

### **NOISE MANAGEMENT PLAN (NMP) OFFERED FOR THE DURATION OF SIDMOUTH FOLK FESTIVAL EVENTS AT THE ANCHOR INN, SIDMOUTH**

1. Front of house sound engineers will monitor the music noise levels (MNL's) at the mixing console and adjust the overall MNL's from the stage to remain within the following specified decibel levels.
2. Between the hours of 07:00 and 23:00 the A-weighted equivalent continuous noise level emanating from music on the premises, when measured at the boundary of any noise sensitive property over any 15-minute period with entertainment taking place, will be controlled not to exceed 70 dB (LAeq15min).
3. The front of house sound engineer will conduct sound measurements during soundchecks to ensure that the specified MNL will be met.
4. A designated member of staff will be responsible for carrying out MNL checks at peak periods namely 9pm - 10.45pm. This will be monitored hourly within this specified period. The sound engineer will be advised on the observed MNL's and where necessary take action to adjust the MNL accordingly to ensure the recommended MNL is met. This action will be recorded.
5. Front of house sound engineers will respond to any instruction from the management regarding the MNL's emanating from the amplified sound system.
6. Speakers will be positioned so they minimise disturbance to adjoining residential properties. Prior to events, the speaker setup will be reviewed, and the latest technology will be used for any improvements in sound direction and reduction, as much as is viably possible.
7. Should any low frequency noise complaints be received, steps will be taken to reduce the low frequency content of the MNL particularly between 63 and 125 Hz.?
8. A robust complaints procedure shall be in place for the duration of events. The landline number of 01395 514129 may be used during opening hours. In the event of a complaint, the MNL will be checked.
9. The sound engineer will be advised on the observed MNL and where necessary take action to adjust the MNL accordingly to ensure the recommended MNL is met. Any action taken will be recorded.
10. Dray work will be carried out with sensitivity, causing as little interference to neighbouring properties as possible whilst balancing the need for the business to operate effectively. A new designated fenced area of the business will be used for empty barrel storage. This is located away from noise sensitive receptors.