

To: The Licensing Authority

Spelthorne Borough Council
Knowle Green
Staines-upon-Thames
Surrey Police

Date: 5th August 2020

Temporary Event – Objection Notice

Licensing Act 2003 – s104 (as amended)

Premises:	273-275 London Road, Staines-upon-Thames TW18 4JJ
Notice Giver:	Mr Shawn ALEXANDER
Date of Event:	21st and 22nd August 2020 (2 days)
Date Temporary Event Notice submitted:	3 rd August 2020
Standard or Late TEN:	STANDARD

Sir / Madam

Please note that the Chief of Police is satisfied that by allowing the above premises to be used in accordance with the relevant Temporary Event Notice it would undermine the following licensing objectives.

- Prevention of public nuisance
- Prevention of crime and disorder
- Public Safety

Police believe the applicant has not provided sufficient details within the notice to show what preventive steps the Notice Giver intends to take in order to satisfy the three main government objections listed above.

There is no mention within the notice as to what steps the Notice Giver intends to take in order to prevent Crime and disorder, public nuisance or to provide a safe environment for the public. There is no detail around any security being provided, parking arrangements, use of plastics, or anything that would provide the reader with any confidence that the above objectives have been considered.

Given the TEN is to cover a 2 day public event, it is likely to have a big impact on the local residents and there is little or no information provided relating to how the event will be run. Police believe that there is a likelihood that there will be an increase in reports of crime and disorder, public nuisance and a risk to the safety of the public.

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The Notice Giver will no doubt be aware that currently under the s. 5(1) of The Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) No. 2 (England) Regulations 2020 such a planned event would not be permitted as no evidence has been submitted regarding a risk assessment or measures which will be taken to limit the transmission of coronavirus.

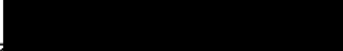
A written risk assessment that specifically dealt with this event would have been helpful.

Furthermore, there have already been THREE unlicensed music events at this venue namely on Saturday 18th July, (Surrey Police reference P20167174 refers) Saturday 25th July (Surrey Police reference P20173151 refers) and Saturday 1st August 2020 (Surrey Police reference P20178914 refers). On each occasion that an unlicensed event has taken place, police have received numerous calls regarding a large number of people gathered at the venue taking part in an "illegal rave", urinating in public, possible use of cannabis and social distancing not being observed.

As a result of all the issues outlined above, Police are asking the committee to consider issuing a counter notice rejecting this event.

Yours faithfully,
Joan Grant
On behalf of Inspector Maxine Cilia
Borough Commander for Spelthorne

Signed: _____

 *Inspector*

c.c. Shawn ALEXANDER, notice giver

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