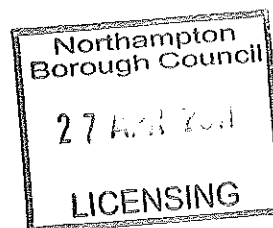


153 Colwyn Road
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24th April

Mr Phil Bayliss
Licensing Officer, Northampton Borough Council
The Guildhall
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Re: Application for Premises Licence for 199 Kettering Road,

Dear Mr Bayliss

My partner and I are long-time residents of Northampton and Colwyn Road. I am writing to express my concern about the recent application for a premises licence to allow 199 Kettering Road to sell alcohol and play recorded music until 11.00pm each evening.

I do not believe the opening of a bar in this location will be beneficial for the following reasons:-

1. Noise.

The Picturedrome located further away than 199 Kettering road from my location is already a source of noise and nuisance. The music can be heard from my house and revellers using the Picturedrome park in the car park opposite on the racecourse and behind my home or walk back through the racecourse behind my home when leaving.

At night my family and others residents are constantly awoken by shouting, swearing and singing from the car park with heightened chatter as the throng passes our back fence and my bedroom window. This is unwelcome and long been a source of annoyance necessitating me to call the police on a number of occasions.

The proposal of a licensed premise is particularly unwelcome at the front of my property. I have a daughter and my partner has a daughter. Both of their bedrooms currently face onto the road so as to protect them from the disgraceful behaviour that often occurs behind our house. I have a sitting room facing that building also.

The opening of a licensed premise with the current restrictions on smoking will expose them and my partner and I to conversations and noise of a type I do not want them exposed to as revellers migrate from the front of the building into the road whilst smoking and drinking. As the bar will be approx 30-40 feet from my house it is likely we will have our privacy disturbed by the music and general noise as per the license that has been applied for.

More specifically we all know drinkers leaving a bar when it closes are the worse for wear and the thought of having to put up with that every night fills me with horror at the likely stress that will be caused to my family.

2. Nuisance.

1. Directly opposite the proposed premises are residential houses (not flats) that have long term residents. These are not temporary tenants. The potential for rubbish and litter, i.e discarded cigarette ends, drinking vessels, bottles etc taken from the premises will add to the generally shoddy nature of the location. This has also been reported to the council on more than one occasion and the prospect of that situation potentially becoming worse is not appealing.

3. Parking and traffic.

The road next to the proposed venue is already very congested especially in the early to late evenings either through traffic because it is a rat run or parking when residents return from work. Hood Street and Colwyn Road are subject to double parking because of the parking limitations and it is on record that the fire service on one occasion was unable to get down the street because of the double parking. How can you guarantee that there will be no further impact to the ability of the emergency services to access these local roads?

A licensed venue at 199 Kettering Road will absolutely make that situation worse as there is no parking on the road in front of the building. Taxis making drops and picking up in front of my Childrens rooms and my sitting room will cause additional disturbance to me and the other residents of Colwyn Road/Hood Street. The road is one way and has parking on both sides so when a taxi or car drops or picks up no other cars can pass.

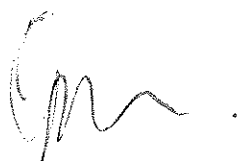
On a personal front the council's reticence to provide a parking permit scheme for the area will allow the parking facilities for residents to become even worse than they already are.

Finally, I do not believe there is a requirement for another venue of this nature in this area which is predominantly residential. The Picturedrome is already in place and that is enough for this area it is my belief.

The potential to increase further the noise and disturbance to the local residents of Colwyn Road/Hood Street is not something that should approved by my elected local Council representatives.

Yours Faithfully

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Councillor Winston Strachan
Division: St Crispin

Phil Bayliss
Licensing Officer
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22 April, 2011

Dear Mr Bayliss,

Re: Premises Licence for the usage of alcohol – 199 Kettering Road

I am writing on behalf of my constituents; the Double H and the Colwyn Road Residents Associations. Constituents including the associations' membership have voiced their concern and horror of the thought of yet another liquor shop in their neighbourhood and in doing so wish to strongly object to any sort of liquor licence being granted to the property known as 199 Kettering Road, Northampton.

The location of 199 Kettering Road is at the corner of Colwyn Rd/Kettering Rd and just a few yards away is Costcutter liquor shop located one shop front away from Cowper Street. Costcutter licensing opening hours is displayed as from 6.00am to 3.00am no doubt with alcohol sale throughout these hours.

The immediate area along the Kettering Road apart from the road itself is mainly residential with residential streets of mainly terrace houses leading off on one side into St. Michael's Mounts and on the other the Upper and Lower Mounts.

At present residents are having to put up with:

- A regular group of males who congregate in the area.
- They drink to the point of being anti-social.
- They leave rubbish, urinate in the street, damage cars and swear etc.
- The residents feel intimidated by their presence and will avoid them in the street.
- None of the individuals live in the surrounding area.
- Residents have reported this anti-social behaviour to Northamptonshire police and have requested and also agree to support a dispersal order.
- Residents have also asked the police to support their associations in having Costcutter's operating hours reduce when its licence comes up for renewal due to the level of on-going anti-social behaviour being experience.

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Under these circumstances the residents and the associations believe it would be unwise and totally unacceptable for Northampton Borough Council to issue any further alcohol license to premises in the immediate area. The residents will also be appealing to Northamptonshire police for support by objecting to this application and asking for it to be refused.

Accordingly, as the local County Councillor I am well aware of the anti-social issues that my constituents have to endure on a daily basis. It is intolerable and totally unacceptable. Any more license alcohol premises in the immediate area will only increase the problems further and therefore I appeal to the members of the licensing committee on the local resident's behalf to refuse the application. Thanking you.

Yours sincerely,

Winston Strachan – County Councillor St Crispin Division
Northamptonshire County Council

Louise Faulkner

From: Chris Savage [chris.savage777@btinternet.com]
Sent: 14 April 2011 14:32
To: Licensing
Subject: application for licence - 199 Kettering Road, NN1 4BP

Attention of Phil Bayliss
Licensing Officer

Dear Sir,

I write with regard to the notice posted on the window of the above address, informing residents of the application for licence to sell and consume alcohol on and off the premises.

I object to this licence being granted.

Such a licence would cause too much noise and activity directly opposite my residence, including I am sure many persons outside such a place smoking and hanging around, and trying to park, (parking is already very difficult for residents).

Living in this vicinity we already have to contend with noise and nuisance from the Picturedrome, people hanging around outside our back garden causing noise and disrupting our sleep, including cans, bottles of alcohol thrown into our garden.

Adding to the problem we already have living here, and bringing it even closer to our house is completely unacceptable.

I will send a written copy of this letter to you at the Guildhall, and look forward to your response.

Kind regards,

Christopher Savage
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14/04/2011

Isobel Thompson

From: Katie Chown [katie@chowkn.freemove.co.uk]
Sent: 05 May 2011 21:52
To: Licensing
Cc: Alastair Mackenzie; Matt Phillips; Winston Strachan
Subject: 199 Kettering Road
Attachments: licensing199ketteringroad.doc

Dear Mr Bayliss

Please find attached a letter of objection to the application for a premises license for 199 Kettering Road.

Yours sincerely

Katie Chown
Chair of Colwyn Road Residents' Association

Colwyn Road Residents' Association

43 Colwyn Road
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5 May 2011

Phil Bayliss
Licensing Officer
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Dear Mr Bayliss

Premises application for 199 Kettering Road

On behalf of Colwyn Road Residents' Association, I am writing to object to the premises license application for 199 Kettering Road. Colwyn Road residents, especially those who live at the Kettering Road end of the street, have raised objections based on the following reasons:

- Noise - 199 Kettering Road is very close to a residential area. There is already significant noise in the area at night and residents have been adversely affected by noise from The Picturedrome and from the car park opposite it, and from other restaurants, takeaways and shops on the Kettering Road. Residents are anxious that a licensed premises so close to some of their homes will result in more late night disturbance.
- Readily available alcohol and resulting antisocial behaviour - The Kettering Road already had numerous restaurants, takeaways and off-licenses. In the section of the Kettering Road between Colwyn Road and Cowper Street, just on the west side of the street, there are already 2 restaurants, 3 takeaways and 3 or 4 shops selling alcohol. There are significant alcohol-related antisocial behaviour issues on our local stretch of Kettering Road, particularly centred around Costcutters with its extended alcohol license. These include drunkenness, swearing, littering, urinating in the street, vehicle damage, noise nuisance and large groups of people gathering, and these problems often go on late into the night. The police are currently planning to implement a Section 30 dispersal order in the area in an attempt to stop these behaviour issues. Local residents question whether we really need any more outlets selling alcohol in an area where there are already significant crime and disorder issues linked to alcohol sales.
- Parking - It is extremely difficult to find a parking space after 6 p.m. in Colwyn Road as there are more cars in the street than space. There are already have significant problems with obstruction and badly parked cars and residents are concerned that a restaurant will bring increased pressure on the amount of parking.

For these reasons Colwyn Road Residents' Association urge you to refuse this application.

Please could you keep me informed of any decisions made on this application.

Yours sincerely

Katie Chown
Chair of Colwyn Road Residents' Association