



**Application for the review of a premises licence or club premises certificate under the  
Licensing Act 2003**

**PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS FIRST**

Before completing this form please read the guidance notes at the end of the form.  
If you are completing this form by hand please write legibly in block capitals. In all cases ensure  
that your answers are inside the boxes and written in black ink. Use additional sheets if necessary.  
You may wish to keep a copy of the completed form for your records.

**I** David Shanks

*(Insert name of applicant)*

**apply for the review of a premises licence under section 51 / apply for the review of a club  
premises certificate under section 87 of the Licensing Act 2003 for the premises described in  
Part 1 below (delete as applicable)**

**Part 1 – Premises or club premises details**

<b>Postal address of premises or, if none, ordnance survey map reference or description</b>	
The Woodman, 6 High St	
<b>Post town</b> Carshalton	<b>Post code (if known)</b> SM5 3AG

<b>Name of premises licence holder or club holding club premises certificate (if known)</b>	
Vicksters Limited	

<b>Number of premises licence or club premises certificate (if known)</b>	
Unknown	

**Part 2 - Applicant details**

I am

Please tick ✓ yes

1) an individual, body or business which is not a responsible  
authority (please read guidance note 1, and complete (A)  
or (B) below)



2) a responsible authority (please complete (C) below)



3) a member of the club to which this application relates  
(please complete (A) below)



**(A) DETAILS OF INDIVIDUAL APPLICANT** (fill in as applicable)

Please tick ✓ yes

Mr

Mrs

Miss

Ms

Other title

(for example, Rev)

**Surname**

Shanks

**First names**

David

I am 18 years old or over

Please tick ✓ yes

**Current postal address if different from premises address**

[REDACTED]

**Post town**

[REDACTED]

**Post Code**

[REDACTED]

**Daytime contact telephone number**

[REDACTED]

**E-mail address (optional)**

[REDACTED]

**(B) DETAILS OF OTHER APPLICANT**

Name and address

Telephone number (if any)

E-mail address (optional)

**(C) DETAILS OF RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY APPLICANT**

Name and address
Telephone number (if any)
E-mail address (optional)

**This application to review relates to the following licensing objective(s)**

Please tick one or more boxes ✓

- 1) the prevention of crime and disorder
- 2) public safety
- 3) the prevention of public nuisance
- 4) the protection of children from harm

  
  
**Please state the ground(s) for review** (please read guidance note 2)

I am seeking a review of the Woodman's license on the grounds of public nuisance, specifically the impact of the Woodman's playing amplified music in the garden. I have attempted over a very protracted period to seek to resolve the noise nuisance that is impacting myself and my family on an ongoing basis.

In particular, I have sought to find a negotiated / balanced approach working through the Local Council noise complaint process that takes into account the frequency, volume and lateness of the hours of events. However, the Woodman has declined to provide any commitments, but has continued to operate the events that have significant impact on myself and my family.

As such I am requesting the license be varied to include the additional conditions below that permit the Woodman to continue to hold events, but with conditions that prevent the events from being a nuisance, as well as providing me with advance notice so I can plan ahead.

I understand that the Woodman is aiming to sell to a new owner by Summer. These conditions will also ensure the new owner does not purchase the business intending to continue the noise nuisance, or if the sale does not proceed for any reason, that the existing owners do not re-start any noise nuisance.

**PROPOSED CONDITIONS TO REMEDY THE NUISANCE**

- 1. Frequency of Outdoor Events: The use of amplified music in the outdoor areas shall be limited to a maximum of one (1) day per calendar month.
- 2. Terminal Hour: On days where outdoor amplified music is permitted, it must cease strictly by 23:00 hours.
- 3. Advance Notice: The licensee must publish the date of the monthly outdoor event on their website at least 21 days in advance.
- 4. Noise Limiter: A noise limiter must be installed and maintained. The maximum noise levels (including specific frequency bands for bass) must be set to the satisfaction of the Council's Environmental Health Officer. The limiter must be locked and inaccessible to the DJ/performer.
- 5. Indoor Containment: For indoor events, all external doors and windows must remain closed (except for immediate ingress/egress) when amplified music is played.

**Please provide as much information as possible to support the application** (please read guidance note 3)

See Appendix 1 (attached - 2 pages)

**Please tick ✓ yes**

Have you made an application for review relating to the  
premises before

If yes please state the date of that application

Day    Month    Year

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**If you have made representations before relating to the premises please state what they were  
and when you made them**

Please tick ✓

yes

- I have sent copies of this form and enclosures to the responsible authorities and the premises licence holder or club holding the club premises certificate, as appropriate
- I understand that if I do not comply with the above requirements my application will be rejected



**IT IS AN OFFENCE, UNDER SECTION 158 OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003, TO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT IN OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS APPLICATION. THOSE WHO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT MAY BE LIABLE ON SUMMARY CONVICTION TO A FINE OF ANY AMOUNT.**

**Part 3 – Signatures** (please read guidance note 4)

**Signature of applicant or applicant's solicitor or other duly authorised agent** (please read guidance note 5). If signing on behalf of the applicant please state in what capacity.

Signature

Date 9 Jan 2026

Capacity

**Contact name (where not previously given) and postal address for correspondence associated with this application** (please read guidance note 6)

Post town

Post Code

**Telephone number (if any)**

**If you would prefer us to correspond with you using an e-mail address your e-mail address (optional)**

**Notes for Guidance**

1. A responsible authority includes the local police, fire and rescue authority and other statutory bodies which exercise specific functions in the local area.
2. The ground(s) for review must be based on one of the licensing objectives.
3. Please list any additional information or details for example dates of problems which are included in the grounds for review if available.
4. The application form must be signed.
5. An applicant's agent (for example solicitor) may sign the form on their behalf provided that they have actual authority to do so.
6. This is the address which we shall use to correspond with you about this application.

## APPENDIX 1:

Here is additional information as to the frequency, volume, hours and advance notice supporting the request for the additional conditions listed above:

### (i) FREQUENCY AND VOLUME

The volume of the music from the Woodman is very clearly audible in both my children's bedrooms, in particular is loudest in my son's room and is audible throughout the upstairs. It is loud such that my son cannot get to sleep in his room when an event is on and he is with me. Additionally, it impacts my younger son similarly, affecting his ability to fall asleep, and myself as well.

At the time of setting a volume limiter at the end of July, which took several months during which it was installed, then after I complained it was loud again was informed it didn't work correctly ("issue with their limiter and are waiting on their supplier") before being set, I understood that the Woodman was intending "monthly" events and I had accepted the noise impact on my sons and myself on the basis of infrequent events (i.e. as per the discussion at the time: ***"a neighbour playing music in their garden once a month is probably not a nuisance"***).

However, the Woodman then proceeded to hold **near weekly events** (1, 16, 24, 30 August, and 6, 13, 27 September).

I followed up via the Council to say that this was again impacting my family with the frequency of events, and the response was the events would be *"more during the summer and less in the winter"*.

However, this has demonstrably not been the case - the events have been **equally frequent in the winter**, with the Woodman holding weekly (or even twice weekly) events including on the following recent dates: 15, 22, 29 November, and 5, 13, 20, 21, 31 December.

The current noise limiter levels were set based on the monthly frequency, with later correspondence confirming: *"if they were looking to hold more events we would need to reevaluate their limiter."* This confirms that the current equipment settings are insufficient for the **escalated frequency of events**.

In total there have been 17 events in 6 months, excluding events where music was played at a quieter volume (for example 3 and 4 October events, following my complaint on 28 September), which is far exceeding a 'monthly' frequency.

When I further followed up, I was informed that monthly *"was an average that they had held over the previous years"*. Going forward, I understand that the Woodman is intending to sell the business, with 4 outdoor events planned for the first half of the year and no commitment as to frequency beyond that, for example if the sale does not proceed (and noting (i) the below

**history of events being listed as indoor but being held outdoor regardless, and (ii) the frequency in August-December in 2025 documented above).**

I am therefore asking for the **acknowledged historic frequency (one per month)** to be made a condition of the license, in order to ensure: (a) **no future re-escalation in event frequency**, and (b) that the future owners of the Woodman also respect this historic frequency.

#### **(ii) HOURS**

The hours of noise continue extremely late - **until midnight**. I have asked the Woodman please consider the impact of late night noise (11pm onwards) as especially difficult to manage.

I understand via conduct (i.e. the Woodman's **continued playing of music to midnight**) that they will not voluntarily reduce volume to a quiet level at 11pm, which combines with the frequency (near weekly) meaning that the impact is both frequent, and continues very late into the night.

I am therefore asking that the **noise cease at a reasonable hour (11pm)**.

#### **(iii) ADVANCE NOTICE**

I have asked for advance notice, so that I can try and plan ahead. The Woodman started listing locations of events following this request, however parties listed indoors were in fact held outdoors (on 25 October). Following further complaints that I cannot plan ahead if this is not accurate, I understood that the Woodman had then updated their website to be accurate ("I have asked the licensee to make it clearer on the website which is inside and outside...which i believe has been done.").

However in practice these representations as to event locations have been false - for example listing events on 22 November, 29 November and 20 December as "main bar events" (indoors) which as per discussions would be "...not in the garden it is in the main bar" but holding them with **amplified music outside regardless**.

Additionally, for example, for 29 November and 20 December, advertising that party on Instagram using '**#gardenparty**' and '**#dj**', and in the case of 20 December, showing a clip of loud music playing in the garden area, not the indoor/main bar.

There is therefore no ability for me to plan ahead for the noise nuisance and I am asking for there to be a clear requirement to **inform 21 days** ahead of any event.

#### **SUMMARY**

Taken together, the impact on me and my family of the events at the frequency, hours, volume and lack of advance notice is significant and I am therefore asking that the license be amended to impose objective conditions listed previously on the license to remedy the nuisance.

