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Appendix D1 - Residents' Petition

A residents' petition, received by the Licensing Authority during the consultation period, was signed by 55 persons. Some of these individuals made additional comments, which can be found at appendices D2 to D13.

RESIDENTS PETITION AGAINST Shoreline Festival Application for licence at Chichester Avenue Car Park, Hayling Island, PO11 9EZ. Closing date for objections 28th February 2024.

OBJECTION TO THIS APPLICATION ON THE GROUNDS OF PUBLIC NUISANCE, CRIME, DISORDER AND SAFETY:

- 1. The specified times in the Application of Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays constitute 3-day festivals. The unspecified dates mean 3-day festivals potentially every weekend for the duration of the licence. *This is intolerable*.
- 2. This is a Residential Area of private housing and an elderly care home. It is not an appropriate venue for live bands, recorded music, films, selling alcohol or festivals <u>at any time</u>.
- 3. It will bring unnecessary and excessive noise pollution, from which residents will have no choice but to endure. It will cause sleep deprivation, which is detrimental to our physical health and mental wellbeing, especially working adults, the elderly, children and distressing our pets and wildlife (see 8 below). By its very nature, no festival in history has ever been quiet.
- 4. It will exacerbate the existing illegal overnight parking problem on the seafront, which the Council are impotent to enforce and have condoned for years despite local objections.
- 5. It will increase the weekend volume of traffic on and off the one island bridge and winding roads This will have a direct impact on:
 - A. increasing pollution from cars, vans, motorhomes, caravans and trailers etc.
 - B. emergency vehicles, as well as residents' essential access on and off the island for work, medical appointments, childcare etc.
- 6. The Seafront already suffers selfish, loutish behaviour from intoxication, especially at weekends and evenings, which goes unchecked by Police or Havant Council. The sale of alcohol at this proposed festival in a residential seafront car park venue will further encourage disorderly conduct. There are numerous existing licenced premises nearby. Alcohol and other substances associated with festivals cause anti-social behaviour. That is fact. It is of great concern to all residents both for property and personal safety.
- 7. It will exacerbate the existing litter and sanitation problems, especially when the Council closes the public toilets between dusk and dawn.
- 8. The "anything of a similar nature" in this Application is open to terrifying interpretation and must not be sanctioned under any circumstances.
- 9. Vehicles parking on the grass areas in the car park are already damaging the fragile ecosystem. This will further damage the areas the Council delegates to "No Mow May" as their idea to protect the diversity of species. This makes a mockery of that dictate.
- 10. Hayling Island has little existing police presence for residents' safety and peace of mind, and this License to Party and Sell Booze will increase the workload on an already overstretched, barely noticeable island police force.

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ADDRESS

Received: 28 February 2024

Dear Mrs Rogers

Thank you for your letter received yesterday 27th and asking for response by tomorrow ref Shoreline Festival.

I haven't a clue who Shoreline Festival are and only learnt about this event last week.

I personally would have liked a letter/leaflet through my door telling me more about this company.

My understanding is that Shoreline's are asking permission to hold an event over a number of days to be held on Hayling once every year from this year on. That they can hold it when ever they like, though as yet no dates have been given.

If I am wrong about any of the above then please enlighten me.

Festivals are held in Portsmouth, Isle of Wight and Wickham plus varies other places I assume. We are a one way on and off Island.

The festival's that I know of grow each year, great but they have space, Hayling is limited with what it can offer and this will be like a disaster waiting to happen as we who live on Hayling face at any unexpected time!

What or to whom are they paying for this event? I feel that in the long run it will need so much cleaning, personal care and disruption to the Island and our holiday maker's no one will want to visit.

My own family and friends find visiting me difficult anyway. Traffic, Flooding and expensive using our beach (what's left of it).

I have had my "rant". Allowing this to happen is selfish and thoughtless.

Was a meeting ever held over this matter or once again are we being egnored?

Thank you and for your letter.

Hope you find time to read this.

Yours sincerely

Received: 16 February 2024

Dear Mrs Rogers

Thank you for your reply to the Residents' Petition Against the granting of the above licence application

I confirm that I wish to submit my representation using the petition you have received and highlighted by my additional comments made in the light of your letter dated 13 February 2024.

Further to your explanation that representations must relate to the four categories you have listed

The holding of a three-day festival next to a residential area including an elderly care home is highly likely to lead to incidences of crime and disorder - there is no restriction to the number of people who may attend this festival, how will this be managed?

With alcohol and large numbers of festival goers' attending the festival in a compleytely inappropriate location vandalism, inebriation, property damage, excessive noise, drug dealing for example are likely to occur. Has a full risk assessment of the area been carried out? There has already been incidence of areas of the gorse etc. being destroyed either by discarded barbeques or cigarette butts and noise and regular illegal parking overnight. Plus, damage to areas of grassland by careless and reckless driving and parking.

It is inevitable that public nuisance will occur predominantly excessive noise and light pollution to nearby resident affecting their quality of life described in detail at item 3 of the residents' petition.

Your clarification of Item 1 of the petition, the 'event date' rather than arresting my fears has caused me even more stress than I initially felt, knowing now that should this licence be granted it then runs in perpetuity this is a deeply worrying thought.

Thank you for your explanation that car parks and street parking should be referred to other departments, I will contact them separately.

Yours Sincerely

Received: 22 February 2024

Dear Penny Rogers

Thankyou for your letter of 13 Feb 2024 concerning the Shoreline Festival Please find attached signed; letters of representation as requested

I believe from Kate Pointin, the Events Office, that there is a detailed document about what is being planned for this event which all local residents should be made aware of. - Item such as large projection screens, generators, Food stalls, live music on stages and a ferris wheel and more

Kate suggested that you should be able to supply this document. - thankyou We thought this was just a windsurfing event etc not a Music and entertainment festival

Could you please acknowledge receipt

Thankyou

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Received: 23 February 2024

Dear Penny

Thankyou for your email

One point of concern relates to an already stated and advertised statement on the event promoter's website. This gives completely confusing information and is unfortunately totally misleading. It also states that the Council is supporting the event when it has not even considered the application, which is for an entirely new site where there has been very little, if any, prior consultation. Therefore the Council is pre-empting the outcome which must be contra to legislation.

Surely the members of the Licencing Panel must consider that application for a licence on entirely its own merits of this site, yet the applicants are already making a statement on their website 'that the Council is supporting this event which means Havant Brough Council members are effectively prejudging outcome. Presumably that support from the Council was of course for the previous site location for a water festival, not a music and entertainment show that is now planned and a completely different event..

Your comments would be appreciated

Kind regards

Received: 25 February 2024

Dear Mrs Rogers, I write for two reasons. Firstly,

I would like to confirm that I signed the petition (as an owner of a Sea Front property effected by the event) against this event being granted a licence, however I am concerned that you choose to publish the signatories and thus expose them to possible retribution from those involved with the event. This seems different from the planning process where names are redacted to protect the complainants from any actions against them. Can you confirm this is the correct procedure? Secondly,

I would like to raise my own individual complaint and ask a number of questions
My complaint is based on the noise levels that will be generated, the public nuisance that will be
created, including likely antisocial behaviour and the risk to public safety.
I would also like to ask, the following questions

- who (I assume within Havant Borough council) has agreed and given permission for this event to be staged?
- Where was there a visible public process to discuss its approval before it was approved?
- What action has been taken to ensure fire safety at this event including spacing of units, manageable restriction on capacity, firefighting equipment, restriction on camping etc?
- What action is been taken to protect the SSSI (and its delicate ecosystem) next to the site and avoid it been used as an illegal overflow campsite and public toilet?
- What provision is being made for toilets for the potential 4000 attendees each day?
- What action is being taken to ensure noise levels are within legal tolerances considering the proximity (within 10m of the site boundaries) of residential homes including homes for the elderly and those with special needs. Have noise projections been undertaken to show that noise levels will be compliant when they reach the surrounding residential areas?
- What action is being taken to control antisocial behaviour especially in the evening and overnight?
- What police presence is being put in place to manage antisocial behaviour?
- What council presence is being put in place to manage antisocial behaviour and cleaning up after the event?
- Who will cover the cost of the above two points?
- Is overnight camping being approved? and if so why, when it is banned for much less disruptive visitors, how will it be monitored and controlled and how will illegal addition camping be managed?
- Who will pay for the inevitable damage and littering caused to properties along the Sea Front?
- What are the contingency plans should the event be hit by bad weather including the impact on the grass areas in the car park and SSSI
- Has light pollution to neighbouring dwellings been considered and addressed

The reality is this site is totally unsuitable for this sort of event due to the nature of the site and its proximity to residential dwellings, unfortunately, due to recent decisions of the Havant Borough Council and the coastal defence team (decisions which must surely be questioned) The best site for events such as these (to the west of Inn on the Beach) has been destroyed. This site offered a much more robust site, well away from residential dwellings with ample parking. Now this site has been destroyed the council is trying to find replacement publicly owned sites on the Sea Front to fill the gap, but the proposed use of this site shows they don't exist.

Maybe the council and coastal defence team should look into repairing the damage their short sighted policies have done to the Hayling Island Sea Front so that suitable venues for events like this are available.

Best Regards

Received 26 February 2024

Penny,

Thanks for your response, further to our phone call, please keep my name on the petition and also register an individual complaint in my name as per below.

My complaint is based on the noise levels that will be generated, the public nuisance that will be created, including likely antisocial behaviour and the risk to public safety.

I am deeply concerned by the lack of detail in terms of addressing and mitigating the potential impact of this event on the Sea front and by HBC departments such as environmental health having no comment to make on an issue that impacts so heavily on the people they are employed to protect.

I would also like to ask, the following questions with relation to the premises licence

- What action has been taken to ensure fire safety at this event including spacing of units, manageable restriction on capacity, firefighting equipment. etc?
- What provision is being made for toilets for the potential 4000 attendees each day?
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- Has light pollution to neighbouring dwellings been considered and addressed

The reality is this site is totally unsuitable for this sort of event due to the nature of the site and its proximity to residential dwellings.

I would also like to understand my right to question environmental health's decision to make no comment on this application, please could you provide me with an environmental health contact so I can question their lack of input

Best Regards

Received: 14 February 2024





3rd February 2024

Licensing Department
Havant Borough Council
Public Service Plaza
Havant
Hants PO9 AX

re; - Notice of Application for Grant of a Premises License Section 17 Licensing Act 2003

Dear Sirs,

The application by Shoreline Festivals does not specify any dates. I presume it to be 12th to 15th September, widely advertised on the internet but not yet approved by the Council.

I have signed and fully endorse the residents petition against the proposed event.

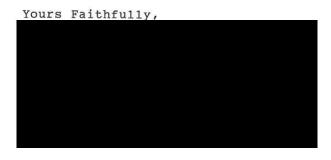
Historically these events were held on the Ferry Boat end of the sea front abutting the Golf Course, away from the residential area. Due to costal erosion this has now prompted Shoreline Festivals to apply for the event to be held at Chichester Avenue car park, which is in a residential area.

The noise from loud music, tents, open fires, arc lights and overnight parking, drinking and partying into the early hours of the morning for 4 nights and days is intolerable. The lack of sleep for me and other residents in the area is unthinkable, also the anxiety for my safety and that of my property

The sale and consumption of alcohol until late in the evening over 4 days promotes anti-social behaviour, which in turn usually involves the police.

The train runs along side the car park and crosses the entrance. This raises concerns for public safety when such a large number of people and cars are entering and leaving the site. Any damage to the line from anti-social behaviour (vandalism) is at a cost to the train company.

I am not apposed to Kite Surfing events that are held during the day without the need for alcohol (a bar) or loud music and finish by 10pm and people go home for the night. This leaves the local residents with a quiet restful nights sleep.



Received: 16 February 2024





16th February 2024

Licensing Department Havant Borough Council Public Service Plaza Havant Hants PO9 2AX

re:- Notice of Application for Grant of a Premises License Section 17 Licensing Act 2003

Dear Sirs, Please submit the petition wording and my letter 3-2-2024 and this letter of reply 16-2-24

I understand from your reply 14-2-24. One event for not more than five days every year once the application is passed is allowed. Not having to re-apply each year precludes us from objecting each year as circumstances do change.

This also sets a president for other company's to apply for similar events on Chichester Avenue car park. They will be able to site the 4 day event for Shoreline Festivals as an example.

Public Nuisance.

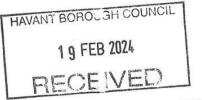
Parking and overnight staying is already an issue.
eg:- August Bank Holiday 2023 - overnight parking Tents with
Arc lights, Motorhomes, camper vans, cars, loud music, fires,
drinking, fighting, urinating in front of our houses.
These are the issues and behaviour we have to endure as residents
through out the summer.
An event with authorized overnight parking and camping
will compound these issues.

I hope you refuse this application as I feel I am being driven out of my home.



Received: 19 February 2024

To Mrs Penny Rogers Senior Licensing Officer Public Services Plaza Civic Centre Road Havant Hampshire PO9 2AX



16th February 2024

Dear Mrs Rogers

Residents Petition against the Application for Shoreline Festival at Chichester Avenue Car Park, Hayling Island PO11 9EX

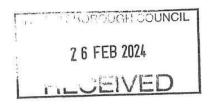
Thank you for your letter to me dated 13th February 2024, acknowledging receipt of the above Residents Petition, with my signature. You ask me to confirm that I wish to submit my representation in the Petition. I do confirm that.

You invited me to add how my personal circumstances will be impacted by this festival. I have a medical condition which makes me unsteady and inclined to stumble and fall. To help with this I have doctor's orders to walk every day, aided with a stick or walker, and my route is along the seafront path through the grass, and the Chichester Road car park to my friend's house, where I can rest before walking home. I cannot walk on the footpath because the paving slabs are uneven and wobbly, which is a fall hazard to me. Being unsteady, and my age, means I am vulnerable, not just to road traffic, but also vehicles in the car park, who speed and park dangerously. Once the day trippers and the Thursday motorbike club and illegal overnight campers start coming in spring it gets very dangerous for me with road and car park traffic. I am fearful walking through the masses of cars and motorhomes and noisy people and fires. The crowds at this festival will be worse and will not stay confined in the car park, they will spill out East and West with alcohol and that bad behaviour is very frightening for a woman of my age living and walking on her own. If this festival is permitted all that traffic and behaviour and noise will all be much worse and I will be imprisoned indoors for the whole 4 days for my own safety. That is not fair.

You ask me to clarify my full name and address as you say my details are unclear on the signed petition. I am somewhat puzzled by the "unclear" details you refer to as your letter arrived in the post. It makes me wonder what exactly is unclear, or is this a test to confirm my signature was not forged?



Received: 26 February 2024





21st February 2024

Dear Mrs Rogers.

APPLICATION FOR LICENSE AT CHICHESTER AVENUE CAR PARK, HAYLING ISLAND

I write to confirm I agree with the points raised in the Residents Petition against the Application from Shoreline Festivals at Chichester Road car park. This annual event for up to 5 consecutive days and nights in perpetuity, cannot be permitted in this residential location. It is in contravention of the 4 points set for granting a license, stipulated by the Council and made clear in the Petition.

I would like to add the following comments and questions on a personal note, into the hearing;

- 1. I would like to see a copy of the risk assessment.
- 2. What is the public liability for this event?
- 3. How would I claim for damage to my property, including litter being thrown into my garden? Who will clean human urine from my boundary wall?
- 4. What are the plans for parking, both on the car park festival site and more widely in the surrounding area, and for the one island access roadbridge?
- 5. What are the plans for policing this music and alcohol festival?
- 6. Who will ensure the revellers vacate the car park at closing time? Who will escort them off the island or into hotels, or official camping sites?
- 7. Who and how will noise levels be monitored, especially after 11pm and into the night?

If you grant this Application, it opens the flood gates for other events of this disruptive nature. This is a residential area of private homes. It is not Brighton or Southsea seafront and a totally unsuitable venue for this festival. I object in the strongest terms possible.

I look forward to receiving your reply to my comments and questions.

Received: 28 February 2024



Dear Councillors Payter, Gray and Richardson,

Sunday 11th February 2024

Re: Application for Premises License - Shoreline Festival

Assuming the above application is being submitted by the BKSA whose 2023 event was staged at the west end of our seafront, is Chichester Avenue Car Park really an appropriate place to hold a four day festival through to late evenings.

As a lay person I am amazed an application like this can ever be justified. There are no premises, unless something is erected, the inclusion of 'Anything of a Similar Nature,' can mean literally anything, up to ten hours of alcohol and music in a public car park can be abused and where is there any indication of who will be responsible for policing, security, safety etc.? A council car park adjacent to private dwellings with only a road separating them, is not a suitable venue for a four day festival extending into the hours of darkness. Approval of such a license will set a precedent and is counter to the much valued, tranquil and uncluttered nature of this unique seaside location which also boasts a SSSI. Many visitors return year after year as well as attracting lovers of water sports.

Island residents understand beach erosion is a growing problem. In spite of many warnings, sea defences have been under-resourced for decades. Water sports clubs and all visitors must always be welcomed and valued as they create such a symbiotic relationship, combining income for the Island with a high level of enjoyment for all those participating. Water sports are however, exclusively, a daytime activity. Public Houses, who suffered greatly in lockdown, are in great need of the economic benefit from hosting both formal and informal events for clubs, associations and visitors, as well as residents. They are the most appropriate venues for the consumption of alcohol and the provision of entertainment in the hours up to midnight and beyond.

The residents opposite the Chichester Avenue Car Park expect lots of noisy activity during the day throughout the year but deserve their late evenings to be quiet, secure and restful. Many are of mature years and some are in residential care. This past year has already seen a dramatic increase in a variety of informal social gatherings where alcohol is consumed, leading to noise, nuisance and destructive behaviour, into the early hours. It is not unusual to experience rowdy parties with open fires lighting up the sky, overnight parking and camping in cars, vans and tents. Disgraceful and unsavoury litter is also left behind. The only Building on site is the Public Convenience Block which is closed in the evening. The existing rules and regulations applicable to the car park are totally ignored and there is never any council presence to enforce them. The police patrol long before midnight and, due to the size of their patrol area, take too long to turn up when called!

Please do not grant this application.

Yours Sincerely,

Received: 28 February 2024

Sunday 25th February 2024

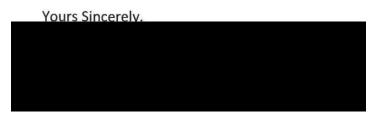
Dear Councillors Payter, Grey and Richardson,

I wrote you on 11th February to express my concerns about the Shoreline Festival License Application. At that time I had not seen the full application or the site plan which, quite frankly is practically impossible to read, but shows that some 20 metres from my south-west facing bedroom windows there will be 14 portaloos, inevitably emitting obnoxious odours. I am the carer for an 85 year old who has serious heart and chest problems and who occupies the front south-east bedroom. I think the fusion of pollution from smells, lights and light shows, noise, e.g. base guitars and drums, generators and human voices etc., coming from a 'rave' so close to our home could be considered a health hazard. We would expect the council to safeguard our interests as rate payers.

I worry that the cordoned off area has only one way in from the Sea Front, it happens to be opposite a care home. A huge queue of people having tickets checked, bags searched for alcohol and ID if you look too young, will lead to chaos both sides of the entrance. Thousands of people will be spread along the road which is one of the busiest on the island. What if they need to use facilities? I have a recessed front entrance and have already experienced it being used as a urinal by young men walking home, not necessarily drunk!

Whilst not an immediate concern for me I do wonder if the opportunity at these events is too tempting for drug pushers and dealers. It is not hard to predict the possible consequences of combining certain drugs with alcohol, known to generate dangerous levels of bravado. A fatality in the sea or an overdose of some fashionable concoction could have serious consequences for HBC as this would most likely occur outside the license perimeter.

We cannot see the Management Event Plan before the 28th February deadline. It is difficult to comment on issues inside the cordon but outside is a different proposition. Non ticket holders having their own drink fuelled parties, tents for unauthorised camping, fires on the beach, illegal parking in any available space, to name but a few. A 'rave' could attract many more than the 4999 limit set by the license. I cannot help but feel intimidated by the risks and must hope that the application is unanimously rejected.



Received: 27 February 2024

Dear Mrs Penny Rogers
My name has been misspelled and instead of [REDACTED] it should read [REDACTED].

I'm concerned with the four licensing objectives in your letter but the one that concerns my family and me most is public safety . With all of the extra traffic that will be generated how will ambulances , fire engines and police vehicles be able to access all of the island within time . Our roads are already very busy at peak times and especially in the summer . Our roads and access bridge are already over crowded .

Yours sincerely

Received: 16 February 2024

We object to chichester ave. Festival.

We donot sleep properly as it is and having to out up with late beach music and crossing road to request they turn it down and being told to off, i donot wish to have more battles in 2024.

Received: 19 February 2024

Good afternoon Having now seen the latest notification on the post across the road with details with date extracted(WHY) i now do not trust what is going on with this "show" we are across the road from this so called entertainment, we have my mother in law living with us who has dementia the noise in summer is bad this would be no sleep at house with position of her bedroom. We suffer as a family, are you aware of care home across road from entry to Chichester Ave beach. This will cause major disruption to the elderly there. The mess will NOT will cleared up we know what happens in the summer, also may i ask this is public land how can this be fenced off from the PUBLIC? PUBLIC LAND we pay for it.

I know this email will have no hope in denying use and permission will be given by this council and look forward to seeing Mak MP gaining his picture at event . Its time you started looking after the people.

Look forward to your reply

Received: 28 February 2024

Dear Sir/Madam

I am deeply concerned that the organisers of the Shoreline Festival have taken it upon themselves to jump the gun on agreement to their proposals.

This photo is what was posted on the BKSA web site some months ago:



A local resident has approached Havant Borough Council to challenge their sponsorship of the event at this premature stage and it has been discovered that the BKSA have assumed sponsorship and taken it upon themselves to add the council's logo without their agreement. The council have today forced the removal of this sponsorship logo.

I don't think anyone on Hayling Island is at all concerned about a daytime watersports event celebrating all that is good, wholesome and healthy about the genre but allied to this is a very

dubious licensing application for midnight bars and music on a large scale in a relatively small space. To have the organisers make these sorts of assumptions, and for them to take positive steps to lift and add a logo that they are not entitled to, does raise questions about the character, integrity and trustworthiness of those purporting to be in charge.

Yesterday I telephoned the office of the British Kite Surfing Association and eventually spoke with their principal, Andrew, to discuss the details shown on their website. He informed me he had been told by HBC to remove their logo showing HBC as sponsors, that everything to do with the night time event is being done by Security and Events Services, the licensing applicant company, and that they are the people I should be talking to as the event is not his responsibility.

This was the end of the conversation and I am shocked that the daytime watersports event appears to be just a front for the licensing application for nighttime activities. What is being applied for is a mini version of the Glastonbury Festival. With the exception it is not on a farm miles from anywhere or anyone.

I would like to add this area of concern to my other objection to the licensing application.

Yours truly

Received: 13 February 2024



Licensing Department
Havant Borough Council
Public Service Plaza
Havant
Hampshire
PO9 2AX

Dear Sir/Madam

RE: LICENCSE APPLICATION FOR SHORELINE FESTIVAL, CHICHESTER AVENUE CAR PARK, HAYLING ISLAND PO11 9EX

Please find attached Resident's Petition against the Application for a Grant of Premises Licence by Shoreline Festivals, at the Chichester Avenue Car Park, which is currently displayed in the area, although not prominently. I also attach this notice for the purpose of clarity, as there is confusion locally as to whether this film/music/other/alcohol festival and an event advertising tickets available with free overnight parking, are one and the same. If tickets are indeed available from 1st March 2024, with a closing date to object of 28th February 2024, it suggests either pre-ordained knowledge of approval, or arrogant presumption by the Applicant.

Due to our elderly, or disabled neighbours, or those without internet, who will not see the small notices displayed at low level in the car park, I started this petition, to give a voice to those who may not have the wherewithal to object. The ten points of most concern are in the Petition, attached. Objections are on the grounds of public nuisance, crime, disorder and safety. These ten points are not the only objections, but are the most serious concerning most of the local residents.

We are already infuriated by the existing illegal camping problems, which Havant Borough Council condones. Therefore, notice of this event truly alarms us. When sleep is denied, when there is fear of damage to our person or property, and our gardens are used as a toilet, it is appallingly selfish in any body's book, and must be vetoed.

I urge you to reject this license in this residential area.

The pursuit Shoreline Festival's profits and short-term fun for some, should not be permitted at the expense of residents, who pay the real price.

Received: 19 February 2024





19th February 2024

Mrs Penny Rogers
Senior Licensing Officer
Public Service Plaza
Civic Centre Road
Havant
PO9 2AX

Dear Mrs Rogers

RESIDENTS PETITION AND LETTER AGAINST THE LICENCE
APPLICATION FOR SHRELINE FESTIVAL AT CHICHESTER AVENUE CAR
PARK, HAYLING ISLAND PO11 9EX

Thank you for your letter of 13th February 2024. I refer to and respond to your points as follows:

- 1. You state that if this license is granted Shoreline Festivals can hold this Festival for 5 days annually <u>in perpetuity</u> unless revoked or surrendered. Thank you for the clarity. A "Glastonbury-esque" booze-fest forced upon us annually is horrifying enough, but almost worse sets a dangerous precedent opening the door to others to apply for such a license. If you grant this, no doubt you will grant others too? We have a duty to save our seafront <u>in perpetuity</u>. You have a duty to preserve our seafront.
- 4 & 9. Parking. While you acknowledge the existing parking problems, you state parking is rarely considered in such licensing applications. That is totally preposterous and we challenge it. We can perfectly understand that where a license is being applied for in a building, such as public house, social club or community centre, or wedding venue for example, and parking is around a structure this rule may be sensible. However, you absolutely have to have exceptions to this rule in locations like this. We are talking about a public car park in a seafront location protected by SSSI, and one road width away from residential housing. We will be copying the parking team into this

correspondence. Parking cannot be ignored. Volume of traffic, speeding of traffic and illegal parking and/or camping cannot be swept under the carpet as not relevant to this, or future festivals. It is absolutely 100% relevant, compounding the already existing problem.

8. You clarify "Anything of a similar nature" is intended to capture "some forms of entertainment that may not explicitly fall within the definition of live/recorded music or dance". Such as what? List what these activities could be, or what Shoreline Festivals have in mind. This is wide ranging and open to interpretation and in perpetuity.

We are delighted that the Applicant will be made aware of this representation and that of other residents, and it will be on the Council website. The more open publicity the better.

Through our own hard-working endeavours, we are so fortunate to live in an open seafront location. We welcome well behaved day trippers and beach hut owners who come to enjoy the seaside. But in reality, the car park is an illegal camp site and we did not choose this. The Council allow it. Even though you write that parking does not fall in your purview for this application, it must, together with noise, litter, lack of policing, toilets, alcohol over 4 days and nights. All of which fall into the categories of crime and disorder, public safety, prevention of public nuisance and protection of children.

We would like to submit the comments in this letter, together with the letter that accompanied the Residents Petition against this application, into record.







24th February 2024

Mrs Penny Rogers
Senior Licensing Officer
Public Service Plaza
Civic Centre Road
Havant
PO9 2AX

Dear Mrs Rogers,

CAMPAIGN AGAINST LICENSE FOR FESTIVAL AT CHICHESTER ROAD CAR PARK, HAYLING ISLAND

Thank you for your letter dated 13th February 2024, received today, and for the enclosures of Schedule of Conditions, redacted License Application (without system reference) and site plan.

A1. Notification

The dates of this event are omitted. However, the website advertises this event provisionally for 13 - 15 September 2024. Is this arrogance? Or foregone conclusion? Please comment.

A2. Capacity.

Does the 4,999-maximum number of persons refer to the sum for the whole 4-day festival, or each day of the event - therefore potentially 20,000 persons?

A3. Siteplan

This is so small and faint as to be unreadable.

Section 21 of 21. Payment of Fees. Fees to the Local Authority are based on the rateable value, which is entered as £0.00. Please comment/explain/enter fee payable.

<u>With regard to re-stocking</u> of food, drink, alcohol, sales stalls, maintenance of equipment and emptying of Port-a-loos, refuse, etc. All of these roles involve noise, odours and traffic disruption.

- 1. When will these activities take place? Day? Night? Both?
- 2. What is the procedure/mechanism for Residents whose sleep is deprived by this event, to claim hotelling off Hayling Island?
- 3. To whom would Residents claim compensation for property damage?

vent Advertising

For the purposes of evidence and clarity, we enclose a print-out from the festival website (omitting their advertising photographs to save ink and paper). We have highlighted statements/comments/promises on this webpage and invite you to comment, particularly;

- 1. that Havant Borough Council support this Licensed event, and (on page 6) Gareth Gwynne-Smith gives thanks to HBC for same.
- 2. Camping and campervan spots will be available along the beach.

If either of these are not within your purview to explain, then please refer to the relevant department for comment and they may reply to us.

If these statements are incorrect, or indeed illegal to state in the public domain prior to Grant of Licence, then please let us know how Havant Borough Council intend to bring Mr Gareth Gwynne-Smith to justice?

<u>The Notification of the Application</u> promulgated in Chichester Road Car Park is under the name Shoreline Festival. The website advertising and License Application is under Mr Gareth Gwynne-Smith of Security and Event Solutions.

Please explain the anomaly of differing names? Which is correct? And does this affect the 28 day notice period, if in error?

The Sub-Committee Hearing on this Application

We wish to add the contents of this letter into the hearing, together with our previous letters as well as the Residents Petition.

Who is permitted to speak at this hearing?

- 1. Everyone who made an appeal and wishes to speak?
- 2. Or a nominated person to speak for all who objection?

We intend to attend the sub-committee hearing on this Application.

Due to time being of the essence, please reply within 7 working days from the date of this letter.



Received: 19 February 2024

To whom it may concern

Please be advised as per your request that my name for clarification on the petition is [REDACTED].

My objections are as follows:

Public safety

Public nuisance

Crime and disorder.

I would also like to be informed as to who decided this would be a suitable site?

There is a triple si area to the right of the Chichester avenue carpark,

The houses on the seafront will be subject to excessive noise.

This really had not been thought through with any concerns for the people who live in the seafront.

Yours sincerely

Received: 28 February 2024

Hello,

I am a beach hut owner in [REDACTED] on Hayling sea front

You may be aware that this block is situated in the Chichester Avenue Car Park.

It has come to my attention that the organisers of the 2024 Shoreline Festival have applied to use the car park for their event.

It appears that the event will be held over 3 days at some time in September?

I appreciate the license has not yet been granted but I am really concerned that I will be greatly impacted by the event if it is.

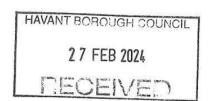
I would like assurance that my use of the beach car park and my hut would not be affected by the Festival in any way.

I would therefore like to make a representation stating my objection to the application.

This would be on the grounds that public safety and prevention of crime and disorder, public safety and nuisance would be greatly compromised.

Regards,

Received: 27 February 2024



24th February 2024

Dear Sir

I am writing with reference to the application by Shoreline Events Ltd for a premises Licence in respect of Chichester Avenue Car Park.

I have the following observations:

1. The application does not specify the dates on which the premises will be operating. That makes it very difficult to comment. I have seen a suggestion that it is the 12th to the 15th September. Once granted would the premises licence exist in perpetuity and there would be no limit on the number of events that could take place?

By definition the Licence is sought for the premises, Chichester Avenue Car Park and not for any specific event. Would it not be more appropriate for an application to be made for an Occasional Permission?

- 2. It does not specify what infrastructure is to be provided .I cannot imagine the facilities will be offered in the open air. Will there be marquees and other tents? Is additional toilet accommodation to be provided?
- 3. How is this use consistent with the use of the land as a public car park?
- 4. Have the occupiers of the Beach Huts been consulted?
- 5. Will there be a limit on numbers attending and if so how will this be enforced?
- 6. Will people be able to use the car park and /or their beach huts without attending the event?
- 7. Will charges for entry be allowed?
- 8. How will noise levels be monitored?

Is it appropriate to have a large event attended by thousands of people with loud music and alcohol being



Public Service Plaza

Civic Centre Road

Havant

Received: 8 February 2024

Dear Licencing Team

Please note that the event notice has recently been advertised by an Events team based in Brighton for use of the car park at Chichester Avenue. This notice does not stipulate the date on which it is proposed to run. Surely it must do, otherwise it gives the event organisers the opportunity to hold on several weekend dates as suits them.

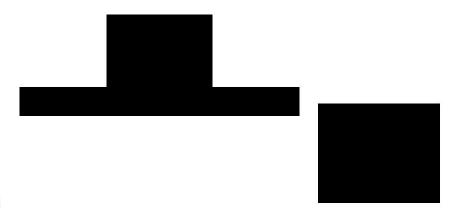
There is a lot of concern on Hayling Island (I believe a petition is being prepared) about the serious impact of holding such a large festival close to residential properties and care homes and its impact on parking. We are also concerned about the adverse impact on railway operations from a safety aspect where extensive fencing will be required to prevent parking and crowds on the track plus the real risk of hazards and an accident at Chichester crossing. Finding sufficient car parking will also become a problem.

We have also submitted an application to hold our Annual Gala event at Eastoke Corner on the 14/15 Sept weekend which will be impossible to move

Could the organisers select a different site and/or date. Our gala weekend date is based on the time of other heritage dates around that time and the availability of steam locomotives

I would be grateful if you would not these concerns

kind regards



Dear Jenny Rogers

PREMISES LICENCE FOR A SHORELINE FESTIVAL : CHICHESTER CAR PARK HAYLING ISLAND

We understand that application has been made by a company called 'Security and Event Solutions' to hold an annual 5 days entertainment festival on the seafront at Chichester Avenue immediately adjacent to the railway. We note that the event organisers are hoping to attract 5000 visitors

We believe this is a new event at this location and has no connection with the previous kite surfacing festivals in previous years, which has been held at a site further along the coast - well away from residential properties and any railway operation.

We as a railway, wish to object in the strongest terms as it will seriously affect the railway operations, its safety and security including the Chichester rail/road crossing.

Holding this event at Chichester car park will create serious and dangerous risks to safety of the railway. This will be, irrespective of whether the railway runs or not. For example :

- It will result in cars, pedestrians and equipment attempting to park on or close to the tracks or even to cross the tracks causing potential mayhem both public safety and a nuisance. Even without this event we have experienced drivers parking their vehicles on or close to the tracks. Both ourselves and the ORR have written to the Council to request dragons teeth be installed to prevent this but so far no action has been taken
- There will also be serious problems for public safety at the unmanned crossing point at Chichester Avenue. With this volume of people/traffic such a crossing, to be completely safe, will require audible warning noises and lights and even barriers.
- The site proposed, is one of the main car parks and vehicles on the seafront. Vehicles will therefore be forced to use other car parks which will impact the other rail crossing points further down the line reflecting the same public safety issues as at Chichester Avenue.
- Because the event goes on until midnight where drinking outlets will be open until then, we can also expect damage to track and equipment again causing public safety problems and a nuisance.

- We would therefore request that this event takes place at a much more suitable location in the interests of public safety.
- We have asked the Office of the Rail Regulator (ORR) for support to place limits/controls and conditions about the use operation of Chichester car park site as it relates to the public safety and especially the security of the railway including manning the crossing points and maybe the installation of suitable control barriers if this becomes an annual event festival.
- We carry a large percentage of young children who love and appreciate the train ride. This event will create a safety risk to them in the train from the activities at the event due to it creating problems for the train operation itself
- We would expect the provision of Heras fencing on both sides of the railway to protect it from both a safety and a vandalism aspect
- If the railway was forced to close due this event, we would expect compensation which could be significant particularly if this were a complete weekend or longer and also for any damaged caused. Minimum of between £10,000 -£15000 would be required. This will include, reinstating the track base and track with professional engineers help after event. The railway is regulated as a public railway by the ORR and must meet professional standards of operation. The railway is also run entirely by volunteers as Charity and we cannot afford to close the railway at a weekend and/ or pickup the extra costs of damage caused by holding this entertainment event.
- 10 Furthermore holding this event on this date has implications for our own annual Gala event the same weekend. This is already being arranged and cannot be changed due the heritage calendar of events nationally in September.
- We would ask that you reinstate the event to the usual site west of Beachlands as is already stated and advertised on the promoter's website. The website gives completely confusing information and is totally misleading. It also states that the Council is supporting the event when it has not even considered the application, which is for an entirely new site where there has been very little if any, prior consultation. Therefore the Council is pre-empting the outcome which must be contra to legislation.

Finally therefore we request the Committee refuse the application for a licence & return this water event to the previous site west of Beachlands on the grounds: of preventing crime and vandalism; protecting public safety because it will directly affect the railway; it's a public nuisance for the reasons given; and there will be dangers to the many young children both on the train and those walking near to it."

Kind regards

Received: 11 February 2024

I am registered owner of beach hut [REDACTED] and note, with dismay, today a Notice of application for the grant of a premises licence under section 17 displayed by my and other huts in F Block.

There is no specific date(s) mentioned in the application which I would assume should be the case. I am advised that Shoreline are advertising an event on the weekend of 13 September. This would strongly impact not only the quiet use and enjoyment of our huts and surrounding homes and care home facilities but would overwhelm the use of rubbish bins and public conveniences.

This would potentially put our huts at increased risk (especially as the application includes alcohol).

This is a residential area as well as an area designated for the quiet use and enjoyment of disabled users for the beach.

I am also concerned that once one "festival" is granted consent, this could open the floodgates for other such applications.

Received: 14 February 2024

Dear Penny

To further strengthen my concerns, I would highlight not only the risk to our beach huts and surrounding areas being vandalised but also the fact that there are no designated swimming buoys in this area (as seen

at West Beach). If a large kitesurfing festival is held, how are the many swimmers and beach users going to be safe?

Also, how is this going to affect the quiet use and enjoyment of our huts?

Will current license holders (beach hut owners and coffee van) still have access to their sites?

Will there be security on hand should any problems arise?

Will the public convenience be upgraded and remain in a fit state to cope?

Will refuse bins be emptied every festival day and eve?

Will the disabled walkway (soon to be upgraded) and destination picnic area remain accessible?

Yours sincerely

Received: 27 February 2024

Dear Sir/Madam

I am the registered manager of the [REDACTED] care home, situated on the corner of [REDACTED]. A home for up to 18 mostly elderly and vulnerable people living with a variety of health care needs. We provide a calm, peaceful and supportive environment where people can be as active or restful as they require, and the position on Sea Front supports us in these aims.

The proposed Shoreline Festival is due to take place directly outside the home with the entrance/exit about 20 metres from our front. This area includes the main lounge and several bedroom windows. If the license application is granted it will then be in perpetuity with up to 4999 people partying until beyond midnight several nights a year within about 50 metres of the home.

I consider the intrusion of noise, loud music, light shows, and lasers to be too much for our residents to bear. The thought of up to 4999 people queuing to get in and later on all leaving at the same time, after midnight, will ruin the usual peace and quiet of living in this road.

I am concerned about the public disorder resulting from very large numbers of people queuing to get in, the antisocial behaviour of those who because of their state are not admitted, and the mass exodus of people when it is all over. The quietness that is normally enjoyed allows residents to sleep well however this is threatened if the license is granted by the council.

I ask that the council refuse to grant the license application in its entirety. This type of event has no place in the area that they have applied for.

Yours truly,

Registered Manager

Received: 22 February 2024

HAVANT BOROUGH COUNCIL 2 7 FEB 2024
RECEIVED Thursday 22 nd February 2024
Dear Mrs. Rogers, I am over 93 years old and have been a rate payer on Hayling since the 1960's heen a rate payer on Hayling since the 1960's heen a very upper and quite frightened when I was very upper and quite frightened when my neighbour told me you were thinking my neighbour told me you were thinking about letting 5000x party in the evening on the breach at the end of my road. Drinking is for pubs not a council car park without the rubbish and vandatism we already have to deal with. It will be chaos with iclies directing too much beer toming and going up to thelive o'clock. It will be an and probably my other people like me and probably my other reighbours too. They will leave late into the right looking for cars perbod in all the side roads along the front. They will be roisy and looking for conveyient places to get rid of the beer. We have already had over gardens used as urinals Noone dare challenge them. Everything approved in the daytime is fine but please not at night It will be a nightran want to sleep and live in peace.

Received: 27 February 2024

Good morning.

I would like to object to the licence application for the Shoreline festival at Hayling on 12 to 15 September.

This is because of the volume of noise it will create, and the disruption to roads etc and other beach users.

Has anyone considered the following please?

- . The disruption to the people who live opposite, whose houses are only yards from the site?
- . The beach hut owners (I'm one) who pay large amounts for their licences and who may experience vandalism, loss of access to their huts, and parking issues?
- . Damage to the COPP monument, which is in close proximity?
- . How transport and roads will cope with the mass exodus the roads can't cope on a normal summer day!!!
- . Will there be additional police presence and security to monitor the ongoing situation?
- . Where will the people go who just turn up and can't get tickets?
- . Will bins be emptied promptly to discourage vermin and foxes?
- . Will there be extra toilet facilities provided? The facilities struggle to cope on a reasonably busy summer weekend.

Thank you for considering my objections.

I assume I will receive an acknowledgement.

Regards

Received: 24 February 2024

In relation to

- the prevention of public nuisance
- the prevention of crime and disorder.

As an owner of a beach hut at this site I want to officially raise an objection to this license being granted.

The length of the proposed festival, 5 days, and time it would take to prepare and remove all the staging etc is totally unacceptable. We and visitors to the beach would not be able to park anywhere close to our huts or beach, and enjoy the simple pleasure of peace and quiet. We not only pay licensing fee for the privilege of having a hut but also hold a years car parking ticket, again paid for. Is there to be any separation and protection for our huts? Someone on a Facebook page has already commentated that surely we have insurance on our huts so couldn't see a problem. A comment along with others in the same vein shows the lack of respect for other people's property.

Yes we do have insurance but again a cost is involved and we take great care to keep our hut in good condition and look after it.

The proposed site is nowhere near big enough for the number of people expected at these events and the policing of festival goers would be virtually impossible. In light of there being alcohol available for sale will only add to the difficulties.

We have on more than one occasion had human excrement left at the side of our hut during normal summers, not a pleasant task to have to clean up. With the expected number of visitors to the festival the few toilets on site will surely not be sufficient.

With residential housing over the road and all around the area this, in my opinion, is totally the wrong environment for such an event.

The far bigger area around and to the right of the funfair, also far less residential properties, would be a better site if any should be considered for such an event.

Yours sincerely

Received: 28 February 2024

Dear Sirs

Premises License Application for Shoreline Festival at Chichester Avenue Car Park Hayling Island PO11 9EX

We have just been given access to your letter regarding the above. We are strongly against this event happening and for five days absolutely ridiculous.

- 1. Public Safety there is only one road onto the Island which is congested at the best of times. More traffic could only cause impatience/road rage and blockages.
- 2. Public Nuisance During our Summer months, although sufficient car parks just, if a car park is taken for this event the temptation would be to park along the roads, thereby slowing down the flow of traffic, including the bus services and ambulances.
- 3. Neadless to say it would be an ideal opportunity for pick-pockets, thieves and addicts to invade the event.
- 4. Protection of children This would be difficult to police in that area.

Yours

Received: 20 February 2024

To: Mrs Penny Rogers, Senior Licensing Officer Havant B. C.

We are residents on Hayling Island and are being bombarded on Facebook with the news of a forthcoming Shoreline Festival together with another security company to contain the 'ticket only' Festival goers over 3-5 days.

We use the Disabled access to the beach, the toilets and the pop up cafe in the Chichester Avenue Car Park throughout the year. Last year all the tarmac surfaces were repaired and the whole site is in good condition.

The environmental impact of a private Festival in the middle of a quiet and popular safe beach for residents and families and holiday makers will be horrendous and quite out of keeping.

It will restrict the freedom of the above public to enjoy that particular beach, with its disabled facilities, the pop up caravan cafe, and public toilets in the Chichester Avenue area. For no benefit to the Island.

The combination of alcohol and loud music going on to midnight (and well into the night obviously) is an infringement of the privacy of all the many residents in the the close vicinity from Mengham to Eaststoke and West Town. It is after all a completely residential area.

With more than 4000 Festival Goers forcasted each day into one confined area there is potential serious risk to public health, safety and public nuisance with enhanced crime. Camping on beach? Beach parties?

How will all these people travel on and off the bridge to the extreme South of the island without causing even more traffic chaos? There be coaches, camper vans, motorcycles as well as cars and cycles. All to park! Where will they all stay, wash and refresh?

Who eventually pays for the clearing the refuse, emptying litter bins and cleaning the toilets throughout the days and nights. Far more than our normal collections. They may promise to clean up but when they're gone leaving the rubbish, broken equipment etc HBC will have to step in... A constant police presence will be needed.

In addition the Festival will not benefit local traders at all, as facilities including food, drink and toilets etc.wil be available on site within the enclosure! Not that our local food outlets could manage anyway as they are always busy with the usual influx of holiday makers.

For all the reasons outlined above we object to the granting of an Alchohol, Music, Singing and Dancing Licence for such a festival or similar at any part of Haylings beaches at any time of the year. We must protect our beaches.

Kind regards,

Received: 27 February 2024

I have written this on behalf of my mother in law who has diagnosed dimentia whilst we care for her at [REDACTED]. I mentioned yesterday what was planned across the road and she asked me to write below with some english alterations.

She will not sleep as i said in mine and [REDACTED]s objection.

Will Havant council pay for us to find alternate accommodation for proposed dates?we will secure our property . Please may have answer to this.

She is normally a quiet lady but this has enraged her and i am now wearing my hard hat.please see below.

Dear Sir/Madam

I am a 81 year old retired lady living at [REDACTED], and have a number of health issues. I sleep a lot of the time.

The proposed Shoreline Festival is due to take place directly outside my bedroom window. I don't know if the license application will be granted, but if it is it will then be in perpetuity with up to 4999 people partying until beyond midnight several nights a year within 50 metres of where I sleep.

I consider the extra noise, loud music, light shows, and lasers to be too much for me to bear. The thought of up to 4999 people queuing to get in and later on all leaving at the same time, after midnight, will ruin the usual peace and quiet of living in this road. The quietness that I normally enjoy allows me to sleep well however this is threatened if the license is granted by the council.

I ask that the council refuse to grant the license application in its entirety. This type of event has no place in the space that they have applied for.

Yours truly

Received: 26 February 2024

Dear Sir/Madam

My parents are the owners of [REDACTED]. This is a domestic dwelling house which directly faces the proposed licensed premises.

We have questioned whether the applicant premises are suitable premises for the licensed activities applied for.

- A. A pay-to-park car park comprising tarmac but mostly grass, bordering the beach to the south, a densely packed area of wooden beach huts and a World War II memorial to the east, a protected Site of Special Scientific Interest common land to the west and a residential street to the north.
- B. 7 houses and a registered care home for the elderly directly face the applicant site with their front gates 15 metres from the proposed site boundary. To the east and west of these houses there exists a solid mass of housing stretching northwards along side roads with restricted on-street parking.
- C. There is also a railway line for the East Hayling Light Railway cutting through the site from east to west which outside of school holidays runs in daytime every 45 minutes in each direction on Saturdays, Sundays and Wednesdays. Daily during all school holidays.
- D. In addition to hourly and daily car parking spaces the proposed site has sold season tickets valid for a year including a class of ticket for well-being users, typically early morning and evening users who swim or walk their dogs or just park and go for a walk.
- E. The car park is well used by visitors who use it as a base for beach activities or for simply sitting in or next to their vehicles admiring the outstanding views out to sea.

We conclude that these are not suitable premises.

The license applicant has provided the wrong address in their application form. There is no car park in Chichester Avenue. The Chichester Avenue car park is situated in Sea Front, an entirely different road and location. They also misunderstand the nature of the SSSI as according to their plan they intend taking over part of this for Yoga purposes, slightly outside the event area. We conclude these are examples of the lack of knowledge of the area by the applicant due to them not being local or having any interest in the island other than potentially a financial one.

The demographic of the island leans heavily towards the retirement age bracket. With the proposal to sell 4999 tickets for each night of the event it is expected this will appeal more to visitors from away. In terms of the location of the site on an island its suitability must be assessed against access, travel plans, available transport on and off the island, reliance on car travel on a single access road and bridge. Whilst there are a number of holiday parks there is limited accommodation for single overnight stays. The licensing application is for up to 5 days per year in perpetuity. It may be assumed that, should it be granted, the licensed activity will impact the proposed site for just five days per year. The accompanying site plan and notes, if these can be relied on, describe an event that will take several days to assemble and several more days to dismantle. Effectively a period of up to three weeks disruption to the site if the event is a single one of five days.

The owners of [REDACTED] object to the licensing application in its entirety. They do not wish to have, within about 15 metres of their property boundary, and the area immediately beyond this, any live music, recorded music, DJs, dancing, videos, light shows, late night hot food, or alcohol sales. The proposed stage for live music is less than 50 metres from their bedroom window. They do not wish to have this at any time of day and absolutely not outside the hours that the majority of day visitors use the proposed site for its current uses, which is daylight hours.

PUBLIC NUISANCE

This is defined as endangerment of the life, health, property, morals or comfort of the public or obstructing the public in the exercise or enjoyment of rights common to all.

The activities associated with the licensing application are considered to damage the reasonable comfort and convenience of life for residents along Sea Front and in the side roads:

- 1. Excessive noise from all aspects of the music performances.
- 2. Light intrusion from videos and any other similar activity.
- 3. Noise from up to 4999 people contained in a comparatively small restricted area who within the spirit of the licensed activities will be in full-on party mode.
- 4. Noise, rowdiness, antisocial behaviour, inappropriate urinating, as up to 4999 people leave the proposed site in the early hours of the morning following the cessation of serving alcohol and playing of music at midnight sharp.
- 5. Noise, rowdiness, antisocial behaviour, inappropriate urinating for an indeterminate length of time after midnight as up to 4999 people attempt to disperse in an entirely residential area and find their chosen means of transport away from the area, and for a majority to find a means of transport off the island. The impact of this will be felt by residents some considerable distance from the proposed site but where they live facing or near one of the routes leading towards the north of the island and the bridge.
- 6. Whilst the immediate area and side roads have double yellow lines to stop inconsiderate parking, there are residential roads to the north who do not have this restriction and will be the nearest place to leave cars and these addresses too will suffer the impact of cars being started up and leaving in the early hours of the morning.
- 7. For the duration of the event, in terms of both days of the week and hours of the day, the area of Sea Front adjoining the proposed site will be used by significantly more people than usual which will have the effect of restricting the residents enjoyment of their properties. Access to their homes may be difficult due to traffic, illegal car parking, and crowded pavements.
- 8. Residents are unlikely to wish to leave their homes unattended during the event due to the risk of damage to property or trespass and will effectively be imprisoned.
- 9. The use of the proposed site for the build up to the event, the event itself, and the dismantling of the event, will restrict the use of the site by the general public, visitors who are not associated with the event and who are not event ticket holders, and local residents.
- 10. An amenity which is owned by the council for the benefit of all will be taken out of use for a significant period over and above that of the event itself.
- 11. The problem of refuse disposal and general littering on site may have been addressed by the applicant however there appears to be no restriction on food being taken out at the end of the event which causes a rubbish disposal problem in the adjoining roads. Residents do not wish to have half eaten kebabs or burgers or the wrappings from items that have been consumed tossed into their front gardens or left in the street which is likely to result in rubbish blowing around in the wind and end up in the sea or the SSSI land.

PUBLIC DISORDER

This is a concern about conduct in a public place likely to cause or intend to cause harassment, alarm or distress to anyone present. The victims in this case can be outside the proposed event

and may be on the road, pavement or a property that borders.

There are detailed plans attached to the licensing application covering how the organisers intend to deal with matters inside the event up to the point that attendees are released at the end of each night's activities. What happens on the outside both during the event and afterwards is unclear.

- 1. Ticket holders who arrive in a state such that they are not admitted by the organisers will be left outside the site but still in the same unsatisfactory state and with additional issues surrounding not being admitted. At this point they are not the responsibility of the organisers but are loose in a residential area close to private dwelling houses. This is not acceptable and neither is the public disorder that is likely to ensue in such a scenario, and for this reason an objection is raised on the grounds of public disorder.
- 2. The emergence of up to 4999 people at the end of the night's activities onto a residential street has already been raised and detailed above under the heading of Public Nuisance however it is repeated here under the heading of Public Disorder, due to noise, rowdiness, antisocial behaviour and inappropriate urinating.
- 3. Limitations on accommodation and transport due to the small size and resources of the island will likely result in people sleeping in cars, pitching tents on unauthorised spaces, sleeping rough or walking the streets looking for transport.

The licensing application ties itself to a worthy and wholesome watersports and kite surfing event which is normally held in daytime and further along the coast. But once granted does not need to be themed in such a way and provided it complies with the conditions can be simply a late night music, alcohol and hot takeaway food event.

This is the wrong event proposed to be held in the wrong place. On the grounds of Public Nuisance and Public Disorder my parents request the application is rejected in its entirety.

Yours Truly

Received: 25 February 2024

Dear Penny

I understand you are the person dealing with this license application.

I am a resident in [REDACTED] and also beach hut owner of [REDACTED] so this has a double effect on me.

I am concerned as to how this is going to affect the well-being of the elderly local residents. I am 90 this year and regularly entertain elderly friends at my beach hut and walk the beach nearly every day to the funfair and back.

The loos are already in a poor state, especially at weekends. I sincerely hope the seafront residents and beach hut owners won't be faced with a load of portaloos as their VIEW! How are the bins also going to cope.

I also, despite my age, swim in this vicinity. I am worried that I will be mown down.

I assume you are aware that there is an old people's home directly opposite this car park and 2 blocks of retirement flats nearby. How will this affect all our quiet use and enjoyment?

I rarely complain but I feel very strongly about this intrusion.

Received: 23 February 2024

Dear Sir/Madam

I represent the owners of [REDACTED]. This is a domestic dwelling house which directly faces the proposed licensed premises.

We have questioned whether the applicant premises are suitable premises for the licensed activities applied for.

- A. A pay-to-park car park comprising tarmac but mostly grass, bordering the beach to the south, a densely packed area of wooden beach huts and a World War II memorial to the east, a protected Site of Special Scientific Interest common land to the west and a residential street to the north.
- B. 7 houses and a registered care home for the elderly directly face the applicant site with their front gates 15 metres from the proposed site boundary. To the east and west of these houses there exists a solid mass of housing stretching northwards along side roads with restricted onstreet parking.
- C. There is also a railway line for the East Hayling Light Railway cutting through the site from east to west which outside of school holidays runs in daytime every 45 minutes in each direction on Saturdays, Sundays and Wednesdays. Daily during all school holidays.
- D. In addition to hourly and daily car parking spaces the proposed site has sold season tickets valid for a year including a class of ticket for well-being users, typically early morning and evening users who swim or walk their dogs or just park and go for a walk.
- E. The car park is well used by visitors who use it as a base for beach activities or for simply sitting in or next to their vehicles admiring the outstanding views out to sea. We conclude that these are not suitable premises.

The license applicant has provided the wrong address in their application form. There is no car park in Chichester Avenue. The Chichester Avenue car park is situated in Sea Front, an entirely different road and location. They also misunderstand the nature of the SSSI as according to their plan they intend taking over part of this for Yoga purposes, slightly outside the event area. We conclude these are examples of the lack of knowledge of the area by the applicant due to them not being local or having any interest in the island other than potentially a financial one.

The demographic of the island leans heavily towards the retirement age bracket. With the proposal to sell 4999 tickets for each night of the event it is expected this will appeal more to visitors from away. In terms of the location of the site on an island its suitability must be assessed against access, travel plans, available transport on and off the island, reliance on car travel on a single access road and bridge. Whilst there are a number of holiday parks there is limited accommodation for single overnight stays. The licensing application is for up to 5 days per year in perpetuity. It may be assumed that, should it be granted, the licensed activity will impact the proposed site for just five days per year. The accompanying site plan and notes, if these can be relied on, describe an event that will take several days to assemble and several more days to dismantle. Effectively a period of up to three weeks disruption to the site if the event is a single one of five days.

The owners of [REDACTED] object to the licensing application in its entirety. They do not wish to have, within about 15 metres of their property boundary, and the area immediately beyond this, any live music, recorded music, DJs, dancing, videos, light shows, late night hot food, or alcohol

sales. The proposed stage for live music is less than 50 metres from their bedroom window. They do not wish to have this at any time of day and absolutely not outside the hours that the majority of day visitors use the proposed site for its current uses, which is daylight hours.

PUBLIC NUISANCE

This is defined as endangerment of the life, health, property, morals or comfort of the public or obstructing the public in the exercise or enjoyment of rights common to all.

The activities associated with the licensing application are considered to damage the reasonable comfort and convenience of life for residents along Sea Front and in the side roads:

- 1. Excessive noise from all aspects of the music performances.
- 2. Light intrusion from videos and any other similar activity.
- 3. Noise from up to 4999 people contained in a comparatively small restricted area who within the spirit of the licensed activities will be in full-on party mode.
- 4. Noise, rowdiness, antisocial behaviour, inappropriate urinating, as up to 4999 people leave the proposed site in the early hours of the morning following the cessation of serving alcohol and playing of music at midnight sharp.
- 5. Noise, rowdiness, antisocial behaviour, inappropriate urinating for an indeterminate length of time after midnight as up to 4999 people attempt to disperse in an entirely residential area and find their chosen means of transport away from the area, and for a majority to find a means of transport off the island. The impact of this will be felt by residents some considerable distance from the proposed site but where they live facing or near one of the routes leading towards the north of the island and the bridge.
- 6. Whilst the immediate area and side roads have double yellow lines to stop inconsiderate parking, there are residential roads to the north who do not have this restriction and will be the nearest place to leave cars and these addresses too will suffer the impact of cars being started up and leaving in the early hours of the morning.
- 7. For the duration of the event, in terms of both days of the week and hours of the day, the area of Sea Front adjoining the proposed site will be used by significantly more people than usual which will have the effect of restricting the residents enjoyment of their properties. Access to their homes may be difficult due to traffic, illegal car parking, and crowded pavements.
- 8. Residents are unlikely to wish to leave their homes unattended during the event due to the risk of damage to property or trespass and will effectively be imprisoned.
- 9. The use of the proposed site for the build up to the event, the event itself, and the dismantling of the event, will restrict the use of the site by the general public, visitors who are not associated with the event and who are not event ticket holders, and local residents.
- 10. An amenity which is owned by the council for the benefit of all will be taken out of use for a significant period over and above that of the event itself.
- 11. The problem of refuse disposal and general littering on site may have been addressed by the applicant however there appears to be no restriction on food being taken out at the end of the event which causes a rubbish disposal problem in the adjoining roads. Residents do not wish to have half eaten kebabs or burgers or the wrappings from items that have been consumed tossed into their front gardens or left in the street which is likely to result in rubbish blowing around in the wind and end up in the sea or the SSSI land.

PUBLIC DISORDER

This is a concern about conduct in a public place likely to cause or intend to cause harassment, alarm or distress to anyone present. The victims in this case can be outside the proposed event and may be on the road, pavement or a property that borders.

There are detailed plans attached to the licensing application covering how the organisers intend to deal with matters inside the event up to the point that attendees are released at the end of each night's activities. What happens on the outside both during the event and afterwards is unclear.

- 1. Ticket holders who arrive in a state such that they are not admitted by the organisers will be left outside the site but still in the same unsatisfactory state and with additional issues surrounding not being admitted. At this point they are not the responsibility of the organisers but are loose in a residential area close to private dwelling houses. This is not acceptable and neither is the public disorder that is likely to ensue in such a scenario, and for this reason an objection is raised on the grounds of public disorder.
- 2. The emergence of up to 4999 people at the end of the night's activities onto a residential street has already been raised and detailed above under the heading of Public Nuisance however it is repeated here under the heading of Public Disorder, due to noise, rowdiness, antisocial behaviour and inappropriate urinating.
- 3. Limitations on accommodation and transport due to the small size and resources of the island will likely result in people sleeping in cars, pitching tents on unauthorised spaces, sleeping rough or walking the streets looking for transport.

The licensing application ties itself to a worthy and wholesome watersports and kite surfing event which is normally held in daytime and further along the coast. But once granted does not need to be themed in such a way and provided it complies with the conditions can be simply a late night music, alcohol and hot takeaway food event.

This is the wrong event proposed to be held in the wrong place. On the grounds of Public Nuisance and Public Disorder I request the application is rejected in its entirety.

Yours Truly

Received 28 February 2024

Dear Sir/Madam

I represent the owners of [REDACTED], a private domestic residence situated directly opposite the proposed licensed premises referred to as Shoreline Festival. The front gate of this property is 15 metres from the boundary of the proposed licensed premises, the bedroom window is less than 50 metres from the stage.

The owners are deeply concerned that the organisers of the Shoreline Festival have taken it upon themselves to jump the gun on agreement to their proposals.

This photo is what was posted on the BKSA web site some months ago:



The owners of [REDACTED] approached Havant Borough Council last week to challenge their

sponsorship of the event at this premature stage and it has been discovered that the BKSA have assumed sponsorship and taken it upon themselves to add the council's logo without their agreement. The council have very recently forced the removal of this sponsorship logo.

It is likely nobody on Hayling Island is at all concerned about a daytime watersports event celebrating all that is good, wholesome and healthy about the sport but allied to this is a very dubious licensing application for midnight bars and music on a large scale in a relatively small space. Serious watersports enthusiasts will not be partying until midnight with a hard days work on the water the following morning. To have the organisers make these sorts of assumptions, and for them to take positive steps to lift and add a logo that they are not entitled to, does raise questions about the character, integrity and trustworthiness of those purporting to be in charge.

Yesterday a neighbour telephoned the office of the British Kite Surfing Association and eventually spoke with their principal, Andrew, to discuss the details shown on their website. He informed them he had been told by HBC to remove their logo showing HBC as sponsors, that everything to do with the night time event is being done by Security and Events Services, the licensing applicant company, and that they are the people they should be talking to as the event is not his responsibility.

This was the end of the conversation and it is shocking that the daytime watersports event appears to be just a front for the licensing application for night time activities. Reading the licensing application form submitted by SES what is being applied for is a mini version of the Glastonbury Festival. With the exception it is not on a farm miles from anywhere or anyone. Looking at the web site of Security and Events Services they display this photo, as an example of their work running an event elsewhere:



We would like to submit this area of concern in addition to the other objection to the licensing application from this address.

Yours truly

Received: 28 February 2024

I wish to register my strong objections to the proposed shorelineFestival on 13th September 2024. The thought of 5000 people being bussed onto the island does not bear thinking about. We have heard that free camping and car parking is being advertised for those attending.

There is no legal camping or free parking on the sea front so where will 5000 young people be accommodated.

This is totally the wrong place to hold such a festival bearing in mind the age demographic of those who live on the island. The traffic on and off the island is difficult at the best of times but would be totally impossible if this went ahead. Ambulances have a difficult enough time navigating the traffic as it is without the cars or busses involved getting 5000 people on and off the island. With Alcohol available 12 hours each day the likelihood of vandalism, especially to the beach huts, would need a large contingent of police and security to control the likely drunken behaviour. I therefore request that the license for this event is refused.

Received: 28 February 2024

Havant Borough Council Licensing Department, Public Service Plaza, Havant. PO9 2AX

February 27th 2024

licensing@havant.gov.uk

Dear Sir/Madam,

RE: (Shoreline Festivals) Chichester Avenue car park, Hayling Island PO11 9EZ

A number of residents have raised serious concerns with Hayling Island Residents' Association, known also as HIRA, about the proposed Shoreline Festival on Hayling Island as presented on your website. HIRA raises some of those concerns in this representation and, for residents more widely, seeks both clarification and reassurance concerning those concerns regarding this Festival. Please note that Questions 1,2,4,8, seek understanding and implications of Licensing policy; and the 4 Objectives for representations are briefly referenced after each of the remaining questions to explain their inclusion.

Background

- According to https://www.facebook.com/ShorelineFestivall/, The Shoreline Festival runs from 13-15 Sept 2024, but licensed from the evening of Thurs 12th.
- The applicant, Security and Event Solutions, appears credible: https://securityandeventsolutions.co.uk/

1. The Licensing application.

- Q1: The application is undated, although the first public notices had dates of 12th to 15th Sept 2024, which were removed almost immediately. Why is that?
- Q2: Could a licensing application be approved without specifying dates, or limiting it to one event in the current year?
- Q3: Could the licence automatically cover future years, in perpetuity? We suggest that the biggest incentive for controlling good behaviour in any is knowing the licence for next year depends on it. Surely it would be more difficult to halt a planned event already agreed if the event had over-stepped the original agreement? All 4 objectives.

2. Permission to take over the Chichester Avenue car park.

It's claimed that this could be potentially 2 or 3 weeks, including set up and take down time.

- Q4: What is the process for approving this, who decides, and when?
- Q5: What is the acceptable capacity for people and cars? How is that measured and over what period of time? Public Safety
- Q6: It's claimed the festival is offering camping facilities, which done responsibly, e.g. camper vans, would reduce traffic and noise. Would camping be permitted, controlled or otherwise? All 4 objectives.
- Q7: If camping is not permitted, who would enforce that? All 4 objectives.
- Q8: Exactly what net financial benefit would the council expect (and indirectly therefore, residents)?
- Q9: What about visitors who would otherwise choose to use the car park or even camp in the vicinity anticipating a quiet visit just to enjoy the natural location and beach? All 4 objectives.

3. The impact on the environment, the beach, and the residents, local and wider.

Q10: How will the Council, who approve the event, ensure the event closes on time and disperses reasonably quietly and quickly? What will the licensing terms state and how will the Council itself ensure

that the organisers are properly enforcing such terms? It is insufficient that any Councillors endorse or support this application; residents need to know that any enforcement will take place; the Council has not demonstrated reliability of enforcement in ongoing situations on Hayling. All 4 objectives.

Q11: What noise level would be acceptable beyond the licensed hours and how will that be measured? All 4 objectives.

Q12: Is 23:00 a better compromise finish time, given that crowds often take an hour or more to disperse, and are usually drunk and noisy? All 4 objectives.

Q13: Hayling Light Railway is very worried about visitors parking across/on their tracks plus revellers, particularly late evening, causing either accidental or deliberate damage to their tracks & equipment which they cannot yet afford to lock away, or as yet even have a CCTV covering the site, from which there has been recent theft of metal perhaps for selling on. Their volunteers provide us all with a positive attraction all year, it would be totally unreasonable to expect them to be on duty throughout that weekend & evenings. How can the organisers provide appropriate stewards to prevent such infringements of the Railway's property? Public nuisance, prevention of crime and disorder.

Q14: How will we ensure the event does not pollute the beach and the sea? Public safety and public nuisance.

Q15: What restrictions would be set, who will monitor and enforce them, and what powers would they have? All 4 objectives.

Q16: How would affected residents raise complaints (potentially at 1 or 2 am!) with regard to either noise or parking or safety concerns? All 4 objectives.

Q17: Where would the temporary sanitary arrangements for campers and the event be sited and will they include showers? All 4 objectives.

The times in the Licensing Application were very hard to read - attached is a better laid out version.

Provision of film: Fri 10:00 - 00:00 / Sat 10:00 - 00:00 / Sun 10:00 - 22:00

Live Music: Fri 12:00 - 22:00 / Sat 12:00 - 22:00 / Sun 12:00 - 22:00

Recorded Music: Fri 10:00 - 00:00 / Sat 10:00 - 00:00 / Sun 10:00 - 23:00

Anything of a similar nature: Fri 10:00 - 00:00 / Sat 10:00 - 00:00 / Sun 10:00 - 23:00

Late night Refreshment: Fri 23:00 – 00:00 / Sat 23:00 – 00:00

Sale of alcohol for consumption on the premises:

Thursday 14:00 – 23:00 / Fri 12:00 – 00:00 / Sat 12:00 – 00:00 / Sun 12:00 – 23:00

Please will you advise us if deputations at any hearing can be made by residents and, if so, whether there will be limitations of either numbers or times allocated?

Kind regards, Chair, HIRA

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