

Re Licence Variation

My comments and objection (as below) dated 30th June remain unchanged. The applicant has been in contact with me and raised questions regarding the hours for The Charcoal Grill and The Town Mills as examples of premises nearby which already operate later than I have suggested, but I am not convinced these are relevant examples. Whilst The Town Mills has later hours as a historic right – the full extent of their hours is not in use – they are also more remote from residential properties. The Charcoal Grill is a different form of more transient business and as such not a clear comparison.

This premises is on the periphery of the town centre and noise from this location would affect residents who live outside of the centre. The hours proposed are more in keeping with a night club and are not appropriate to the location.

Kind Regards
Lorna Taylor
Principal Environmental Health Officer

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Sent: 30 June 2020 19:40
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Subject: The SP Bar - 34 Bridge Street, Andover

Re: Licence Variation

Thank you for consulting the Environmental Protection Team of the Housing and Environmental Health Service. I object to the application for reasons of potential public nuisance, in particular noise from both people and loud music.

I appreciate that the applicants have made clear their intentions to do their best to manage noise but the very late hours proposed mean that people noise on leaving at the end of the night would stand out significantly in this otherwise quiet part of town as would breakout noise as people come and go from the premises (for example to smoke). This is irrespective of the ability of the building envelope to contain noise when well managed.

I am not suggesting that there is not scope for some extension, merely that the later elements of the request are cause for particular concern. It should be noted that this premises is situated away from the towns core night time economy activities in a quiet location with a number of residential premises nearby. As such would the applicant be willing to consider reducing the terminal hour to 1am for recorded music and last orders on Fridays and Saturdays – and removing the extended finish time and music on Thursdays.

Kind Regards
Lorna Taylor
Principal Environmental Health Officer