

Memorandum

To:	Planning	From:	Environmental Health
Officer:	Colin Sharpe	Officer:	Neil Martin
Reference:	3/2012/0357 3/2012/0409	Extension No:	3214
Date:	14th May 2012		

Planning Application: 3/2012/0357 & 03/2012/0409
Location: Memorial Hall, Lowergate, Clitheroe
Development: Change of use of first floor to Dance studio and variation of opening hours to 10:00 to 21:30 Mon-Fri, 8:30 – 14:00 Sat and 09:00 to 17:00 Sundays.

Having reviewed the above application I have the following comments to make.

This development has the potential to adversely affect the amenity of the area and disturb surrounding residential premises through the potential generation of excess noise, and light during the operation of the site. There is ample evidence to demonstrate the noise and light adversely affects the health people and enjoyment of their property. This proposal will therefore conflict with the national planning policy framework principle of Promoting Health Communities.

While the extension of the opening hours are unlikely to materially alter the amenity of the area any further than the current opening hours would, the use of the site on a Sunday will change the nature of the area and this impact must be controlled to protect the amenity of the area while allowing economic growth and ensuring the vitality of the area.

Subject to the following conditions being imposed on any permission granted I have no objections to this application:

- A noise management scheme shall be submitted to and agreed by the local planning authority prior to any of the permitted activities commencing. The scheme shall set out the measures to be taken to control noise from the venue so that music cannot be heard beyond the site boundary.
- The scheme shall be regularly reviewed and a report detailing compliance with the above condition (The scheme shall set out the measures to be taken to control noise from the venue so that music cannot be heard beyond the site boundary.) shall be submitted to the local planning authority every three years.
- The premise can only open on a Sunday between the hours of 9:00 to 17:00 on no more than 14 occasions in any 12-month period. A record

shall be maintained of every occasion that the premise is used on a Sunday and details of which shall be included within the report required above.

Regards

Neil Martin
Environmental Health Officer.