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Sent: 14 September 2012 09:55
To: Stallabross Juli
Cc: Bebbington Myles
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We are writing to submit an objection to the application for unlimited live entertainment events inside and outside the premises of the Whittlesford Social Club.

We live [REDACTED] to the social club with our children's bedroom just [REDACTED] from the [REDACTED] where the bands perform, and are therefore surely the most affected by this application.

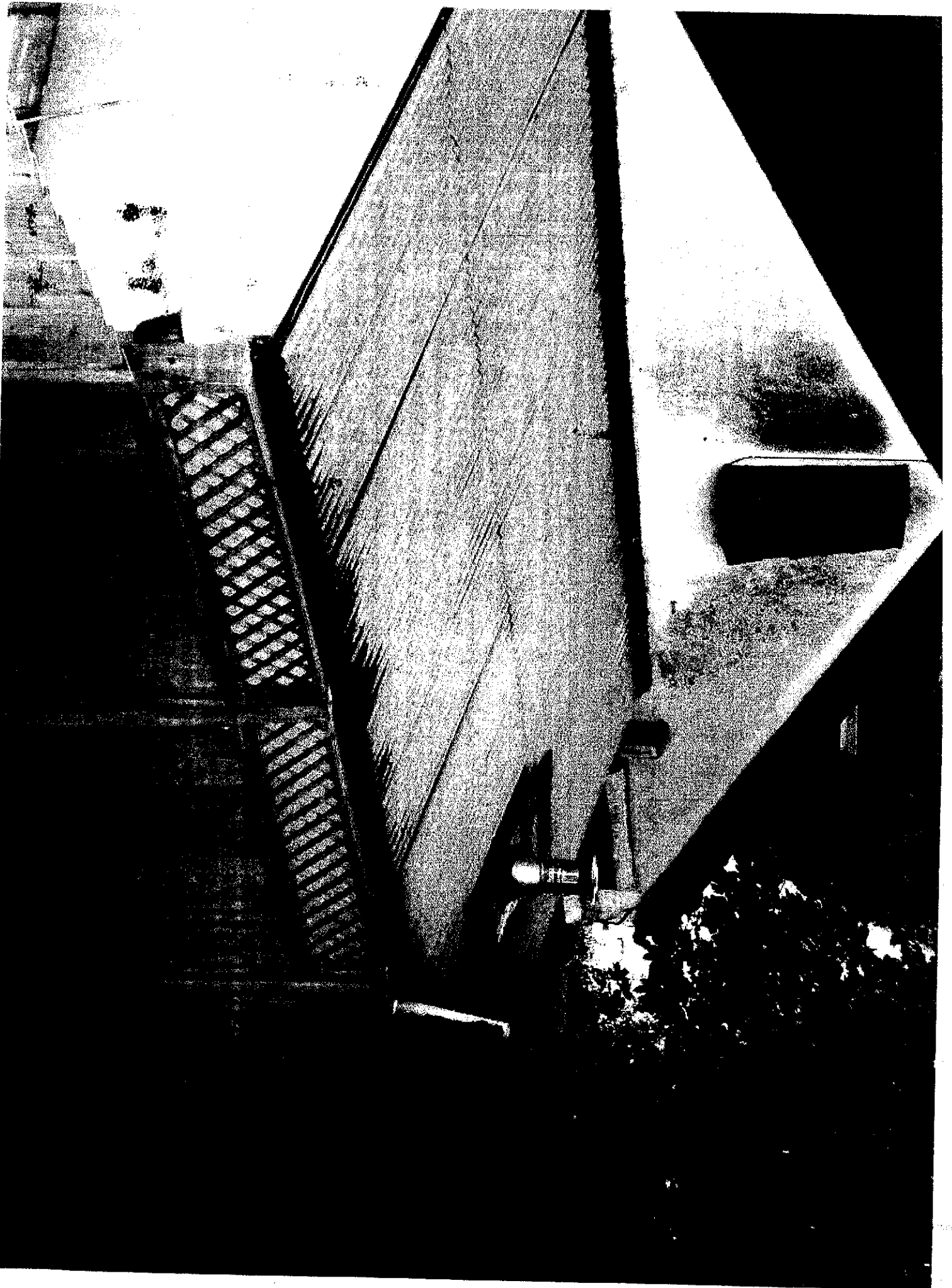
We have lived happily [REDACTED] the social club for the last 15 years, and have always accepted it as an important facility to the village where local people can congregate for a drink, to watch the England football team in action, to play bingo and occasionally to have music at traditional times of the year like Christmas and New Year. We would however add that not only can we clearly hear the music on these occasions we can also hear the compere and every Wednesday if we chose we could sit in our garden listening to the bingo caller and join in. The fabric of the property of the Whittlesford Social Club is almost 100 years old and in the lean to building where the music takes place has nothing but a corrugated tin roof and as this is at the rear of the building has been left to decline to a poor state of repair (I attach pictures accordingly). We have never complained about these intrusions as they are occasional and we believe beneficial to the fabric of our community.

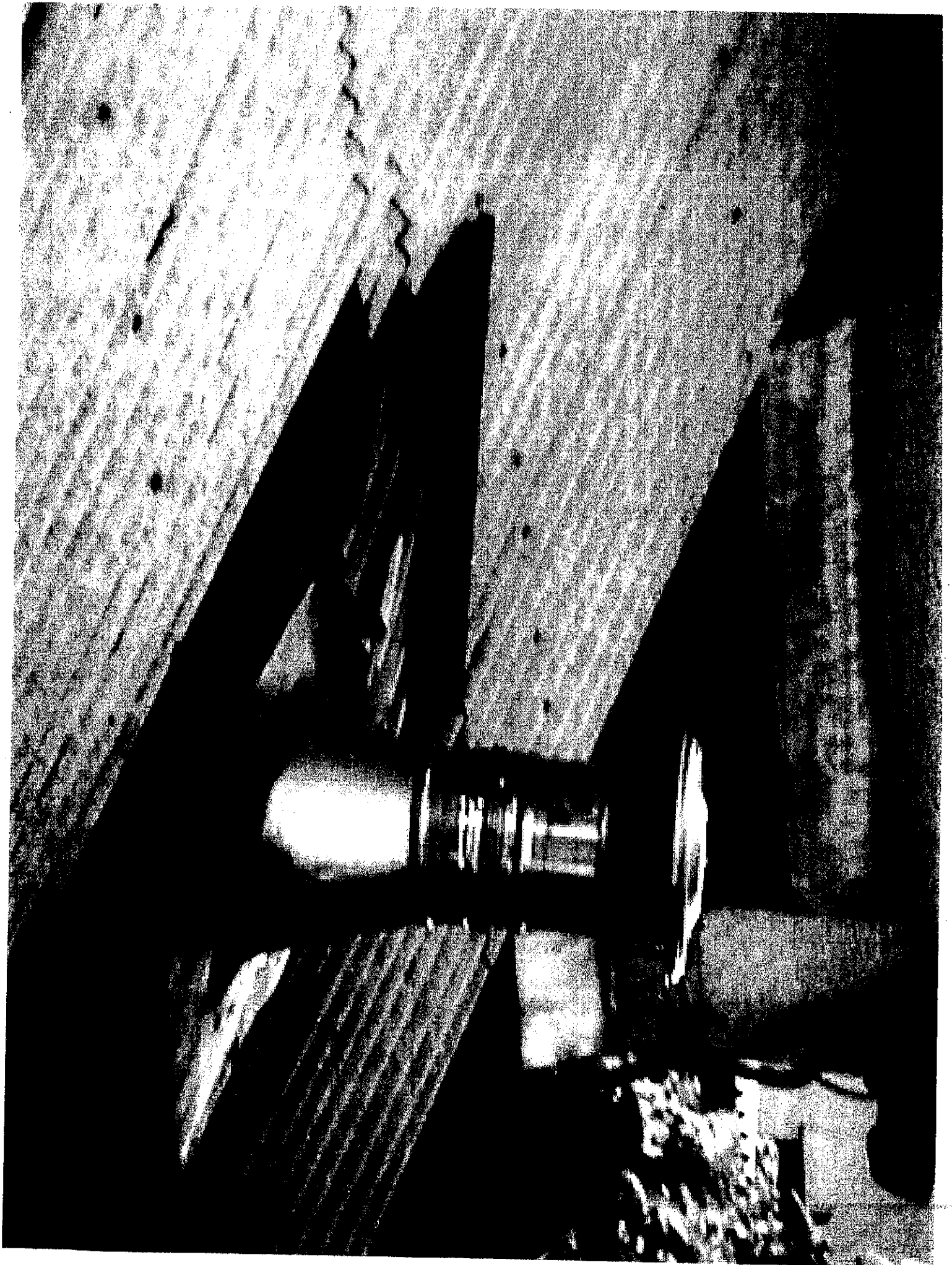
This application would however change this long established balance significantly. This is not conjecture as in the past the Social Club management team has operated outside the existing licence and for a period of time several years ago live music was played every Friday night, and this situation was becoming intolerable when fortunately it ceased after about six weeks. Regular live entertainments of any nature in this dated and wholly inadequate building would become intolerable and cause us a significant public nuisance. It is clear that the club's current management are attempting to change the nature of this licensed premises from a social facility for *local* people, to an entertainment venue targeting a wider geographical customer base, with recent events like wedding receptions (picture of party reveller attached) and live entertainment events for sporting clubs from other villages.

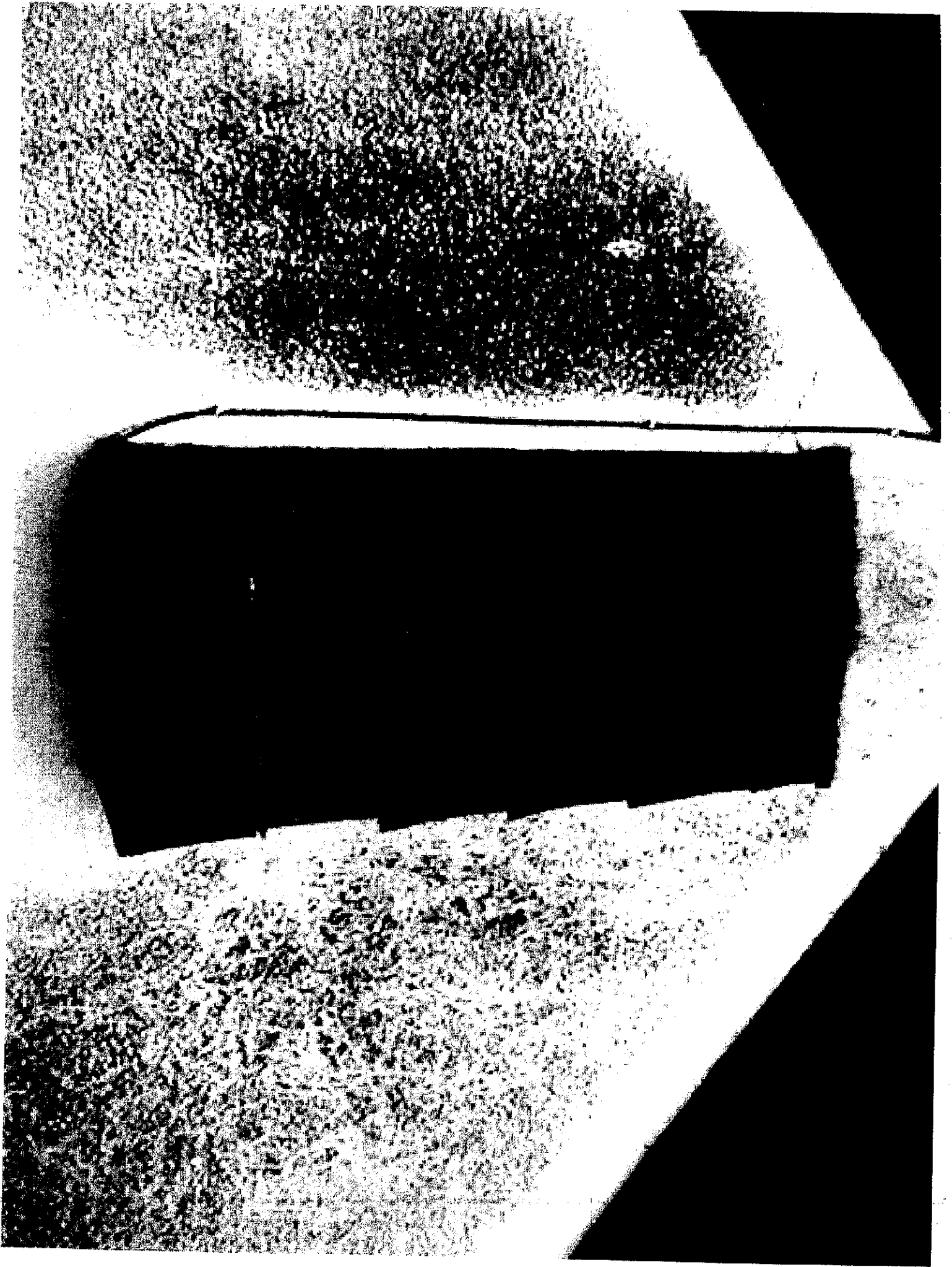
I would add as a member of the Memorial Hall redevelopment committee several years ago the Social Club was offered the opportunity to build a new purpose built club attached to the Memorial Hall which would have provided for a suitable building with appropriate sound attenuation measures and adequate parking facilities, an offer that they turned down. Remaining in the original building very close to many residential buildings their position is wholly unsuitable for the frequency of events that this license would allow. One of the factors in not moving to the new site may be the peppercorn rent that they currently pay, and therefore it is no argument that the cost of applying for TENS licenses (which by their own admission provide adequately for their current activities) is no good reason to be awarded a licence for unlimited events.

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South Cambs District Council
Licensing Section,
South Cambs Hall,
Cambourne Business Park,
Cambourne,
CB3 6EA

Chief Environmental
Health Office
14 SEP 2012
South Cambridgeshire
District Council

To whom it may concern,

We are writing in order to make an objection to the application by Whittlesford Social Club - Ref 022583 on the following grounds.

Privacy.

Our bedroom window [redacted] car parking/smoking area of the club and is clearly visible from this area. Any extra use of this area will in turn compromise our privacy even more.

Noise.

The current noise levels during the temporary events are high. This disrupts our sleep and comfort in our own home. Music is loud enough to be clearly heard inside the house even when the windows are closed. Any increase on this would have a great effect on our comfort in our own home. Music until past midnight on Christmas eve we felt was particularly inconsiderate towards neighbours with young children.

Health.

There is lack of sleep caused by levels of noise by people socialising outside the club and by loud music during temporary events. We cannot have our bedroom window open due to the cigarette smoke coming in; smoke levels increase if entertainment and drinking is allowed outside.

We have lived in the village for nearly a year (since October 2011) and the only problems we have experienced with the social club have been when drinking outside and loud music is permitted. We initially joined the social club when we first moved in. We were put off when we felt there was no consideration for neighbours when functions were being held at the club.

We understood that living [redacted] to a social club would mean some level of noise with customers coming and going, but were very shocked to experience the level of noise during events at the club. This was never allowed in a residential area of central London where we came from and we are concerned any licensing extensions to the status quo would become intolerable based on the above current issues.

We hope our concerns are taken into consideration.

Yours Faithfully,

[Redacted signature]

*On 14/09/12
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Whittlesford

14th September 2012

Application 022583 by Whittlesford Social Club

Dear Mr. Bebbington,

We are writing to you regarding the application by Whittlesford Social Club to extend licensed activities. We moved to Whittlesford in 2009 and as new village residents living [redacted] the Social Club felt unable to voice concerns about disturbance. After the Club withdrew its last license application in January 2011 we believed it inappropriate to then complain about ongoing disturbance. Now the Club has made this application we have to disclose what has been happening in front of our home since we moved in.

Application to Use Car Park for Licensed Activity

Due to the extremely close proximity of the club to its neighbours we object to the application to allow outside alcohol consumption, live or recorded music, in order to prevent public nuisance.

The club installed pub-seating for 28 in its front car park in 2010, and paved half to make a permanent drinks patio in 2011. The drinks patio is metres from homes, with virtually no noise barrier, and clubhouse walls reflect sound into homes. This introduction of an outdoor seating area has effectively transferred social club activity from inside to outside the clubhouse.

- Club members sit outside all year round and noise and swearing can be routinely heard inside our home e.g. 24.6.12 and 19.5.12.
- When TENS include outside alcohol consumption there is disturbance and swearing from the seating area and we are forced to stay inside e.g. 9.6.12.
- When there is disturbance from the seating area in summer our bedrooms facing the club with only one window for ventilation cannot be used.
- The club has no effective control over its outside area. Alcohol is still consumed unlicensed outside (e.g. 26.2.12 reported to police) and carried along the pavement.
- Noise including amplified music spills outside when the fire exit is routinely left open to provide easy access from the bar to drinks patio e.g. a TENS event on 9.6.12. This is despite the recent introduction of air conditioning.

Provided licensed activities are not permitted outside, most public nuisance caused by the club could be prevented if the drinks patio seating was not there.

Application to Extend Licensed Hours

The application to extend normal hours, including Christmas Eve till 1.30am is unacceptable, as it will cause further public nuisance.

- We frequently experience loss of sleep due to noise outside the club, both during regular unlicensed late opening prior to January 2011, and since then when the club closes after licensed hours e.g at 00.03am on 12.09.12, 00.44am on 10.3.12, 01.24am on 28.1.12.
- Outside noise and swearing last Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve kept neighbours awake till 12.30am on Christmas Day and 2.40am New Year's Day.

Application for Inside Live and Recorded Music

The clubhouse is not constructed to contain amplified music, which can be heard inside our home. Windows are left open during events even after the club recently installed air conditioning. Any license that permits routine amplified music inside will result in an ongoing public nuisance.

Outside Lighting

The Club has installed lighting on the clubhouse to illuminate the drinks patio and smoking shelter. A condition of the Club's prior smoking shelter planning approval was no lighting should be fixed to the shelter to safeguard the amenity of neighbours. This new lighting is a public nuisance that affects the amenity of neighbours and should be removed.

Access and Parking

Parking around the club is restricted as the High Street at this point is very narrow and easily congested. Visiting cars already park on corners and both sides of the road making it single file. How will club provide the additional parking this application requires without it causing a public nuisance?

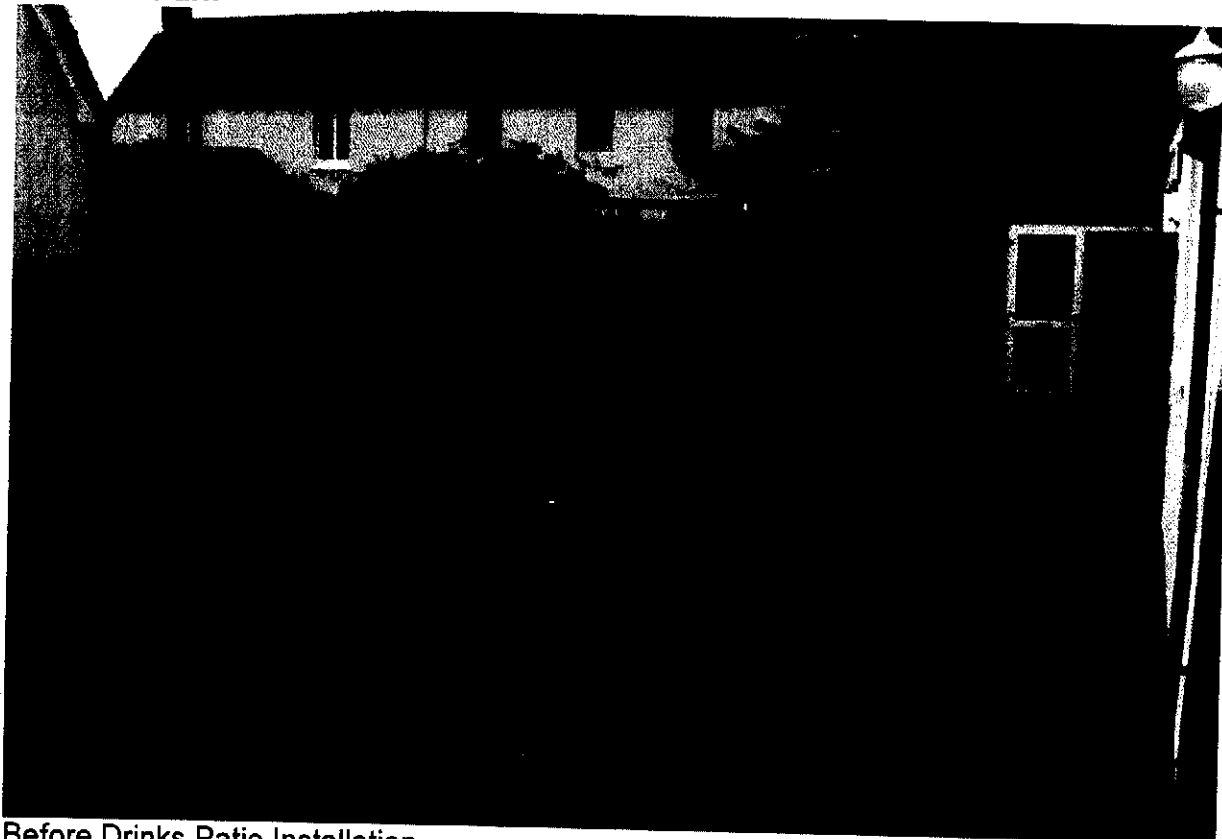
In summary, the Club is developing from a quiet village drinking spot into an indoor and outdoor entertainment venue. We and seven other immediate neighbouring homes of the Club approached it at the beginning of this year to discuss our concerns, and most recently on August 7th proposed a joint meeting with South Cambs Licensing and Environment, the Parish Council, and freeholder, to resolve all the neighbour and club issues. We received no reply to our proposal and instead the club filed this license application.

Thank you for taking our experiences into account and please do not hesitate to contact us for further information.

Yours sincerely,



Club Car Park



Before Drinks Patio Installation



After Drinks Patio installation

Lighting



Before planning application for permanent smoking shelter



New lighting after planning approval for permanent smoking shelter

Smoking Shelter Planning Approval

SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL
CAMBRIDGESHIRE

Form 4
Ref. S/0088/08F

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

PLANNING PERMISSION
SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS

TO: Keith A Strange
4 Farm Rise
Whittlesford
Cambridge
CB22 4LZ

The Council hereby grants permission for the Erection of a Replacement Smoking Shelter and Covered Storage Area

at Whittlesford Social Club, 14 High Street, Whittlesford
(for Whittlesford Social Club)

In accordance with your application dated 11th January 2008 and the plans, drawings and documents which form part of the application, subject to conditions set out below.

1. **The development hereby permitted shall be begun before the expiration of 3 years from the date of this permission.**
(Reason - To ensure that consideration of any future application for development in the area will not be prejudiced by permissions for development which have not been acted upon.)
2. **No development shall commence until details of the colour stain to be used for the timber clad walls of the smoking shelter and storage area have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority; the development shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details.**
(Reason - To ensure the development preserves the character and appearance of the Conservation Area.)
3. **No internal or external lighting shall be installed on the smoking shelter, hereby approved.**
(Reason - To safeguard the amenity of occupiers of the adjoining property.)

Informatives

Reasons for Approval

1. The development is considered generally to accord with the Development Plan and particularly the following policies:
 - a) Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Structure Plan 2003:
P1/3 (Sustainable Design in Built Development)
 - b) South Cambridgeshire Local Development Framework
Development Control Policies 2007:
DP/2 (Design of New Development)
DP/3 (Development Criteria)
CH/4 (Development Within the Curtilage or Setting of a Listed Building)
CH/5 (Conservation Areas)

Most recent correspondence between Social Club and immediate neighbours

CM

Update of Experience as Neighbours of Whittlesford Social Club

Tue, Aug 7, 2012 at 1:30 PM

Further to your telephone call to me mid-July, in response to our email below of May 18th, I have now been able to make contact with all the close neighbours of the Social Club listed below. We agree it is a good idea for a meeting to take place between the club and its neighbours, as we want to address the issues raised in our email below and any the club has too. We would be happy to do this if it includes representatives of all the stakeholders including the club and its neighbours, together with South Cambs licensing and environment, the freeholder, and Whittlesford Parish Council. This will take some coordination but provides the strongest opportunity for an agreed outcome. As mentioned below, we are ready to provide further detail regarding the issues we have raised as required.

With kind regards,

On Fri, May 18, 2012 at 6:00 [REDACTED] wrote:

Dear Chris,

Further to our last correspondence in February we, as immediate neighbours of the Social Club, have as promised summarised issues that affect us as club neighbours, and hope it gives you an understanding of how the club appears to us. Some of these relate to the club's license, others to its lease, and others to the club environment.

In summary, the nature of the club and its outside has changed substantially over the past couple of years, developing from a quiet indoor to a louder indoor/outdoor facility. This development took place without consultation with neighbours, unfortunately leading to the mistrust that was evident at the Parish Council meeting in January 2011. Since then the club has worked to address some issues, for which we are very grateful, but continued to develop its outside facilities without neighbour consultation.

Having collated these issues together we believe they can be resolved between the club and us and the other stakeholders, and have copied this summary to other relevant parties for assistance. We have also outlined why we believe the club should not reapply to vary its existing license, as you have indicated this is your intention.

We look forward to the club resolving these issues and can provide further detail by email or meeting as required.

Yours sincerely,

Licensing officer

[REDACTED] Whittlesford, Cambs,

Telephone: [REDACTED]

Re Whittlesford Social Club Application 022583

Dear Sirs

I wish to object to this application on the following grounds:

The playing of live and recorded music and other entertainment outdoors and indoors in such a small place with out sound proofing is very disturbing.

The extent of longer drinking hours which gets out of hand, causes foul language and fighting and is coupled with cars racing off down the High Street.

I am prepared to tolerate the existing TEN's events, although they disturb me, however would object to any extension of licensed activity.

Yours faithfully

[REDACTED SIGNATURE]

ON 13/9/12

Chief Environmental
Health Office
13 SEP 2012
South Cambridgeshire
District Council

Whittlesford

Phone: [REDACTED] ~ Email: [REDACTED]

South Cambs District Council
Licensing Section
South Cambs Hall
Cambourne Business Park
Cambourne CB3 6EA

6 September 2012

Chief Environmental
Health Office
14 SEP 2012
South Cambridgeshire
District Council

*on 14/9/12
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Dear Sirs,

Ref: Application by Whittlesford Social Club, 14 High Street, Whittlesford CB22 4LT:

Extension to licensing hours and to permit live and recorded music+ consumption of alcohol OUTSIDE the premises -<http://licensing.scambs.gov.uk/protected/wca/publicRegisterLicActPremisesLevel3.jsp>

We are very supportive of the Whittlesford Social Club and happy that they might want to extend their opening hours - **but not out of doors**. Therefore we wish to object to their Licence being extended to include either/both the consumption of alcohol and/or permitting live/ recorded music outside of the club building - on **NUISANCE** and **SAFETY** grounds.

Safety and Nuisance concerns would both apply to extending **permitted day time** as well as **night-time** use of the outdoor areas of the Club's High Street frontage (especially if this entails total loss of any off street-parking, currently still available in original car-parking/delivery area outside the club which has already been limited by the Smoking shelter and existing outdoor seating/tables.

The issues of parking, congestion and road safety in High Street are already matters of extreme community concern – especially the impact of customers discouraged from using the shop/PO; problems for pedestrians with prams, wheelchairs and mobility scooters because of cars parking on pavements, and danger, especially for children, from limited visibility around parked vehicles; difficulties with deliveries and larger vehicles in general which necessarily have to use High Street, and (as highlighted last time licensing issues were raised in the village) considerable concern that there had already been an incident when an ambulance was impeded by evening parking and the risk at any time that congestion might prevent or delay access by emergency vehicles, especially the fire services, to this central conservation area containing the bulk of the village's most significant thatched and other listed buildings.

The **safety of children** especially could be an issue if there is extended/encouraged use of outdoor areas which are completely open to the street. (The current advertisement for the Social Club indicates that families with children are welcome until 9pm- but this presumably means largely indoors and supervised, as the limited existing outside seating is close to the Club entrance.)

All the above factors give rise to likely nuisance and questions about acceptability/ appropriateness for users of High Street and the village generally, and not just nearby residents. However, the greatest cause of nuisance would be that of noise out of doors and especially later in the evening, and this, and other nuisance (already experienced in the past) regarding language and behaviour is particularly difficult to quantify and monitor, whilst increased lighting to address potential additional safety/security risks at night can be an additional nuisance and issue itself.

We would see ourselves as fair neighbours of the Club and considerate members of the village community – and we sympathise with the dilemma of the Club's **location**. This means close proximity to numerous homes - including many vulnerable listed buildings, in the heart of the

main village conservation area - and to its only shop. High Street is the key or only access to numerous properties and developments and the only route for pedestrians to the school, the Lawn, churches, Sawston paths/cycleway and Memorial Hall for what is the parish's largest cluster of population, west of the Guildhall junction. And this presents almost insoluble problems regarding parking and congestion – especially as increasing the Club's viability inevitably involves attracting more clientele from further than merely convenient walking distance away.

We sympathise, too, that 'applying for everything in one fell swoop' makes life considerably easier – and cheaper - for the Club - than having to apply separately for what would probably actually expect to they be a pretty limited number of 'special events' when the extension to hours and to both consumption and music outside would actually be exercised. However, this would be the only compromise solution we would find acceptable – **applications for individual 'special licenses'** on a limited total number of specified occasions a year, with specific conditions as to hours/respect for neighbours, noise and parking – but above all NOTICE - of such proposed events (with an opportunity to comment) - both to prepare neighbours for nuisance AND to alert emergency services to possibility of increased difficulties in access. We would fear that without this sort of condition, and despite good intentions and assurances by the current management, if general permission were granted, live and recorded music outside the club premises and consumption of alcohol outside could gradually escalate to the point where nuisance and relationships between the club and neighbours would 'split' the community.

Finally, we are most concerned about the **TMING OF THIS APPLICATION**. Apart from the atypical, indeed, exceptionally poor, weather, of the previous few months minimising the likelihood of any problems which were experienced in the past, **the first fortnight of September** is a peak holiday favourite for those without school-age children (a majority of Whittlesford residents) so many - like ourselves - would be unable to comment even if they learnt about the application in time. Much more significantly, it means that (with short daylight hours and expected climate) for at least the next SIX MONTHS it is extremely unlikely that these outdoor licensing extensions and their impact would really be tested. Therefore **we would object strongly** to any provisional or 'probationary' period which did not embrace the summer months as well as Easter/Spring holiday periods.

As far as exercising out rights to be informed about and comment on significant licensing applications that affect us – and about which we have registered concerns and objections in the past (albeit, the applicants actually withdrew a previous similar application some 18 months or so ago on hearing views of the community at a public, parish-council arranged meeting) – we are concerned that having just heard by email from a fellow Whittlesford Society committee member (about to go on holiday herself) that this application had been made, it seems our only realistic way of registering a comment is also by email as we have been in Spain since the August Bank Holiday and will not return till the last week of September. Obviously we are unable to attend both the Parish Council Meeting on Tuesday 11 September or to ensure written submission to SCDC Licensing Department before 15 September.

We are therefore sending this by attachment to emails of both the Parish Clerk, Ian Skellern, and to our South Cambs District Councillor, Peter Topping with the request that it is included with submissions to yourselves within the prescribed time limit for comment.

Yours faithfully

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Re: Planning application
by Whittlesford Social
Club

Whittlesford

Chief Environmental
Health Office
13 SEP 2012
South Cambridgeshire
District Council

11th September 2012

Dear Sir/Madam,

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As you can see, we are
residents of [redacted], Whittlesford and
our house in [redacted] to the
Whittlesford Social Club we understand
that the club has applied for permission
to extend its license to allow consumption
of alcohol outside its premises at all
times together with an extension to
allow live and recorded music to be
played outside as well as inside the club

My husband and I would like to object to such permission being granted as we will be directly affected by an increased level of noise from the club. I understand that the club already has a Temporary Event Notice to enable it to pursue these activities on 12 occasions per year, and we consider that this is already a compromise on the part of the club's immediate neighbours.

Please register our objection to this application.

Yours faithfully,



Chief Environmental
Health Office
13 SEP 2012
South Cambridgeshire
District Council

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Whittlesford

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TEL [REDACTED]

12/09/12

The Licensing Section
South Cambridgeshire District Council
Cambourne Business Park
Cambourne CB3 6EA

Dear Sir or Madam

Open Application 022583 - Whittlesford Social Club

I am concerned that Whittlesford Social Club has submitted this application and am objecting on the grounds of "Public Nuisance".

Prior to the Club's recent efforts to adhere to the terms of its license, members assembled and drank in the outside car park, which resulted in noise, swearing and disruption late into the night and, on occasions, the early hours of the morning. If the application is granted this level of noise in the parking area could occur night after night, once again making life intolerable for those living in the immediate vicinity of the club.

The smoking shelter, which is clearly visible [REDACTED], is situated in close proximity to my house. Should the application for outside late drinking be granted, it will be almost impossible to sleep in the bedroom at the back of my home. In fact, when my little Grand-daughter attempted to do so on 23rd March this year, she was kept awake and frightened by shouting and breaking glass.

Permitting live and recorded music every day and night would expose the neighbourhood to an unbearable level of noise, out of keeping with the atmosphere expected in the heart of a Cambridgeshire village.

I understand that the terms of the lease require the Social Club to give consideration to the immediate neighbours. The very act of making this application to extend its licensed premises, licensing hours and licensed activities to include live and recorded music, demonstrates, in my opinion, that they have little respect for their neighbours or the requirements of their lease.

Yours faithfully

[REDACTED] (Email [REDACTED])

on 12/09/12
J. [Signature]

Stallabrass Juli

From: [REDACTED] >
Sent: 12 September 2012 15:40
To: Stallabrass Juli
Cc: Bebbington Myles
Subject: Open Application 22583 - Whittlesford Social Club

We want to express our opposition to any further extension of The Whittlesford Social Club opening hours and to any activity -- such as music, dancing, and drinking out of doors -- that would result in outdoor noise, on the grounds that it constitutes a public nuisance.

The Social Club is already the cause of anti-social levels of noise in the residential neighbourhood surrounding it, which constitutes a public nuisance. Members cars routinely park on the corner of Maynards and along the High Street, which is dangerous and affects public safety.

We would oppose on these grounds any permissions that would increase the impact of the Social Club on the neighbourhood.

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Tel: [REDACTED]

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Health Office
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F.A.O. Mr Myles Bebbington
Licensing Department
South Cambs District Council
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Chief Environmental
Health Office
13 SEP 2012
South Cambridgeshire
District Council

8th September 2012

Dear Sirs,

Re: Open Application 022583 – Whittlesford Social Club

We wish to object to the application for the following reasons relating to Public Nuisance:

- Our home is a few [REDACTED] from the club premises and any outside activities have an adverse effect on our quality of life. We already have to keep windows closed at the front (during events) to avoid passive smoking.
- We have already experienced what life would be like if this licence was granted. In 2010 the social club allowed its members to sit outside drinking even though they held no licence for this activity. The level of noise and the foul language was intolerable. It commenced in the afternoon and went on to the early hours, depriving us of a proper night's sleep.
- After an extraordinary Parish Council meeting, where the social club were made aware of the extent of unrest their activities were having on the village residents, they agreed to withdraw their last application and cease outside drinking. It was also agreed that they would liaise with neighbouring residents, so a happy medium could be reached. As residents we have tried to do this, the clubs answer was to enter this new application without any further consultations.
- When 'Tens' notices are granted for live music, etc, the noise is so loud, we are forced to sit in our kitchen (at the back of our home) and cannot sleep until the club closes:
 - a) Due to the fabric of the building being unsuitable for amplified music
 - b) Windows and doors are constantly left wide open
 - c) Members outside the building becoming louder and swearing as the evening progresses.
 - d) Members not vacating quietly but shouting, slamming doors and revving engines

We would like to add that after the Parish Council meeting the club did mostly stop unlicensed outside drinking, unless there was a 'Tens' notice granted and we were reminded of just how bad it can be (refer to attached list) and there were occasions when there were no 'Tens' in place and they carried on outside regardless of neighbours (refer to attached list).

We can accept and tolerate the twelve 'Tens' notices per year (if they finish at a reasonable time) but any additions, especially outside the building would make life intolerable and not only change the character of the social club but also the character of our village.

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Re: Open Application – 022583 – Whittlesford Social Club – Contd:

We have lived in the village for thirteen and a half years and never complained until the activities were moved from inside the building to the outside car park. We believe that if the outside seating was removed, as this promotes routine public nuisance and all outside activities cease, plus sound proofing installed in the building, a happy co existence could be achieved.

Yours Sincerely



Addendum –Open Application 022583 – Whittlesford Social Club

Complaints to:

South Cambs District Council – Environmental Health Dept – Noise line

- Christmas Eve 2010 - Screaming, shouting, swearing, loud music until the early hours of Christmas day
- New Years Eve 2010 - Screaming, shouting, swearing, loud music until the early hours of New Years day (3 am +)
- Christmas Eve 2011 – As above
- New Years Eve 2011 – As above
- Easter 2012 – As above
- Sunday Lunch time – 26th February – Screaming, shouting, swearing, and drinking outside without a licence to do so. (Reported by a neighbour to the police line 101)

There has also been fighting outside the club, we did not telephone to complain. I'm afraid we left it to others to make a complaint. Social Club fencing was damaged as a result, the noise was very alarming.

[REDACTED], WHITTLESFORD [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

10 September 2012

Chief Environmental
Health Office
11 SEP 2012
South Cambridgeshire
District Council

Dear Sirs

**Whittlesford Social Club, High Street, Whittlesford –
Premises Application 022583**

I understand that the Whittlesford Social Club has applied

- 1 to extend its licensed opening hours
- 2 to extend its license to allow consumption of alcohol outside
- 3 to extend its license to allow live and recorded music inside and outside

My only comment on (1) is that there are already problems with parking and that extending the licensing hours is likely to exacerbate these.

(2) is inappropriate for a site in the middle of the High Street surrounded by houses, since drinking outside is likely to grow noisy.

(3) is completely and utterly inappropriate for a small site in the middle of the High Street surrounded by houses. It simply isn't realistic to make such a proposal which will offend all those living around – and those walking in the street as well. I hope that the Club can be dissuaded from such a hugely contentious idea.

Yours sincerely

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South Cambridgeshire District Council
Licensing Section
South Cambridgeshire Hall,
Cambourne Business Park,
Cambourne, Cambridge, CB23 6EA

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Officer
South Cambs District Council Licensing Section
South Cambs Hall
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Cambourne CB3 6EA

Chief Environmental
Health Office
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South Cambridgeshire
District Council

Dear Sirs

Re: Application by Whittlesford Social Club to extend its Licensed Premises, Licensed Activities and Opening hours.

My name is [Redacted] and I am the owner of [Redacted]
[Redacted] Whittlesford [Redacted]

My property is a neighbour to the Whittlesford Social club.

I understand an application has been submitted to extend the activity of the club as described above.

I write to request a refusal to this application on the grounds of a loss of residential amenity to the surrounding properties.

The property is surrounded by residential properties and any increase in hours and/or intensification of use would effect the enjoyment of the residents in the locality.

Also, the surrounding highway network is compromised and already on popular nights, the surrounding roads are congested with the result that [Redacted] operates as a single lane road.

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Furthermore, the Village is characterised by an aging population and a working population. It seems inappropriate to allow the intensification of a use which allows further late night activity over and above the already approved hours and number of events that would compromise the everyday chosen lifestyle of the majority of the villagers.

Any surplus request for events in the village can be directed to the Village Hall which has been provided for exactly that reason.

I understand the Club already benefits from up to 12 Temporary Event Notices per year which seems more than adequate for a small local village social club.

I can see no justification to extend the licensed opening hours beyond that currently licensed, as this would seem inappropriate for a 'Village' Social Club.

I can see no justification to allow the consumption of alcohol outside the property due to the central location of the Club and its position amongst many residential properties.

I can see no justification to allow live /recorded music inside and outside the Social Club due to the above reasons.

Yours faithfully

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Whittlesford [REDACTED]
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Email [REDACTED]

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Cambourne Business Park
Cambourne CB3 6EA

Chief Environmental
Health Office
- 7 SEP 2012
South Cambridgeshire
District Council

5th September 2012

Dear Sirs

Open Application 022583 – Whittlesford Social Club

We wish to object to this application on the following grounds:

1. The performance of live and recorded music and other entertainment outdoors will cause a level of noise and disruption out of keeping with a small village High Street, and is planned to extend to times when most residents are asleep, or trying to sleep.
2. The current indoor entertainment, covered by TENs, already causes considerable disruption, but is limited to a maximum of twelve events per year. We are prepared to tolerate this level.
3. The extent of "premises" is unclear from the application notice. If the application is intended to cover drinking outside of the club building, we object strongly. When outside drinking did take place previously (prior to the club being reminded of its licence limits), the noise and foul language was totally unacceptable.

Yours faithfully

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Copies to:

Whittlesford Parish Council,
Mr Peter Topping, District Councillor for Whittlesford

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South Cambs District Council
Licensing Section
South Cambs Hall
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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to object to the planning application, certificate number 022583, by Whittlesford Social Club to extend its licensed activities and opening hours on the basis that the site is located in the heart of a residential area in a small village. In particular I strongly object to the application to extend its license to allow live/recorded music inside and outside since many families in the immediate vicinity have young children who would inevitably be disturbed by loud noise emanating from the club. A small village with a population of a few thousand people has no need or requirement for a facility that can play live/recorded music inside and outside from 7:30 pm to 11:30 pm on Mondays and Tuesdays, 10:00 am to 11:30 pm on Wednesdays through to Saturdays, and 10:00 am to 10:30 pm on Sundays. This begs the question who will this club end up serving – certainly not the vast majority of the residents of Whittlesford.

I also object to the application to extend its license to allow consumption of alcohol outside the premises since this could lead to increased noise and alcohol-related disturbances in full view of the High Street.

I would also like the council to carefully consider why the club is trying to do so much in just one planning application. For example, is it hoping to get one of the extensions through by deflecting all the objections to the application to allow live/recorded music all year round which is clearly unacceptable.

Yours faithfully,

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**THE LICENSING ACT 2003
REPRESENTATION FORM FOR "RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY"**

Please delete as applicable: Environmental Pollution

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| Your name Job Title | John Wilson Divisional Environmental Health Officer South Cambridgeshire District Council |
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| Name of Premises you are making a representation about: | Whittlesford Social Club |
| Address of the premises you are making a representation about: | 14, High Street, Whittlesford Cambridgeshire CB22 4LT |

This section is about your representation/s. They must relate to one or more of the Licensing Objectives. Please detail the evidence supporting your representation, (under the relevant headings) and the reason for your representation/s. *It is important that you detail all matters that you wish to be considered. (Use additional sheets if necessary). Regulations provide that in considering representations the authority may take into account documentary or other information produced by the party either before the hearing or, with the consent of all parties, at the hearing. Please use additional blank paper if required*

The prevention of crime and disorder
n/a

Chief Environmental
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The prevention of public nuisance

I would object to the granting of this licence for outside drinking and entertainment up to 23.30hrs. The Social Club is surrounded by houses and the use of the outside area of these premises for such functions would be likely to cause a nuisance both by music and people talking loudly.

Public Safety

n/a

Protection of Children from harm

n/a

Suggested conditions that could be added to the licence to remedy your representations, or other suggestions you would like the licensing authority to take into account. Please use separate sheets where necessary.

I do not support the application however, I would suggest that the appropriate use of TENs maybe a better solution for the entertainment to be provided in this quiet residential area.

However, if the committee decides to issue a premise Licence I would suggest that the following condition are considered for the indoor use of the premises:

1. Musical Events held at the Club shall be conditioned to a maximum of 12 per Year.
2. 2 Weeks advance notice of each Event shall either be displayed at the Club in a position visible to Members of the Public or placed in the village magazine that is delivered to every household.
3. All doors and windows to the Hall and the outside lobby door shall be kept closed (except for ingress and egress) during licensed entertainment events.
4. Noise from Musical Events shall not be audible to an Officer of the District Council inside neighbours houses with their windows shut.
5. The Steward or an Officer of the Club shall make regular outside neighbourhood visits to the Club to ensure that these conditions are being met.
6. Bottles and other refuse shall not be placed in outside receptacles between 2300-0800hr.
7. A clear, prominent and legible notice shall be placed adjacent to all exits requesting patrons to respect the needs of local residents and to leave the premises and the area quietly.

If the licensing authority considers that relevant representations are made the licensing team will consider arranging a mediation meeting between the relevant parties (if all agree) to try and reach a settlement. If this informal process is unsuccessful a hearing before the Licensing Sub Committee will follow, unless the interested parties withdraw their representations.

All representations in their entirety, including your name and address will be disclosed to the applicant for the premises licence.

Please return this form along with any additional sheets to:

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Please delete as applicable: Children's Services / Health & Safety / Environmental Pollution / Fire / Planning / Police / Trading Standards

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| Your name | PS 7 Sandra Davidson |
| Job Title | South Cambridgeshire Neighbourhood Sergeant. |
| Postal Address (inc post code) | Sawston Police Station 4, Cambridge Road, Sawston CB22 3DG |
| Contact telephone number: | 01223 497601 |
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The prevention of crime and disorder
See below

The prevention of public nuisance

The concern is that the club have requested a variation of their club premises certificate extending the licensed area to include the parking area. If granted they will be able to have live and recorded music playing outside the premises in the parking area. The club have set a 21:00hours deadline for use of the parking area, but once licensed they may seek temporary extensions for organised events.

This must be taken in the context that these premises are surrounded by people's homes , and a number of nearby residents have complained in the past because of noise from the premises. The

extension of the licensed area to include the parking area negates the effect of improving sound proofing by keeping windows and doors closed.

There is a strong likelihood that outdoor events with associated noise from music and talking ranging from normal conversation to shouting, will cause a nuisance to residents and affect their quality of life. This may result in confrontations between angry residents and club members leading to public disorder.

For the above reasons the Police believe that granting an extension of the licensed area to include the parking area is likely to have a negative effect on the promotion of one or more of the following licensing objectives namely: Crime and disorder and Public Nuisance.

Public Safety

N/A

Protection of Children from harm

N/A

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Limit the licensed area to the club house.

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Sandra Davidson PS7 28/8/2012
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