



SOUTH DERBYSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Licensing Act 2003

Representation by an "Other Person" as defined by the above Act.

Note: Please be aware that this form may be viewed by the Applicant or by a representative of the Applicant. It may also be read out in public at the sub-committee hearing.

You may request that the Licensing Authority withholds some or all of your details, however, the withholding of details will only be considered in exceptional circumstances where the Licensing Authority believes there to be a genuine and well-founded fear of intimidation. Any person who wishes the Authority to consider withholding their details is advised to contact the Licensing Department prior to submitting this form.

An "other person" can make representations against a relevant licence application. Representations may be made on behalf of the above by a representative e.g. MP, solicitor, or a friend.

Please indicate in which capacity you are making this representation by ticking a box below:

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| • An individual person | ☒ |
| • A body representing a person e.g. Solicitor | ☐ |
| • A person involved in a business | ☐ |
| • A body representing a business | ☐ |

Representations are only relevant to an application if they relate to at least one of the four **Licensing Objectives** listed below:

- 1. The Prevention of Crime and Disorder**
- 2. Public Safety**
- 3. Prevention of Public Nuisance**
- 4. The Protection of Children from Harm**

Representations may be made at any time during a period of 28 consecutive days starting on the day after the application was given to the Licensing Authority. This period is reduced to the expiry of the 9th working day after the application was given for minor variation applications.

In the case of a closure order issued by the Police, representations may be made during the seven days that follow relevant notice being given to the Local Authority by the Magistrates Court, starting on the day after the day the notice was received.

Please enter your contact details below: -

Name:	
Address:	
Postcode:	
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Please confirm name and address of person, represented person or business affected, if different from the address given above: i.e. this could be a shop premise in the vicinity but you do not live at the shop premises.

Name:	
Address:	
Postcode:	

Address of premises in application causing concern, which you wish to make a representation about

Name of Applicant:	Melbourne Hall
Address of Premises	Church Square, Melbourne, Derbyshire DE73 8EN
Application Details:	A premises license to facilitate a programme of events to take place between April and October 2022.

Please give details of your representation in the box below. Indicate which of the Licensing Objectives your representation refers to by ticking the relevant box/es:

- **The Prevention of Crime and Disorder**
- **Public Safety** **x**
- **Prevention of Public Nuisance** **x**
- **The Protection of Children from Harm**

Details of representation.....

The Application is for a premises license to facilitate a programme of events to take place between April and October 2022, the events to include Comedy, Music, Cinema and Food. The timings are to be from 9.00am to 11.30pm, with licensable activities taking place between 10.00am and 11.00pm.

The expected number to attend at any one time is 4,999.

The Plan attached in the Application shows the area where the activities are to take place but not how access and egress from the area are to take place, nor, for example where vehicles bringing the expected attendees to events are expected to park. There is reference to a Traffic Management Plan but no details of this are given.

It looks therefore as though the Application is written to provide assurance that controls will be in place but that these controls will apply ONLY to the area marked on the Plan. If so, this is disingenuous and unrealistic, since a great deal of disturbance and disruption will affect parts of Melbourne outside the Plan area, which is within the confines of Melbourne Hall gardens. Even if "only" 1,000 attend an event (and the application is for five times that number), the events will clearly have a substantial and intrusive impact on, at the very least, Church Square, Church Street, Penn Lane, Castle Square, Blackwell Lane and Pool Road.

Our objections to the Application are therefore:

1. That the arrival and dispersal of 500 or more attendees at each event will create intolerable pressure and nuisance to the area around Melbourne Hall noted above. In particular, dispersal of 500 or more people, which practicably may well last longer than the 11.30pm deadline for leaving the Application area, will inevitably cause unacceptable noise at a time far later than the residents can reasonably be expected to tolerate. Even if alcohol were not available, the enthusiasm and high spirits engendered by the types of events which the Application is to facilitate and by general social gathering will lead to considerable noise.
2. The Applicant may believe that where attendees park their cars or how they arrive at an event is not the concern of Melbourne Hall. We believe that this is not a factor which can realistically be separated from the Application to hold events in the specified premises. The attendees' vehicles will inevitably put considerable additional pressure on the access roads and the already restricted number of parking spaces. This has serious safety implications, for example on the ability of the emergency services to reach their destinations. It has nuisance implications, in potentially restricting residents' access to their premises.
3. Our third objection to the Application relates to the noise levels of the events themselves. While the suggestion of the Application is that with events taking place within the walls of Melbourne Hall garden there will be little or no sound heard from outside the walls, it is evident from the experience of the similar events which were arranged last year by the same Applicant that this is

simply not the case. In particular, the residences which look over the Melbourne Pool are acutely aware of the noise of the events. This is an unreasonable imposition on the quiet and privacy which they are entitled to expect.

If possible please suggest alterations to the application/licence that would resolve the problem mentioned above, again paying attention to the licensing objectives

Once the Licensing Section has received this form you will receive a written acknowledgement and you may be contacted to discuss the issue prior to any referral to a sub-committee hearing.

If referred to a sub committee hearing:

Please tick this box if you do not intend to be present ☐

Please tick this box if you do not intend to be represented ☒

Please tick this box if you would like to remain anonymous ☐

If you wish to withdraw your representation you may do so by confirming this in writing before the end of the last day of the 28 day consultation period.

Signed

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3rd March 2022.....

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