



51 Victoria Road  
Mortimer Common  
Berkshire  
RG7 3SL

Licensing  
West Berkshire District Council  
Market Street  
Newbury  
RG14 5LD

19 December 2012

Dear Sirs,

**Application no. 12/02003/LQN**

I have lived opposite the Victoria Arms for thirty years, even longer than Mr Philbert has been the licensee of the premises.

During this time there have been numerous nights when live music has been played. I am not aware if Mr Philbert's licence covered these sessions.

During this time I have only on one occasion had to request that the sound be lowered and without hesitation the music was turned off.

I recognise that the music is important to Mr Philbert's business but it must be tempered with allowing neighbours reasonable late night peace.

The music can be heard, particularly when the doors are opened to the smoking area outside. In summer they and the windows are left open. It then becomes very noisy.

I therefore ask that the application, as worded, be rejected but would have no objection if the hours were amended to Monday to Thursday and Sunday: from 12:00 to 23:00 and Friday & Saturday: 12:00 to 24:00.

Yours faithfully 

PS: It should also be noted that after closing time it is often noisy, sometimes for quite a while, before the drinkers finally disperse. The later this occurs, the more annoying.