

Amanda Turner

From: R Sudlow
Sent: 25 August 2019 11:03
To: Licensing
Cc: Clerk to Felsted PC
Subject: [External]..Re: Felsted School - Application for Events/Alcohol Licence

Dear Uttlesford licensing department,

Re: Felsted School – Application for Events Licence

I was alerted to the above application by the Parish Council, as Felsted School seems to have tried to sneak in their application during the quietest time in the village calendar, i.e. the end of the school holidays, and has not notified local people of its intentions in advance.

I object in the strongest terms to this application for the reasons below:

1. Felsted School is a place of learning and education, not an events facility. The provision of alcoholic drinks on site is not in keeping with an institution charged with the welfare of young people, for many of whom the school is acting in loco parentis.
2. The current events at the school already cause a lot of noise and disruption, either through loud speakers (sports day etc) or through all the extra traffic dropping off and picking up children and their parents for all the extra-curricular events, open days etc etc. In addition, Felsted School normal hours drop off/pick-ups are a *major* contributor to local carbon emissions and traffic gridlock. We do not need any further school disruption in the village 'out of hours'.
3. Felsted School normally relies on the goodwill of local people, who tolerate more than they should have to. This sneaky application is a cynical attempt to 'monetise' the school facilities and is totally inappropriate given the institution's setting at the heart of a quiet rural village (quiet when it's not drop off/pick-up time, anyway!). The topography of the land means that noise travels far and wide and it is unacceptable for villagers to be disturbed in this way, even up to 0100hrs on some nights, as per the application. We have work to go to the next morning and we need our sleep. It is also unacceptable in terms of increased light pollution, and the disturbance of bats and other wildlife.
4. One of the upsides of living in the countryside is that, apart from some night flights, the only sound is the barking of foxes, the rustling of badgers and other night creatures. On warm summer nights we can sleep with our windows open and enjoy the night air and dark skies. Imagine how it would be to lie in bed listening to a loud open air film showing and the noise of braying, tipsy guests, followed by the noise of multiple cars being started up and driven out of the village at 0100. It is *totally inappropriate* in this setting.
5. Any drinks and open air event licensing should be limited to no more than one per term, advertised beforehand so that local people can brace themselves.

Yours faithfully,

Rosalind Sudlow 9 Bury Fields Felsted CM6 3HA

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From: Assistant Clerk <asstclerk@felsted-pc.gov.uk>
Sent: 29 August 2019 11:53
To: Licensing
Subject: [External]..Felsted School New Premises Application

Dear Sirs

Felsted Parish Council strongly object to the New Premises Application for Felsted School under the grounds of Prevention of Public Nuisance. The school is in the Conservation Zone, surrounded by residential dwellings. This application is more akin to a nightclub than a school. The recent example of the Leavers Ball which didn't finish until 2 am and caused considerable disturbance due to very high noise levels is an example of why events must be managed tightly and not given a blanket permission.

The PC strongly believe that events of this nature are not in keeping with a school and village environment and as such event licences need to be applied for on a case by case basis.

Yours faithfully

Heather Read

Assistant Clerk to Felsted Parish Council

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From: Susan Matthews
Sent: 26 August 2019 10:09
To: Licensing
Subject: [External]..Felsted School event licence

I have been resident in Felsted village for 34 years - during that time I have seen the increase in traffic through the village , increase in pupil numbers at Felsted school with resultant parking problems and increase in noise disturbance by aircraft and some local events. This summer the loud speaker system at Felsted school for sports events was so loud that I could hear it inside my house with doors and windows shut. I guess they have new speaker system as this has not happened in previous years but I view it as sign of what may happen if this application is approved. Getting through the village centre in term time is still a problem often due to inconsiderate parking on the main road - I visualise this problem could be extended to school holidays and weekends when at present we get some respite.

I cannot see how this application benefits the village as a whole and dread the thought of hearing loud music upto 2.0 am and the additional noise of shouting and cheering which results from people consuming too much alcohol.

I hope that this application will not be approved as I cannot see that it will benefit the village as a whole but will cause disturbance and aggravation to residents.

yours faithfully Susan Matthews 7 Bury Fields Felsted CM6 3HA

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From: Sue King
Sent: 02 September 2019 17:08
To: Licensing
Subject: Re: [External]..Enquiry from website - Felsted School

We live in 6 Alderton Close, Felsted, CM6 3EL. Our back bedroom's views are over a house and then the playing fields.

From: Licensing <Licensing@uttlesford.gov.uk>
Sent: 02 September 2019 13:14
To: Sue King
Subject: RE: [External]..Enquiry from website - Felsted School

Dear Mr & Mrs King,

I refer to your email below. This application is likely to be determined by our Licensing and Environmental Committee. Please can you advise us of your full address as we need to ensure you live within the vicinity of the premises, and we can then include you objection in the report pack.

Kind regards

Amanda

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From: Sue King
Sent: 02 September 2019 13:36
To: Licensing <Licensing@uttlesford.gov.uk>
Subject: [External]..Enquiry from website

Re: Felsted School Alcohol Licence Application

Sent from Windows Mail
Dear Sir,

We wish to lodge our objection to an alcohol licence being granted to Felsted School beyond mid-night for any event.

Noise travels easily across their playing fields, including loud music and it is not an urban area.

We feel that any large events with alcohol involved, especially events such as Leavers Balls, weddings etc., should be very limited and certainly not go onto 2 a.m.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs G.S. & Mr J.C. King

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