth glicio ar ddolenni.

Dear Sir or Madam,

I wish to oppose the application for a premises licence, by Christopher Rowlands, for The Corporation, Cowbridge Road East, Canton, Cardiff CF5 1GW.

There has already been substantial noise pollution and disruption to us, resulting from the sale of food and drink, and the playing of loud music in the yard at the back of The Corporation. Matters will get substantially worse, if the premises licence (allowing for huge numbers of hours of activity) is granted.

Yours faithfully,

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