

## APPENDIX C

### Public Representations

#### Representation 1

**From:**

**Sent:** 15 June 2021 22:48

**To:** Licensing <[licensing@gravesham.gov.uk](mailto:licensing@gravesham.gov.uk)>

**Subject:** Stop the disturbance and consider others

Sent from Samsung Mobile on O2

I was most upset to learn of the gay pride event being allowed to take place on the common right out the front of elderly persons housing, some 2500 people shouting, drinking and god knows what else in close proximity to such frail members of our community.

I have no objection to people trying to express their sexuality in their own ways but a bit of consideration for the elderly who such an event could terrify and disturb really makes me think that whoever thought this event up or allowed this location to be used had absolutely no respect or thought for the locals.

Im sure there are plenty of other locations that should have been used such as jacksons playing fields, mote park or even rochester or chatham high street.

It upsets me that anybody could even consider this location for such an event

Yours most disgruntled

Mr scott

#### Representation 2

**From:** Barry Perrin

**Sent:** 15 June 2021 16:52

**To:** Licensing <[licensing@gravesham.gov.uk](mailto:licensing@gravesham.gov.uk)>

**Subject:** Medway Pride - License Application for Entertainment, Live Music, Recorded Music & Dance

Dear Sir,

I refer to the Medway Pride License Application for Entertainment, Live Music, Recorded Music & Dance at

Riverside Land North of Doust Way

Doust Way

Rochester

Kent

In principle I have no objection to this license being granted.

I do however think that this site is wholly inappropriate for the style of the occasion and the expected numbers of attendance, Stated as 1500 – 2500 people.

Could a better site could not be found, such as for example, Jackson's Field, Rochester, the Rochester Castle grounds or even the Grate Lines. Any of these I feel would provide a more appropriate venue. Have these options been suggested to the applicant's?

My main objection for the granting of a license in this location concerns the residents of Bellerophan House in Doust Way. These residents are all elderly with varying degrees of mobility and mental attributes. Ambulances require access 24 hours a day and It is not unusual for one, two or even three ambulances to be attending this site and being parked up for, on occasion, 4 or 5 hours.

If the parking and access are restricted or blocked many of the residents will not be able to leave or have visitors to the building. Parking is problematic at the best of times!

As the applicants have stated that disruption can be expected for a couple of days with the set up and then the removal of the stage, sound equipment and other paraphernalia, I think it's fair to expect disruption to be an issue for at least three days.

Then there is also the noise consideration. Many of the tenants will retire to bed at an earlier time. Those that are not hard of hearing will be inconvenienced by the noise and if it should be a hot evening, tenants would naturally want their windows open, which will only make the inconvenience worse.

In closing, I urge you to consider the residents of not just Bellerophan House, but of the other buildings in Doust Way and the disruption granting this license will cause them all.

Regards

Barry Perrin

### Representation 3

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From: Michele Perrin

Sent: 15 June 2021 22:26

To: Licensing <licensing@gravesham.gov.uk>

Subject: Medway Pride Festival

Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to object to the proposed application for a new premises licence situated at Land on Doust Way, Rochester.

This small piece of land runs along three main buildings, one of which is assisted living for people with medical and mental health issues. Most are elderly and in poor health, not only physically but also mentally too.

The building its self has air flow problems and most of the residents rely upon having their windows being wide open in order to try and cool the rooms especially with this current heat wave.

I believe the second building is a mother and baby unit.

I cannot in my wildest dreams understand why the council would disrespect these elderly people, many who do not have a voice and are totally isolated or incapable of being able to speak up to object to this ludicrous proposal.

Why is Jacksons playing field which is fair more suited to accommodate this sort of event plus can handle parking, or the Great Ines and even Rochester Castle not being considered. They are less disruptive to the local residents and can offer a larger area with parking facilities.

I am disgusted that a small sign away from Bellerophon house appears to be the only notification that the residents have been given notice of this event. As I say many of whom are house bound or need assistance away from the building and would never have seen the signage.

This piece of land is constantly used for drug and alcohol consumption which has been reported to police and causes ASB. This event will encourage cannabis and people smoking which will be detrimental to the health of the residents of Bellerophon house some of who suffer with breathing conditions.

Having music playing for hours on end with the large volume of people attending will be distressing to the residents and inappropriate for the residential area. The residents would have to keep their windows shut in order to try and drown out the noise.

It was not long ago when a young man fell into the river by Sun Pier after drinking in Chatham High Street, the poor family had been trying to raise awareness to the dangers of young people drinking and being near water yet it is felt that this could be an acceptable location to allow this event to happen a short distance from the young mans death.

There are always ambulances attending Bellerophon House due to the vulnerabilities and health conditions of these residents I feel there would be too much of a disruption for access to the building while the event is going on. It is too much of a gamble that the event goes

would not block this little access road of due to the spread of word, gate crashes would be causing a disturbance.

I do not feel the area could cope with the influx of people that would be drawn to the event and there is certainly not enough parking for the residents let alone all the festival goers.

With the large mound of earth and fencing this now makes this area too small, there will not be enough room with a stage, stalls and toilet facilities to accommodate 2500 people, where are they expected to park and keep this road clear for emergency services.

When Nottinghill event runs the residents have to board up their properties shut off their gates and gardens to stop people urinating and defecating on their property. They are trapped in their properties or have to vacate the area.

Doust Way is totally unacceptable for this proposal for these reasons

Regards

Michele Perrin

#### **Representation 4**

On Thu, 24 Jun 2021, 06:59 Hayley Barrett, wrote:

How do we appeal this and say no. Its going to be too loud for us to even stay in our flats and we all have animals that we can't just take out with us for the day to escape the noise. It's too small an area. Why do they do this up the lines where they do the firework display, more room and it makes sense. This is too much on people's doorsteps. We already have sleepless nights due to the ship inn pub next door. Everything around here echoes, we can even hear the command house at times and that's right across the river. Please consider somewhere else that's not going to impact other people and force them to vacate their homes for the day to try to find somewhere more quiet

Kind regards

Hayley Barrett