

Appendix B – copies of the representation submitted by the Environmental Protection Team and related correspondence

From: Earis, Richard <Richard.Earis@southwark.gov.uk>

Sent: 31 July 2018 11:04

To: Regen, Licensing <Licensing.Regen@southwark.gov.uk>

Cc:

Subject: Objection to time limited License application - Southwark Park Lantern & Lights

RE: Time limited License application - Southwark Park Lantern & Lights

I have considered the above application on behalf of the Environmental Protection Team (prevention of public nuisance responsible authority). I would like to object on the grounds that the application is not sufficiently clear over the expected level of noise impact and likely sources of noise. The lack of information makes it difficult to be assured that it will comply with the licensing objective. The application also fails to detail adequate information on controlling dispersal of patrons in light of the large numbers of people expected.

Please could the applicant:

- Provide more details on the proposals for live music\stages externally and explain all of the expected noise sources and how frequently these will operate
- Depending on the detail above it is likely to be necessary to provide a noise management plan
- Provide a comprehensive dispersal policy

Subject to clarification and further information on the above it may be possible to conciliate my objections.

Kind Regards,

Richard

Richard Earis

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From:**Sent:** Thursday, August 02, 2018 10:44 AM**To:****Cc:****Subject:** RE: Objection to time limited License application - Southwark Park Lantern & Lights

Hi Richard

Just left you a voicemail to discuss this further with you. We have as you know presented plans at SAG. After this we received the below email from Paul Newman about not needing a Noise Management Plan. I would like to chat this through with you on the phone if you're around at all today? I have also responded to your queries below:

- Provide more details on the proposals for live music\stages externally and explain all of the expected noise sources and how frequently these will operate.

There will be a tannoy system surrounding the lantern route. This will play background music to accompany people walking. This will be at low level. There will also be Sound Pads at some of the lanterns which will play soundbites to accompany the lanterns (such as "off with her head" by the Red Queen from Alice in Wonderland) again this will be localised sound. All tannoy systems will be inward facing to just provide sound to the route.

There will be a small community stage. This will have intermittent performances throughout the events. This will not be a constant loud music stage but will feature community and school choirs singing carols and local performers. The programme is yet to be determined but we know it wont be blaring music.

- Depending on the detail above it is likely to be necessary to provide a noise management plan

Totally happy to provide a noise management plan if required. Would be great to chat this through with you to determine this. Also happy to monitor sound levels if you have an acceptable level you need us to stick to. We could monitor at nearest residencies regularly throughout the event?

- Provide a comprehensive dispersal policy

There will be up to 2500 people on site at any one time. However sessions will be booked in 500 people increments so egress and ingress to the event will be staggered. The majority will be heading towards either Canada Water or Bermondsey Tube stations. Security/ Stewards will monitor them leaving the site. Signage will be displayed along the egress route asking people to not make too much noise. There will also be lighting along the exit pathways to ensure there is enough light for people to leave safely. I am happy to provide more information on this should you require it. Please let me know specifics of what you require.

As above if we could chat this through at some point soon that would be great. My number is below in the signature strip.

Many thanks

From: Earis, Richard <Richard.Earis@southwark.gov.uk>

Sent: 02 August 2018 12:02

To:

Cc:

Subject: RE: Objection to time limited License application - Southwark Park Lantern & Lights

Thanks – I am out of the office all day today and tied up with another issue at the moment but will give you a call this afternoon to discuss this.

The information is reassuring and we should be able to agree a couple of simple conditions to cover the concerns and I can then withdraw my representation.

We will discuss later today.

Thanks,

Richard

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From: Earis, Richard <Richard.Earis@southwark.gov.uk>

Sent: 02 August 2018 14:48

To:

Subject: RE: Objection to time limited License application - Southwark Park Lantern & Lights

Hi

Further to our conversation, as discussed with Millie I don't have any objections in principle. I would just like to see the information below and relevant bits from the EMP expanded and put together into a short specific noise and dispersal management plan to cover:

- The types of music acts which will be permitted on the stages
- Likely frequency and timing of acts (i.e. every day, once a week, occasional, to what hours)
- Whether amplification will be used and if so how this will be set to ensure no nuisance is caused
- Monitoring arrangements to ensure no nuisance (decibel checks are not necessary in light of the information provided but I would expect regular subjective checks of site perimeter)
- Control of tannoy noise
- Any other noise sources
- Dispersal arrangements (i.e. stewarding, signage, taxi\car pickup locations etc.)
- Identify roles\responsibilities for noise and dispersal issues

This does not need to be a long document – just a simple concise policy to deal with noise issues. Please make sure it has enforceable commitments. Please send through to me once complete.

Please confirm you are happy with the following license conditions:

- *Suitably qualified or experienced persons shall be employed at all times, whilst licensable activity is being provided, and shall take all reasonable steps to ensure that patrons do not cause a nuisance in the vicinity of the premises.*
- *Regular checks shall be made of the perimeter of the site when live music is taking place to ensure that the event does not cause a nuisance in the vicinity of the premises*
- *An event noise and dispersal management plan shall be produced and implemented at the premises, with all staff trained on the most recent iteration of the plan. The plan shall detail measures to ensure music and dispersal of patrons will not cause a nuisance to surrounding residents. A copy of the plan and training records shall be made available to the council or police on request.*

Subject to agreement on the above I will withdraw my objections.

Kind Regards,

Richard

From:**Sent:** Wednesday, August 08, 2018 4:49 PM**To:** Earis, Richard**Subject:** RE: Objection to time limited License application - Southwark Park Lantern & Lights

Hi Richard

Please find attached our noise and dispersal plan. If you need any further information please do let us know. If you can let us know if this has satisfied the queries raised that would be great.

Many Thanks

From: Earis, Richard**Sent:** Thursday, August 09, 2018 10:40 AM**To:** Regen, Licensing**Cc:****Subject:** FW: Objection to time limited License application - Southwark Park Lantern & Lights

Dear Licensing,

On the basis of the attached noise plan and the applicant's agreement to the following conditions (also attached), I confirm I withdraw my objections to this application.

- *Suitably qualified or experienced persons shall be employed at all times, whilst licensable activity is being provided, and shall take all reasonable steps to ensure that patrons do not cause a nuisance in the vicinity of the premises.*
- *Regular checks shall be made of the perimeter of the site when live music is taking place to ensure that the event does not cause a nuisance in the vicinity of the premises*
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