

Mardi Gras Hotel Licence Application Supplementary Evidence

Objection from Iain Ferguson

Claim: I would support a licence for residents and guests

Counter-claim: We already have this and shows no attempt to research before objecting

Claim: The issues with Fernlea

Counter-claim: This has nothing to do with us, and we are not applying for a public licence in the same vein as The Fernlea has theirs. It is not fair to punish others over their issues.

Claim: No matter what the intentions are, why is there a need for a public licence?

Counter-claim: Allegedly, most Lord Street businesses has members of the public in on the quiet, and non-one does things above board, we wanted to do it legally and above board and be able to invite selected members of the public in for bar meals etc.

Claim: The public visit for residential use and not open to the public.

Counter-claim: The owner of Moores is adjoined to Trades Hotel that has a lot more rooms than Mardi Gras and indeed is open to the public 24 hours, he is across a busy road and well away from mardi Gras, so why the double standards?

Claim: Noise echoes

Counter-claim: He claims that the invited guests from Mardi Gras will make more noise than the constant comings and goings in Trades Hotel adjoining him? Non-sense

Claim: Some local hotels have had their licences reviews for excessive noise.

Counter claim: We wholeheartedly agree that indeed hotels and bars should have a yearly review and sanctions where appropriate, like a driving licence scheme, points based system, I am disabled and do NOT want THAT sort of clientele.

Claim: I would suggest a limit of 12 midnight be imposed for the outside area terrace and cctv too.

Counter-claim: We have installed wide angle cctv cameras at the door and both ends of the terrace of Mardi Gras that show both sides of Lord Street and is recorded 24 hours a day. We have already agreed with Environmental Heath to go even further and close the terrace for drinking and socialising at 10pm

