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From: Jess Edwards <je@culdenfawltd.com>
Sent: 13 February 2019 11:19
To: Licensing
Subject: Rewind Festival

Morning,

I fully support the rewind festival expanding, it brings great trade to the town and allows traffic to pass into the arena early so does not disrupt the road congestion.

Kind regards



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From: Jonathan Hobbs <jonathan@hobbsofhenley.co.uk>
Sent: 15 February 2019 13:00
To: Licensing
Subject: Premises License application for Rewind Festival

Categories: Representations

To Licensing Dept – Wokingham.

I am writing in support of this application to extend hours and capacity.

We are a Henley Boating Business, with Premises in Remenham Parish(Wokingham District), and Henley on Thames that has been established for 149 years.

We have worked with the Rewind Festival since its inception , and are the official River Taxi providers. We supply small 12 seater launches and larger vessels for up to 100 pax, transporting Festival goers from Henley to the Festival and return..We would have enough boats to cope with the extra capacity.

We have carried 1000's of passengers over the last 10 years, and have not had one incident of bad behaviour in all that time.

In my opinion Rewind is an extremely well run Festival attracting well behaved Festival goers. It is important to our seasonal boating business as it creates another summer event we can provide boats and in turn employment to local people.

Your sincerely

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From: Steve Ryan-Bell <thamesriverman@gmail.com>
Sent: 18 February 2019 17:23
To: Licensing
Subject: Local Support for planning application 80s Rewind south

Categories: Representations

Dear Sirs,

I have been made aware of a hearing with reference to the potential expansion of the Rewind Festival at Temple Island Meadows, as a local business man working as a sole trader in Henley on Thames I should like to offer my support for the proposed expansion.

Spending some 18 years building a good name as a Moorings Master, Boat Hire/River Taxi in Henley and surrounding area, I rely almost wholly on passing trade. As with many businesses in the Henley area the current economic decline has hit hard, maintaining revenue streams has become increasingly more difficult so the potential to maintain or even increase through 3rd party expansion is a welcome opportunity. I fully appreciate there may be concerns about increased numbers and the issues this may bring, as a person who not only works on the proposed site but also resides in the immediate area, I personally would have no concerns over extended times or numbers.

To offer a different perspective, having worked as a River Taxi for Rewind since its inception, one of the biggest issues I have needed to deal with is the sudden exit from the Rewind site once the main staged event has concluded. I spend many hours speaking to the participants as they exit and one of the key issues has always been the speed at which stalls and bars close at the end of the main staged event, this offers only a short window to clear the site before closure. As a River Taxi, I would appreciate a 'less frantic' period which would allow festival goers the time to exit at a smoother pace and level the need for transportation facilities.

I would encourage the hearing to consider what it brings to the area in terms of revenue and opportunity which will surely outnumber any negatives some may bring to the table. Henley and many of the businesses rely on 'holiday trade' and we look for decision makers to consider how they may assist local business rather than an authority who place business constraints.

Regards

Steve Ryan-Bell

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From: Tanya Copas <Tanya@copas.co.uk>
Sent: 19 February 2019 14:45
To: Licensing
Subject: Rewind Festival (Henley-On-Thames) - New Premises Licence - Local support

To Whom It May Concern

I write in support of BroadwickLive's application for a new premises licence for Rewind Festival South.

We are the owners of the venue, and as such are mindful of the beauty and sensitivity of the area. We feel very lucky to be the custodians of Temple Island Meadows and Remenham Farm, and take our role in this very seriously. We were therefore extremely selective in terms of choosing an event and operator that would be suitable in terms of demographic, nature, and operation, and turned away large numbers of potential events before we started working with Rewind 10 years ago.

We have been delighted over the years to see the festival attract so many people to the local area, and have the opportunity to enjoy this very special venue. The festival is extremely well run, and has an excellent record in terms of health and safety and licensing requirements. The customer demographic dictates a low-key and positive atmosphere, suitable for the area.

Rewind Festival is now an established and intrinsic part of our business. The income from Rewind helps us to maintain large areas of our land as open parkland, which very many people can enjoy, both in terms of views and amenity, and we are able to employ local, professional staff to work across our event season. I am aware that it has a positive commercial impact both on the businesses in Henley-on-Thames, and the wider area, including establishments in Remenham, Hurley, and as far afield as Maidenhead and Reading. BroadwickLive also directly employ local staff where possible (for example, last year, they took on a number of agricultural contractors for their site build, who were unusually without work in August due to the harvest being affected by the extreme weather).

It is a tribute to the event's success and careful management, that there is a demand for a larger attendance;

Our venue itself is particularly suitable for large scale events, owing to both its natural topography, and the maintenance, improvements and infrastructure that we have invested in over many years. However, we are also aware that access is challenging, and as event organisers we are lucky we have the blueprint of Henley Royal Regatta to work with, which attracts considerably more attendees than Rewind to the area, and this has been helpful in planning traffic control. Since the BroadwickLive management team took over the festival, we have been aware of even greater emphasis being placed on this aspect, and have also noted the ability of this larger organisation having the capacity to increase communication and consultation with the local community, all of which has been very much appreciated, and documented.

Over the years, we have improved and expanded our internal roadways, in order to minimise traffic in the village. From this year, in support of the applicant's proposals to increase capacity, and local resident concern regarding traffic, we will be making further areas of our land available to Broadwick, in order to improve this still further, by reducing traffic through the village.

We have no hesitation in supporting BroadwickLive's application, and every confidence in their ability to manage Rewind Festival going forward.

Yours faithfully

Tanya Copas
Director