

Barrowford & Western Parishes Committee Update Report 8th March, 2018

17/0672/FUL – Land to the South West of Churchill Way, Brierfield

Response received by LLFA – no objection recommends appropriate drainage condition be added to any grant of approval.

Recommendation to approve still stands with updated drainage condition.

18/0031/VAR – 79/81 Gisburn Road, Barrowford

Comments received from PBC Environmental Health objecting to the proposed extension of hours on the basis that complaints have been received relating to noise and these have been investigated. The main issue has been music emanating through the party wall. Complaints also indicated noise due to patrons inside and outside the premises, taxis staff using bottle bins at late hours, people smoking at the front and people smoking at the rear.

Given that the premises is attached to a residential property, increasing the hours of operation, would in my opinion, exacerbate the issues raised above. Some issues, for example the volume of music from the premises, can be dealt with via Statutory Nuisance Legislation. Other issues, such as patron volume, patrons smoking, patrons entering and leaving, taxis, staff entering and leaving are very difficult to deal with using this Legislation and I feel that the increase in operational hours would lead to further complaints.

Three further comments received in support of the application on the following grounds:

- The business is growing from strength to strength with the new experienced management team in place;
- The extension will mean a natural end to the night rather than all leaving at once;
- It will attract more customers to Barrowford and put Barrowford hospitality on the map;
- We have a business next door and have found The Lounge a great addition to our clients and day to day in the salon;
- Both the back and front are always tidy and both the owner and management are on top of this every day;
- We have never had any issues with noise and support The Lounge and think them moving forward with their business only has a positive effect on other shops and people in the village; and
- Scruples supports the application so long as the order and cleanliness they have so far upheld continues.

If minded to approve Members could attach additional conditions relating to the control of hours for music and noise limiters.

Recommendation to approve still stands.

18/0035/FUL – 79/81 Gisburn Road, Barrowford

If minded to approve Members could attach a waste management condition requiring details of waste storage and management to be submitted and agreed.

Recommendation to approve still stands.