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M.D.C. License Dept.
Princes Road
Maldon
Essex. CM9 5DL

24 June 2019

Dear Sirs

Re License for Riverside Park, Millfields, Burnham on Crouch, CM0 8HS.

I am very concerned to see the proposed request attached to several sites around the town regarding a license for multiple forms of entertainment on every day of the week throughout the year, the majority being for a period of up to 15 hours per day.

This will no doubt bring in revenue for MDC but will disrupt the leisurely pursuits of the residents of Burnham on Crouch which they currently enjoy on these tranquil green open spaces. Many do not have large gardens and come with family and friends to walk, picnic, play and enjoy the river. The young and old enjoy the sport there already provided.

This area is very close to many residential properties and there is very little parking available. The large numbers of visitors and noise levels at night from the proposed, entertainments will be very disruptive.

The request for the provision of late-night refreshments and the sale of alcohol is totally unacceptable. There are numerous restaurants, eateries, bars and pubs in the town providing this where waste can be disposed on site without littering the quay and the country park. The detritus left behind after the annual Fair in September is an example of what to expect from this proposed application.

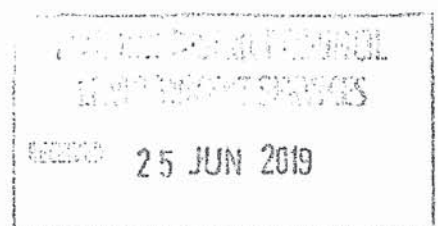
The cost of the required policing, which will be essential, for these proposed events and the clearing up afterwards will no doubt exceed the expected revenue.

On a safety issue, the Quay at this point has no sea wall, excessive alcohol leads to unruly behaviour and accidents happen! There is also a large pond by the skate park, which is covered with rushes, this too will be dangerous at night for the unwary visitor, locals know it is there!


I do hope you will consider these issues before proceeding any further.

Yours faithfully

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My objections relate to the following licensing objectives:
the prevention of crime and disorder

- public safety
- the prevention of public nuisance
- the protection of children from harm
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I believe that the proposed changes of use to Riverside Park if granted would seriously impact on the the above objectives.

Please let me know if you require any further information.

Regards,

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To Whom It May Concern,

I wish to object to any extension in licenses which would see a rise in commercial activity in Riverside Park, Burnham.

My objections are that increased commercial events would have an impact on local people

- by restricting access to the main green space in Burnham
- by damaging the fabric of the park
- by negatively impacting on wildlife
- by adding to the congestion on our roads
- by seeing a rise in illegal parking as there is insufficient parking for large events

The current system which sees mainly local events devised and run by the community is what we want to see continuing. These benefit the local community. These enhance the day to day uses of the park which is a focus for children's play, for fun events such as the weekly park run, for sports training, for walkers to enjoy the changing seasons, plants, birds and wildlife.

I object to any commercial privatisation of our park by stealth to benefit **outside commercial interests to the detriment of the local community and wildlife.**

Yours

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Resident of Chapel Road Burnham on Crouch

Please accept this email as an objection to the planned activities at Riverside Park. My objection is because of public nuisance and safety of local residents. Also there is inadequate parking facilities for any of the proposed activities.

Please kindly acknowledge my objection

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I wish to oppose some of the provisions of the proposed licence as follows:

1 The application refers to Riverside Park, but the postcode shown on the application refers to the Dengie Hundred Sports Centre.

2 I assume the application refers to the area of land, usually know as Millfields, which is bounded by the access road to the North the seawall to the South, the Burnham Sailing Club to the East and the skate park/hard court to the West.

3 In regard to **this particular area**, I would agree with the proposed Licence conditions, subject to the end time for any activity involving the playing of live or recorded music being no later than 11pm (23.00hrs). This is on the grounds of noise nuisance to neighbouring properties, of which I believe there are nearly 100 within 250 metres of the field. My own property is approximately 180 m from the nearest point and 250m from the centre of the field. There are also two sets of elderly persons accommodation (Millfields flats and Warwick Court) within 150 m of the nearest point of the field.

There have been events involving the playing of music during the day and/or evening on this area in the past and I have found the noise to be far too intrusive when trying to make use of my garden. However, I recognise that this is a personal view and I may well be in a minority. However, the playing of music after 11pm I find completely intolerable.

3 **The remainder of Riverside Park.** There are two further areas, one comprising the elevated flat area bounded by the seawall to the South and the yacht harbour to the West and the Northern third, which is kept as a natural wildlife area. Although the first area is more remote from residential areas, any activities there would be obtrusive visually from surrounding areas and sound would be likely to travel further. The "wildlife" Northern area is totally unsuitable for any activities of the kind mentioned in the licence application and would be in grave danger of destruction.

However, as you would deduce from my submission, my objection really relates to prevention of public nuisance. I hope this helps.

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Additional representation to that detailed on Page 45 (received on 22 July 2019)

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, July 22, 2019 9:51:07 AM (UTC+00:00) Dublin, Edinburgh, Lisbon, London
To: Committee.clerk
Subject: Licensing Commiuttee 31 July 2019

Hello,

Licensing Act 2003: Application for a review of premises licence - Riverside Park, Burnham on Crouch.

I have made a representation in respect of the above application and have received your notification of the Committee hearing.

I regret that I shall be unable to attend the hearing, but should like my representation to continue to be considered. I do not wish for the hearing to be adjourned.


If possible, I should like to add to my representation as follows:

"Following my representation regarding the use of the elevated part of Riverside Park, to the East of the Yacht Harbour, for music events, I have suffered from exactly the problem I anticipated over the weekend of 20/21 July. During the Burnham Food Festival, facilitated by Maldon District Council, music, both pre-recorded and live, was played between the hours of 11am and 5pm each day. Due to the prevailing South West wind, it could be heard clearly and loudly at my premises, some 400m distant. In order to enjoy peace and quiet, and to be able to talk to visitors, I was forced to close all my doors and windows, making the house almost unbearable due to the heat. This reinforces my assertion that music should not be permitted to be played in that location."


Regards,

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I totally object to our park being used for events from outside of Burnham. This facility is for Burnham people to enjoy a little country side. We have so many new houses being erected, we need our only park. Licencing this area which means music and alcohol being allowed up to midnight will not be conducive for our needs. Children and dogs need safety on our precious park space.



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Yes this is an official objection and I would be willing to represent my objection in person if necessary.

There is little or more often no, police or park ranger presence in the park - and what presence there is, is ineffective. How do you expect to police such events when you can't cope with a bunch of drug taking teenagers and irresponsible dog owners? I have asked the rangers on occasion to police certain situations ie parking fouling and bullying and a blind eye is turned - so music and sporting events is beyond the capabilities.

When walking my dog after dark I have encountered inebriated and on occasion comatose people in the park - serving alcohol in the park late into the night will only encourage this further - there is also the safety aspect - I've fished out more of my fair share of revellers from the river - it's dangerous selfish and irresponsible to even consider granting these licenses- until you have lived on the park and experienced it first hand I urge you not to grant these licenses as believe me you have no idea!

Burnham-on-Crouch is not easily accessible in the way Maldon is - our infrastructure is already at maximum capacity thanks to all the development- it is ludicrous to even suggest this goes ahead. It's a disaster waiting to happen.

My objection is covered by all of the above plus noise pollution which you have omitted from your list.

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To whom it may concern

LICENSING AUTHORITY LICENSING ACT 2003

Riverside Park, Millfields, Burnham-on-Crouch, CM08HS

As neighbours of the Riverside Country Park, [REDACTED]

strongly objects to the blanket planning proposals you are applying for.

How can any of these proposals be accepted when the site is completely open with no secure boundaries? Do you expect your neighbours to supply their own fences and security?

Can you ensure your neighbours that they will not be affected, in any way, by the proposed events and will you formally indemnify them?

When events take place at the Promenade Park in Maldon, they are in a secure area as the Promenade is fenced and has limited ingress and egress paths!

Your blanket proposals do not allow for discussions on the individual events merits. I feel that each event should have its own planning consent so any concerns can be individually discussed, rather than having this fait accompli.

With regard to Health and Safety, Burnham-on-Crouch is a small peninsular town with only one entry road, via the railway bridge. This is the only emergency access to the Country park. Police, ambulances, etc. are all stationed 11 miles plus away and would only have the one entry road, should the road be blocked by an accident. What contingency could you have, Answer none.

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To Licensing department,

To whom it may concern.

Below I have copied a formal letter of objection regarding the planning application.

I will put a hard copy in the post.

Best Regards

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