APPENDIX 3

Leanne Blanchard - Environment

From:

Michele Bennett - Environment

Sent:

29 August 2017 14:51

To:

Leanne Blanchard - Environment

Subject:

FW: Licence Takeaway

Hi.

I wish to formerly object to the application for a licence until 2.00am on Saturdays and Fridays, and 12.00am all other nights for the Takeaway in Park Place, Tredegar.

I was against this opening from the outset. Even to the point of attending the planning meeting which discussed this. I was very disappointed that, even though it was turned down by our planning section, for the reasons noted - anti social behaviour, traffic problems and public nuisance - it was turned over by the Welsh Government, without any thought for the residents living there.

I now wish to object to any changes to the current Closing time of 11.00pm.

I have no problem with the current opening times (albeit begrudgingly), but the prospect of any later, particularly on a Saturday and Friday, concerns me greatly, for the following reasons.

The Prevention of Crime and Disorder.

The area around this takeaway is primarily a residential area, indeed, I have lived there for over 30 years, and have seen the slow but sure rise of several retail outlets, seemingly without the thoughts of us residents being taken into account. I am concerned that this late night opening will only attract those who have been out for a late evening, possibly from other towns, and pose a considerable threat of damage to not only the cars in this area, but also the properties themselves, as well as a danger of fighting amongst late night revellers. No other takeaway opens late the town, and I see no reason why this should be any different.

Public Safety

The parking problem is well known, and the prospect of an increase in late night traffic, with its noise and inconvenience, can only cause a safety issue, as well as a nuisance to the residents.

The Prevention of Public Nuisance

There is only one reason for a late licence - to attract those that have been late drinking, and to my knowledge, there is on one licenced premises that is later than 12.00am. and this not every week. No other takeaway in this area has a late licence, and why should this one be any different. I have little doubt that, if a late licence were granted, it has the potential to be a constant source of trouble, as well as impinging on the residents. I am nearly 60 years of age, as is my partner, one of my near neighbours is in her 80's, many of the others are middle aged, and are certainly not looking forward to the prospect of a late night opening takeaway yards from their houses.

I trust that you will take these points into consideration when making your decision.

Lee Lewis, Glanhowy, Park Place

Leanne Blanchard - Environment

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Sent: 29 August 2017 12:28

To: Leanne Blanchard - Environment

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To The Chair and Members of the Licencing Committee

Licensing Application - Takeaway, Parkplace, Georgetown, Tredegar

We wish to formally object to the application submitted for a license at Park Place Tredegar, to open late into the night and into the early hours of the morning. Our objections are based on, the prevention of crime and disorder, public safety and the prevention of public nuisance and believe that granting such a license to these opening times would be completely inappropriate and question the need for such late opening hours.

Park Place is a mature residential area where the residents are a mixture of retired people, mature families and some young families, none of whom have been asked their views by the takeaway or supermarket owners on the opening times or need for a fast-food premises with such late opening times in this area. In effect this application has been submitted with a total disregard to the welfare or effect that these opening hours will have on the residents of the surrounding area. You only need to go back about 10 years to have found Park Place being a mainly quiet residential area but now it is an area which hasan over capacity of commercial buildings. These comprise of two takeaways, a supermarket, snooker club with public bar and concert room and the Kids R Us Venue 1 Arts Centre. Of these the licenced premises, the snooker club and Venue 1 operate within reasonable opening hours and the one fish shopcloses at 7pm. Looking at the provision of takeaways alonewithin a half mile radius there is another takeaway/ fish shopon Vale Terrace and numerous hot food takeaways in the town centre all of which we believe close at a reasonable time. We believe that there are few, if any, public premises which open late. We question the need for such late opening times as we believe all others close at a reasonable time. So therefore, there is undoubtedly an adequate provision of takeaways to serve Park Place as well as the town centre.

If they had sort the views of the local residence would be aware that the majority are mainly of the opinion that there is not a need for a takeaway to be open until 2.00 am in the local community. They would be aware that residence are concerned that late opening will lead to more issues of public disorder antisocial behaviour etc. At present after the local pubs have closed the streets are mainly quiet and residents can retire to their beds for an undisturbed good night's sleep. Residence do have grave concerns on the detrimental effect these opening times will have on Park Place and their lives.

Under the prevention of public nuisance and prevention of crime and disorder undoubtable this license will lead to increases in noise, litter, and anti-social behaviour and will impact on those living in the vicinity especially adjoining properties. It is an area where a large number of youths often gather. During the past year from April 2016 to March 2017 there were 148 recorded incidents of antisocial behaviour in the Georgetown ward and this year alone up to March there were 7 cases within a radius of 200 to 300 metres of Park Place. In March in Park Place near the NISA cars and houses were covered with gloss paint and it is believed that this occurred between midnight and 3am. There have also been issues with the congregating of youths and damage to cars in the vicinity mainly after closing time.

On the point of public safety, the takeaway is an end of terraced property positioned on in busy and dangerous location at the best of times so the nature of the location has not been considered. Most cars that visit reverse onto a busy main road with a pedestrian crossing metres from the takeaway. We also concerned that with most of the other takeaway if anynot having opening times past 11.00 there will result in an increase in people from all areas of the town and even adjoining towns congregating in Park Place after pub closing times hence the takeaway will be like a magnet attracting people to Park Place. This takeaway will become a focal point for large groups of people looking for fast food to gather, and thereby creating exceptional problems of disorder and nuisance over and above the impact from the individual premises that already occur.

We therefore object to the application to extend the opening times and would like it to be noted that we would wish that a ward councillor from Georgetown together with a local resident speak against the application to extend opening times at the Licensing Committee.

Many thanks.

JOHN MORGAN, KEITH HAYDEN. HAYDN TROLLOPE, MALCOLM CROSS, STEVE THOMAS COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCILLORS

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