

# Appendix E

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Dear The Chair:

Application For a Premises License 17B Church Street Saffron Walden

I am writing to register my objections to this application as a resident of property close to the premises being applied for. I must also declare an interest as a member of UDC and as the councillor for the Ward in which the premises is located.

My objections are as follows:

## Safety

From the plans of the venue it appears there is to be a distillery on the mezzanine floor above the shop and bar area. I can only assume, therefore, an amount of highly flammable materials will be stored on the premises 24 hours a day. If this is the case I would expect to see a full risk assessment and fire strategy plan, particularly applicable in case of an out of hours fire, given the proximity to residential housing.

## Public Nuisance

The opening hours in Section L and statements in section M are very loose and ambiguous, seeming to contradict each other. However, I am concerned that the hours alcohol will be sold and consumed on the premises for seven days a week, 09.00 – 23.00 is excessive, see section J. The applicant should be clear on their ultimate intentions to open the premises.

Section F covers the license for recorded music. Since the building is an asbestos clad structure there will be next to zero sound insulation inherent in the structure. Given the nearest residential

building is approximately 1-2 metres from the boundary and the proximity of other residential buildings, I would like to see a maximum decibel limit imposed on the music played.

Section M(d) states the "entrance is located in a secluded lane and will not directly affect neighbours". The lane is in fact a narrow driveway and exits directly to Church Street necessitating customers to pass residential properties to gain access to the premises this will generate noisy and possibly anti-social behavior, particularly when leaving the venue late at night. The applicant states in M (d) alcohol will only be served until 22.00hrs and acknowledges "the potential for noise and disturbance" in what is predominately a residential area.

Parking on Church Street is of particular concern to residents since it is very limited. Experience from existing establishments in the vicinity shows people will park as close to their destination as possible and parking in Swan Meadow is not the preferred option. This will lead to increased inconsiderate parking on pavements and across driveways and accesses, further exacerbated by delivery drivers unable to park in the loading bays provided for them.

#### The Protection of children from harm

Section M(e) states "The daytime business will not limit the admission of children. In the evening all children must be accompanied by an adult." In section J the license applied for is to supply alcohol for consumption both on and off the premises between the hours of 0900 and 2300. The implication is that *unaccompanied children could be on the premises during the day when alcohol is being consumed and is not conducive in "protecting children from harm"*

Yours sincerely,

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