

WEST MERCIA POLICE OBJECTION

TEMPORARY EVENT NOTICE – 25/05484/TEN

Popzone/Gorgeous – (Popworld & Zinc)

I, PC 2510 O'KEEFFE, an appointed Licensing Officer with West Mercia Police, having delegated authority from the Chief Officer to exercise powers under the Licensing Act 2003, hereby give notice of objection to a Temporary Event Notice received by West Mercia Police on 12th November 2025 and submitted by Mrs Leanne Jean Ringrose.

The Notification seeks to authorise licensable activities for sale of alcohol, regulated entertainment and late night refreshment between 2100 hours on 10th December and 0300 hours on 11th December 2025.

This objection is submitted under the Licensing Act 2003, specifically relating to the licensing objective of Protection of Children from Harm.

The proposed event involves the presence of children in a nightclub environment where alcohol will be sold and consumed. This raises significant safeguarding concerns, including:

- 1. Exposure to Intoxicated Adults and Disorderly Behaviour**

Nightclubs are high-risk environments for disorder, intoxication, and potential violence. Children present in such settings are vulnerable to harm and exploitation.

- 2. Risk of Underage Drinking**

Despite age verification measures, the likelihood of underage consumption is heightened in a nightclub setting, particularly during busy events.

- 3. Inappropriate Environment**

Nightclubs typically feature loud music, and limited seating, creating an unsuitable and unsafe environment for minors.

PC 2510 O'KEEFFE

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Dated 12th November 2025