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From: Sarah Welch
Sent: 25 February 2010 14:00
To: Liquor Licensing
Cc: Dolores Nellany
Subject: Halesowen Members Club, (Halesowen and Hasbury Labour Club) 52 Hagley Road, Halesowen

**Re: Licensing Act 2003
Halesowen Members Club, (Halesowen and Hasbury Labour Club) 52 Hagley Road,
Halesowen**

I email in respect of the above application as I wish to make a representation on the grounds of prevention of public nuisance to local residents.

The premises is in the middle of a residential area, of which the nearest garden of the residential dwelling house and property is located 9.4 metres and 18.5 metres away respectively, which is within close proximity at the rear of the premises. There are houses directly opposite the front of the premises and to the side of the premises.

Although this department has not been in receipt of recent complaints, historically, there were 3 complaints reported in 2002 with respect to noise from loud music from the premises within the original hours of use which I understood was until 23:00 hours. The complainant, at this time, lived in a street behind the premises.

I was led to believe that the programmed entertainments are to take place in the concert hall and will comprise of a disc jockey, live bands with singers and the playing of recorded music. The structure of the room in which the entertainment is to take place has double glazed windows with side opening lights and a wooden double fire door, which were not illustrated on the original plan of the premises. The lounge is accessed through a double wooden door from the concert hall but the bar is a wrap around style bar. Indeed the windows in the lounge are also double glazed with side opening lights. There is a double fully glazed door leading into the smoking shelter which may be accessed by patrons during operating times. There were no fans or other means of ventilation in the premises which may question how they intend to provide ventilation in the summer months should windows be required to be closed during entertainment.

The applicant has proposed extended hours of use until 01:30 hours which is greater than the previous licensable hours of until 23:00 hours. In part P of the application, for the prevention of crime and disorder, the applicant has indicated that a further 30 minutes extension of time will be permitted, presumably until 02:00 hours, for drinking up time.

Therefore in view of the extended opening times and the intended use of the premises, the committee may wish to consider the following as conditions of the licence:

- Closing of all doors (except for access and egress) and windows during programmed entertainments.
- Installation of a sound limiting device in the room where the programmed entertainment is to take place.

Regards,