



Strategic Environmental Health Protection

Licensing Act 2003 Response

To:	Licensing
From:	Charlie Robinson – Environmental Protection Officer
Site Address:	The Journeyman, 10 Packhorse Road, Gerrards Cross, Buckinghamshire SL9 7QE
Proposal:	Application for the grant of a premises licence
Our Reference:	23/00394/LIAPPL
Date:	16 th March 2023

Re: Application for the grant of a premises licence

I acknowledge safe receipt of the premises licence application documentation (including proposed timings and operating schedule).

I am an authorised officer of the Council as set out in Section 69(2)(d) of the Licensing Act 2003. I fulfil the duties of a Responsible Authority as defined by Section 69(4)(e) of the Act in terms the Council's statutory functions associated with the minimisation or prevention of risks associated with pollution to the environment or harm to human health.

Environmental Health have reviewed the proposed application and have established concerns in relation to potential noise from the outside areas of the premises late into the evening which would not promote the prevention of public nuisance objective.

The premises is situated in a mixed commercial and residential area with nearby residential properties, most notably those opposite the premises above the commercial units. When reviewing the proposed plan of the premises, the outside seating area to the front of the premises has raised concerns in relation to noise.

In light of the above, it is felt that if the application were granted as applied for, the premises would pose a risk of becoming a source of noise nuisance during the later hours of operation.

Having discussed the proposals and our concerns with the applicant, it is understood that due to other restrictions on the use of the premises (namely planning permissions), the outside area should not be used past 21:00 daily. This would appease the concerns of Environmental Health if implemented, however no control or condition of this nature is currently proposed as part of this licensing application.

Without further control or limitation of the proposed outside seating area, **Environmental Health hereby object to the application being granted in its current form.** However, this objection could be addressed by the implementation of the following condition. For the avoidance of doubt, the below is a suggested wording and the Licensing Officer may wish to re-word the condition to ensure its enforceability.

Condition:

1. All external areas of the Licensed Premises shall be vacated and not permitted for use by patrons by 21:00 hours each day, save for patrons smoking.

If you would like to discuss this case, please do not hesitate to contact me.