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Sent: 15 July 2026 09:39
To: Business Licence <business.licence@brent.gov.uk>
Subject: Event in Gladstone Park August 2026

Dear Licensing Officer

Below is my letter protesting against the sale of alcohol, the piped music for 11 hours on each of 2 days, the lateness of the finishing time, 10pm, [REDACTED] from my home, shown as a tree in the plan.

I also hope they will realise that this space is a much used public space by many local children, many of whom play football there on a regular basis.

I sincerely hope that people on the committee will consider how they would feel if this event were to be held as close to their homes as this one is planned to be.

Dear Licensing Officer

Licensing Act 2003 – Representation in respect of the application for events in Gladstone Park

I write to object to Mr Raju Neupane's application for a premises licence to permit events in Gladstone Park on every Saturday and Sunday in August, amended 1 July to an application just for the 1 and 2 August only. The application is for the sale of alcohol, dancing, and live and recorded music between 1100 and 2200 on both days.

I live [REDACTED] for this event as do many other people who I have spoken to and whose poor grasp of the English language prevents them from objecting in writing to this event. Furthermore there are several houses entirely consisting of single room accommodation whose jobs require them to work late and early shifts and who would be affected by the length of this event.

I feel that I am representing them as well in helping maintain the licensing objectives set out in the Licensing Act 2003.

1. Prevention of Crime and Disorder

I object to the inclusion of alcohol sales within this application.

The southern side of Gladstone Park, where these events are proposed, already experiences incidents of anti-social behaviour requiring police attendance. Introducing the sale of alcohol into this location, in conjunction with entertainment attracting significant numbers of people, is likely to increase the risk of disorder and anti-social behaviour both within the park and in the surrounding residential streets.

As a litter picker and resident I am aware of the number of incidences of vandalism and anti-social behaviour in the park and the frequency of the visits by police.

2. Public Safety

The proposed location is unsuitable because it lies immediately adjacent to residential properties and within an area of the park that is heavily used by families and children, particularly at weekends for football and informal recreation.

The application provides insufficient reassurance that these competing uses can be managed safely. The interaction between children using the park for recreation and an event involving alcohol sales, amplified music and large numbers of attendees raises legitimate public safety concerns.

I am also concerned by the accuracy of the documentation submitted with the application. The submitted site plan does not accurately show the residential properties along Kendal Road, instead depicting trees where houses are located. This calls into question the reliability of the applicant's assessment of the impact on neighbouring residents and the adequacy of the proposed control measures.

As the proximity of residential properties has not been accurately represented, I would suggest it is difficult to have any confidence that the impacts of the application, and the proposed mitigation measure have been properly assessed.

The applicants plan and a screen grab from google maps satellite view are attached for comparison.

3. Prevention of Public Nuisance

This is my principal objection.

I and my fellow residents live ■■■ the proposed event. As I mentioned above many live in single room accommodation with jobs whose hours are flexible.

Eleven hours on a Saturday and Sunday, days of rest for Christians and Jews, with stalls, piped and live music and sales of alcohol only 20m from my front door is creating public nuisance. This event is far too close to residential accommodation.

The failure of the submitted site plan to accurately demonstrate the proximity of a large number of houses, shown as trees in the plan, puts into question the veracity of the claims in the application about the placement and monitoring of noise sensors.

If events are being forced upon Gladstone Park then site them as far away from residents as is possible, where the fairground used to be i.e. behind the railway line where the cycle path has allowed good access to what was once an inaccessible area.

Noise from events would be reduced by tree shade and residents would be less overwhelmed.

Residents are entitled to the reasonable enjoyment of their homes. As I mentioned before Kendal Road contains families with young children, elderly residents, multi occupancy homes, people who work during the week who rely upon Saturdays and Sundays for rest and quiet enjoyment.

The proposed terminal hour of 22:00 does not represent the end of the disturbance. Noise will inevitably continue while:

- attendees disperse through surrounding residential streets;
- conversations, shouting and vehicle movements occur after the event;
- litter is collected;
- staging, equipment and infrastructure are dismantled and removed.

The resulting disturbance is likely to extend well beyond 22:00.

Again I also question whether the noise assessment properly reflects the true impact upon nearby residents, given that the application fails to accurately identify the nearest noise-sensitive receptors.

In determining this application, the Licensing Sub-Committee is required to have regard to Brent Council's Statement of Licensing Policy as well as the statutory guidance issued under section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003. The failure by the applicant to recognise the close proximity of houses to the proposed festival site renders this application inconsistent with Policy 10 of the Council's Licensing Policy as it fails to credibly demonstrate adequate measures to limit noise disturbance to neighbouring residents in this predominantly residential location.

4. Protection of Children from Harm

The proposed event area is regularly used by children for football and other recreational activities throughout weekends.

Gladstone Park is an important public open space where children should be able to play in an environment that is safe and appropriate for family recreation. Introducing repeated events

centred on alcohol sales, amplified music and dancing into this part of the park is incompatible with that use.

The applicant has not demonstrated that this site is suitable for the proposed licensable activities, given its immediate proximity to residential properties and an area of the park heavily used by children

Conclusion

For the reasons set out above, I respectfully request that the Licensing Sub-Committee refuses this application because the applicant has failed to demonstrate that the licensing requirements can be met.

The proposed site is wholly unsuitable for events involving amplified music and the sale of alcohol because of its immediate proximity to residential properties and an area of the park heavily used by children and families. In particular, the application fails to demonstrate that public nuisance can be adequately prevented or that the sale of alcohol can be managed without increasing the risk of crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour.

Should the Licensing Sub-Committee nevertheless be minded to grant the application, I request that it imposes stringent conditions reducing the hours of operation, prohibiting the sale of alcohol, site the area to be used behind the railway line to reduce noise pollution, monitor noise at the nearest residential properties and ensure effective protection for children and local residents.