

GREATER MANCHESTER POLICE - REPRESENTATION

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About the Premises

Application Reference No.	LPV 258001
Name of the Premises	LA Lounge
Address of the premises including postcode	94-96 Grosvenor Street, Manchester M1 7HL

Your Representation

Please outline your representation below and continue overleaf. This should describe the likely effect of the grant of the licence variation on the licensing objectives on and in the vicinity of the premises in question.

The grounds for the objection are the undermining of the Prevention of Crime and Disorder and the Prevention of Public Nuisance licensing objectives.

The Premises are situated on Grosvenor Street, Manchester and are in close proximity to Grosvenor Halls of Residence, a large student accommodation block, which during University term time houses a large number of residents.

The proposed extension of the permitted hours, to allow the premises to provide regulated entertainment and late night refreshment until 0445 hours, alcohol until 0430 hours with a closing time of 0500 hours on Friday and Saturday is excessive for premises which are in such close proximity to a residential property. The noise generated by persons leaving the premises at 0500 hours at weekends is more than residents should reasonably be expected to have to endure. At these times of the morning the background noise from nearby roads is massively diminished so any noise from customers or their vehicles will carry much further and appear to be much louder than at other times.

The local policing team have been consulted regarding this application and they are firmly against it as they state that every weekend there are large gatherings of customers who hang around outside the premises at closing time causing anti-social behaviour and revving engines. This is clearly bad enough when it is happening at 0400 hours but to extend this even further would be grossly unfair on people living across the road from the premises.

We therefore ask that the application is refused

Licensing Out of Hours Representation

From: Nathan Mistry <nathan.mistry@manchester.gov.uk>

Sent: 03 June 2021 10:34

To: Premises Licensing <Premises.Licensing@manchester.gov.uk>

Subject: The Live Room MAU 701850

Good Morning,

Please find pasted my representation in relation to the pending premises licence variation:

The Licensing and Out of Hours Team (LOOHT) have assessed the likely impact of the variation to the license at The Live Room, 94-96 Grosvenor Street, Manchester, taking into account a number of factors. This includes the location of nearby residential properties, the hours applied for and any potential risk that the granting of this licence, could lead to issues of Public Nuisance.

The premises is situated on the corner of Grosvenor Street and Upper Brook Street (A34) which is a very busy arterial route into and out of Manchester City Centre. There are also residential properties both attached to the premises and also in close proximity to the premises. The very busy Mancunian Way motorway is also situated directly behind the premises.

LOOHT have given particular consideration to Manchester City Council's Statement of Licensing Policy, specifically s.7.25 in that the licensing authority will ensure that due consideration will be given to the proximity of licensed premises not only to local residents and businesses, but also in relation to other licensed premises, as well as s.7.28 in that the licensing authority will give consideration to the appropriateness of hours applied for, having regard for the location of the premises and their likely effect of the promotion of the four Licensing Objectives.

The application is for a variation to the existing premises licence for the following activities:

Proposed hours and licensable activities:

Provision of regulated entertainment (live music, recorded music, performances of dance):

Current hours: Sun to Thu 12 noon to 2:15am, Fri to Sat 12 noon to 3:45am

Proposed hours: Sun to Thu 12 noon to 2:15am, Fri to Sat 12 noon to 4:45am

Provision of late night refreshment:

Current hours: Sun to Thu 11pm to 2:15am, Fri to Sat 11pm to 3:45am

Proposed hours: Sun to Thu 11pm to 2:15am, Fri to Sat 11pm to 4:45am

Supply of alcohol for consumption on the premises only:

Current hours: Sun to Thu 12 noon to 2am, Fri to Sat 12 noon to 3:30am

Proposed hours: Sun to Thu 12 noon to 2am, Fri to Sat 12 noon to 4:30am

Opening hours:

Current hours: Sun to Thu 12 noon to 2:30am, Fri to Sat 12 noon to 4am

Proposed hours: Sun to Thu 12 noon to 2:30am, Fri to Sat 12 noon to 5am

The premises is situated on Grosvenor Street, whereby there are a number other licensed premises in close proximity, including The Flour and Flagon, Deaf Institute and The Footage.

The above mentioned premises which are in the immediate vicinity are all closed by 02:30am to 04:00am depending on week or weekends. Therefore the area does become significantly quieter after 04:00am.

There have also been issues with dispersal of patrons at the premises, whereby on numerous occasions patrons have not left the area in an orderly manner and have loitered in the area, causing noise nuisance issues and public safety issues due to the busy roads the premises surrounds.

LOOHT have concerns there could be further potential noise nuisance issues arising due to patrons leaving the premises as there are residential premises directly above and in close proximity to the premises on Lamport Close, Grosvenor Street and York Street.

Operating an hour later could potentially undermine the prevention of public nuisance objective and cause further noise issues for surrounding residents.

LOOHT also received a noise complaint on 24/05/21 from a complainant who lives directly above the premises, whereby they stated:

“Very loud and bass heavy music. Can hear and feel it. We live in flat in same building, club is in basement next door and we can't sleep because its too loud. Just want to sleep, not possible. Also with covid regulations they should not be allowed to be so loud. I think its over the limit, for sure. Should not be allowed.”

Attempts were made to contact the complainant by LOOHT, however they have since withdrawn the complaint after speaking with the owner.

However this again shows evidence that there are potential ongoing noise nuisance issues and the LOOHT believe that allowing the premises to operate an hour later will only cause further potential noise nuisance issues for local residents in the area.

As such LOOHT recommends that the application is refused on the grounds of being not upholding the licensing objectives in relation to public nuisance.

Kind regards,

Nathan.
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