


  
**MILTON KEYNES**  
**COUNCIL**

**Brian Sandom**  
 Corporate Director - Environment

Punch Taverns Plc  
 Jubilee House  
 Second Avenue  
 Burton Upon Trent  
 Staffordshire  
 DE14 2WF

**Geoff Beck**  
 Head of Environmental Services

**Our Ref:** CSA/L084358

**Your Ref:**

**Reply To:** Claire Affleck

**E-Mail:** [licensing@milton-keynes.gov.uk](mailto:licensing@milton-keynes.gov.uk)

**Direct Line:** 01908 252800

**Helpline:** 01908 252398

17 May 2006

Dear Sir/Madam

**Licensing Act 2003**

**Re: The Coachmakers Arms, 117 High Street, Newport Pagnell, Milton Keynes, MK16 8EN**

Further to your application for a premise licence which was granted last year. I would remind you that it is an offence to carry out activities not in accordance with your premise licence.

This department has received complaints with regard to noise from entertainment. The complaint has also been passed to Environmental Health for investigation. The complainant alleges that windows and doors have remained open during regulated entertainment including karaoke. They have also highlighted concerns with regard to the use of the front drinking area which is allegedly being used after 23:00hrs.

I would draw your attention to the following conditions which were attached to your premise licence at the time of the hearing:

1. Provision of Karaoke and live music is subject to use of a sound limiting device being installed on the premises and set in consultation with Environmental Health. A log of noise levels outside the premise is to be maintained and kept on the premises for the review on request of the Licensing Authority.
2. Except for access, egress and emergencies all windows and doors are to be maintained closed during regulated entertainment.
3. Outside drinking areas shall not be used after 23:00. Before this time the management will assess noise from these areas and if it is likely to cause unreasonable annoyance to neighbouring properties will take action to reduce noise levels to an acceptable level, including the option of garden closure.
4. Staff are to be provided at exit doors on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings to ensure the quiet and orderly exit of patrons from the premises. On other



MILTON KEYNES  
COUNCIL

nights at the end of the evening a member of staff will stand at the main exit door to ensure customers exit in a quiet and orderly manner.

5. Signage is to be placed prominently at exit points requesting patrons to leave the premises quietly.

Interested parties including residents are able to call for a review of your licence at any time should they feel that the licensing objectives are not being promoted.

This department will be carrying out enforcement visits if you are found not to be operating accordance with your authorisation enforcement action will be taken. The maximum penalty for operating otherwise than in accordance with your authorisation is a fine up to £20,000 and/or up to 6 months imprisonment.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

**Claire Affleck**  
**Licensing Officer**

cc. Mr Gary Batchelor, Coachmakers Arms, 117 High Street, Newport Pagnell, Milton Keynes, MK16 8EN