

Mr G F Gore

West Berkshire Licensing Team

Your Ref: The Swan Pangbourne
Application No: 11/02111/FUL

11th November 2011

Dear Sir/Madam

My family and I have lived next to the Swan since 1984 and during that period have experienced the changes that have taken place when a new owner or manager takes over the Swan.

The relationship we have had has been good although on occasions we have had to express our concerns when changes have been implemented that effect us, without any consultation with ourselves as direct neighbours.

Our property is all but joined to the Swan apart from a small gap of some 30cm which makes the transfer of noise and smell of great concern.

The buildings that are currently used as storage that butts our property to the west, provide us with a natural buffer zone that clearly help in reducing the noise and smell associated with outside entertainment

The proposal to increase the outside drinking and eating area to within 10 meters of our property, will bring this discomfort closer to us and we are therefore apposed to this part only of the proposal as submitted.

It is also our concern that the new proposed extension to the existing outside drinking area will encourage patrons of the Swan to go towards the existing covered area of the boathouse sheds that a butt our property and would then encroach on our privacy and remove the peace and quite that we currently enjoy from this barrier that is in place.

Furthermore, the creation of a new recessed eating and drinking area could encourage undesirables who wish not to be in full view of the staffing area. This was one of the problems that had existed before ,when a previous manager tried to open up the area in front of the mentioned boathouse sheds and problems occurred with drug and alcohol abuse.

For these reasons we wish to oppose the application in so far as it relates to the creation of a new outside eating and drinking area towards our property and trust you will support us in your findings.

Yours faithfully,

Mr and Mrs G.F.Gore