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Farnham Royal
Bucks SL2 3AP.*

Mr Chris Marchant
Head of Environment
South Bucks District Council

Thursday, 22 October 2009

Your ref: 05/00398/LAPRE

Dear Sir,

I have received a letter from South Bucks Council concerning an application to vary the premises license of Stoke Park Club.

I have lived at Park Lawn, which borders Stoke Park Club, for 12 years and we have had varying problems with noise from the Club over that time. The noise from the Club was at it's worst about 5 years ago when we were regularly kept awake at night during the summer months by extremely loud music from the club. My flat is about 200- 300 yds from the clubhouse itself, and for music to keep me awake after midnight you can only imagine the noise level at the club itself. For the last three years, the noise problem has largely disappeared, I assume due to regulations put in place by the Council. We do hear occasional noise, but this always disappears after midnight. In the past we were subject to sleep destroying noise until 3 or 4 in the morning, mainly at weekends.

I would not wish to spoil the pleasure of others, but I consider it unacceptable that partygoers should be allowed to destroy my sleep.

I consider that the current restrictions are good for the neighbourhood and they should remain in place.

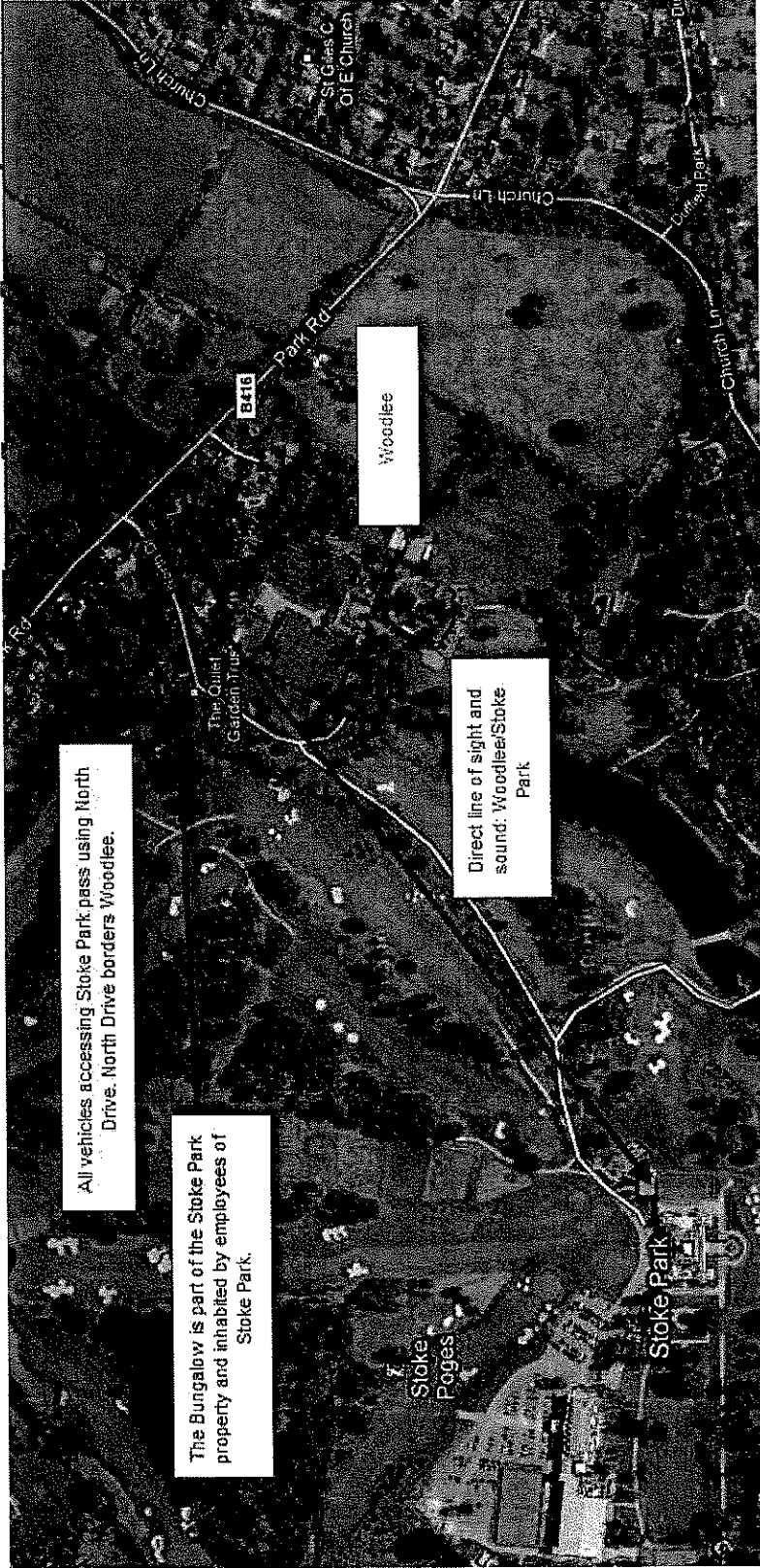
You are no doubt aware that we have a mountain of legislation from Europe which is designed to protect the "Human Rights" of us all. I consider it my human right to a good night's sleep. I would urge you to retain the current noise restrictions for Stoke Park Club.

Perhaps you would suggest to Stoke Park Club that they might like to open a night club on a remote Scottish Island. I'm sure there would be no shortage of people willing to destroy their hearing in an extremely noisy environment such as practised by Stoke Park Club in the past.

As for now, I think the world has changed, and extreme noise generated by clubs like Stoke Park at antisocial hours has become unacceptable.

Yours faithfully

J A Kendal



All vehicles accessing Stoke Park pass using North Drive. North Drive borders Woodlee.

The Bungalow is part of the Stoke Park property and inhabited by employees of Stoke Park.

Woodlee

Direct line of sight and sound: Woodlee/Stoke Park

Stoke Poges

Stoke Park

The Quiet Garden Trust

St Giles C of E Church

Church Ln

Dorset Park

Church Ln

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Park Rd

Church Ln



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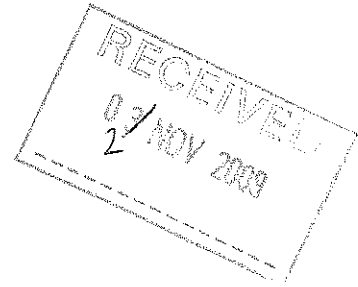
Dear Sirs,
Stoke Park Golf Club

Re: Application from Golf Club for extended hours for loud music, etc. This is to inform you that we are totally against this for many reasons. It is bad enough as it stands but to ask for extensions until 4:00 in the morning is outrageous.

My husband is brain damaged due to a serious illness (all may be verified with our various doctors) & neither of us can cope with any more infringement of our rights as residents.

Yours faithfully,
Petra Pearce.

STOKE PARK FARM
PARK ROAD
STOKE POGES
BUCKINGHAMSHIRE
SL2 4PG



Tel:

27 October 2009

South Bucks District Council
Licensing Department
Capswood
Oxford Road
Denham
Bucks UB9 4LH

Dear Miss Davis,

RE: APPLICATION FOR VARIATION OF A PREMISES LICENCE
AT STOKE PARK CLUB, PARK ROAD, STOKE POGES SL2 4PG

The above premises was bequeathed to the local residents as a Golf Club by Sir Noel Mobbs. It is now an expensive Club and Hotel for the wealthy from London.

This is a residential area and the activities of the Club have already burdened us with much too much noise and traffic, by day and night, and light pollution at night. Consequently it is not acceptable for "Regulated Entertainment" (Live and Recorded Music) to be permitted until 2.00am, and until 4am on 6 separate occasions per year, outdoors as well as indoors.

As for temporary bars, can it really be true that grown-up people cannot go round a golf course without alcoholic refreshment? We request in particular that any such bars are not permitted near the 10th, 11th and 19th greens, and the 11th, 14th and 20th tees, all of which are adjacent to our property.

Yours sincerely,

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mrs N. Cooper".

Mrs N. Cooper

Mr R.J. Baldwin
"Talisman"
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2nd November 2009

South Bucks District Council
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For the attention of Mandy Davis

Dear Madam,

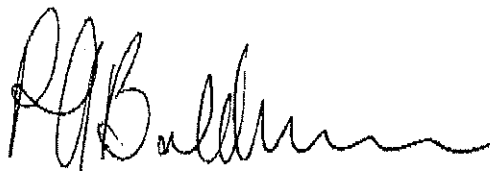
Stoke Park Club
Application for Variation of Licence

I wish to object to the continued use of loud exploding fireworks very late at night and early morning during week and weekend periods. This is a public nuisance and has been a cause of complaint to the Stoke Park Club by myself and my neighbour Mr Michael Mobbs who wrote to them accordingly.

I have been very supportive of Stoke Park Club's past planning applications however noise levels need to be strictly controlled, young children are being harmed by being unable to sleep.

The peace and tranquillity of Stoke Poges should not be allowed to be destroyed by these activities.

Yours sincerely,



R.J. Baldwin

**The Oaks, Stoke Poges Lane,
Stoke Poges, Slough SL2 4NP**

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Chris Marchant,
Head of Environment,
South Bucks District Council,
Capswood,
Oxford Road,
Denham UB9 4LH

Your Ref: 05/00398/LAPRE

9 November 2009

Dear Mr Marchant,

**Re: Application for variation of a premises licence under The Licensing Act 2003
Stoke Park Club (Stoke Poges Golf Club), Stoke Poges SL2 4PG**

I refer to your letter dated 15 October 2009 and write on behalf of my wife and myself to object formally to three of the variations for which application has been made.

Our property is on the eastern boundary of the golf course and we are particularly affected whenever loud music is played at Stoke Park Club whether it be during the day, as occasionally happens, or late at night - particularly in the summer months - as the prevailing wind largely sends the sound in our direction. Whilst this is accepted at the moment because, when it does occur at night, by and large there is no annoyance or inconvenience caused to us after midnight.

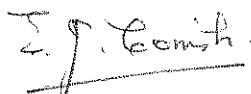
The proposals that music is to be permitted until 2.00am indoors and outdoors and at Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve and on 6 further separate occasions during the year for special events until 4.00am would considerably increase the anti-social inconvenience based on the noise levels we have experienced in the past, particularly if we should happen to have visitors at those times and during the summer months.

I note that it is proposed that noise monitoring patrols will take place from 10.00pm each evening to ensure that noise is not heard beyond the perimeter of the Licensed Premises but it is impossible to see how these can be effective unless all the residents properties bordering the area are physically visited.

I have seen no plans of the proposed locations of the temporary bars within the grounds of the premises or, more particularly, within the golf course for special events as stated in Part 3.5 (page 2) of the variation application and these would clearly be of importance to neighbouring residents in regard to any noise annoyance or inconvenience caused.

On the above grounds I formally object to the application for variation as submitted.

Yours faithfully

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E J Cornish

Mandy Davis

From: Vivien & John Williams
Sent: 18 October 2009 19:25
To: Mandy Davis
Subject: Stoke Park Club - Ref: 05/00398/LAPRE

We refer to your late dated 15th October regarding the above application.

We believe that the proposals for Regulated Entertainment until 2.00am, indoors and outdoors, and also the Non Standard Timing - Extension to permitted times on 6 separate occasions per year for special events until 4.00am, constitute a public nuisance, being one of the four licensing objectives. This is particularly relevant to outdoor events.

We have lived adjoining the golf course for many years and on a number of occasions, mainly during the summer months, have been disturbed by music emanating from events held at Stoke Park Club. This happens particularly when the functions are held outdoors or in a temporary marquee structure and we believe that extending the finishing time of such events would unreasonably disturb ourselves and other residents, many of whom will inevitably have bedroom windows open during the summer months.

If we can provide any further useful information please do not hesitate to contact us.

Mr and Mrs J. Williams,

The Little House,

Park Road,

Stoke Poges.

SL2 4PG

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Licensing Team,
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6th November 2009

Dear Sir/Madam

Re: 05/00398/LAPRE Application to vary a premises licence under the Licensing Act 2009 – Stoke Park Club Limited

I wish to object to the application for the following reasons:

I don't believe it reasonable to be playing music and allowing dancing outdoors until 2am as standard and definitely not until 4am up to 8 times per year. Neither is it safe to have temporary bars dotted around the golf course where they cannot be fully supervised and where minors could obtain alcohol.

Noise levels and light pollution will increase under the plans and longer hours will encourage more drinking and the likelihood of drink driving.

The plans show no consideration for the neighbours either. We currently can hear public announcement systems and music from the club to the level where I can tell the name of the piece of music being played. Once doors are opened and people spill outside, noise levels rise and with the prospect of marquees and music until later into the night on random occasions, I think the committee should consider this generally a nuisance to a quiet village.

I believe that allowing the Club Carte Blanche to pick and choose when they organise these outdoor events also flies in the face of public safety since the police, for example are geared up for events at Christmas and New Year, but these events could be midweek and any time, so who is to say if and when the licensing regulations can be checked.

Stoke Park claim to check the grounds to see whether noise is travelling but if this happens, the noise has never abated before the end of an event, there has always been noise created, particularly at the end of the event as drivers speed away along Park Road.

With regard to the specific issues raised by Stoke Park:

- CCTV cameras cannot be used at the temporary bars dotted near neighbours, so this is a big issue, particularly if it were late at night
- Even if incidents in the vicinity are reported to the police, this creates nuisance for the neighbours and extra work for the police and late night

drinking will inevitably cause this – we do hear drunks shouting or singing as they leave the club now and this can only worsen

- This village chooses not to have street lighting and the Club is going to install more external lighting which will not necessarily aid crime prevention and will disturb neighbours
- Vehicles do use horns late at night, they do rev their engines and drunks sing and shout out of car windows, and no matter what the Club says to visitors, they cannot and do not control this. No staff members come to the exit onto Park Road to discourage this and it is not the responsibility of taxi drivers (if they are used) to try to calm their drunken passengers. I don't consider that the Club does use reasonable measures to calm their guests – we often see our guests out onto the main road
- Stoke Park already breaks the promise they make that “Any music/Live music/commentary generated during regulated entertainment will not be played at a level where it can be heard/it is audible beyond the perimeter of the Licensed Premises” – I can tell you the artist and name of pieces of music they play at times and can clearly hear announcements during the Boodles Tennis tournament
- Stoke Park promises to patrol the premises after 10pm to make sure noise does not travel. If this currently takes place, there is little evidence of it and the alteration to the licence is going to actively encourage outdoor drinking, music and dancing until far later into the night which can only disturb the neighbours for longer than it already does

The request clearly does not consider the nuisance of noise, extra traffic and light disturbance to the neighbouring properties or the fact that in a quiet village more late nights event that could occur on any night of the working week will disturb neighbouring families. Safety factors around underage or excess drinking are not clearly addressed – particularly with regard to outdoor temporary bars since the licensed person cannot possibly oversee so many areas spread across this large property. And no consideration of how noise travels in the quiet of night has been considered – it will be the judgement of a patrol person to decide what is acceptable and that is not fair on the neighbours. There is also only passing comment on the safety of staff or young people who might be dotted around at temporary bars and out of sight of the main building. I also think that Stoke Park should consider having security staff right along to the main road (Park Road) to discourage revving cars, shouting, singing etc. More late night drinking will inevitably cause issues for the local police (another burden for the local tax payer) – and there is no mention of extra security personnel for these events.

I do not believe that an open licence for “up to 6 events” on top of Christmas and New Year events for the late hours requested (up to 4am) and including outdoor music, dancing, drinking etc. is reasonable at these premises.

Faithfully,

Dr Lin Gillan