

APPENDIX 5

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From:
Sent: 18 April 2022 22:15
To: Liquor Licensing
Subject: Fw: licence app 29885 sands of tyne forest hall rd

EXTRNL

From:
Sent: 18 April 2022 22:02
To: liquor.licensing@northtyneside.gov.uk>
Subject: licence app 29885 sands of tyne forest hall rd

Dear Sir,

Regarding the application for sands of tyne liquor licen

As a resident of forest hall I have concerns regarding another venue selling alcohol to be consumed on and off the premises.

There has been and still are concerns regarding the groups of young people hanging around springfield Park and gathering in groups in the shopping centre under the influence of alcohol. I work in Forest hall and have witnessed a lot of young people under the influence of alcohol causing many problems for shop owners and the pizza shop. After being refused alcohol by workers in Sainsburys, I saw a group of kids throwing stones at the girls on the check out, a big fight one night resulted in the plate glass window of my branch RMS nearly shattered, the fight had started over a girl but all the kids had been drinking. The local shops which sell alcohol close at 9 to prevent people coming in buying drink, underage drinking is a serious problem in forest hall.

There are enough shops, and clubs doing this as it is,

The application is being made by a coffee shop? This begs the question why a coffee shop needs to be supplying alcohol at all. It's not been made very clear by Mr Cavagan what he is actually proposing to sell, apart from coffee and alcohol? Mr Cavagan told me he was asking for a license till 8pm...??

There are private tenants and house owners in close proximity, who would be affected by the constant comings and goings and groups of young people hanging around the entrance to the shop buying alcohol. Mr Cavagan has also applied for a pavement licence, which means the drinking of alcohol will be outside on the pavement

The shop is on forest hall rd, where there is virtually no parking, all being double yellow lines, there is already a major problem on forest hall rd with people parking while picking up take away food. Even when there is a large area behind the shops for parking people going to pick up food alcohol etc, nobody uses it, instead there is a constant stream of cars parking and pulling away. Making the area dangerous for pedestrians and general car drivers that need to be on the wrong side of the road to pass the parked vehicles all on yellow double lines?

I can see this being extended to the area in front of sands of tyne which is just past a very busy junction and before a busy bus stop, there is no parking available not behind or in the side streets, this adds a danger to pedestrians and car users and encourages people to park illegally, as I say a constant problem in forest hall rd as it is. It is a huge problem which the police do not have the resources or time to keep under control

The suggested alcohol serving times are 11am till 2200 weekdays 11am till 2300 weekends. that does not mean that the cafe is closed then as we well know getting people to finish drinks in any establishment is difficult to do,, so another hour can be added to the closing time.

I am not in favour of this licence being granted, but if it is I am requesting for the change of times allowed to cease serving alcohol to 8pm... The tenants and owners of the flats above and the houses opposite deserve some consideration, as the premises are going to have an immediate impact on their every day life,

thankyou

Susan Vert

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From:
Sent: 17 April 2022 12:06
To: Liquor Licensing
Subject: Application for premises licence

EXTRNL

SANDS OF TYNE, 12 FOREST HALL ROAD, FOREST HALL, NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE, NE12 9AJ

Dear Sirs,

Regarding the application for alcohol to be supplied via a premises licence at the above address, I raise my objections based on the following:-

Road Safety -

The cafe is at the junction of busy Station Road and 2 side roads, Crescent Way North and Mowbray Rd and is close to two busy bus stops. Crossing Station Road in this location can be dangerous for the many elderly residents who use Ritz Bingo, for example, and previous serious incidents have been recorded according to the UK Crashmap (<https://www.crashmap.co.uk>). Crescent Way North in particular is the main access route for the huge Meadway estate.

Parking - The area is double yellow lined and, with no dedicated parking, relies on off street parking in the side roads to the detriment of residents and through traffic. Also, In the evenings you will regularly see cars parked on both sides of Station road, adding to the danger, and encouraging this by change of use of the showroom to a licenced bar only adds to the problem.

Noise, disturbance and anti-social behaviour problems

Change of use from a showroom to a cafe is bound to increase noise and disturbance to residents nearby. In recent years Forest Hall has also suffered an increasing and very worrying wave of anti-social behaviour problems. This is well known from social media and has included many cases of youths congregating, drinking alcohol, glue sniffing, shouting abuse, keying cars, littering etc.

Council have made a brave attempt to refresh Forest Hall village, but having youths congregate with free access to alcohol and in some cases, drugs just exacerbates the problems. We also have a growing problem with petty theft and attempted breaking in and damage to vehicles. Remonstrating with the youths results in verbal abuse or worse and police are rarely around to support the community. Inadequate policing of alcohol outlets is likely to lead to more underage drinking in areas where alcohol is available and problems such as those above will increase.

Impact on other businesses

For those who need to legally consume alcohol in a safe and controlled environment, it is already available nearby at the Ritz, the British Legion (both less than 50 m away), Taste of India, Select Convenience, Sainsburys', Flying Scotsman etc.

As a regular user of the shops and surgery in Forest Hall and with several friends who live in Weardale and other streets, I feel there is no need for another alcohol licence in this area, especially given the behaviour problems we have already have and I therefore object to the grant of an alcohol licence for these premises.

Susan Vert

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 19 April 2022 11:01
To: Liquor Licensing
Subject: Representation for Sands of Tyne, 12 Forest Hall road NE12 9AJ

EXTRNL

Dear Sir/Madam,

I'm writing to submit a representation to the alcohol license application for 'Sands Of Tyne', 12 Forest Hall road, NE12 9AJ.

I'm concerned about the possible creation of public nuisance, noise, disturbance and general anti-social behaviour caused by consumption of alcohol, and how this will affect my own and quality of life, and also the knock on effect for the area/community in general.

'Sands of Tyne' is opening as a 'coffee shop', 'community hub'. There is a sign in the window saying 'coffee, coming soon'. I welcome this to the area and I look forward to being a patron to the business. I have a good neighbourly relationship with Glen Cavagin. We have spoken when passing about his intentions for his change of business. I have been told the plan is to have a coffee shop and also a yoga studio in the rear of the shop. Later as the transformation of the premises was happening Glen mentioned that he wanted to serve alcohol. I was told that the intention was to serve alcohol throughout the day and to cease at 8pm. I can understand that this would offer customers greater choice and also be another revenue stream for the business but I'm of the opinion that more alcohol availability in the area is not a benefit to the community in general and will negatively impact myself and the residents living opposite directly. There is already a plethora of venues in the immediate area providing alcohol throughout the day and evening, choice is not limited at all.

When the notice of alcohol license application was posted at the front of the building I was very surprised to see the timing of the alcohol license application. Serving alcohol till 10pm weekdays and 11pm weekends. Surprised because Glen had told me his intention was to serve alcohol no later than 8pm. The application states that Glen has consulted neighbours to the left and right of the premises and both have no objection. I assume that I am one of those neighbours and I definitely do object to the lateness of the license application. At the time of these brief conversations with Glen I did not object to an alcohol license that allowed serving until 8pm, even though as stated above I do not believe that more alcohol consumption in the area will benefit the wider community. The basis of my belief is the long established links between alcohol and antisocial behaviour and impact on health. An alcohol license into the evening will create a barrage of comings and goings late into the evening. with some people being intoxicated. Glen has also submitted an application for a pavement licence which I have no objection to if the business is a coffee shop. An alcohol license will allow people to be drinking on the pavement only a few meters from my front door, into the evening. What is the smoking policy? smoking only a few meters from my front door and open windows above?

I am concerned that the plan for the business is more for a bar that serves coffee, or a micro pub type venue. An alcohol license, especially a license allowing sales later into the evening will facilitate this type of business. The simple fact that I was told that the plan was to serve alcohol until 8pm but is actually much later, is of concern. Does this mean that the other plans for the business are different to those stated? As I have already said, Forest Hall has a huge variety of venues that serve alcohol, and I do not see the need or benefit for the area/community. Forest hall has suffered a lot from anti-social behaviour, property and vehicle damage. I myself have installed CCTV due to my doors being kicked, people urinating at my back door and also damage to my vehicle parked to the rear of the property. I believe that the majority of this behaviour was conducted by people under the influence of alcohol and possibly drugs.

I have other concerns about how this will directly impact my life and the local area;

The road safety situation on an evening on Forest Hall road is a major concern. The multiple food outlets, Ritz bingo and other businesses create a hazard most evenings, with multiple vehicles parked along both sides of the road, which is double yellow on both sides. It is likely that a venue that serves alcohol into the evening will add an even greater risk to pedestrians crossing the road and general traffic flow. I think it will be more of an issue at this end of the road as there is no crossing, a bus stop and several side roads. There have been a couple of serious incidents involving pedestrians on this stretch of road over the past few years.

What is the impact for other local businesses in the area that already rely on their alcohol sales to survive. I am under the impression that most of these businesses are only just surviving, especially after the effect of the pandemic. There is no need for another alcohol license in the area.

I think a coffee shop and yoga venue is an excellent addition to the area and I genuinely wish Glen the best of luck with his business. I do not see the need for or benefit for the area/community in having another alcohol licensed business. I know that this will directly impact my quality of life.

Thank you for considering this representation.

Kind regards



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