

**LICENSING ACT 2003  
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH OBJECTION TO A TEMPORARY EVENT NOTICE**

**To: Team Leader (Commercial and Licensing)**

**From: Environmental Health Manager**

**Premises: Land adjacent to 119b Mill Road, Cambridge, CB1 2AZ**

**Reference: WK/201750144**

**Comment:** Environmental Health is raising an objection to the Temporary Event Notice (TEN) submitted by Mr Sudhir Agar to take place on the land adjacent to 119b Mill Road, Cambridge, CB1 2AZ (copy of location attached to this rep) on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2017 from 10:00 to 18:00 and Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2017 from 12:00 to 18:00.

The objection is made with respect to the negative impact the event would have on the Public Safety licensing objective

The event is scheduled to take place on the same day as the Mill Road Winter Fair (The Fair) as well as the following day. The Fair sees Mill Road closed to traffic for the day and attended by thousands of people. At the time of submitting the application Mr Agar had not been in touch with the organisers of the Fair and this is a separate event and therefore not covered by the Management Control Document or Risk Assessments carried out for it.

Due to the large number of people that will be in attendance on Mill Road throughout the day there are concerns with regard to public safety about the location of the TEN. There is no emergency access to the proposed area, which has full height security fencing to the railway on one side and Mill Road Depot on the other. Were an incident to occur resulting in the front entrance to the area being obstructed attendees would be effectively trapped with no means of escape.

A TEN can have a maximum capacity of 499. The application submitted stated the maximum number of people attending at any one time would be 200 people. Within the location Mr Agar wishes to have a marquee (18m x 6m) where live music would be played, two bars selling alcohol, four hot food stalls and outside toilets.

With the large numbers of people on Mill Road on this date there are concerns how Mr Agar will manage the capacity of the location. Large numbers of people could look to visit the location attracted to the live music believing it to be part of the Fair. Given the way the location is situated there is a real possibility of causing pinch points endangering the public safety of those in the area.

Once at capacity Mr Agar would need to be turning people away; the danger is that he will be turning them away into people walking towards the location. Added to the point already made about there only being one combined entrance and exit to the location, if there was an emergency, this could cause safety issues with any need to evacuate the site. This could result in a large number of people congregating in a relatively small amount of space.

Part of the location (the green area specified in the map attached) has a right of access over it by Network Rail who use it on an ad-hoc basis to maintain the railway line and also at any time in the event of an emergency. In that situation the right of way would need to be clear with no obstruction. For the event to go ahead on the date requested and with the facilities planned for the site, there is a serious doubt that in an emergency, Network Rail would be able to access the area successfully. Also any attempt to access the area by Network Rail could endanger those already at the location, attempting to gain access or leave the location.

In the light of reasons detailed above Environmental Health has real concerns that the granting of this Temporary Event Notice would have an impact on the public safety of those attending the event as well as those in the area for the Mill Road Winter Fair.

Signed .....*Y. O'Donnell*..... Date .....*13/10/17*.....

Environmental Health Manager