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Good afternoon,

I formally write to object to the extension of hours for the sale of alcohol at the above mentioned premises. This particular area has historically been an area subjected to anti social behaviour predominately as a result of alcohol abuse by young people.

Local residents have witnessed various forms of crime and disorder where property has been attacked, cars damaged, stone throwing etc thus giving residents genuine concerns about public safety. Further to this the premises in question is located on the opposite side of the road to Queen Street Primary School which in the past has also been the subject of anti social behaviour and vandalism.

While accepting the fact that an alcohol licence is currently in operation at these premises what is now not acceptable is extending the licensing hours from current 10.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m. to 8.00 a.m. to 10.00 p.m. The current licensing hours should be more than adequate for a premises in this particular location and I believe any alteration which has been applied for can only add to the public nuisance already faced by residents.

Regards,

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Cwm Cottage Road
Abertillery
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25th November 2014

Licensing Division
Blaenau Gwent County Borough Council
Anvil Court,
Church Street,
Abertillery,
NP13 1DB

Reference: Extended Opening hours application for 1 Cwm Cottage Road

Dear Sir

I understand that an application has been submitted to extend the opening hours of Rai's Convenience Store, 1 Cwm Cottage Road, Abertillery from the current 7am to 8pm Monday to Saturday (8am – 8pm on Sunday) to 6am to 10pm Monday to Saturday (proposed Sunday hours not known).

I wish to formally raise an objection to the application for extended licensing and opening hours. The reasons for this are because of the increase in traffic and road noise, problems with parking, proximity of an infant and junior school to premises and health and wellbeing.

The shop is located in a quiet residential area where parking is at a premium. The additional traffic that this would potentially draw to the area would increase congestion and further increase the noise from the shop.

I don't understand the need for the shop to be open any earlier, why would anyone need to purchase alcohol at 8am? How does this application for extended licensing hours meet the council's policy on looking after the health and wellbeing of residents with respect to alcohol abuse?

Finally on the grounds of noise, I am regularly woken by the sound the shutters make when the shop is opened in the mornings. It is unacceptable for me to be woken up even earlier. The shutters also make a noise when closed at night.

My wife and I live the premises and have lived in our home for over 47 years. We are both retired and there is no possibility of having a lie in. It is relentless, 7 days a week, 52 weeks of the year. The thought of being forced awake even earlier for the remainder of our lives is distressing. I find the prospect of these extended opening hours very stressful and have felt compelled to write this letter to

object and I have also contacted my local counsellor Nigel Daniels who I have copied into this letter.

I feel that the granting of an extension to the opening hours would have a seriously damaging and detrimental effect on our lives.

Yours faithfully

C.C Nigel Daniels

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Cwm Cottage Rd,
Aberillery,
Gwent,
NP13 1AT
20-Nov-14

Dear Sir/Madam,

It is with great concern that I write to you about the application made by the owner of the premises at the bottom of Cwm Cottage Road, Aberillery to extend the licensing hours at the said premises. I believe that it is totally unnecessary to sell alcohol from 9am to 10pm every day. When the license was applied for the area had experienced considerable anti social behaviour and we were extremely concerned that the license was granted in a designated "hotspot" where there was much alcohol abuse by children age 12 -15 yrs.

We therefore feel that the present licensing/opening hours are sufficiently adequate to meet the needs of the surrounding neighbourhood. Any extension of these times will cause problems in the immediate vicinity of the shop, due to increased activity and noise at unsociable times. Being a relatively peaceful and quiet area we would like to think that we could continue to enjoy this existence. Therefore enabling Blaenau Gwent to live up to it's slogan "a better place to live and work".

Yours /Faithfully

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20th November 2014

Extension of Licensing Hours - RAI Convenience Store, 1 Cum Cottage Road, Abertillery

Dear Sir / Madam,

I would like to object to the application, for the above extension of licensing hours.

I have lived at Cum Cottage Road, for over 29 years. During the last 17 or 18 years, there have been major problems, with young people drinking on the side of the mountain, at the top of Cum Cottage Road. During the spring / summer periods, when there is warm weather. This area is only 500 or 600 yards from the RAI Convenience store.

In the last 4 or 5 years I have seen youths, as young as 14 come down Cum Cottage Road, in the late evening, (both boys and girls), who are too drunk to stand, on their own. I have seen these youngsters hang out and also urinating in Cum Cottage Road and the lane between my house and 30 Cum Cottage Road.

In addition to this there has also been damage done to a neighbour, just up the road from my home, on the opposite side, owned by [unclear] when the drinks were coming down from the side of

to maintain.

We now have a problem in our area, anytime we have warm, dry weather. The police have been called, on numerous occasions, over the

last few years, because of this problem and the youngsters behaviour.

if my extension to the Licensing Hours, for the RAI Commerce Store, could make this problem, even worse, for the residents of this area.

I hope you will take note of my objection.

Yours sincerely,