

Operational Statement

Address: The Willaim Hardwicke
12 High Street
Bognor Regis
PO21 1SR

The following statement includes details of the Noise Control Plan for the above venue

1. Context

- 1.1. Star Pubs & Bars plan to run The William Hardwicke as they currently do, a pub with outdoor seating and a rear beer garden. Our plan is to offer high quality food alongside a premium driks offering, including our own awa-winning beers. The pub will also continue to serve as a valuable community asset and will continue to engae and support the community.

2. Music & Entertainment

- 2.1. Recorded music will be played at background levels on a day to day basis and from the current speaker and PA system in the pub.
- 2.2. Live music will, on occasion, be played inside the business (as current) with no proposed changes to the frequency of music.
- 2.3. When live entertainment is happening inside the business all windows and doors will be closed to control noise as per the current arrangement.
- 2.4. Music will only be played during licensed hours.
- 2.5. No background music is to be played in the garden day to day.

3. Doors & Windows

- 3.1. All external doors will be closed while live music is being played internally.

4. Extraction & Air-Conditioning

- 4.1. All mechanical units (kitchen extraction and air-conditioning will be turned off outside licensed hours.

5. Deliveries & Collections

- 5.1. General deliveries to the premises will not take place between 23:00 and 07:00 the following day.
- 5.2. Beer deliveries to the premises will not take place between 23:00 and 07:00 the following day.
- 5.3. Refuse will not be moved from the pub to bin store between 23:00 and 07:00 the following day.
- 5.4. Refuse will not be collected from the bin store between 23:00 and 07:00 the following day.

6. Signage

- 6.1. Notices shall be displayed requesting patrons to respect the needs of local residents and to leave the premises quietly.

7. Closing Procedure

- 7.1. The garden will close at 00:00.
- 7.2. The management team will remind patrons to leave the premises quietly.

Licensed Hours: Monday to Wednesday 11:30 to 00:00, Thursday to Saturday 11:30 to 02:00
Sunday & Bank Holidays 11:30 to 00:00.

[End]

8. Extraction & Air-Conditioning

"HIGH STREET 5401 (North Side) ----- Sussex Hotel SZ 9399 SE 4/8 II 2. Circa 1830. 2 storeys and basement. Original portion 3 windows and an extension of 2 windows to west. Stuccoed. Cornice and parapet. Glazing bars missing. Porch up 7 steps with handrail. The extension has C19 public-house front.

9. The Proposed Schedule of Works

9.1. The property and associative change of use, for which permission is being sought, is intended to be 'non-invasive' to the fabric of the building. The proposal for an extension of the pubs outdoor seating area into the existing car park will result in the loss of two car parking spaces available for staff members. The extended beer garden will include four semi enclosed seating huts and a number of outdoor seating arrangements. It is proposed to reduce the height of the existing pergola and provide an extension to provide further sheltered seating.

- 9.2. associated seating arrangements, huts and servery forming an external bar will cause minimum disruption to the building. The servery will occupy an existing opening in an extension to the building which houses the kitchen and back of house areas.

10. Assessment of the Impact of the Works

- 10.1. The nature of the proposed use is wholly consistent with the types of operation and activity normally experienced in town centres. There will be no external alterations to the existing frontage of the building, accordingly, there will be no impact on the conservation by virtue of development.
- 10.2. With respect to the harm caused to the heritage asset by the proposals, this is considered to be at the lower end of "less than substantial". The rear of the pub is already an established beer garden and both the beer garden and smoking shelter alterations are a common feature of both urban and rural pubs. For this reason, the proposed timber huts and other alterations are something that are to be expected in this location and will not appear out of place.
- 10.3. Consistent with the NPPF, this small harm must be considered against the public benefit of the development. In this case, there are two distinct facets to the public benefit. Firstly, the proposals are intended to help maintain the viability of the pub (a community facility) in the face of difficult trading conditions mentioned. The second benefit is more directly related to the heritage asset as the proposals will improve the beer garden and create a space from which people can appreciate the communal value of the area's heritage assets year-round. These moderate benefits are considered to outweigh the less than substantial harm of the development.

11. Conclusion

- 11.1. The development proposed at The William Hardwicke will support the public house and allow it to remain in its optimum viable use, successfully adapting to changing social habits.

11.2. The public benefits of the development outweigh the less than substantial harm and so there are no heritage considerations that indicate that this consent should not be granted. In conclusion, there will be no impact on any 'Heritage Asset' on the property.