

Appendix D

Draft EP licence conditions 15.06.18- Rhythms of the World, Hitchin

1. The premises licence holder shall appoint a suitably qualified and experienced noise consultant who is a member of the Institute of Acoustics and/or the Association of Noise Consultants to produce and fully implement a noise management plan for the event. The Licensing Authority and Council's Noise Control Officer shall be advised of the name and contact details of this person/company no later than three (3) months prior to the commencement of the event. This timescale shall remain in place unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Council's Noise Control Officer.

2. (a) A noise management plan shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Council's Noise Control Officer no later than six (6) weeks prior to the commencement of the event. The plan shall include, but not be limited to, the following unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Council's Noise Control Officer:

- (i) details of all music sources and other significant noise sources within the licensed area including a site plan of their location and orientation;
- (ii) a background noise survey, if requested by the Council's Noise Control Officer;
- (iii) comprehensive sound level predictions at noise sensitive locations based on the type of event proposed within the licensed area;
- (iv) a scheme designed to minimise the impact of noise from the event to noise sensitive premises;
- (v) specification of appropriate noise criteria that shall be achieved during the event;
- (vi) details of the how noise levels will be monitored, communicated and managed at the event and by whom, including on-site and off-site noise monitoring schedules and locations and the procedure for reducing noise levels if the noise criteria are exceeded;
- (vii) details of proposed sound tests, rehearsals and noise propagation tests, the dates and timings of which are to be agreed in writing by the Council's Noise Control Officer;
- (viii) details of a dedicated 24 hour telephone complaint line and the procedure for dealing with noise complaints received about the event;
- (ix) a scheme designed to notify occupiers of nearby noise sensitive premises, including information on the nature, date and timings of the event (including sound testing) and the dedicated telephone complaint line number.

Only in exceptional circumstances will the premises licence holder request a reduction in the timescale for compliance with this condition and it shall only be granted if the Council's Noise Control Officer confirms the revised timescale in writing.

(b) Where the requirements of condition 2(a) have been met, if there are any subsequent proposed changes to the event which may impact on noise following the approval of the noise management plan, the premises licence holder shall ensure their noise consultant liaises with the Council's Noise Control Officer to ascertain if any additional measures, noise predictions or noise criteria are required. If the Council's Noise Control Officer or the premises licence holder's noise consultant determines that additional measures are required they will form part of the revised noise management plan.

(c) In addition, no changes to the noise management plan will be permitted in the period commencing seven (7) days prior to the commencement of the event.

(d) If the noise management plan is not approved in writing by the Council's Noise Control Officer, their requirements will form part of the noise management plan.

3. The premises licence holder shall ensure the Licensing Authority and the Council's Noise Control Officer shall have access to the results of any noise monitoring at all times.

4. The premises licence holder shall ensure that a post event report is provided to the Licensing Authority and the Council's Noise Control Officer no later than thirty-one (31) days after the event. This timescale shall remain in place unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Council's Noise Control Officer. The report shall include the results of all noise monitoring carried out during the event indicating whether or not compliance to all the noise criteria was achieved, details of all noise complaints received and any remedial action taken to minimise noise disturbance off site.

5. A waste management plan designed to minimise the impact of litter associated with the event must be submitted to and approved by the Council's Environmental Protection Team no later than six (6) weeks prior to the commencement of the event. The premises licence holder shall ensure that the measures agreed in the plan are fully implemented. This timescale shall remain in place unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Council's Environmental Protection Team.